



THIS LITTLE LIGHT...
the weekly LUMINARY
March 30, 2025

REFLECTIONS ON GENEROSITY

Luke 15:12 – “And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them.” This prodigal son only sees the father as a source of wealth. “Give me my inheritance now!” he says, which is really to say, “You are better off dead in my eyes.” This is the sin at the heart of all greed: valuing things over people. This parable calls us to come to our senses as well, and to see God as the loving Giver of all good, the true Father to be valued above and beyond all the things of this world.

TODAY IS LAETARE SUNDAY



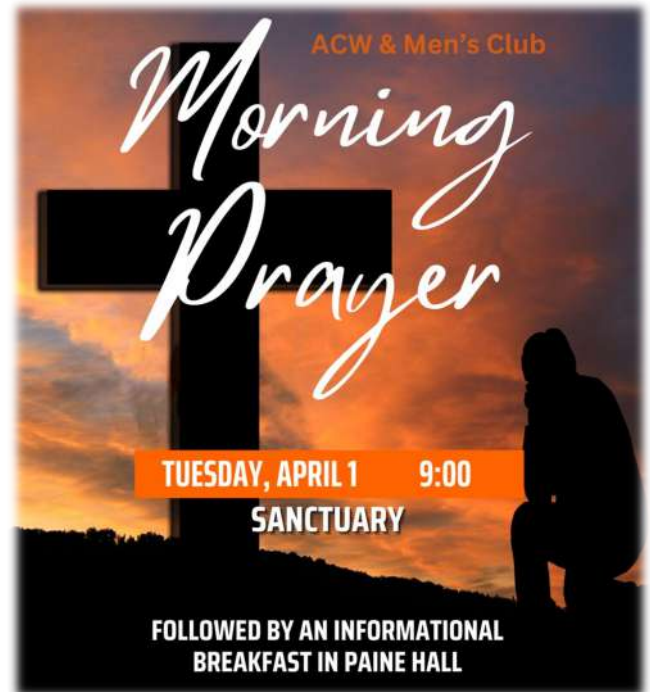
The church is called to joyful anticipation of the victory to be won. This joyful theme provides the lightening from the penitential emphasis of Lent. The celebrant of the Eucharist has been permitted to wear rose-colored vestments which express the change of tone in the Lenten observance.

HEALING PRAYERS

As a part of our Sunday morning worship services healing prayers will be offered in the back of the sanctuary following communion and in the Prayer Room following each service.

PLATES OF LOVE

Today’s Plates of Love offering will support the Hart Pantry. This Peoria-based, all volunteer organization is dedicated to identifying and providing food and clothing to at-risk teens at 27 locations in Peoria and Glendale. In 2024, the Hart Pantry distributed more than \$145,000 in food items to at-risk youth. Visit www.hartpantry.org for more information.



THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

Monday, March 31

9:00 AM Happy Hat Hookers

Tuesday, April 1

11:00 AM Exercise Class

12:00 PM EfM

Wednesday, April 2

8:30 AM Women’s Weight Management

4:00 PM Holy Eucharist w/Healing Service

4:45 PM Lenten Soup Supper & Study

Thursday, April 3

10:30 AM Flower Guild-CR

3:00 PM Advent Choir Practice

Saturday, April 5

8:30 AM Altar Guild

9:30 AM Flower Guild

11:00 AM Lucy Lynch Celebration of Life Service

Advent Prayer List—March 30, 2025

Please remember those for whom special prayers have been requested. Names will automatically remain on the prayer list for one month. If you wish an individual's name to return to the list after one month, please call the church office at 623.584.0350. *Names are listed alphabetically by last name.*

**Denotes Advent members. †Denotes deceased individual.*

Justine
Katie
Nicole
Odile
Connie Archbold
Ruth Bookout
Jeanne Boyd*
Tom Carroll*

Sally Charalambous*
Jim Clark
Danielle Mancano-Cloutier
Donna Contonis*
Clyde Hansen
Sherry Holleman
Richard Raszkievicz*
David Raymer*

David Schaefer
Sue Ann Simon*
Susan Syquia*
Phyllis Widowski
Carol Wright
Russ Yensen
The Family of Lucy Lynch*†
The Family of Randy Justice*†

LENTEN STUDY GROUP WITH RAPH MARTIN



The season of Lent is upon us. It is a graced period, beginning Ash Wednesday, and concluding with the triduum - or last three days of the Lenten cycle,

namely, Holy Thursday, April 17, Good Friday, April 18, and Holy Saturday/Easter Morning, April 19/20.

On six of the Lenten Wednesdays, parishioners are invited to participate in a Lenten supper of soup followed by a brief period of reflection on the words and actions of Christ that are the focus of the triduum period. This will also be a time for parishioners to engage with our presenters (Judy Huffman and Raph Martin) and with one another to be uplifted by the traditions, scriptures, and invitations they hold before us so as to understand better the faith we have been heir to.

(There will be a lot of information presented which we believe will need to be continued through special classes throughout the year! So get ready to be challenged. Start by signing-up for our Post-Lenten programs!) For more information please contact Raph Martin at 925.287.1287 or raph-martin@gmail.com.

Please remember in prayer all our servicemen and women, especially those who are deployed in war zones, and their families.

CHAPEL ROCK CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

As the number of families in our congregation grow we wanted to convey that Chapel Rock in Prescott, AZ, has wonderful summer camps for children of all ages. Chapel Rock does provide scholarships and Advent is starting a fund that will also be available to help if needed. There is an application process and the packets are available in the office.

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARY

April 1 John & Evelyn Papis  April 4 John & Lynn Long

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

April 1 Rita Bopp
William Malefyt

April 2 Jo Ann Deiner
Walter Knecht



April 5 Sharon Holmes

FAITHSTREET GIVING

Scan the QR code to go directly to Advent's giving page on the Faithstreet website.

