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**Fourth Sunday of Lent
14 March 2021**

Reflection of the Gospel

Last Sunday's gospel reading spoke of destroying and rebuilding the Temple, though we know Jesus was referring to himself. Today's first reading (2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23) reflects on how Israel's sins led to the destruction of the First Temple and exile in Babylon, and how Cyrus, King of Persia, reported his commission to build a new temple in Jerusalem and to free the Israelites to return there. Cyrus is thus shown to be the opposite of Pharaoh in the time of the Exodus, for had at every turn Pharaoh resisted letting the Israelites go, even for only a few days to sacrifice to God in the wilderness. Curiously, Cyrus' last word, the last word of 2 Chronicles itself, is the same verb as found in Abraham's story two weeks ago (*'alah*). It is translated here as "Let him ascend [to Jerusalem]", consistent both with the traditional reading indicated by the Septuagint and the general reference for going to Jerusalem, but it may also read "Let him offer". Cyrus, unbidden by the Israelites, frees them and encourages them to worship God. Cyrus' apparently extraordinary action is therefore seen as having been motivated by God. Whatever the political motives for Cyrus' actions, our literary character is a God-fearing Gentile, a just king and the anointed agent of God—in all ways he is the very opposite of Egypt's Pharaoh.

Cyrus' unbidden actions have some parallel in the second reading (Eph 2:4-10) which in the last verse employs the word *poiēma* (*things that have been made*), translated for us as "work of art". The only other instance of this noun in the New Testament is in Romans 1:20 (translated "the things [God] has made"). In both instances *creature* could also be a suitable translation, but in both it also refers to that which has been saved in God's act of salvation. This act of salvation is as unbidden as the act of creation, which the next word in Ephesians points to (*ktisthentes; those having been created*), a related form of which appears in Romans 1:25. This is the theologically important point of this word and its context: creation and salvation, making and repairing, or forming and reforming, are two facets of a single divine impulse. Ephesians points to the twofold mystery: God creates humankind, which tradition holds was in the image of the Son; and the salvation wrought in Jesus Christ the Son recreates us into that intended image (see also Eph 1:3-7). The saving work of God is a manifestation of that same love that founds the act of creation itself. At the metaphorical level the first and second readings are in parallel: Babylon, the land of exile due to sin, is the state of sin in which we are separated from God's intended state for us; it is God's unbidden initiative and doing that brings us back, just as God's unbidden act of creation brought us into being.

These two themes, that is, God's love that founds creation and salvation, and Christ as the agent of creation and salvation, are also present in today's gospel (John 3:14-21; see also the reflection for the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 14 September). The first link is clear, being found in the references to God's "great love for the world". The second is less obvious, and yet, as is so typical of John, it involves an even deeper, incarnational layer that is conveyed only indirectly, imaginatively. It is located in the reference to the image of the bronze serpent lifted up in view of those bitten by serpents. In the desert, the image of that which causes the injury becomes the cause of healing. But the image of the thing stands in for the thing itself (like synecdoche, a figure of speech), here revealing that at God's instigation the injurer then heals the injury. In this case, Jesus the man heals what human beings had hurt; salvation can be achieved only by God the creator, and this is manifest in Christ, God truly incarnate, such that in his true humanity is humanity's salvation wrought.

Text: Homily Help - Rev Dr Barry Craig - 4th Sunday in Lent - Year B

Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6pm
Sun 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 8.30am
Tues-Fri 9:15am
Sat 9.00am

Masses for Special Occasions

1st Tues 7.30pm Novena Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
1st Fri 7pm Novena Mass
Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition + Benediction

1st Fri after 9.15am Mass
1st Sat after 9am Mass
after the Novena Masses

Reconciliation

After any of the weekday masses
Sat: after the 9am mass until 10am
5:15 - 5:45pm before the Vigil Mass
Or upon request

Sacraments

1st Sat 9am Mass for the Sick
Sun 12pm Baptism *by appointment*

Devotions & Prayers

Mon 7.30pm Christian Meditation
via Zoom Frances Pegram
0417 406715
Tues 7pm Rosary and Novena
Prayer in the church
except for 1st Tues
Fri 6.30pm Christ Catholic
Community Prayer Group
Pauline Camilleri 0407 417039

Our Parish Mission

The parish of St John XXIII is a faith community with the Eucharist as its heart.

Inspired by John XXIII's prophetic opening of the windows of the Church, we welcome the fresh air of the Holy Spirit, inviting every person to share in the responsibility of enriching the life and faith of our community by sharing their gifts and talents."



For further updates with regards to our parish activities, always check our website <http://john23rd.com/> and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/john23rdparish/>

For Mass recordings check our website or subscribe to our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/c/StJohn%20XXIIIGlenwood-StanhopeGardensParish>

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First Reading

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 136

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. **R.**

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.' **R.**

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! **R.**

O let my tongue cleave my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! **R.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:4-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ - it is through grace that you have been saved - and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3:16

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

John 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believed in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

Special intentions

Recently Deceased:

Fr Michael "Mick" O'Callaghan, Ron Mandla
Marc Anastacio, Andrew Young

Deceased:

Crisanta Fernando, Emanuel Cremona,
Victoria Cremona, Angelo Cremona,
Victor Cremona, Geeta Shenoy

Anniversary:

Serapia Gatdula, Antiona Cremona,
Mark De Jesus

Sick: Names published with permission.

Thelma Duncan, Iyrika D'Cruz, Pat Doyle,
Colleen McCunnie, Benjamin Munson Jr,
Florientina Elisura, Lino Matteazzi, Kalayani,
Rebecca Shields, Maria Romeo, Kristy Arceo,
Anshu Mala Nand, Gustavo Montenegro,
Elizabeth Candame, Christina Properzi,
Raymond Lanzona, Elizabeth Newnes,
Nathan Parker, Kim Anika, Perla Magculang,
Geoffrey Robinson, Nathan Braganza,
Zenira D'Souza, Dung Phan, Gloria Buosi,
Karam Matte, Karam Sarsam, Hazel Masher,
Praba Daniel, Bernie Presto, Steve Esteban,
Deidre Thomson, Arlene Caraballo,
Greg Marcellana, Elmo Joachim,
Isagani Ocampo, Sophie De Leon,
Thelma Duncan, Marvi Antonino,
Virginia Santos, Rochelle Lopez

Thanksgiving:

COVID-19 NOTICES



Please check out the following sites for any and all updates:

NSW Health COVID site

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/latest-updates.aspx>

NSW Government site <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>

If you are not feeling well, please **DO NOT** come into church.

WEEKDAY MASSES do not require any on-line booking.

Sign in to register attendance, whether for mass or for visitation. Registration sheet and hand sanitisers can be found as you enter. Or you can scan the QR Code posted by the doors. **Entry and exit is via the rear doors.**

WEEKEND MASSES (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) still require **ONLINE BOOKING** via **Eventbrite** <https://john23rd.eventbrite.com.au/> until such time that further COVID legislation changes.

With the easing of restrictions, we are not doing live streaming of our Sunday 10:30am mass. We encourage parishioners to physically attend mass. If someone still wants to follow masses online you can watch the livestream mass at the Parramatta Cathedral.

Please arrive 15mins before the mass times to give time for registration confirmation.

Arriving early will also give you time for reflection and prayer, quiet your thoughts before we start our communion with God.

Entrance and exit is via the front door.

If you are unable to attend your booked mass time, please ensure to cancel your booking to give a chance for others to attend the mass.

If you have not arrived in time for your allocated booking, your spot will be given to those waiting/wanting to attend mass.



Welcome to the community of the Catholic Parish of St John 23rd Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens where the love of Christ is shining

Church Calendar

March

Mon	15	8:30am - Mass
Tues	16	9:15am - Mass 7:00pm - Novena Prayers Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed	17	<i>St Patrick (S)</i> 9:15am - Mass
Thurs	18	9:15am - Mass
Fri	19	<i>St Joseph (S)</i> 9:15am - Mass 7pm - Stations of the Cross 7:30 - Mass Year of St Joseph followed by tea
Sat	20	9am - Mass <i>Confession to follow</i> 5:15pm - Confession 6pm - Vigil Mass
Sun	21	Sunday Mass times 7:30, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm 11:30 - Fr Zvon's birthday morning tea

PARRAMATTA DIOCESE UPDATES ON COVID19

THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ENCOURAGES YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR LIFE OF PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH DESPITE CHURCH BUILDING CLOSURES.

For more updates and useful resources visit <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#faq>

The Diocese of Parramatta has communicated revised regulations to clergy, parishes, staff and the general public via a letter and online communication channels. These Diocesan guidelines are also available on the COVID-19 website at: <https://parracatholic.org/covid19/>

WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

Up to 300 people can attend weddings and funerals, provided the 2 square metre rule is adhered to

CHOIR AND CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

Number of performers singing indoors increased to 30 (currently 5) **subject to** physical distancing requirements

Singing by congregants allowed in places of worship if masks are worn and subject to one person per 4sqm (currently no congregant singing allowed, with one per 2sqm permitted in places of worship)

WEAR A MASK

Wearing a mask, especially in indoor venues like churches and religious services, is not compulsory, but we highly recommend you wear one.

Masks can also be seen an act of charity towards others and can help stop the spread of viruses and other infectious diseases.



Letter from the Parish Pastoral Council and the Finance Committee

Dear Parishioners,

We take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your continued involvement in the parish. Your great desire for spiritual nourishment and growth is seen in your participation in the Holy Eucharist and the sacramental life of our community. You also express your great love of the parish through your friendship and support to your fellow parishioners. Even in the midst of this hard time you have reached out to others and supported our parish through your personal involvement in the form of time, talents, resources, financial contributions and knowledge. We deeply appreciate what you have done, each of us together form this great community of ours.

We also take this chance to present the financial report of our parish for the financial year ending in June 2020. It is important for you to know how, as a parish, we use our time, resources and knowledge for the good of our community. We have undertaken some cost cutting measures, detailed below, as we are trying to reduce the running expenses of the parish. As good custodians of your homes you are used to looking after your homes. The parish is our spiritual home and we need to look after it. Thus, we encourage you to take a close look at the financial highlights that are presented in the bulletin and if you have any questions, please approach Fr. Jolly or the members of the Finance Committee.

Our plans for the future:

1. Repair and fix the pews, install proper kneelers and replace them, where needed
2. Formation of youth and young families
3. Family ministries and faith formation
4. Community and parish involvement with pastoral care of the elderly, single parents and couples
5. Install solar panels to reduce the cost of electricity bills
6. Revisit the installation of an air-conditioning system for the church building
7. Pay the outstanding arrears of the DDF (Bishop's special appeals) quota accumulated over the past few years
8. Continue the monthly loan repayment on our existing loan for the church building of \$ 3,613,178 to the Diocese
9. Explore the opportunity to build a parish office and meeting room in close proximity to the church
10. Upgrade of our Audio/Visual system with streaming capabilities

All these are the needs of our community and the parish, and, they can only be achieved through your continued involvement and contributions of time, talents and finances. Thus, we request your support to our Parish in whatever way possible.

We currently have approximately 270 families on a planned giving program, which helps us to budget our finances. We are appealing to all parishioners of St John 23rd to contribute to the financial well-being of the church. You can do this by:

- Contributing more into the 2nd collection during your participation in weekly mass
- Registering and signing up to the monthly planned giving program
- Speaking with Fr Jolly if you are interested to contribute to a specific initiative (for example the pews /sound system)

God loves the cheerful giver. Remember the words of Jesus about the poor widow. "I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on."

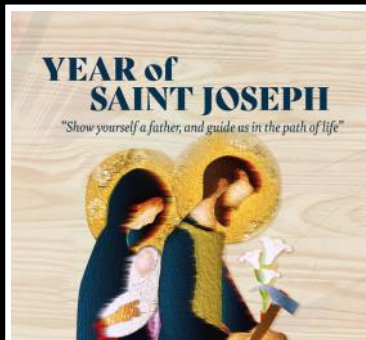
Year of St Joseph Celebration

This year we celebrate as the year of St Joseph, the patron of families and workers.

On **19th March, Friday**, the Feast of St Joseph, we will have the morning mass at 9.15am and an evening mass at 7.30pm.

Our parish community will be entrusted to the patronage of St Joseph, thus in both masses our families in the parish will be consecrated to the special intercession of St Joseph. We encourage you to attend any of the Friday masses with your family and consecrate yourselves to the patronage of St Joseph.

We will have a small gathering after the 7:30pm mass. We invite you to join and please bring a plate to share.



FAITH FORMATION

⇒ Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favour I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Marys).



"A family that prays together, stays together - Fr Patrick Peyton"

If you want the opportunity of having the statue of Our Lady visit your home, please contact Bart Sarlabus via email bart.sarlabus@gmail.com or Melva Paguinto emcipi85@yahoo.com.au

Novena prayers 7pm every Tuesday except every First Tuesday it's a Novena mass 7:30pm

Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

	2	9	16	23	30
Mar	Cano	Paguinto	Richards	Shalini	Jacob
Apr	Deang	Erasmus	Sebastian	Shalini	
May	Manalo	Javelosa	Sebastian	Jacob	
Jun	Paguinto	Shalini	Richards	Barnouti	Jacob
Jul	Tanganan	Ring	Deang	Jacob	
Aug	Ring	Lozada	Sebastian	Gan	Jacob

Families on the roster, if unable to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Bart or Melva.

"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the Rosary. Hear me out, the Rosary. ... Do you pray the Rosary each day?" Pope Francis

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. Mahatma Gandhi

We are in urgent need for volunteers to assist in the different pastoral ministries in our Parish.



⇒ Sacrament of Baptism facilitators

We require assistance at the children's baptismal rites during Sundays 12pm. For interested parties please contact Krizzia Samonte on krizzia.samonte@gmail.com or the Parish Office.

⇒ GARDENERS AND CLEANERS

Garden Bees - our gardens look magnificent thanks to the work of our abled parishioners but more help is needed. The commitment would be whatever time you can spare - a few hours a fortnight to assist in the maintenance of the church's garden surrounds.

Cleaners - we have four teams of cleaners who clean the church on a monthly cycle and four teams who clean the votive candle stands every few months. Both groups need more bodies to help out, urgently. The commitment would be a few hours each month. For more information contact maintenance@john23rd.org.au

⇒ SRE Teachers

If you could spare an hour during weekdays to spread God's word teaching the scriptures to children, **WE NEED YOU**. We currently have 4 public primary schools and a high school in our parish where we hold scripture classes during school hours for 30 minutes during Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information call Asoki 0430 020265 or Renuka 0414 795814. Training and resources will be provided.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

PASCHAL TRIDUUM MASSES

There will be choir rehearsals for the Paschal Triduum masses on the following dates:

18th March
25th March
31st March

Time is 7-9pm



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Members

Bing Catabas

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Parking Reminder

Please make sure when you come to Mass, let us consider our neighbours. Do not block the neighbours' driveway.

Paying our debt together

FIRST COLLECTION - for the support of the priests and deacons of the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION - used to meet our parish running costs of the church and provide for ministry expenses; it is also needed to pay off our church mortgage.

Planned Giving Program as part of the second collection

A Planned giving Program is in place to help us with the planning/budgeting for the church expenses. To register an **SJ23rd form** is available at the church foyer or contact the parish office. The Parish Finance Committee encourages all parishioners to register for direct debit or credit card deductions instead of the envelope system.

We encourage everyone to contribute financially as you leave by using the *TapnGo* machines or online via BPoint. We have *TapnGo* at both the doors.

Fr Zvon turns 75

To celebrate Fr Zvon's significant milestone, we are going to have a morning tea get together after the **10:30am mass, 21st March, Sunday.**

We invite you to join us and wish Fr Zvon as a parish community.

Please bring a plate to share. For more information, please contact Helen Festejo on 0401 671665.



A reminder to please help us maintain a COVID safe environment by pre-packing the food for sharing.



PALM SUNDAY

Anyone who can bring palms for Palm Sunday, please bring them by **21st March**, a week before Palm Sunday to give us time to prepare them for Palm Sunday. Thank you

EASTER SCHEDULE

30 Mar - Second Rite of Reconciliation 6:30pm

TRIDUUM

1 Apr - Holy Thursday	7.30pm	Mass (School Hub)
2 Apr - Good Friday	10am	Stations of the Cross (St Marks School grounds)
	3pm	Veneration of the Cross (School Hub)
3 Apr - Easter Vigil	7.30pm	Vigil Mass (Church)
4 Apr - Easter Sunday	7:30pm, 9am, 10:30am	(School Hub) 6pm (Church)



This year, our Parish is blessed to have four catechumens who are in their final weeks of preparation to receive the Sacraments.

We welcome our catechumens, **Michael Cheong, Sue Lee, Jody Lee Leukes and Stephanie Luck**, into the Catholic faith.

As a parish community, let us continue to pray for each of our catechumens.

*This time of Lent join us for the
Stations of the Cross*



**7pm every
Friday
followed by
mass**

YOUTH MINISTRY

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" Philippians 4:13

BLAZE

BLAZE Youth Group is a fun and exciting way for youths in Years 7 and up to learn about their faith and how to handle the struggles of being a teen.

BLAZE runs during **Friday nights**, weeks 1,3,5,7 and 9 of the school term. Session starts at 7:15 till 9pm.

BLAZE YOUTH LEADERS

Youth Coordinator - Amanda Lee - 0413 545 318

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Youth Ministry Team

Natasha Surjanto

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Johnathan Soosaipillai

Joy Ragaza

Support Leaders

Andrew Gorkic

Rebecca Reynolds

Neville Reynolds

RJ Samonte

Vidya Jolly

For all youth ministry enquiries, ✉ blaze@john23rd.org.au or visit our FB page <https://www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/> 👍



Come and Join !

MORE YOUTH GROUPS

CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

CRL YOUTH LEADERS

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YFC YOUTH LEADERS

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Vince Erasmo - 0406 253 698

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Welcome to our parish community!

Please take a welcome envelope pack from the front entrance.

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View our livestreams via YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJohn%20XXIII/Glenwood-StanhopeGardensParish>

SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and constructive suggestions.

If you or a family member is homebound and would want to receive communion in your home please contact the parish office.

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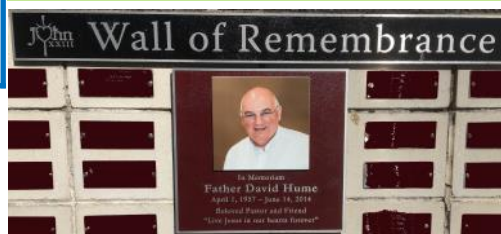
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