



MARCH 18-24, 2002
VERNAL EQUINOX, MARCH 20

PURE MONDAY

Pure Monday, also known as Clean Monday, occurs on March 18 this year. It's the Monday when Lent (Great Lent) begins in the Eastern Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches. The Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 24, is the first Sunday of Lent on the Orthodox church calendar; other churches, such as the Roman Catholic church, reserved February 17, is the first Sunday in Lent this year. Ages ago, Lent was also a time when candidates studied and fasted in preparation for baptism around Easter.

Cleanliness is next to godliness



OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS

March dries good eye
March wet, good wheat
March flowers make no summer bouwers

TIP OF THE WEEK

Look for spring greens now—dandelions, cress, and fiddle-heads

SPRING-GREENS SALAD

8 to 10 cups mixed fresh greens including endive, young dandelion leaves, escarole, radicchio, mustard greens, beet greens, and/or watercress

2 tablespoons balsamic or red wine vinegar

6 to 8 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper

2 teaspoons Dijon mustard

chopped herbs of your choice (such as parsley and chives)

Wash and spin dry the greens. Prepare vinaigrette dressing by combining the remaining ingredients. Chill salad and dressing separately until ready to serve, then toss together.

Makes 6 servings

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Belleville Livestock Auction
Belleville, Pa.
March 13, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA

CATTLE 325. (SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION).
STFFRS. Select 1-3 54.00-65.00. Standard 1-2 42.00-48.00
COWS Breakers 75-80¢ lean 38.25-45.00, few up to 47.00. Boners 80-85¢ lean 36.25-42.75, lean 85-90¢ lean 33.00-37.00 Shells 30.00 and down
BULLS Yield Grade 1 1100-1800 lbs 56.50-59.75.
CALVES 120 VEALERS Standard and Good 85-110 lbs 55.00-65.00
FARM CALVES No 1 Holstein bulls 95-120 lbs 125.00-160.00, No 2 85-110 lbs 87.00-130.00, No 1 Holstein heifers 95-120 lbs 340.00-570.00, No 2 90-110 lbs 200.00-320.00
Beef type bulls and heifers 90-110 lbs 150.00-170.00
HOGS 15 SOWS 1-3 400-700 lbs 24.00-29.00
FFDFR PIGS 20 1-3 19.00-36.00 — per head
SHFEP 14 SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice 25-50 lbs 130.00-190.00
SLAUGHTER SHFEP 35.00-52.00.
GOATS 20 (All sold by the head) Large Billies 94.00, Medium 65.00-79.00, Large Kids 44.00-60.00, Small 22.00-39.00

Leesport Livestock Auction
Leesport, Pa.
March 13, 2002
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CATTLE 235. (PDA)...(Supply included 105 steers & heifers, 98 cows, 20 bulls and 12 feeder cattle) Compared with last week's sale steers beef type 1.00 to 2.00 lower, Holstein steers mostly steady, cows 1.00 to 3.00 lower, heifers steady, bulls 2.00 to 4.00 lower
STFFRS few Choice 2-3 1175-1335 lbs, 70.25-73.25, Select 1-3 66.00-70.75, few Standard 1-2 54.50-56.25.
HOLSTEIN STFFRS. few High Choice and Prime 2-3 1330-1465 lbs 64.50-65.25, Choice 2-3 1280-1620 lbs 61.50-64.75, return to farm 53.50-56.00, Select 1-2 54.00-60.75, Standard 49.00-53.00
HFIFFRS: Choice 2-4 1105-1300 lbs 69.25-72.00, Select 1-3 61.50-69.25, Standard 1-2 49.50-50.50
COWS: Breakers 75-80¢ lean 42.25-48.50, Boners 80-85¢ lean 40.00-46.00, lean 85-90¢ lean 36.00-44.50 Shells 36.00 and down.
BULLS Yield Grade 1 1570-2480 lbs 56.00-60.25, one 66.00, Yield Grade 2 1175-2235 lbs 50.00-57.00
FFDFR CATTLE STEFRS one Large 2 610 lbs 52.50, couple Large 3 380 & 540 lbs Holsteins 62.50 & 70.00, HFIF-

ERS: couple Medium 2 800 & 895 lbs 56.00 & 60.00; BULLS: one Large 3 305 lbs Holstein 70.00, one 825 lbs Holstein 49.00.
CALVES 163...Vealers steady to 5.00 lower. VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-105 lbs 35.00-60.00, Utility 60-100 lbs 10.00-37.50. FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls steady to 5.00 higher, Holstein heifers mostly steady..No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 130.00-165.00, No 2 80-120 lbs 90.00-140.00, No 1 Holstein heifers 90-105 lbs 380.00-530.00, No 2 65-90 lbs 210.00-340.00
Beef type bulls and heifers 70-105 lbs 125.00-195.00
HOGS 23 Barrows and gilts 1.00 to 3.00 higher, sows mostly 2.00 higher
BARROWS AND GILTS: 40-45¢ lean 240-295 lbs 30.00-34.25.
SOWS, couple 1-3 635 & 680 lbs 31.75 & 32.00, Medium 210-220 lbs 30.00-32.00
BOARS: one 220 lbs 24.50
FFDFR PIGS 48 1-3 25-35 lbs 65.00-77.50, 50-70 lbs 57.00-65.00. - per cwt
SHFEP 8...SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice 25-55 lbs 130.00-155.00, one 75 lbs 97.00
GOATS 6...(All sold by the head) One Large Billy 100.00, couple Medium 89.00 & 90.00, couple Medium Nannies 74.00 & 81.00, one Small Kid 30.00.

Livestock Cooperative Auction Market Of North Jersey
Hackensack, N.J.
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Tuesday, March 12, 2002

CALVES 34.5-80
COWS 28-47
EASY COWS 09 - 43
FEEDERS 300-600 LBS 31-102
HEIFERS 44 - 64
BULLS 44 - 69

STIFRS 38-67
HOGS 39-48
ROASTING PIGS EACH 1.00-16.00
BOARS 12
SOWS 18 - 28
SHFEP 20-47
LAMBLS EA 24.00-79.00
LAMBLS PER LB 47-2.55
GOATS EA 30.00-150.00
KIDS EA 19.00-72.50
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