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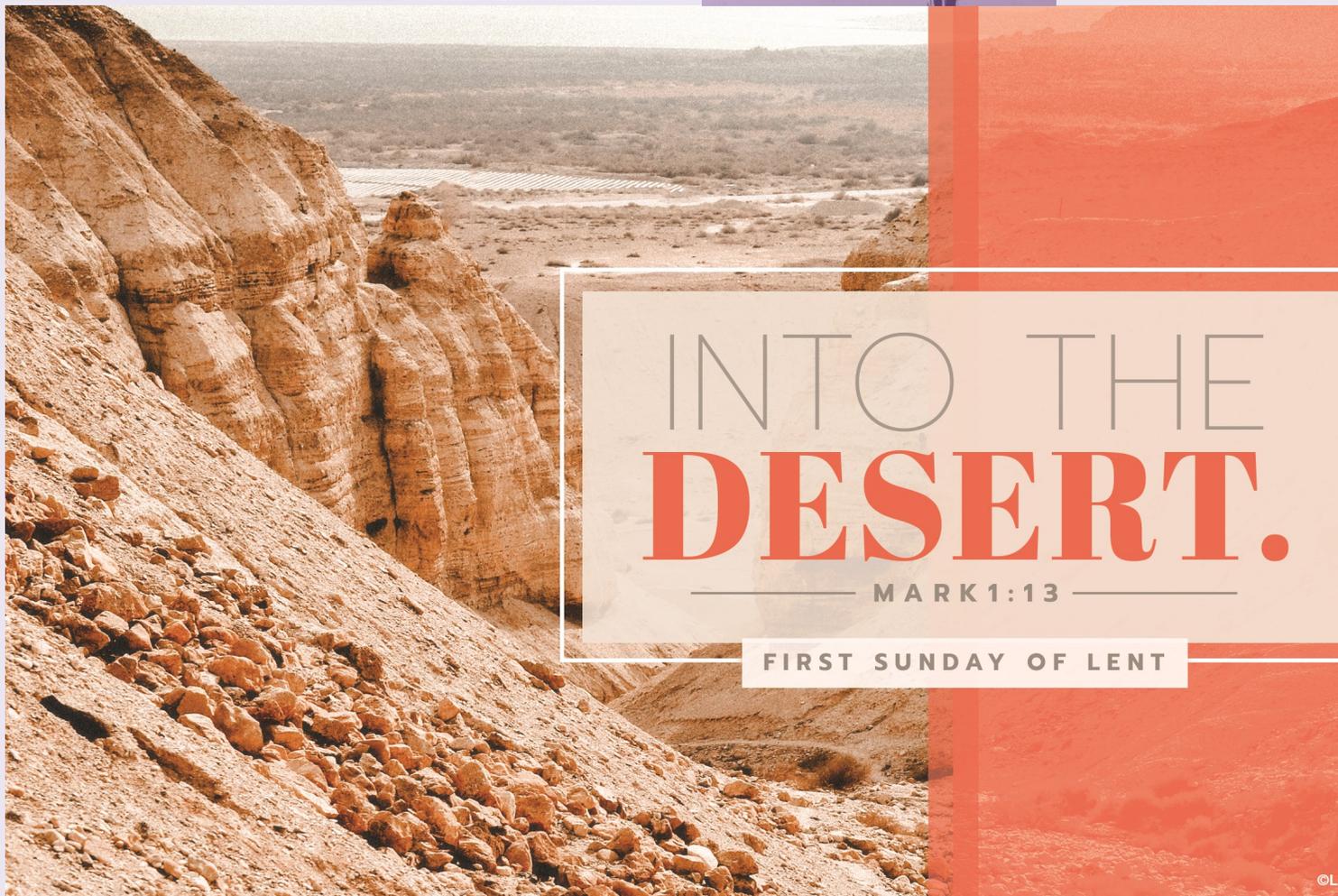
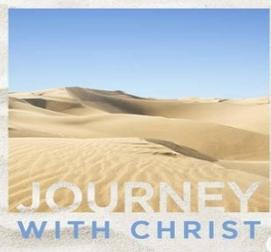
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HOW
ARE YOU
CHOOSING TO
WALK IN HIS
SANDALS
THIS LENT?

**OFFER
YOUR
SUFFERING
TO GOD**



**TAKE UP
THE
CROSS
AND**



INTO THE **DESERT.**

MARK 1:13

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR EARLY MARCH—SEE PAGE 12


**Stations
OF THE CROSS**
FRIDAYS: 9A, 5:30P


FISH FRY
FRIDAYS: 6:30P


MARCH 2ND


MARCH 9TH


**WELLNESS
SEMINAR
PART 3** MARCH 10


**Tour to Fatima
with the
Ladies Guild.**
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PARISH INFORMATION

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OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church which means, **God is with us**, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

CLERGY

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

In Residence

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Music

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Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

Altar & Clergy Vestments

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Patti Gomez | 561-293-9761

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Guild

President Carol Chapman

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Luke VanHove



PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm–7:30pm (after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass or call the parish office

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in advance. Contact Parish Office.

WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am–1:00pm

Tuesday Closed

Thursday & Friday 8am–1pm

Saturday Closed

4th Sunday of the Month 10:00AM– 1:30PM

NOTE: Gift shop will be closed when the parish office is closed

ROSARY GROUP

Monday–Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Feb 19

6:30A Adoration 1:00P..... Movie

Tuesday, Feb 20

6:30A Adoration 10:00A Faith Sharing

Wednesday, Feb 21

6:30A Adoration 2:00P School of Christian Formation 4:00PSoulCore

Thursday, Feb 22

6:30A Adoration 9:00A.....Anointing of the Sick 3:00PHoly Hour 6:30PAA Meeting

Friday, Feb 23

6:30A Adoration 9:00A.....Stations of the Cross 4:00P.....Fish Fry 5:30P.....Stations of the Cross 6:30P.....Taize

Saturday, Feb 24

9:00A.....Confession

Sunday, Feb 25

1:00P..... OCIA Class 1:00P.....OCIA Class 1:00P.....Baptism Class



SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Do you want to make sure there have been no sudden time changes to any event or activity you want to join this week? Call the parish office on business hours.

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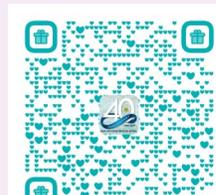
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February 08, 2024

Goal Amount\$ 169,000.00

Current Donation Total \$ 52,050.06

Balance Remaining\$ 116,949.94



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL

St. Paul said, "In everything that you do; Give Thanks to God." Indeed, To God Be the Glory!

Thank you Lord for all the Blessings that you have given us, especially the great success of our Annual Parish Family Festival. It's such a joy to me to see how, year in and year out, successful we are in those activities where and when we truly become a true team, sharing together the 3 T'S: Time, Talent and Treasure.

That makes us a true Family of God.

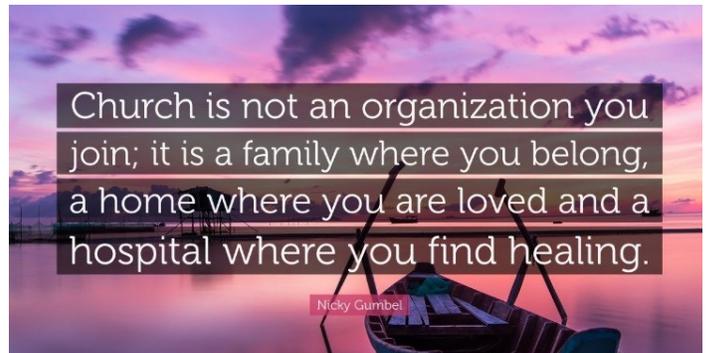
Special **THANK YOU to** all our Donors for the Prizes of our Big Raffle!

Congratulations to all the winners!

Again, and always, thank you to the Group Leaders and volunteers of our Food Booths (American, Italian, Indian and Filipino), to Mary and all volunteers for the Flea Market, the members of the Knights of Columbus and Ladies Guild, Linus and Michael for the music, and to those who entertained us, Eddie Shannon and members of the Staff , Lorne and Son's funeral home who sponsored the raffle tickets and, most of all, to all of you my Dear Parishioners.

GOD BLESS YOU!

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora, Pastor



CLERGY SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 19-25, 2024

Monday, Feb 19th

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Carr

12:00P Fr. Timothy

Tuesday, Feb 20th

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Timothy

12:00P Fr. Zamora

Wednesday, Feb 21th

7:30A Fr. Carr 8:30A Fr. Leone

12:00P Fr. Timothy

Thursday, Feb 22nd

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Timothy 12:00P Fr. Theo

Friday, Feb 23rd

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Carr
12:00P Fr. Timothy 6:00P Fr. Theo

Saturday, Feb 24th

8:30A Fr. Carr 4:00P Fr. Timothy 5:30P Fr. Timothy

Sunday, Feb 25th

7:30A Fr. Carr 9:00A Fr. Leone
10:00A Fr. Theo 10:30A Fr. Carr
12:00P Fr. Theo 6:00P Fr. Zamora

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

February 11, 2024

First Collection	\$ 19,056.00
Second Collection	3,819.00
Subtotal.....	\$ 22, 875.00

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

Monday, Feb 19

7:30am †Michael Fivaz by Ramon Palmero †Carlos & Angela Henriod & Percy Cannon Sr.
 8:30am *Dorothy Deedy by Marie Regan †Catalina Paniagua by Martha Rodriguez
 12:00P *Eamon Tuohy by Doris Fiorenza, & *Dorothy Deedy by Jennifer †Ted Vargas & Family by Elsa Caraballo

Tuesday, Feb 20

7:30am *Adam Menzel by Martina DeBoise †Joseph DeBoise Sr. by Martina DeBoise
 8:30am †Cory Cummings by Faith Sharing Group *Patsy Gahagan by Gladys Ceballo
 12:00Ppm †Matilde & Ramon Rivera by Victor Rivera *Evelyn Santiesteban & Family by Elsa Caraballo

Wednesday, Feb 21

7:30am †Rudy & Frances Biola by Angela & Mark *Deacon Tony B. by Carmela Balestrieri & Jean Claude Bourque
 8:30am †Mike Kabjian by Joe & Marie Distefano *Comparato Family by Tom Comparato
 12:00apm †Dominick Ricardo by Dominick Ricardo Jr. †All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, Feb 22

7:30am †Blanca Mejia by Martha Rodriguez †Brian Fennell Sr. & Brian Fennell Jr. by Donna & George Fortunato
 8:30am †Lorraine Wheeler by Tom & Clara Depko †Dorrit Stopek by Pam Lee
 12:00pm †Bret J. Alemy by Mary Louf †Michael Prettitore by Rita Madan

Friday, Feb 23

7:30am †Suresh Joseph by Sindhu Nadarajan † Blanca Mejia by Martha Rodriguez
 8:30am †Sudie Jeanette Harris by Gail & Mark Vlasek †Buck-Tom Hathhorn by Gail & Mark Vlasek
 12:00pm †Rosalino Pizzo by Enza & Family † Peter Hoyt by Katherine Gilberg
 6:00pm For Priests For priests

Saturday, Feb 24

8:30am *Diane Marry by Mark, Bernadette & the boys †Christos Ioannou by Evelyn Santiesteban
 4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD BOOK OF THE DEAD
 5:30pm †William Mazzio by Mother Anna Perfetti †Arnaldo Torres by Iris Knight

Sunday, Feb 25

7:30am †Alejandro Sanchez by Estebania Brea †Joseph Franzese by Barbara Franzese
 9:00am † Rita Leone by Josephine Adamczyk †Aggie Maida by Denise & Harry Freda
 10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
 12:00pm †Grandpa Joe Baldino by Grandchildren & Family † Grandma Rae Baldino by Grandchildren & Family
 6:00P †Hal Wertman by Dorothy Deedy †Harold Wertman by Linda & Ed DiMarco

UNSCHEDULED

†Margaret Dalton by Bob Dalton †Helen Dalton by Bob Dalton †Julia Greenley by Bob Dalton
 †Manolo Diego Buriel by Bob Dalton † Andrew White by Dennehy Family *Rosemarie Clundt by Anne Marie Riviuccio

Vigil Lights Offered for Muriel Meszaros and her birthday - From Ed and Kathy Meszaros

PRAYER LIST

**Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers:
For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:
For men and women in the Armed Forces:**

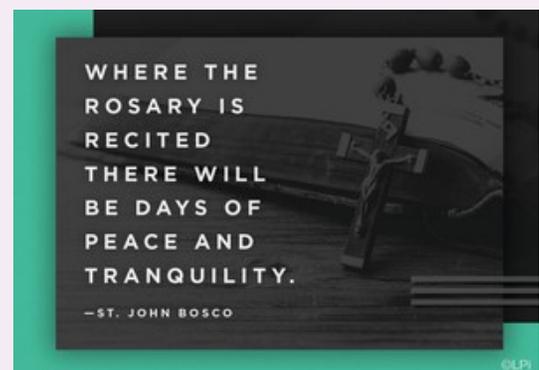
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David & John	Sr. Frances Vass OSC
Helen Cruz	Marguerite Dawson
Lenore Curatolo	Mary Loveland
Marilyn Boyle	Sam Falcone
Andrea Anastasi	Patricia Golstein
Shelly Fiorini	Taylor Dosh
Fran Abrami	Marilyn Martino
Ed Bush	Gulshan Modena
Margarito D. Berciles	Maggie Dolan
Arthur Chiusano	Amelita Coz-Zarraga
Maureen Oberholzer	Heather Martin
Bob Oberholzer	Tailor McGee
John Wilkens	Ronald Griffiths
Scott Ellison	Margie Giaquinto
Evangeline Ezeilo	Maria Fernandez
Michael Gehres	Raphael Roman
Karen Sullivan	James Ezeilo
Eric Albertson	Brenda Ezeilo
Salvatore Pagano	Brian Sullivan
Sean Zahul	Joan Albertson
Darren Guzman	Cynthia Martin
Mary Lou	Francis Martin
Connie Panepinto	Hermoine D'Cruz
Amalia Mazzolin	Brigitte Knops
Leon Martin	Toni Kreamer
Joe Delagami	Gerry Gerhard
Dennis Audette Rose	Ricardo Gonez
Marie Regner	Euclides Cerutti
Michael Manuele	Grace Cassagnol
Carla Ruiz	Samuel Gonzales
Benjamin Robelo	Victorio
Karen McCarty	Ray Wolff
T.J. Genzale	Patricia Tripi Giraldo
Dave Ruiz	Ruth Kipperman
Victoria Robelo	Ida Giannettina
Ms. S.	Tom Hickey
Dennis Gilbride	Josette Weber
Jane McGinley	Nicholas Payamps
Barry Cohen	Rolyn Alvarado
Rose Borsella	Vincent Rizzo
Richard Stephens	

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION . Lord, I believe and profess that You are truly Christ, Son of the Living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL PRAYER. Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age. Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread. Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering. Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS. Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.



Have a Prayer Request or Need a Pastoral Visit?

Contact us for a prayer request at (561.496.2480).

Weekly Prayer

"May we see your goodness and your glory in new ways throughout this season of Lent. May we know the depths of your love for us more fully. May we feel the pain you endured for our sake, Jesus, and may we rejoice that you conquered every bit of evil when you rose to life again. Amen"

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

God said to Noah and to his sons with him:
 "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you
 and your descendants after you
 and with every living creature that was with you."
 (Gn 9:8-10)

Psalm:

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who
 keep your covenant. (Ps 25)

Second Reading:

It is not a removal of dirt from the body
 but an appeal to God for a clear conscience,
 through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Pt 3:21)

Gospel:

He was among wild beasts,
 and the angels ministered to him. (Mk 1:13)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

In the desert, Jesus endured forty days of hardship and temptation. But he did not endure it alone: "the angels ministered to him," the Gospel tells us. Remember that you do not face Lent alone. God is beside you in your journey to the desert.

Observances for the week of February 18, 2024

- Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** Presidents' Day
- Wednesday:** St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Thursday:** The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
- Friday:** St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent

SAINT OF THE DAY - ST. POLYCARP

Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, disciple of Saint John the Apostle and friend of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, was a revered Christian leader during the first half of the second century.

Saint Ignatius, on his way to Rome to be martyred, visited Polycarp at Smyrna, and later at Troas wrote him a personal letter. The Asia Minor Churches recognized Polycarp's leadership by choosing him as a representative to discuss with Pope Anicetus the date of the Easter celebration in Rome—a major controversy in the early Church.

Only one of the many letters written by Polycarp has been preserved, the one he wrote to the Church of Philippi in Macedonia.

At 86, Polycarp was led into the crowded Smyrna stadium to be burned alive. The flames did not harm him and he was finally killed by a dagger. The centurion ordered the saint's body burned. The "Acts" of Polycarp's martyrdom are the earliest preserved, fully reliable account of a Christian martyr's death. He died in 155.

This is the prayer he prayed before he died:

Lord, almighty God, Father of your beloved and blessed Son Jesus Christ, through whom we have come to the knowledge of yourself, God of angels, of powers, of all creation, of all the race of saints who live in your sight, I bless you for judging me worthy of this day, this hour, so that in the company of the martyrs I may share the cup of Christ, your anointed one, and so rise again to eternal life in soul and body, immortal through the power of the Holy Spirit. May I be received among the martyrs in your presence today as a rich and pleasing sacrifice. God of truth, stranger to falsehood, you have prepared this and revealed it to me and now you have fulfilled your promise.

I praise you for all things, I bless you, I glorify you through the eternal priest of heaven, Jesus Christ, your beloved Son. Through him be glory to you, together with him and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of February 18, 2024

Sunday:

Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/
1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday:

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday:

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday:

1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

Friday:

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday:

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15,
16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/
Mk 9:2-10



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Gospel Meditation

Seek a deeper understanding of Scripture

When I feel down, I sometimes watch the famous “Double Rainbow” video on YouTube to feel better. It’s hilarious. A young man camping in Yosemite Park sees two rainbows stretching across the sky. He bursts into a kind of ecstasy. “Double rainbow, all the way! Oh my God!” he announces. Then he starts to weep. He cries out, “What does it *mean*?” Beneath the humor of his glorious overreaction is the deep intuition we all have, I think, when we see the colorful bow in the sky. This Sunday, God sends a rainbow to Noah, and to us. What *does* it mean?

Long before YouTube had the double rainbow, Dante’s medieval poem *The Divine Comedy* featured one in his image of paradise. Seeing two rainbows, he muses that one is born of the other. The bow is God’s promise of peace. For Dante, it’s even more: nature’s encrypted image of the Trinitarian God. One visible rainbow (God the Son) is begotten of another usually invisible one (God the Father) united by invisible light between them (God the Spirit). Like invisible light, Trinitarian glory surrounds us in every moment — but Jesus has made it visible in his glorious body.

Lenten challenge: This might seem silly, but this Lent I invite you to find a rainbow and meditate on it. You might have to make one yourself, like this current desert-dweller will. Gaze on it. See there a natural gift from the Creator, saying to you, “Here I am! I will love and protect you, surrounding you in My glory.” This Lent let’s embrace that with confidence, rain, or shine.

— *Father John Muir*

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Lent and the Flood

I would bet money that somewhere in your church this Lent, there's a bare tree branch draped in purple fabric and an empty bowl filled with rocks.

I'm not poking fun, the desert imagery that surrounds the season of Lent isn't a cliché — or if it is, it's only because clichés are essentially true. Lent is the desert. Lent is the wilderness. Lent is the time of less.

But what if Lent was also the flood?

It seems counterintuitive, floods are excessive, and we don't think of Lent as a time for superabundance. Lent is when we limit experiences outside of ourselves in order to limit proclivities within ourselves. Lent is not a time for anything to be washing over us, consuming us, carrying us away on a tide.

Unless...it is.

Consider the flood of the Old Testament. An act of destruction, yes, but also an act of purification. An endurance test for the soul, an epic trust fall exercise between God and Noah in which Noah had to ride the literal waves, clinging to life as God wiped away everything familiar. Everything sinful.

In Lent, we relinquish our weaknesses and our infirmities to the flood. It's frightening, certainly. But it's also exciting. Because just as the flood destroys everything, it also makes everything possible. It is a baptism.

Lent, like the flood, makes the world new.

"Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit." — 1 Peter 3:18

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What do the colors of the priest's and deacon's vestments mean?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the colors of the vestments evolved over the course of several centuries and there was wide variation both in the colors used, and in the feasts and seasons associated with particular colors. It was Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) who gave us the basic outline that was later prescribed by Pope Saint Pius V in 1570. The various colors remind us of the dominant themes of a particular season or celebration.

- **White:** Used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter and in celebrations of the Lord, of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs. This color is also used in Masses for the dead, at baptisms, weddings and other festive celebrations.
- **Red:** As the color of both blood and fire, red is used on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as Pentecost and special celebrations of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, red is used on the feasts and memorials of the Apostles and those saints who died as martyrs.
- **Violet:** The color for Advent and Lent. Violet may also be used in Masses for the dead and on All Souls Day (November 2).
- **Green:** A color of life and hope, green is used throughout Ordinary Time.

Other colors: Rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, black may be used in Masses of the dead and on All Souls Day, gold or silver may be used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green.

PRACTICING CHRISTIAN

FIND GOD IN ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Unlikely Suspects

Have you ever taken a nature walk? Have you leisurely strolled through a forest or field, with no real destination in mind and your only objective being receptivity to and observation of all God's creation?

Sometimes, Scripture readings can feel like a nature walk. All of salvation history plays out against the backdrop of the natural world, with all elements of God's creation – plants and animals and the dust of the earth itself – turning in a supporting performance. How about Jesus in the hot and dusty desert, tempted, living "among the wild beasts?" Noah departed from his ark with the animals he rescued, observing God's sign in the very clouds of the sky. Even God Himself, offering us salvation from original sin through the waters of baptism.

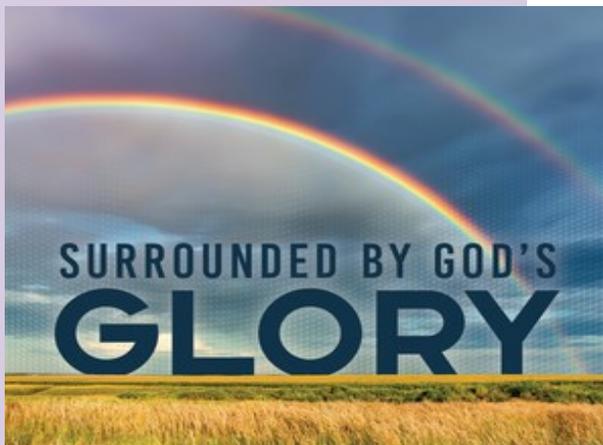
How often do we remember that God speaks to us through all of His creation, even in the unlikeliest suspects?

Let's go back to the nature walk. It sounds like a lovely way to pass an afternoon, amongst wildflowers and butterflies, but don't forget the beating hot sun, mosquitos, and threat of rain on the horizon. Remember, we're not in heaven yet. Here on earth, God may be present in His creation, but that doesn't mean it's always easy to endure.

Lent is, essentially, a time to listen for the voice of God in places we may not expect: the mild irritations you experience when you're craving the chocolate you gave up, or the dull pangs of hunger during the Ash Wednesday fast. It's a golden opportunity to see the divine hand in all of creation, even those unlikely suspects.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Everyday Stewardship

When I was a teenager, the experience of Catholic retreat basically changed my life. I wasn't lost or hurting, but the 3 days placed me on a path that led to where I am today. Certainly, my experiences of faith before and after that weekend also played a role in the person I have become. However, the power of God I felt in that short period of time had such a profound effect on me it became a type of lens through which I then came to see the rest of my life.

Sometimes we need to get away from it all to realize what really matters in life. We step back and see things more clearly. When we are fully in the world it is hard to get past the busyness and constant noise of modern existence. Distractions are all around us and our attention span can be so limited when it comes to truth.

This Lent, find the time to slow down, to get away from it all, and to rest in the peaceful arms of God. Go to the desert and work on surrendering all you are, and have, and will be to Jesus. Reflect on the many gifts you have been given and discern the best ways to cultivate those for God's glory. As this season begins, be mindful of the fact that this time will never come again. There might be a Lenten season next year, but God is calling you now.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT





INCLUDE THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Twenty two students attended the Confirmation Retreat hosted by Jesus Youth at the Duncan Center. The students spent last Saturday participating in activities and sessions that provided a preface to the great gift of being anointed and sealed with the Holy Spirit and how the grace of the sacrament can transform and empower them to live as a disciple of Jesus. It was an opportunity for the students to work together, pray together and have fun in a faith filled environment. A very special thank you to Sindhu, Jerome, Joseph and the Jesus Youth volunteers who made this day fun and meaningful. We ask that you keep these students in your prayers that they hear their calling as they will be Confirmed on March 10th by the Most Reverend Bishop Barbarito at the 6:00pm mass.



Congratulations to Samantha who was welcomed into God's loving family in baptism at the children's mass last Sunday. This is a special year for Samantha as she made her First Reconciliation yesterday and prepares for First Holy Communion this spring. May Samantha, Lucas Renee and Amelia continue to grow in their faith and know God is smiling from above knowing he has 4 more children to look after and love. God Bless these families as they celebrate this special moment.

MARCH MADNESS

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Hosted by ...



Arts & Crafts Show

Saturday, March 2, 2024 8:00A – 6:00P

Outdoor Pavilion

Vendors Wanted. Application Deadline is February 21, 2024

Vendors Keep All Profits!

For Registration Info, contact: **Brother Knight Prokop** e: jprokop51@gmail.com p: 475.201.6187

WELLNESS SEMINAR III



“Mending the Heart Physically & Spiritually”

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 -1:30 PM COLUMBUS HALL

KUSHAGRA KATARIYA, MD, FACS
Cardiothoracic Surgery

REV. GAUDIOSO C. ZAMORA
Pastor Emmanuel Parish, Chaplain,
Knights of Columbus Blessed
Mother Council #13338

Please sign the projected guest list at the front of the church or the church office for planning seating and refreshments. Door prizes and a 50/50 Raffle. For information, contact: Knights Council Faith Director, Armando Minutoli, Chairman or CO- Chairmans, Treasurer, Peter Cavanaugh and PGK/Trustee, Dominic Scaduto.



SPRING
Fling

Join us for an Evening of Fun

(includes Dinner, Dancing and Dessert)

We will be holding raffles!

March 9, 2024 , Saturday. Festivities begin at 6:30P
Get your tickets today at the Parish Office or Gift Shop!
\$25.00 per attendee



The Ladies Guild

OF

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Presents...

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes – Montserrat, Spain

May 18 – 27, 2025

Book now and save \$350: Double \$3,999* Single \$4,499*

Price includes 10 days, 15 meals; round trip air from Palm Beach Int'l airport, all air taxes and fees/ surcharges, hotel transfers and bus round trip from Emmanuel Church to and from airport. Prices guaranteed through November 19, 2024.

Deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Final payment is due March 19, 2025.

***Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$449 per person, if electing insurance, it must be purchased at time of the booking. Optional tours available in Barcelona and Montserrat, Spain.

For complete details on the tour and to make a reservation, go to the Collette website below or Contact Carol Chapman at 561-310-3229, cchapman33463@gmail.com

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1206580>

Women's COME & SEE

Vocational discernment weekend for women ages 18-30

March 1-3, 2024

Location:

Amoris Christi Campus
15820 S Military Trail
Delray Beach, FL 33484

The cost/ donation:
\$50.00

Scholarships are available.

Questions? Contact:

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Register by February 21
For registration please scan our QR code
or contact Viviana Morales
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