



SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



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+In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.....

I Confess To Almighty God

and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have great sinned,

in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done

and in what I have failed to do,

*(and, striking their breast over the heart twice,
the people say):*

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Amen

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Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~3:00PM
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A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.
COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

March 7, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

**"WHEN HUMAN RIGHTS ARE PERVERTED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE MOST HIGH,
WHEN ONE'S CASE IS SUBVERTED – DOES THE LORD NOT SEE IT?
MY EYES WILL FLOW WITHOUT RESPITE,
UNTIL THE LORD FROM HEAVEN LOOKS DOWN AND SEES."**

A Lent Sourcebook: The Forty Days, Book One, p. 217

It is incredible that over 500,000 Americans have died from COVID-19. The vaccines should help ease the effects of the pandemic. But, even if we are vaccinated, we still have to wear our masks, maintain social distancing, and wash our hands. We all look forward to the day when all of this is not necessary. In the meantime, we still have to protect ourselves and each other.

The Ten Commandments were the principles that guided Jesus and all the Jews of his time. However, Jesus has given us another set of principles by which to live our lives. These are the Beatitudes found in Matthew 5. The Beatitudes are admonitions of what we can do and be as God's people. They call us to live as a vibrant sign of Christ's presence in our lives so that others will know how serious we are in following Jesus.

Following Jesus means that we take seriously the message of the Gospels and radiate it to all the world. Lent is always a good time to reflect on how well or poorly we accomplish this. It is also a good time to consider what changes we need to make in our lives so that we can be a better sign of Christ. For most of us, this requires little adjustments because we are sent to help build the Kingdom of God on earth. It means standing up for injustice in our lives, our church, our country, and our world. It means that we have something better and different to offer each other and that is the abiding presence of Jesus who always calls us to goodness, holiness and conversion.

Jesus has revealed to us the secret of his heart and insight into the kingdom. What we do with them depends on how serious we are in following him.

HAPPY LENT!!

~ Fr. Joe



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals:
\$10,079.00

\$5,475.00 Church Collection
\$4,604.00 Online Collection*
(two weeks online total)*

To sign up for Online Giving go to:
www.saintjamestheapostle.org

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD
DONATIONS

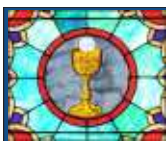
*Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their
weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are
welcome to do so.*

OR

*To make a donation to help our parish, please visit
our GoFundMe page:*

[https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/
archdiocese-of-newark?lang=en-us](https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/archdiocese-of-newark?lang=en-us)

Select Team: Saint James the Apostle, Springfield
(all donations are gratefully accepted)



MASS INFORMATION

Vigil Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM
(10:30AM Mass Facebook / YouTube)

DAILY MASS

Weekday: Novena 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM
Saturday: Novena 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM

NOVENA

Monday Evenings ~ 6:30PM
Facebook / Zoom

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Due to the ongoing need for social distancing, there are no group baptisms at this time.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated individually.

Please call the rectory to schedule your infant's baptism.



SACRAMENT INFORMATION

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING

THE RCIA PROCESS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process where individuals who seek to receive the Sacraments of Initiation or who have never been baptized enter into full communion with the faith.

BAPTISM ~ CONFIRMATION ~ MARRIAGE ~ SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or Religious Life?
Speak to one of our priests or call the Vocations Office 973-497-4365.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director ~ Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative Assistant
Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

Today begins the Third week of Lent our Lenten sacrifices continue as we look forward to entering into Holy Week.

Today is our last Family Faith Zoom session for this year. The children will continue to work independently with their parents / grandparents to complete their faith studies. Despite the challenges and feedback that we have received, we believe the Family Faith Program worked very well! We will continue to work closely with the parents and give assistance as needed to the children.

There is still time to join us for Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00PM.

Although we are limited in the in-person gatherings, our parish offers a host of virtual opportunities for us to come together during this Lenten Season. We hope you will join us.

Just a reminder, everyone is welcome to join the parish community on YouTube or Facebook to unite our prayers through the Holy Rosary and Novena. The Rosary is live-streamed every Monday evening at 6:30PM during Lent and 7:00PM during Ordinary Time. Check the parish website or Facebook for additional information.

7th GRADE

Homework that was emailed and posted on Google Classroom is due Thursday, March 4, 2021

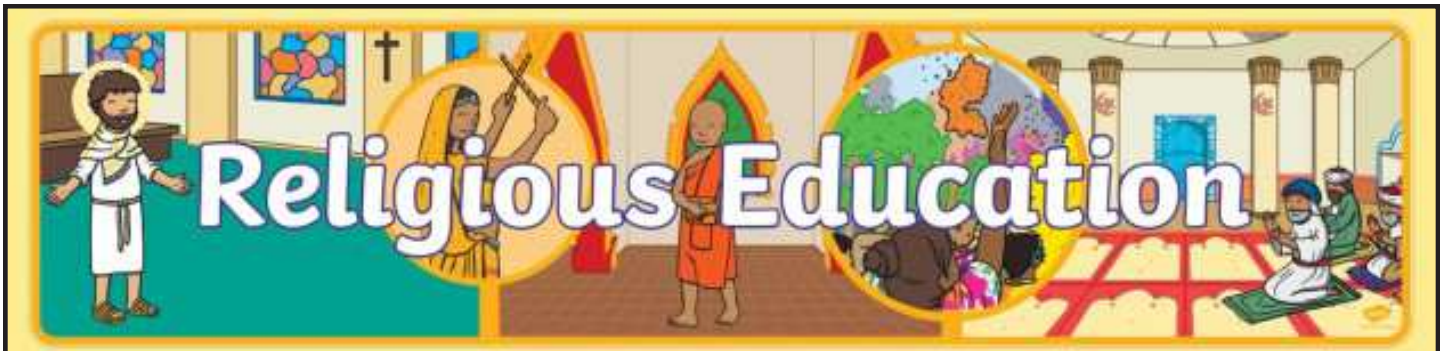
Next Zoom Class: Tuesday, March 9

8th GRADE

Homework that was emailed and posted on Google Classroom

is due Thursday, March 11, 2021

Next Zoom Class: Tuesday, March 16



MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE

Regarding Attending Mass during Covid-19

Dear Fellow Saint James Parishioners:

It is great to be back together in church for Mass, but things are a little different. Senior citizens and those with underlying medical conditions are encouraged to remain at home and watch the Sunday online 10:30AM Mass, which we will continue to live-stream.

If you do come to church for Mass, please remember the following:

1. You must wear a mask to enter the church and you must keep your mask on, at all times while in the church, including during Mass.
2. As you go from the Gathering Area into the church, please use the appropriate door to enter and exit the church.
3. Please observe the one-way aisles, which are marked with blue tape on the floor.
4. You must maintain social distancing while in the church.
5. Half of the pews have been taped off to maintain social distancing. There are pieces of blue tape on each pew where you can sit. They are also on the floor by the back walls for those who prefer to stand. This area is also marked for social distancing.
6. Family members can sit together, but everyone else must sit 6 feet apart.
7. The weekly collection baskets will not be passed from parishioner to parishioner. They will be on the baptismal font. Please drop in your donation as you enter or exit the church.
8. There is no procession of the bread and wine ("bringing up the gifts").
9. Please do not shake hands when sharing the sign of peace. Instead, wave, nod, or bow slightly.
10. There are three Communion stations: one in the center, one by the organ, and one by the ambo. The ushers will direct you to maintain social distance.
11. Hosts can no longer be placed directly on a parishioner's tongue by a priest, deacon, or Eucharistic Minister. You must receive the Host in your hand and place it on your tongue. There is no receiving from the Cup.
12. When it is your turn to receive Communion, approach the priest or deacon, receive the Host in your hand, step aside, raise or lower your mask, and place the Host on your tongue. Immediately replace your mask over your mouth.
13. The candles in the Gathering Area have been turned off and they are taped.
14. There are no printed bulletins. Bulletins are posted online on the parish website.
15. The Worship books have been removed from church. You may bring your own booklet, iPad or iPhone to use during Mass.
16. You will also notice that everything that can be touched has been removed from the church. There is no Holy Water.
17. Once Mass is over, please quickly exit the church so that the pews can be sanitized for the next Mass.
18. If you want to socialize with others whom you may not have seen in a while, please do so outside of church and not in the Gathering Area.

If you have any questions or are unsure of what to do while in church, please ask an usher. I ask your patience as we attempt to navigate through all of this. We realize this is a very different situation for all of us. It can work if we work together. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Stay safe!

Fr. Joe

PARISH INFORMATION



TIME CHANGE:

**LENTEN ROSARY AND NOVENA
MONDAY EVENINGS AT
6:30PM**

Join us in-person
(Gathering Area-limited space)

or

Facebook

Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Page

Has your child been baptized but not catechized or received their sacraments?



Are they of school age and not yet baptized?

*Do you have a special needs child needing
catechesis?*

Please call or email the Religious Education Office.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring your iPhone and/or iPad to Mass with you to access the weekly bulletin and follow along with the readings and sing the hymns!

To access our parish website go to: www.SaintJamesTheApostle.org

Go to the bottom, right side of the website and click either the parish bulletin or
click the USCCB website.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK LENTEN REGULATIONS

1) The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday Night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to Fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2) The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3) The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4) **The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 21, 2021 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 30, 2021.**

**Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*



SUNDAY READINGS ~ March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent

Visit: <http://www.usccb.org/> to receive daily Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Exodus: 20:1-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments:
“I, the LORD, am your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery.
You shall not have other gods besides me.
You shall not carve idols for yourselves
in the shape of anything in the sky above
or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth;
you shall not bow down before them or worship them.
For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God,
inflicting punishment for their fathers’ wickedness
on the children of those who hate me,
down to the third and fourth generation;
but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation
on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.
“You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain.
For the LORD will not leave unpunished
the one who takes his name in vain.
“Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.
Six days you may labor and do all your work,
but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God.
No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter,
or your male or female slave, or your beast,
or by the alien who lives with you.
In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth,
the sea and all that is in them;
but on the seventh day he rested.
That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.
“Honor your father and your mother,
that you may have a long life in the land
which the LORD, your God, is giving you.
You shall not kill.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass,
nor anything else that belongs to him.”

The word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God!

Primera Lectura: Exodus: 20:1-17

En aquellos días, el Señor promulgó estos preceptos para su pueblo en el monte Sinaí, diciendo: “Yo soy el Señor, tu Dios, que te sacó de la tierra de Egipto y de la esclavitud. No tendrás otros dioses fuera de mí; no te fabricarás ídolos ni imagen alguna de lo que hay arriba, en el cielo, o abajo, en la tierra, o en el agua, y debajo de la tierra. No adorarás nada de eso ni le rendirás culto, porque yo, el Señor, tu Dios, soy un Dios celoso, que castiga la maldad de los padres en los hijos hasta la tercera y cuarta generación de aquellos que me odian; pero soy misericordioso hasta la milésima generación de aquellos que me aman y cumplen mis mandamientos.

No harás mal uso del nombre del Señor, tu Dios, porque no dejará el Señor sin castigo a quien haga mal uso de su nombre.

Acuérdate de santificar el sábado. Seis días trabajarás y en ellos harás todos tus quehaceres; pero el día séptimo es día de descanso, dedicado al Señor, tu Dios. No harás en él trabajo alguno, ni tú, ni tu hijo, ni tu hija, ni tu esclavo, ni tu esclava, ni tus animales, ni el forastero que viva contigo. Porque en seis días hizo el Señor el cielo, la tierra, el mar y cuanto hay en ellos, pero el séptimo, descansó. Por eso bendijo el Señor el sábado y lo santificó.

Honra a tu padre y a tu madre para que vivas largos años en la tierra que el Señor, tu Dios, te va a dar. No matarás. No cometerás adulterio. No robarás. No darás falso testimonio contra tu prójimo. No codiciarás la casa de tu prójimo, ni a su mujer, ni a su esclavo, ni a su esclava, ni su buey, ni su burro, ni cosa alguna que le pertenezca.”

La Palabra del Señor.....

R. ¡Gracias a Dios!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 51: Be Merciful, O Lord



R. Be merciful O Lord for we have sinned,
be merciful O Lord for we have sinned.

R. Ten piedad, oh Señor, porque hemos pecado,
ten piedad, oh, Señor, porque hemos pecado.

SECOND READING: Corinthians: 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom,
but we proclaim Christ crucified,
a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to
Gentiles,
but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike,
Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
For the foolishness of God is wiser than human
wisdom,
and the weakness of God is stronger than human
strength.

Hermanos:

Los judíos exigen señales milagrosas y los paganos
piden sabiduría. Pero nosotros predicamos a Cristo
crucificado,
que es escándalo para los judíos y locura para los
paganos; en cambio, para los llamados, sean judíos o
paganos, Cristo es la fuerza y la sabiduría de Dios.
Porque la locura de Dios es más sabia que la
sabiduría de los hombres, y la debilidad de Dios es
más fuerte que la fuerza de los hombres.

The word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God!

La Palabra del Señor.....

R. ¡Gracias a Dios!



Gospel Acclamation

Praise you, Lord, King of glory!

¡ Alabado seas, Señor , Rey de gloria!

Priest / Deacon: The Lord be with you.....

R. And with your Spirit...

Sacerdote / Diácono: El Señor esté contigo ...

R. Y con tu Espíritu ...

Priest / Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to John....

R. Glory to you O Lord

Sacerdote / Diácono: Una lectura del Santo Evangelio
según Mateo ...

R. Gloria a ti, oh Señor ...

*with your thumb, make a little sign of the cross, first on your
forehead; then on your lips; then on your heart*

*con el pulgar, haga una pequeña señal de la cruz, primero en la
frente; luego en tus labios; luego en tu corazón*

GOSPEL: John 2:13-25

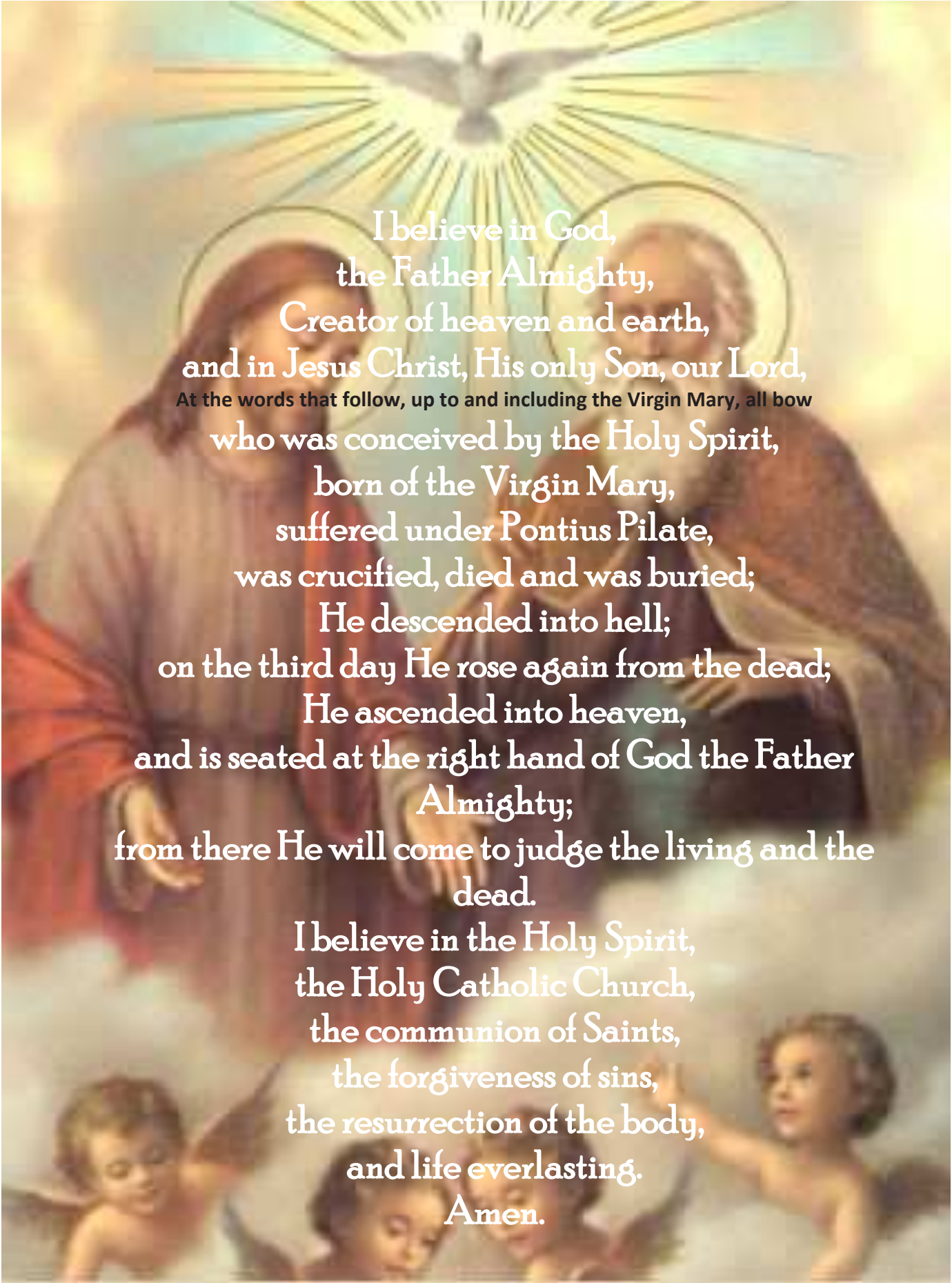
Since the Passover of the Jews was near,
Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
He found in the temple area those who sold oxen,
sheep, and doves,
as well as the money changers seated there.
He made a whip out of cords
and drove them all out of the temple area, with the
sheep and oxen,
and spilled the coins of the money changers
and overturned their tables,
and to those who sold doves he said,
“Take these out of here,
and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.”
His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me.
At this the Jews answered and said to him,
“What sign can you show us for doing this?”
Jesus answered and said to them,
“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it
up.”
The Jews said,
“This temple has been under construction for forty-
six years, and you will raise it up in three days?”
But he was speaking about the temple of his body.
Therefore, when he was raised from the dead,
his disciples remembered that he had said this,
and they came to believe the Scripture
and the word Jesus had spoken.
While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover,
many began to believe in his name
when they saw the signs he was doing.
But Jesus would not trust himself to them because
he knew them all,
and did not need anyone to testify about human
nature.
He himself understood it well.

Cuando se acercaba la Pascua de los judíos,
Jesús llegó a Jerusalén y encontró en el templo a los
vendedores de bueyes, ovejas y palomas,
y a los cambistas con sus mesas.
Entonces hizo un látigo de cordeles y los echó del
templo, con todo y sus ovejas y bueyes;
a los cambistas les volcó las mesas y les tiró al suelo
las monedas; y a los que vendían palomas les dijo:
“Quiten todo de aquí y no conviertan en un mercado
la casa de mi Padre.”
En ese momento, sus discípulos se acordaron de lo
que estaba escrito:
El celo de tu casa me devora.
Después intervinieron los judíos para preguntarle:
“¿Qué señal nos das de que tienes autoridad para
actuar así?” Jesús les respondió:
“Destruyan este templo y en tres días lo
Reconstruiré.”
Replicaron los judíos:
“Cuarenta y seis años se ha llevado la construcción
del templo, ¿y tú lo vas a levantar en tres días?”
Pero él hablaba del templo de su cuerpo. Por eso,
cuando resucitó Jesús de entre los muertos,
se acordaron sus discípulos de que había dicho
aquello y creyeron en la Escritura y en las palabras
que Jesús había dicho.
Mientras estuvo en Jerusalén para las fiestas de
Pascua,
muchos creyeron en él, al ver los prodigios que
hacía.
Pero Jesús no se fiaba de ellos,
porque los conocía a todos y no necesitaba que nadie
le descubriera lo que es el hombre,
porque él sabía lo que hay en el hombre.

Priest / Deacon:

The Gospel of the Lord
R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

El Evangelio del Señor
R. ¡Alabado seas, Señor Jesucristo!



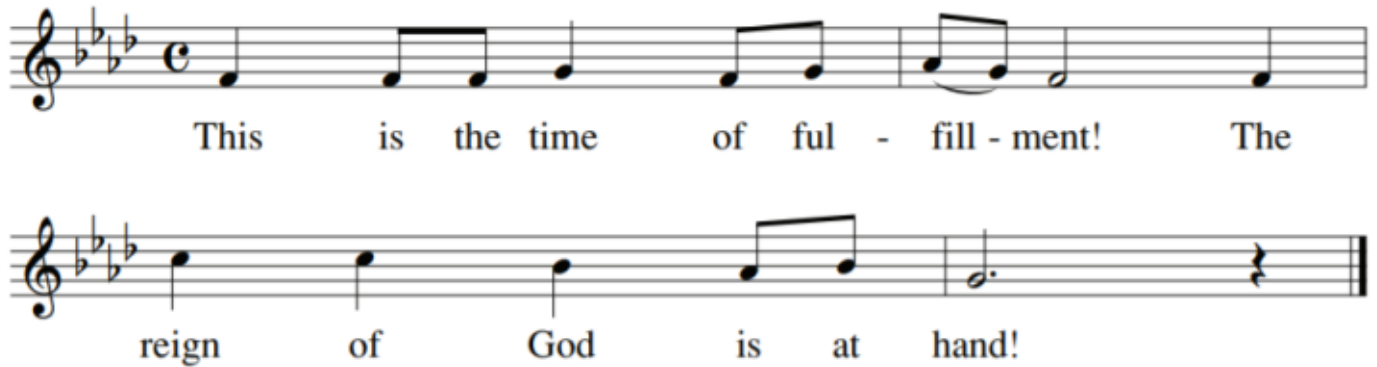
I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

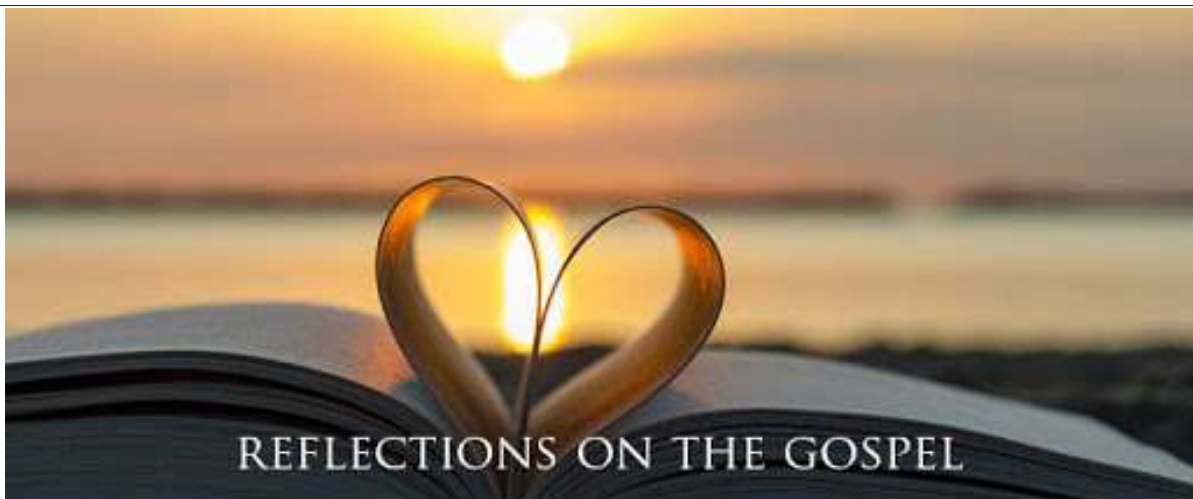
HYMN OF GATHERING

This Is the Time of Fulfillment



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John 2:13-25

Through his death and resurrection, the Lord Jesus has reconciled us with God and made us adopted sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, and he fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes us living temples of our God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 2 Corinthians 6:16). Do you recognize the indwelling presence of God within you through the gift and working of his Holy Spirit? The Lord Jesus wants to renew our minds and to purify our hearts so that we may offer God fitting worship and enjoy his presence both now and forever. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with a holy desire and burning zeal for his holiness and glory to grow in you and transform the way you think, act, and live as a son or daughter of God.

Lord Jesus Christ, you open wide the door of your Father's house and you bid us to enter confidently that we may worship in spirit and truth. Help me to draw near to your throne of mercy with gratitude and joy.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION PROCESSION

946 Let Us Be Bread

Refrain



Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro - ken and shared,



life for the world. Let us be wine, love free - ly poured.



Let us be one in the Lord.

Verse 1



1. I am the bread of life, bro - ken for all.



Eat now and hun - ger no more.

Verse 2



2. You are my friends if you keep my com - mands,



no long - er ser - vants but friends.

Verse 3



3. See how my peo - ple have noth - ing to eat.



Give them the bread that is you.

HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

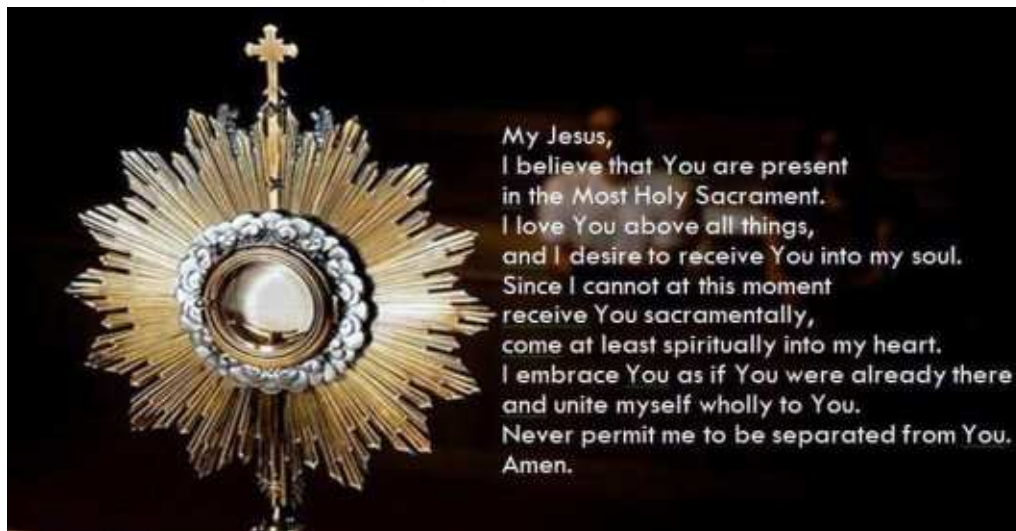
Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.
Spanish: Je - sús, re - cuér - da - me cuan - do en - tres en tu Rei - no.
Polish: Je - zu, w kró - les - twie Twym wspom - nij na swo - je - go słu - gę.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.
Je - sús, re - cuér - da - me, cuan - do en - tres en tu Rei - no.
Je - zu, w kró - les - twie Twym wspom - nij na swo - je - go słu - gę.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community, 1981
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: [2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23](#) ~ SECOND READING: [Ephesians 2:4-10](#)

GOSPEL: [John 3:14-21](#)

HYMNS:

Gathering Hymn: This Is the Time of Fulfillment
Communion Procession: Take and Eat This Bread
Hymn of Sending Forth: Jesus Remember Me

FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Mrs. Claire Bernstein & Mrs. Joanne Roethlin

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH LENT 2021 HELPING THE HUNGRY Supporting Bridges, Family Promise and local food pantries		MONDAY, MARCH 22 Drop off from 5:00–6:30 PM
BAGGED LUNCH: Place the items below in gallon-sized ziploc bag <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sandwich, no condiments, labeled• Piece of fruit• Individual pack of cookies/protein bar• Small water bottle	TOILETRY PACK: Place the items below in gallon-sized ziploc bag <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Toothpaste & Toothbrush• Deodorant• Small hand sanitizer &/or wipes• Optional: individual tissue pack, comb	SNACK PACK: Place the items below in gallon-sized ziploc bag <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Granola or protein bar• Individual fruit cup• Small water bottle or juice box• Napkin and spoon

On March 22, the Helping the Hungry Ministry will be collecting bagged lunches, toiletry packs and snack packs. The collection will support Bridges in Summit, Family Promise, and local food pantries.

We will collect the items at the Church from 5:00-6:30 PM.

Please use this SignUp Genius link to participate:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4aadae2ea4f94-helping3>

*And as a reminder, on **Good Friday, April 2**, we will be collecting non-perishable items outside the Church from 10-11:30 AM. More details to follow.*

Please contact either Joanne or Claire with any questions about the collections, or with any assistance you might need with the SignUp Genius process:

Joanne Roethlin: jroethlin@yahoo.com or Claire Bernstein: clairebbernstein@gmail.com

March 22 Collection Details:

Bagged lunches. Brown paper bag or gallon-sized Ziploc bag containing the following:

- individually wrapped sandwich
- small water bottle
- fresh piece of fruit (i.e. orange)
- small/individual pack of cookies or granola bar

Snack packs. Gallon-sized Ziploc bag containing the following:

- granola bar or protein bar
- small water bottle or juice box
- fruit cup with spoon

Toiletry packs. Gallon-sized Ziploc bag containing the following:

- toothbrush/toothpaste
- small bottle of hand sanitizer and/or sanitizing wipes
- deodorant
- optional: individual tissue package, comb

Year of **ST. JOSEPH**



POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil.*

Amen.

RESPECT LIFE

Ms. Pat Sullivan

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven." (Pope Francis)

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father."

So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

Retreat dates are May 14-16, 2021 (English) and April 23-25, 2021 (Spanish).

Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2) or e-mail

Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English)

elvinedoderaquelinfo@rcan.org (Spanish)

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:3)

* All Covid-19 Guidelines will be followed

Lent – Sacrifice – Donation Bins – Any Connection?



Lent is a time of sacrifice in order to bring us closer to Christ. As we move closer to Christ, we become more charitable. Would you be willing to sacrifice your time and efforts to go through your closet and donate any unwanted items to the Catholic Charities Donation Bin located on the property?

If you do, you have made the connection.



Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Scotch Plains NJ invites you to:

DIVE INTO YOUR FAITH THIS LENT!

Join our five part Zoom speaker series: 7 – 8:30pm each Tuesday of Lent

Feb. 23rd – What is Catholicism?



Dr. Jeffrey Morrow is Professor of Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University. He will help us explore the gift of our Catholic faith; a convert to Catholicism, he brings a wonderful perspective on this gift.

March 2nd – Faith & Science: Truth Cannot Contradict Truth



Dr. Stacy Trasancos is Executive Director of the St. Philip Institute of Catechesis and Evangelization for the Diocese of Tyler and a teaching fellow for the Word on Fire Institute. Initially trained as a scientist, she will reveal the harmony of faith and science.

March 9th – Made in the Image & Likeness of God: The Dignity of Human Life



Sr. Magnificat Rose entered the Sisters of Life in 2013. she studied theology at the University of St. Thomas and served with NET ministries. Sister will consider the fundamental dignity of human life and share her joy working for its protection.

March 16th – The Family as a School of the Presence of God



Dr. Joseph P. Rice is Associate Professor of Philosophical Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University. Dr. Rice is a specialist in the philosophical thought of St. Pope John Paul II. He will examine the role of the family in revealing God's presence.

March 23rd – Living as a Catholic in Challenging Times



Dr. Ralph Martin is Professor of Theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary. He was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI to serve as a consultor to the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization and for the World Synod of Bishops on the New Evangelization. Dr. Martin will highlight the challenge of living a Catholic life in a secular world.

Important Information:

- Young Adults through Senior Citizens are invited to participate
- Internet access is needed for Zoom sessions
- There is no cost, but registration is required
- Click here to register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AADA92CA5F94-dive>

Questions: Email maryclinton@ihmparish.net or engagingdisciples@ihmparish.net or contact IHM Nazareth Center Office @ 908-889-2100.

**This speaker series is brought to you through the collaborative efforts of IHM's Engaging Disciples Initiative and the IHM Faith Formation Office! ☺*

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life Study Set

by Marcellino D'Ambrosio Jeff Cavins and Edward Sri



Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a ten-week study program presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. Filmed on-location in the Holy Land and anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today.

This 10 session Study Set includes:

- **The Full-Color *Jesus* Workbook** – Provides session overviews, home reading assignments, engaging study questions, responses, and talk notes for the video presentations.
- **The *Jesus* Timeline Chart** – A visual overview of the life of Jesus plus a summary of Catholic beliefs concerning Christ.
- **The *Jesus* Book** – Provides a detailed overview of Jesus' life and times.
- **Online Access for One Year** – Immediate access to the ten study videos and the online workbook.

Dates – Times – Location

Starting Wednesday, March 10, 2021

7:00pm on Zoom with discussion following

10 Wednesday sessions

Cost – Registration

\$29.99 for the Study Set, see above

Contact Geri Ann Kazimar 908-370-2318 with questions

Visit Ascensionpress.com to learn more. Under Bible Study

The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us know a lot about him already, how well can we say that we really know him?

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life around him as you come to know and love him in an ever deeper and more intimate way.



THE PRAYER CORNER

"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose..."



INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK

At the *General Intercessions* we pray for the sick. Our prayers for the sick are very important, especially in critical times of sudden illness, surgery or worsening condition. We will continue to pray for and mention the names of the sick. When the condition improves, please call the Rectory so that the name can be removed from the list.

COMMUNION AT MASS

If you cannot walk up the aisle to receive Holy Communion and do not want to sit in the first pew, please let one of the ushers know and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will come to you at the end of the procession and administer the Body & Blood to you.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

A reminder that during the Covid-19 restrictions, the Eucharist can only be received in the hands. It is good to remind ourselves of the reverence needed when we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

When we approach the altar please remove any gloves beforehand.

Remember to bow slightly without being ostentatious and reply "Amen".

If communion runs out, please wait in line for the Minister to return.

The ushers are available to assist you during the reception of Holy Communion and before / after Mass.

A Prayer for Persons Suffering from the Coronavirus

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus.

*May those who are infected receive the proper treatment
and the comfort of your healing presence.*

*May their caregivers, families and neighbors be shielded
from the onslaught of the virus.*

Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones.

*Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure,
that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health.
Help us to rise above fear. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes,
and in the name of your Son, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.*

Amen.

Source: www.LoyolaPress.com

A TIME TO BAPTIZE



A TIME TO WED



A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Ginnie Attanasio, Monina Avella, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Arlene Boja, Leo Brady, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Lucia Cocuzza, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Carmela DeSarno, Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, Sean Findley, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Eddie Jenna, Irene Kurpieski, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Angie Mazzarisi, Leonard McGinley, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Martin Muguerza, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Cassidy Musson, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Mary O'Connor, Rafaelina Oliviero, Anna P., Joe Policastro, Berit Phair, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Justin Sequeira, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski

A TIME TO DIE

Eloides Garcia, Hanna Grasso, George Hildner, Stephen Thomas Keane, Joyce Pizzi, Gil Spagnolo, and all who have died from Covid-19

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, PFC Paul Devine, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki, 1Lt. Steven Rogacki, LCPL Nick Wheeler



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

9:00AM

Don Ryan Batayola ~ *Cyril Sanciangco & Family*

10:30AM

Ernest Reedy ~ *Samantha Wright*

12:00PM

James Carney ~ *Patty & John*

MONDAY, March 8

7:30AM

Dominick Bono ~ *Suzanne*

7:00PM

Florence Impellizzeri ~ *Theresa & Michael Quick*

TUESDAY, March 9

7:30AM

Barbara Koelble ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly*

7:00PM

Pauline Falcone ~ *Albert Alberti*

WEDNESDAY, March 10

7:30AM

Judith Fanning ~ *Anne & Ed Fanning*

7:00PM

Lucia Prisco ~ *Karen & Walter Lasbu*

THURSDAY, March 11

7:30AM

Millie Sarno ~ *Linda & Bob Dobnnelly*

7:00PM

Joanne Bollaro ~ *Mother, Children & Sister*

FRIDAY, March 12

7:30AM

Anne Perrucci ~ *Deacon Jerry Bongiovanni*

SATURDAY, March 13

8:00AM

Susan Sullivan ~ *Marylou Morano Kjelle*

SUNDAY, March 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carol House ~ *Bob House*

7:30AM

Arnold Giordano ~ *Religious Education Staff*

9:00AM

Charles Impellizzeri ~ *Theresa & Michael Quick*

10:30AM

Vincent Petrignani ~ *Ann & Family*

12:00PM

Alfonso Cacciatore ~ *Eugenia Reedy*

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*



DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office

Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle



SANCTUARY LAMP

Vincent Genco ~ *Nancy Caputo*



BREAD

Vincent Genco ~ *Nancy Caputo*

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Under the Guidance of the **Holy Spirit** as a
Welcoming and Diverse Community,

We, the **Parish of Saint James the Apostle**

Invite All to Worship as We Celebrate the Eucharist,
Proclaim the Good News of **Jesus Christ** and Serve the
Needs of One Another,
as We Help Build the **Kingdom of God on Earth.**