

*March 24, 2019
Third Sunday in Lent*

Reflections for the Week

*The LORD secures justice
and the rights of all the oppressed.*

— *Psalms 103:6*

Today's Readings [Click Here](#)

First Reading — "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have come to rescue them" (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — Those who think they are standing secure should take care not to fall (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

Gospel — I shall cultivate the ground around the fig tree and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future (Luke 13:1-9) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

Readings for the Week

- Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11;
Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc,
8-9; Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16,
19-20; Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab;
Lk 18:9-14
- Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7;
2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Please pray for our parishioners
& extended family:**

Rest in Peace:

Judy Laxen, Josephine Small, Martha Araj Ayoub

For Healing:

Edith Bucoy, Elizabeth Wilson, Pat Hoffman,
Annette Gabrielli, Maureen Francis,
Joe Humphreys, Mike Marty,
Ethel Friedrichs, Patrick Lee, Teresa Hyatt,
Estela Becerra & Shirley Dela Cuz.

...and a special reminder to pray for those we know
now living in care facilities.

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Mass Intentions
March 22-28, 2019 (Fri thru Thur)

Fri.	My friend, Michael (RIP+)	12:10pm
Sat.	Robert L. Cunningham (RIP+)	4.30pm
Sun.	Charles Barberini (RIP+)	9 :30am
Sun.	Amy Ann Morris (safe travels)	11:30am
Mon.	Hugh Peterson (Memorial)	12:10pm
Tues.	Alfredo O. Mendoza (19 year +)	12:10pm
Weds.	Hugh Peterson (Memorial)	12:10pm
Thurs.	Edith Bucoy (Bless good health)	12:10pm

*Give a Special Gift of a Mass Intention for
Birthdays, Memorials and Birthdays!*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny
Monday: Annunciation of the Lord
Friday: Abstinence

MID-LENT CHECK-IN

God says to Moses, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you . . . The LORD, the God of your [ancestors], the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob" (Exodus 3:14, 15). As Jesus would later say, God is not a God of the dead, but of the living, and so we believe that the dead will one day rise. At this midpoint of Lent, we pause to consider how our repentance is leading us to the Resurrection, to our reunion with the great "I AM." Part of our repentance involves working to secure justice for all and helping our neighbor to live in God's ways. We encourage each other and nurture each other, like the compassionate gardener of today's Gospel, who tells the owner of the orchard that he will nurture the tree, fertilize it, and perhaps it will bear fruit.

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Repent,
the
kingdom
of
heaven
is
at hand



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Join us in your 2019 Lenten Journey

CONTEMPORARY STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday evenings during Lent Please join us at 7:00 PM.

LENTEN RETREAT , MARCH 23-26, 2019

Fr. Bartholomew Landry, C.S.P. (<https://www.divine-encounters.org>) will preach at all weekend masses and lead sessions on Saturday afternoon before the 4:15 Mass and Monday and Tuesday evenings. More details to come!

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 14

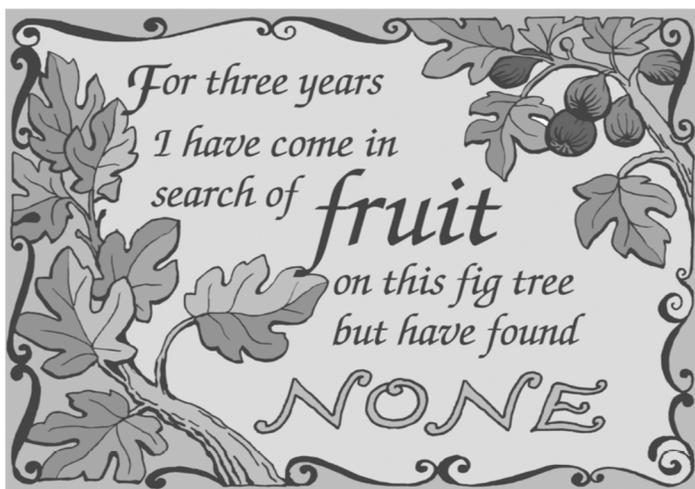
HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 18

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 19

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 20

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21

**Confession will be heard in the Church
every Tuesday during Lent 6:30-8PM**



**God's grace within me
and God's strength behind me
can overcome any hurdle
ahead of me.
—Anonymous**

The Saint John of God Prayer

Dear God, through the intercession
of St. John of God, patron of the poor and the sick,
grant me the grace this day to greet
every person that I meet with understanding and
compassion. Reveal to me their needs
and give me the means to inspire in my heart
the humility and generosity of St. John so that
I might be to them a revelation of God's Love.
Amen.- Rev. Fr. Thomas L. Seagrave

To keep it simple this Lent try the 1-1-1 plan:

one sin, one add-in, one give up.

1. Concentrate or focus on one sin or fault that is getting in the way of your relationship with God and others.
2. Add one positive activity that will deepen your prayer and spiritual life (especially if you think you are too busy to put anything more into an impossibly busy schedule!)
3. Deny yourself something you really like or are attached to.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Hollywood has given us an image of Moses slipping off his shoes before a burning bush. God has just called Moses by name, and so that Moses doesn't miss the meaning of this breakthrough in human history, God requires that all barriers to the experience be eliminated. If you've ever tried to maneuver barefoot across hot sand, or pick your way along a rocky beach, you know how sensitive feet can be.

Within the Church, there are religious orders with a custom of going barefoot, not merely to show poverty, but to be an outward sign of a desire for connection with creation, a desire to go through life alert to what God is doing. In early days, when reconciliation was a once-in-a-lifetime possibility, penitents often went barefoot for a long period of time as a sign of their conversion. Even today, people follow an ancient practice of slipping off their shoes to walk in the procession to the cross on Good Friday. It is striking that the first use of our newly-scrubbed feet from Holy Thursday night is to walk resolutely in the footsteps of Christ to the cross.

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Faith Formation

RCIA Thursday 6:30-8:30pm

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Scripture Study: Fridays, 6:30 to 8:00 PM,

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