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**SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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Pastor**

**The Reverend Edwin Ezeokeke, Parochial Vicar
The Reverend Lino Gonsalves, In Residence**

Patricia Molinari, Secretary/Receptionist
Carlos Gomez, Director of Maintenance
Don Barnum, Music Director, Canoni Chorale

PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:30pm

**The Catholic Faith Community
of
Our Lady of Victory
and the
Church of St. Andrew
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OUR LADY OF VICTORY

MASSES

Sunday: 10:15, 12:15pm & 5:15pm

Mon. - Fri.: 8:15am, 12:15pm*

*** (All in Upper Church.)

* Following the 12:15, the Novena of the day follows.

Holidays: 8:15am, 12:15

Holy Day Vigil: 5:15pm

Holy Days: 7:15, 8:15, 11:45am

12:15, 1:15, 4:45, & 5:15pm

CONFESSIONS

Mon. - Fri.: 12:45-1:15pm

NOVENAS & DEVOTIONS

Mon.: Miraculous Medal

Sat.: The Rosary

Tues.: St. Anthony

1st Fri.: Sacred Heart

Wed.: St. Jude

Novena

Thurs.: The Holy Spirit

Fridays of Lent:

Fri.: The Rosary

Stations of the Cross

BAPTISMS: Please call the rectory for information.

ST. ANDREW'S

MASSES

No Mass at Saint Andrew Till Further Notice

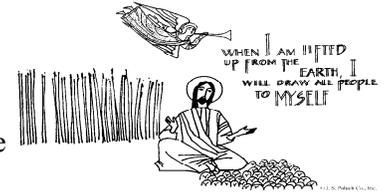
PARISH ACTIVITIES

As Announced 5:45pm – Legion of Mary (OLV)

**As Announced: 5:45pm – Patrician Catholic
Discussion Group (OLV))**

As Announced: FiDi Catholic Young Adults

March 21, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Lent



THE NEW COVENANT

Today's first reading is an enormously important passage, not only in the history of the Jewish people, but also for us as disciples of Jesus, who see in it a foreshadowing of the Christian dispensation. The prophet announces that God has chosen to forgive the people, and that as a sign of divine forgiveness a new covenant will be established.

Contrasting the new covenant with the one made with Moses on Mount Sinai, Jeremiah says that the new covenant will be written on the people's hearts rather than on tablets of stone. No longer will the community's tradition be the sole bearer of the covenant; henceforth, God will speak directly and personally to each individual, forgiving sin and calling for a return to God in faithfulness. No longer will mere outward compliance with the dictates of the Law suffice; henceforth, God asks for an obedience that springs from the depths of one's heart.

Precisely that kind of obedience is highlighted in today's second reading, where the author of the Letter to the Hebrews describes Jesus as the mediator of the new covenant whose obedience has made him the source of salvation for all who, in turn, obey him. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will make a new covenant; I will write my law upon their hearts (Jeremiah 31:31-34) or Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalm — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) or Psalm 130.

Second Reading — Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation (Hebrews 5:7-9) or Romans 8:8-11.

Gospel — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33) or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession);

Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;

Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

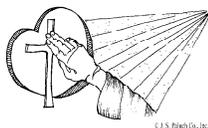
Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021

*I will place my law within them
and write it upon their hearts;*

*I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.*

— *Jeremiah 31:33*



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Ask senior parishioners about this fifth Sunday, and they will share memories of this Sunday years ago, when it was known as "Passion Sunday." In those days, the statues and crucifixes were draped in purple cloth, and a deeply somber atmosphere infused worship. The structure is different today for good reason. The stunning changes in the appearance of the church building drew attention away from the twofold work of Lent: reconciliation and preparing for initiation.

Today, this Sunday is given to reflection on the necessity to commit, like Jesus, to the Father's will. Whoever elect are present today, the "A" reading reveals Jesus' compassion in the face of human suffering, and his desire to call us from the tombs of sin, isolation, and even death itself.

As Lent draws to a close over the next ten days, and before the beginning of the Easter Triduum on Holy Thursday, we enter an ideal time for celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation. Today's old title of "Passion Sunday" has migrated to next Sunday, also called "Palm Sunday." In many places, people prepare their own bundles of branches for next week's liturgy: pussy willow, forsythia, dogwood. If your parish schedules a procession, you may want to prepare these branches at home and bring them along.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

Tuesday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Thursday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Friday: Abstinence

Please check out these links for reference:

Archdiocesan Lenten resource page:

<https://archny.org/news-events/liturgical-seasons/lent/>

Spiritual Benefits from the Year of St. Joseph:

<https://simplycatholic.com/5-spiritual-benefits-from-the-year-of-st-joseph/>

Join Cardinal Dolan in an Act of

Consecration to St. Joseph:

<https://archny.org/wp-content/uploads/ADNYConsecrationtoSaintJoseph-1.pdf>

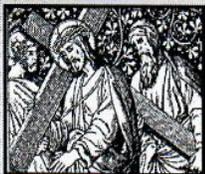
*“Behold the
handmaid of the
Lord.*

*Be it done unto
me according to
thy word.”*

—Like 1:38



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



On all Friday's during Lent, we will offer the Stations of the Cross immediately following the 12:15 Mass in the Upper Church. All are welcome to attend.



Here are the Church regulations for fasting and abstinence during Lent:

-Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

-Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

-On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

-Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

RISKS

I risk being wrong if I trust too much. But I risk living in torment if I don't trust enough.

—Anonymous

LOVE AND DEATH

Unhappy is death without the love of the Savior; unhappy is love without the death of the Savior.

—St. Francis de Sales

FEAST OF FAITH

The First Reading

Each Sunday, we listen to three scripture readings. The first reading usually comes from the Old Testament. “The New Testament lies hidden in the Old; the Old Testament comes fully to light in the New,” we read in the Introduction to the Lectionary. “Christ himself is the center and fullness of the whole of Scripture” (5). On Sundays, these readings usually have a close connection to the Gospel. In this season of Lent, for example, the Exodus account of the thirst of the Israelites in the desert is paired with the Samaritan woman's encounter with Jesus at the well. Ezekiel's vision of the Lord raising people from their graves is paired with the narrative of Christ raising Lazarus from the dead.

The readings are taken from many sources—historical books like Judges, Kings, and the Acts of the Apostles, prophets like Isaiah and Ezekiel, wisdom literature like Proverbs or Ecclesiastes. But no matter its genre, the first reading always ends with the same acclamation: “The word of the Lord.” The scriptures are written by human authors who wrote in widely different cultural and historical contexts, but these human authors are also divine instruments through whom God speaks to us. And so we say, “Thanks be to God.”

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6-DAY CANDLES AVAILABLE

You can now light a candle in the church and have it stay lit for almost a week for your prayer intentions, in thanksgiving to God or in memorial of a loved one!



These special votive candles have clear covers decorated with a cross design and can be placed inside one of the glass holders provided before the statues of Christ the King, Our Lady of Fatima, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Victory or Saint Anne, the Mother of Mary in the Upper Church only. Once lit, the candles will stay burning for your intention for about a week.

They are available for purchase from the parish office downstairs or from Carlos, our Sacristan, if you see him in the Upper Church.

If you wish, you can also purchase the candle and light for your home. The protective glass containers are also available for purchase.

The lighting of candles for your prayer intentions is a time-honored tradition in the Catholic Church that we are happy to provide at Our Lady of Victory and St. Andrew.

A GENEROUS NEIGHBOR

Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool. I gave him a glass of water.



***JOIN US IN
PRAYING
THE DIVINE MERCY
CHAPLET
MON-FRI
at 3:00 PM
in the Upper Church***

***For the sake of
his Sorrowful Passion have
mercy on us and the
whole world!***

MASS INTENTIONS

*** Indications "for the intentions of"

OUR LADY OF VICTORY ST. ANDREW CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

10:15am: Jin Zhu Zhang
12:15 pm: The Ronan Family

5:15 pm: Alexander Gerad

*No Weekend Mass at
St. Andrew's location*

MONDAY, MARCH 22

8:15 am: William Edwin
Dykes
12:15 pm: Stuart Greenfield

*No Weekday Masses at
Saint Andrew Till Fur-
ther Notice*

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

8:15 am: Alice & William
Dykes, Sr.
12:15 pm: Stephen Hastings

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

8:15 am: Sandra Dudeck
12:15 pm: John Edmund
Murman

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

8:15am: Robert Moniello
12:15pm: Lawrence Sturgis

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

8:15 am: Doreen Bambach
12:15 pm: Teresa Sweetser

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

PALM SUNDAY

10:15am: Jin Zhu Zhang
12:15 pm: Barbara Porazzo
5:15 pm: Carol Cerrabone