Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 7th, 2019 Cycle C

April Mass Intentions

| Fri, 5 | 8:00am | Effania Mendoza |
| Sat, 6 | 4:30pm | Vicente & Ofelia Abiva |
| Sun, 7 | 8:30am | Parochial Intentions |
| Wed, 10 | 8:00am | Mary Monahan |
| Thu, 11 | 8:00am | Chang Yuk Ying |
| Fri, 12 | 8:00am | Spec. Int: Cecille M. Reyes |
| Sat, 13 | 4:30pm | Parochial Intentions |

Schedule of the Week:
Mon through Friday
8:00am Mass/
8:30am-4pm Silent Adoration
every Tues., 8:15am Mass with School

What are you doing for Lent?

1. Give up sin
   Show your love for God by keeping his commandments.
   Turn away from sin.

2. Fast
   An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer.
   Give the money you saved on food to others in aims.

3. Pray
   Be in constant prayer.
   Pray for your family and friends, for those who suffer, and for the Church and the world.

4. Do good works
   Help those in need.
   Pray for them and be ready to serve them in their time of need.

5. Give alms
   Help the poor and support the good works of the Church.
   Give cheerfully to God who has given us everything we have.

6. Abstain
   Give up meat or other desirable foods during Lent, especially on Friday, the day of Christ’s saving death on the cross.

7. Do meditative reading
   Nourish your faith by spending time in quiet reading and reflection.
   Prayerful reading of God’s word each day will open your heart to the Spirit and let God’s thoughts and ways influence you.

8. Control desire for possessions
   Build up treasures in heaven rather than on earth.
   Cut down on material possessions, eliminate frills, lessen wants, share yourself — your time and your talents — with others.

9. Control desire for entertainment
   Too much entertainment and other distractions can lead to less or no time for the works of the Lord.

10. Carry out duties in life
    Serve God by living out your vocation in love each day. God is calling each of us to be a living sacrifice.
    Offer your daily life through Christ!

AAA Appeal - 2019
Our Campaign Goal is $28,490.46.
As of April 4th, we have received $9,944 & reached 29% of our goal. We thank you for your generous support.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum - Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Mass
Saturday, April 13th, 4:30pm
Sunday, April 14th, 9:00am in English; 11:30am in Spanish

Holy Thursday
April 18th, Stations of the Cross with the children in the Church at 9:30am
Bilingual mass at 7:00pm in English & Spanish

Good Friday
April 19th, Stations of the Cross at 12pm
Reflection by Fr. Raymond at 1pm
Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 2pm

Holy Saturday
Easter vigil mass, April 20th at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 21st, 9:00am in English & 11:30am Mass in Spanish
Collections: Weekly Goal: $3,000
March 30th-31st Offerings $1,883
Thanks for your generosity!

Next Weekend’s Mass Assignments:

Sat April 13, 2019, 4:30pm
Lector: .................... T. Fontanilla
.............................. G. Ridenour
Lay Ministers................. M. Acosta, E. Foley,
E. Greco, A. Fontanilla
Server(s):.................. Mateo & Isaiah Campos

Sun, April 14, 2019, 9:00am
Lector: .................... K. Nieto
.............................. E. Llorente
Lay Ministers................. M. Lemus, T. Stapleton,
S. Stapleton, Knights of Columbus
Server(s):.................. Gabriel Wico & Ashley
Reyes

Sun, April 14, 2019, 11:30am
Lector: .................... Evelyn Ibarra
.............................. Marlon Baldizon
Ministers:................... Indiana Arguello
.............................. Carmen Dominguez
.............................. Roberto Gonzalez
Server(s):.................. Johanna Gormley

Make a Pilgrimage to the Easter Sunrise Service

On Easter morning, Sunday April 21st, 2019, a group of St. Finn Barr parishioners will be departing from St. Finn Barr Church promptly at 5:30am to walk up to the Easter Cross atop Mt. Davidson for the Easter Sunrise Service. The service will begin at 6:30am and will last for 60-75 minutes. We will be back at the church at 8:15am.

This inter-denominational Christian service includes hymns & scriptural readings. This San Francisco tradition has drawn many Christians from all over the Bay Area. All parishioners are welcome. If it rains, the walk will be cancelled. If you have any questions, please call Emmet Monahan at (415) 586-4588.

The Jesuit Retreat Center Schedule
300 Manresa Way Los Altos, CA 94022
www.jrclosaltos.org 1-650-917-4010

Palm Sunday Weekend Silent Retreat for Women and Men; April 12 -14; Prepare your hearts for Jesus’ Passion and Resurrection

A Retreat for Friends and Family of
Alcoholics Non-silent Retreat for Women and Men; April 26-28, Fr. Tom Weston, S.J.

Three Women Named Teresa;
Non-silent Retreat for Women, May 3-5;
Ms. Leelama Sebastian, Ms. Cris Goodman,
Dr. Pat Campbell

Bro. Guy Consolmagno, S.J.; Non-silent
Retreat for Women & Men; Conversing
with Creation and the Creator; May 10-12

5-Day Guided Retreat Silent Retreat for
Women and Men; May 15-19; Fr. Kevin
Leidich, S.J. & Fr. Andrew Rodriguez, S.J.
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Sunday, April 7th, 2019

First Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21
The Lord is doing something new for his people.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 126:1-6
A song in praise of the Lord's marvelous deeds

Second Reading

Philippians 3:8-14
Paul says that he counts all things as lost and focuses on one goal, Christ.

Gospel Reading

John 8:1-11
Jesus does not condemn the woman caught in adultery.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today’s Gospel begins by reporting that Jesus is again teaching the crowds in the vicinity of the Temple. The scribes and the Pharisees approach Jesus, bringing a woman who has been caught in the act of adultery. They put to Jesus the question of what ought to be done in this case.

Jesus avoids the trap, however, by offering an answer that was not anticipated by those who posed the question. Jesus, after writing on the ground with his finger, addresses those who stand before him and suggests that the one without sin cast the first stone. Jesus then returns to his writing. This Scripture reading, by the way, is the only evidence we have of Jesus writing. Yet there are no specific details about what he wrote.

Left alone with the woman, Jesus asks where the accusers have gone. With no one remaining to condemn the woman, Jesus (the one who truly is without sin) sends the woman on her way, refusing to pass judgment on her and exhorting her to avoid future sin.

Jesus’ response to those who accuse the woman is more than a caution to us about making judgment of others. It is a profound lesson in divine mercy and forgiveness. As sinners, we are all unworthy to judge the sins of others and we would stand convicted by God for our transgressions. Yet Jesus, the one without sin and thus our judge, offers us who are sinners his mercy and forgiveness. Redeemed by Jesus' compassion, we are sent to sin no more and to live in God's love and peace. -from Loyola Press

How to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary for Lent

Since this is a prayer of repentance, it is customary to begin the Seven Sorrows Rosary with an Act of Contrition. This is followed by three Hail Mary’s in honor of Our Lady’s tears and with the intention of offering our tears in union with hers.

Before each mystery, say: “Most Merciful Mother, remind us always of the sorrows of your son, Jesus.” Then say one Our Father and seven Hail Mary’s while meditating on the suffering of Our Lady during each of the sorrows in her life.

The Seven Sorrows are:

2) The flight into Egypt. (Matthew 2:13-15)  
4) Mary meets Jesus on the way to Calvary. (Luke 23:27-31)  
5) Mary stands at the foot of the cross. (John 19:25-27)  
6) Mary receives the dead body of Jesus in her arms. (John 19:38-40)  
7) The body of Jesus is placed in the tomb. (John 19:41-42)

Concluding Prayer: “Queen of Martyrs, your heart suffered so much. I beg you, by the merits of the tears you shed in these terrible and sorrowful times, to obtain for me, and all the sinners of the world, the grace of complete sincerity and repentance.” Say three times: “Mary, who was conceived without sin and who suffered for us, pray for us.”
V DOMINGO DE CUARESMA
DOMINGO 7 DE ABRIL DE 2019

LECTORES: Jairo Villanueva
Margarita Villanueva

MINISTROS: Luis Calderón
Magda McDonald
Alejandra González

INTENCIÓN: Por nuestros amigos y hermanos en Cristo que han pasado a mejor vida: María Teresa Hernández, Eckner Padilla, Lillian Partida, Rev. Jay Matthews. Paz a sus restos.

REFLEXIÓN:
Primera Lectura – El profeta Isaías nos habla en esta lectura de como nos quiere el Señor. Dice Yavé, ustedes han contemplado bastante el pasado, miren pues el porvenir. Esta salida de Babilonia será superior a la primera (de Egipto). Haré del desierto una tierra muy fértil donde todos podrán vivir y entonces, mi pueblo al que he formado, proclamará mis alabanzas.
Segunda Lectura – Pablo en esta lectura a los filipenses da testimonio de lo bien que se siente al dejar todo por seguir a Jesús. Dice Pablo: quiero conocer a Cristo y penetrar el secreto de sus humillaciones por nosotros. Y también les digo, la manera de sentir su fuerza y su poder que nos transfigura, es compartiendo los sufrimientos de Cristo.

En este EVANGELIO tomado de Juan, los fariseos en su afán de perjudicar a Jesús, quieren tenderle una trampa. Es por eso que les traen a la mujer adúltera, para que Jesús diga algo que lo comprometa. Las enseñanzas de Jesús están basadas en misericordia, amor, vida nueva.
El plan para comprometer a Jesús era el siguiente: si no la condena lo acusan de no cumplir con la ley de Moisés y si la condena se contradice a lo que El enseña. Es por eso que les dice: el que no tenga pecado que tire la primera piedra.

Jesús no condena a la mujer como hacen los humanos. El tiene otros medios para llevar al pecador al arrepentimiento. Jesús es el único que ama al pecador. Por eso ayuda a la mujer librándola de los que la atormentaban. Jesús es la única esperanza de la humanidad por el amor que El le tiene.

Monte de los Olivos.- Todo cristiano lo recuerda. Lugar de oración de Jesús donde sudó sangre por nuestros pecados y se entregó a la Pasión.

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ANUNCIOS:
1. Hoy después de nuestra Misa tendremos el Viacrucis. Será una celebración muy hermosa y especial. Estará con nosotros el Santísimo. Lo invitamos a participar.

Después tendremos en el salón una pequeña recepción.

CONOZCAMOS ALGO SOBRE CUARESMA:
Tiene una duración de 40 días. Comienza el Miércoles de Ceniza y finaliza el Domingo de Ramos.

Cuaresma es un tiempo litúrgico de penitencia y conversión que dura cuarenta días y en la que los fieles se preparan para vivir los Misterios de la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Cristo que se recuerda en Semana Santa.