

## Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

Jesus, open the eyes of my heart,  
that I may hear your word and  
understand and do your will.  
Open the eyes of my mind to  
the understanding of your  
Gospel teachings.  
Speak to me the hidden and  
secret things of your Wisdom.  
Enlighten my mind and  
understanding with the light  
of your knowledge,  
not only to cherish those things  
that are written, but to do them.  
Amen.

## Stations of the Cross




We have Stations of the Cross on Thursdays (**Spanish**) at 6:30pm and Fridays (**English**) at 6:30pm in the Church.

## Abstinence



Abstinence from meat is to be observed on all Fridays of Lent by all who have celebrated their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Unless a grain  
of wheat  
falls to the  
earth  
and dies  
It remains  
just a  
grain  
of wheat




## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, March 20

4:00 PM †Norman Krouskop by Lucy Krouskop

### Sunday, March 21

8:00 AM †Eileen Clapsaddle – In Memory of her 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Death by Ariel & Karen Daza

10:30 AM †Valente Briones Jr. by Family

12:15 PM Pro Populo

### Saturday, March 27

4:00 PM †Tony Sifuentes Sr. – In Memory of his Anniversary of Death by Wife & Children

### Sunday, March 28

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Helen Conway by Paula Payne

12:15 PM †Alfredo Medrano Int. de Alejandra Garcia

## Mass Intentions

Mass Intention Offering Envelope

Mass for \_\_\_\_\_

Living  Deceased

Date Requested \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Received by \_\_\_\_\_

*Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please return to the office a completed Mass Intention envelope. We have Mass Intentions envelopes in the foyer of the church.*

## From the Pastor

*We will not have daily Mass next week (Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>).*

## Prayer Requests



Joe Wages  
 Rosann Kinkaid  
 Maria Landaverde  
 Becca Elliott  
 Mike Gonzales  
 Jessica Harris  
 Tillie Trevino  
 Frances LaPoint  
 Juan Ramirez  
 Elaine Kasper  
 Clarence Gattenby  
 Nancy Diaz  
 Janie Garcia  
 Stephen LaPoint  
 Felipe Caballero  
 Dominic Sanchez  
 Abelino Reyes  
 Terry Kretler  
 Jovita De la Garza  
 Judy Nash  
 Ever A. Torres

Nick Morales, Sr.  
 Barbara Meshell  
 Wayne Meshell  
 Judy Aloï  
 Nancy Bardsley  
 Kenneth Elliott  
 George Lawshe  
 Maria Carmona  
 Susie Connolly  
 Cyndy Vargas  
 Ernestina Bueno  
 Cynthia Leal  
 Bob Rowland  
 Bobbie Goelden  
 Candelaria Rangel  
 Rojelio Garcia  
 Danny Doak  
 Salvador Mejia  
 Harry Nash  
 Blanche Rizkal

## **Reporting Abuse:**

If you believe that you, or someone you know, is a victim of past or present abuse or sexual abuse, please notify law enforcement. In the event the abuse involves a minor, please also contact the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services through the Texas Abuse Hotline at 1-800-252-5400 or [www.txabusehotline.org](http://www.txabusehotline.org). Finally, if the abuse involves a member of the clergy, a parish employee, or diocesan employee, please also notify the Diocese of Dallas Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Landregan, at 214-379-2812 or [blandregan@cathdal.org](mailto:blandregan@cathdal.org)

*Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.*

*Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.*

## **Readings for the Week of March 21, 2021**

**Sunday**                      **Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
 Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15;  
 Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33  
**Scrutiny**  
 Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;  
 Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

**Monday**                      Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62;  
 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday**                      **Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**  
 Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21;  
 Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday**                      Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56;  
 Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday**                      **Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**  
 Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11;  
 Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Friday**                          Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7;  
 Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday**                      Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13;  
 Jn 11:45-56

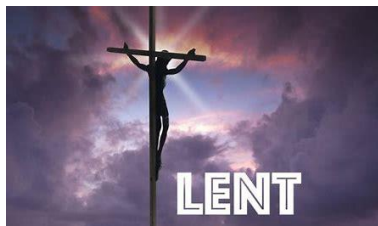
## **Lectors Schedule ~ March 27/28**

### **Saturday:**

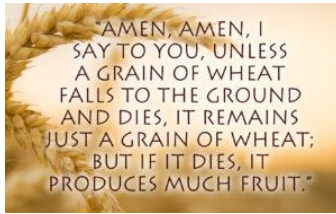
4:00 PM                              Melody Zimmer

### **Sunday:**

8:00 AM                              Karen Mathers  
 10:30 AM                              Shelilah Dean



## The Fifth Week of Lent



On the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**, one Mass in our parishes will probably celebrate the last of the [“Scrutinies”](#) for the RCIA program using the **John's Gospel** about the [raising of Lazarus](#). For those at the other Masses, we will also use **John's Gospel**. Jesus says that the “hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.” However, he describes this glory in a surprising way, which explains who he is for us and who we are called to be: “Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” “Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.”

The first readings this week prepare for the gospels. We begin with the long, but well worth reading, story of Susanna, which ends in “blessing God who saves those who hope in him.” The bronze serpent on a pole reminds us of Jesus' saving cross. Three young men refuse to commit idolatry and show us how God protects “the servants who trusted in him.” God entered a covenant with Abraham. During his persecution, Jeremiah praises God, “For he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!” God promises to unite the people in an everlasting covenant.

Our gospels are again from the **Fourth Gospel**. Presented with a woman caught in adultery, Jesus replies, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Reminding us of the bronze serpent and his death, Jesus says, “When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I AM.” To the children of Abraham and to us Jesus declares, “If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” “Whoever keeps my word will never see death. ... Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM.” They heard what they thought was blasphemy and tried to stone him. Jesus simply told the truth, because “the Father is in me and I am in the Father.” After the raising of Lazarus, the plans were set to destroy Jesus. The high priest says the prophetic words, “it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish.”

## Daily Prayer This Week

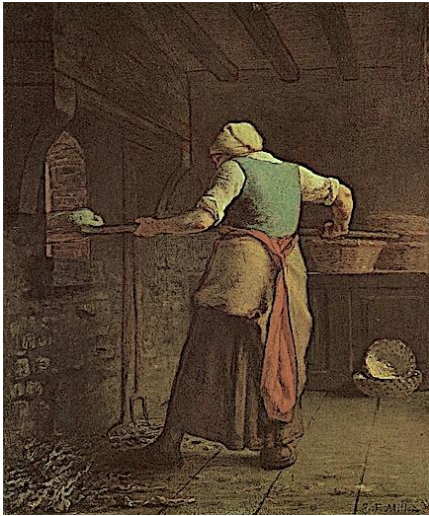
This is the last full week of Lent. We can feel the conflict and struggle developing in the readings. As we read about the drama that surrounded Jesus' last days on earth and reflect upon its meaning, we experience how the drama that is going on in our own hearts is more intense the closer we get to the end of Lent. The Spirit of the Lord is really trying to help us be more open and more free, to receive the graces our Lord wants to offer us. There is another spirit that is fighting just as hard to distract us, discourage us, and prevent us from being open and attentive to God's gifts. The closer we get to the mystery of our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection for us, the more we can experience struggle.

If I experience myself somewhat “at war” with myself, then these are very important days to keep deliberately asking our Lord to help me. It is also a great time to begin to prepare to renew the baptismal promises at Easter. We can reject the unloving choices we have made, all that is unjust, dishonest, disrespectful, and violent. We want to refuse to be mastered by empty promises. Declaring our desire for freedom is a great preparation to receive this great gift. If we are celebrating the Scrutinies with the RCIA candidates and catechumens, this is a wonderful time to pray for them as well, for their protection from the evil one in the last days of their journey.

If we have developed the habit of naming a desire the first thing each morning and carrying on a conversation with our Lord in the brief background moments of the day, we are already comfortable with letting the Word or the Season interact with the concrete events of the week. This way of finding intimacy with our Lord, through our daily interaction - even in a very busy life - is so appropriate for the Fifth Week of Lent. We can discover areas that are still resistant to God's grace. We can ask for help to practice new ways of being free, or new ways of loving. We can find ways to make financial sacrifices to give to the poor this week.

Each night this week, we can give thanks. The closer we get to celebrating Holy Week and the events that brought us our salvation, each of us can express our gratitude, realizing this was all for me.

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*Si el grano de trigo, sembrado en la tierra, no muere, queda infecundo; pero si muere, producirá mucho fruto. (Evangelio)*



Se les obliga abstenerse de comer carne todos los viernes de Cuaresma a personas mayores de 14 años.

### Vía Crucis

Todos los jueves durante la Cuaresma tenemos el Vía Crucis en español a las 6:30pm en la Iglesia.



### Clases Pre-Bautismales ~ 2021

**ANOTEN:** La siguiente clase pre-bautismal será el *17 de abril* y podrá inscribirse el lunes, 29 de marzo.



### Reportar abuso:

Primero, notifique a la policía local. Segundo notificar al Departamento de servicios familiares y de protección de Texas a través de la línea directa de abuso de Texas (1-800-252-5400 o [www.texasabusehotline.org](http://www.texasabusehotline.org)) finalmente, si la acusación involucra a un miembro del clero o a un empleado de una parroquia o de la diócesis, por favor notifique la Coordinadora de asistencia a víctimas de la diócesis de Dallas, Barbara Landregan al 214-379-2812.

## “YA VA A SER ARROJADO EL PRINCIPE DE ESTE MUNDO”

Estas palabras de Jesús aún están en proceso de su cumplimiento pleno.

- Es verdad que Cristo ya venció, con su Cruz y su Resurrección, a la muerte, al pecado y al demonio.
- Pero es evidente que en nuestro mundo aún padecemos la acción del Maligno y sus secuaces.

**Por eso, cada día, pedimos:  
“venga a nosotros tu Reino” y  
“libranos del mal”.**

## Notas del Párroco

*No tendremos Misa diaria la próxima semana (martes, 23 de marzo hasta el viernes, 26 de marzo).*

