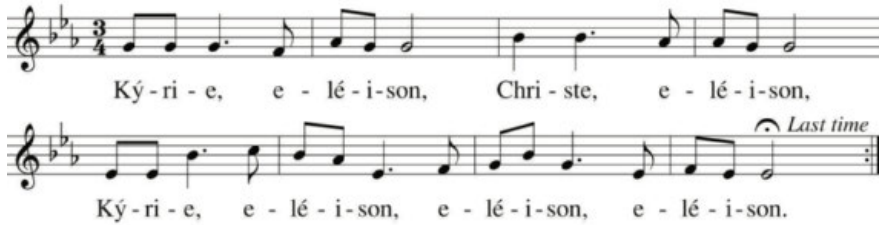


# Fourth Sunday of Lent

Three bell tones signal our **Call to Worship** — please remain seated  
Cantor will intone the Kyrie, then all repeat



## Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
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.



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

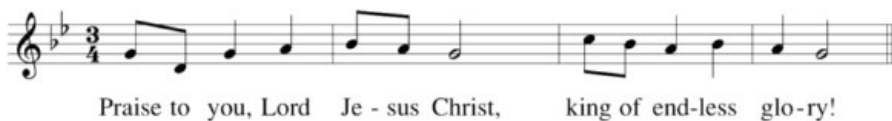
**Reading I:** Joshua 5.9a, 10-12

**Response:** Psalm 34 — *cantor first, then assembly*



**Reading II:** 2 Corinthians 5.17-21

**Gospel Acclamation** — *cantor first, then assembly*



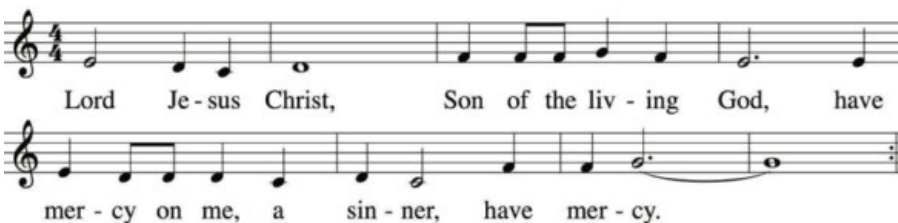
**Gospel:** Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

**Profession of Faith:** Apostles' Creed — *see sidebar*

## Universal Prayer

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**Preparation of Gifts and Altar** — *cantor first, then assembly*



## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
*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.

27 March 2022

## More "Blah, Blah, Blah" from Msgr. Mark

I find myself agreeing more and more with those people who, when a community or a family has been struck by some kind of violence or tragedy, complain that something more than pledging, "We hold them in our prayers," is called for. Now I have great confidence in prayer, but the prophets long before Christ already warned how religious acts can sometimes be excuses for passing on to God what is within our control. Check Isaiah 58, for example. We are called to do something, not only for the wounded other but for ourselves as bystanders. Otherwise a certain helplessness, a sense that we are all victims, can set in. "I am just one person, and the problem is so big. What can I do?"

This paralysis is, in part, a consequence of our being so "connected." Photography, radio, television, and the internet bring manmade and natural tragedies into our living rooms daily. We can feel a responsibility that our forebears would never have known. It IS too big, too much ... but we can do something. Ukraine, for example, is far away but let me suggest two organizations that can make something of our small efforts.

The first has a local connection. **Chalice of Mercy** is the genius of a Ukrainian woman, now an American citizen, Valentyna Pavsyukova. Over the last fifteen years she has developed a network for moving money and goods to support the care for children through the Catholic communities in her native land. Valentyna would visit Chippewa Falls every January when I was there, reconnect with friends, and hosting a great fundraiser. She is bright, well-connected, and has quite a story to tell. Meet her at [www.chaliceofmercy.org](http://www.chaliceofmercy.org).

Then there are larger agencies. They are not as personable and flexible as Valentyna, but they also have a wider impact. The biggest religious response attending to the Ukrainian refugees flooding into Poland, Slovakia, and Hungary is the European Catholic aid group **Caritas** ... and Caritas' sister organization is **Catholic Relief Services** (the folks who sponsor our Lenten Rice Bowl effort). I fear the situation is going to be a mess for a very long time, so something more than a once-and-done effort may be needed. Check their website at [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org).

Do something ... but pray too. Here is an edited version of a text that Pope Francis used at a recent papal audience:

*Forgive us for war, O Lord. ...  
Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv,  
have mercy on us!  
Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv,  
have mercy on us!  
Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us!  
Lord Jesus, who still behold armed hands in the shadow of your Cross,  
have mercy on us!  
Forgive us, if we are not satisfied with the nails with which we  
crucified Your hands, ...  
Forgive us, if these hands which You created to tend have been  
transformed into instruments of death.  
Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother;  
Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of  
our fields to kill Abel.  
Forgive us, if we continue to justify our cruelty ... by our own past pain.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You!  
Hold fast the hand of Cain!  
Illumine our consciences; may our will not be done;  
Abandon us not to our own actions!  
Stop us, O Lord, stop us!  
And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him,  
for he is our brother.  
O Lord, put a halt to the violence!  
Stop us, O Lord! Amen.*

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### Sunday, March 27

7:30am Confessions at CR  
8:30am Mass at CR: For the People of the Eastside Parishes  
10:30am Mass at SM: +Richard Hornung  
1:30pm Book Discussion Group at CR FH  
No Faith Formation

### Monday, March 28

5:30pm Mass at CR: +Sr. Barbara Bell  
6:00pm Confessions at CR

**NOTE:** The rosary will be said beginning at 11:35 am before the Daily Masses. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass.

### Tuesday, March 29

12:10pm Mass at CR: +Bill Steines  
5:30pm Rosary and Novena at CR  
6:25pm Stations of the Cross at CR  
7:00pm Catholicism 101 at SM Cafeteria

### Wednesday, March 30

11:00am Lenten Soup Lunch in CR Brennan Hall  
12:10pm Mass at CR: +Harold Schiefelbein  
6:00pm Rally-Middle School at Newman Catholic High School  
No Faith Formation - Elementary

### Thursday, March 31

12:10pm Mass at CR: +Rita Heil

### Friday, April 1

9:00am "What Catholics Believe" Bible Study-SM  
12:10pm Mass at CR: +Mary Turner

### 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### Saturday, April 2

3:00pm Confessions at SM  
4:00pm Mass at SM: +Henry and Dorothy Brzezinski  
5:30pm Mass at CR: +Patrick Green

### Sunday, April 3

7:30am Confessions at CR  
8:30am Mass at CR: For the People of the Eastside Parishes  
10:30am Mass at SM: +Russell and Mary Gass  
6:00pm Faith Formation - High School at SM

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## Connect With Worship at Home

Mass and reflection opportunities are available throughout the week on our website at [eastsideparishes.org](http://eastsideparishes.org)

◇ The 8:30am Sunday Mass at the Church of the Resurrection is live-streamed for immediate viewing and then available for re-viewing for several days.

◇ Either Fr. Mark or Fr. Joe record one of the readings from the daily Mass and also share a 5-8 minute (audio-only) reflection.

Scripture readings for this week can be found at: <https://bible.usccb.org>



## Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent April 3

*Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11*

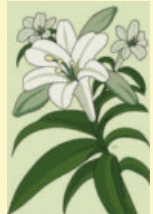
As we approach the great celebration of our redemption through Christ's dying and rising, our scriptures raise hopeful images of new life. In the Gospel, the glimpse of newness is compassion and mercy offered to all. The woman caught in adultery has no reason to expect forgiveness. In the hands of religious leaders, she can only wait for the inevitable application of the law: death by stoning. But Jesus imagines a new order in which even accusers reflect upon and realize their failures. Jesus creates the conditions for change. What person, profoundly aware of their own sin, could dare condemn another? To the woman, Jesus offers no condemnation, but the path to embrace the new life God offers: "Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." *Is there anyone that you think is beyond forgiveness? How would Jesus see this person?*

### Two "Seven Minutes More" Presentations

The occasional series of post-Mass brief talks on various themes was another victim of COVID, but we are bringing them back in a big way in the next weeks.

- \* This weekend, **March 26-27**, those who care to stay after any of the four Masses can hear to Fr. Joe on "Seven Minutes More ... on How a Catholic School Chaplain Spends His Work Week."
- \* And the following weekend, **April 2-3**, Fr. Mark will present "Seven Minutes More ... on the Crucifixion of Jesus in Art."

They are optional, short, and free. 😊



### Easter Flowers

Donations toward flowers to decorate the churches during the Easter season, and all year long, can be made by placing your contribution in the flower envelope received with your weekly envelopes or clearly indicate "Flowers" on a plain envelope. Thank you.

**Please remember all of our homebound and hospitalized parishioners from Resurrection and St. Michael Parishes in your prayers this week.**

#### Resurrection Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

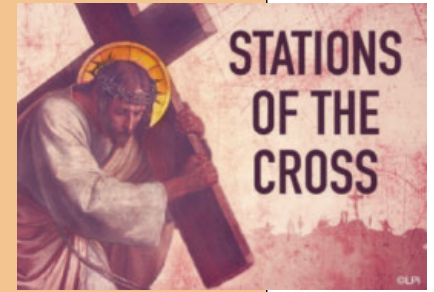
A special intention for the Jerry and Carol Feldbruegge family

#### St. Michael Votive Candles burn:

- In memory of Tom Vick
- In memory of Verjean Steiner
- In memory of Chester and Margaret Kwarciany
- In memory of Harold, Harlan and Margaret Walters
  - A special intention for conversion
  - A special intention

### "The Stations of the Cross" during Lent on Tuesday and Wednesday

We invite you to take a thoughtful walk with Jesus on his Way of the Cross each week of Lent. At the Church of Resurrection the Stations will be celebrated on Lenten Tuesdays at 6:25pm (after the regular Novena). At St. Michael Parish, the Stations will be celebrated on Lenten Wednesdays at 5:15 pm.



## Reconciliation

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### Lenten Reconciliation opportunities ahead: Tuesday, April 12 communal reconciliation service, and some extra confession hours

A privileged way of applying the power of God's renewing grace is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In addition to our regular Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning, and Monday night opportunities, the Eastside Parishes will host one communal Reconciliation service for Lent (with many confessors on hand) on **Tuesday, April 12**, at 7:00 pm at St. Michael Parish.

In addition, Fr. Mark and Fr. Joe will add a couple extra afternoon and evening confession opportunities at 4:00 and 6:00pm at Resurrection on **Thursday, April 7**, and **Wednesday, April 13**,



Church of the Resurrection extend their sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Jeanine Helling**, who died March 22, 2022.

### COVID procedures at Sunday Masses

- For the unvaccinated, the wearing of face coverings and social distancing remain strongly recommended.
- The first and last pew in each section will continue to have a "buffer" row behind or in front of them for those who would welcome more space between them and others and, for the time being the 5:30 pm Saturday Mass at Resurrection will continue to require 6' distancing and the wearing of masks.
- We are not formally inviting the assembly to exchange the Sign of Peace beyond a verbal greeting. You are welcome to exchange it within your family/household grouping, but for now it might be best not to assume that those around you will welcome a handshake.
- Sanitizing of "high-touch" areas (pew tops, door handles, etc.) will continue per CDC recommendations.



### St. Michael Parish

Adult Envelopes/Offertory .....	\$4,821.50
Electronic Contributions.....	\$6,575.83
Weekly Total .....	\$11,397.33
Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions .....	\$395,411.08

### Church of the Resurrection

Adult Envelopes/Offertory .....	\$7,733.60
Electronic Contributions .....	\$2,675.00
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Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions.....	\$480,689.63

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Weekend Masses

St. Michael:  
 4:00 pm on Saturday and 10:30 am on Sunday

Church of the Resurrection:  
 5:30 pm on Saturday and 8:30 am on Sunday

Weekday Masses

Resurrection: 5:30 pm on Mon. and 12:10 pm Tuesday-Friday


Reconciliation

St. Michael: 3:00 pm Saturday  
 Resurrection: 7:30 am Sunday and 6:00 pm Monday

Reconciliation is also available by appointment.

**The Jubilee House Meal on March 31**, will be served by the Eastside Parishes 4:30-6:00 pm. Please call Steve Zick at 715-297-0303 if you'd like to volunteer. The meal is an ecumenical outreach served in St. Matthew's Cafeteria open to those in need and to community members.

**The Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen** will serve soup in Brennan Hall at Resurrection on Wednesdays through April 13, 11am-1pm.



**The Messiah: Community Easter Oratorio Sunday, April 3, at 3:00 pm at the Grand Theater**  
 This concert features the Wausau Symphony Orchestra and a full choir performing George Frideric Handel's masterpiece, including the powerful Hallelujah chorus. Free ticket reservations are strongly recommended through the Grand Theater.

**A Book Discussion Group** gathers every four to six weeks to discuss a book they have chosen to read. This month's book is "America's First Daughter" by Laura Kaye. If you'd like to join this group, contact Donna Steines at 715-845-5339. Then pick up this month's book to read (if time allows) for their next meeting on Sunday, April 10, at 1:30pm, in Resurrection's Francis Hall.





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Eucharistic Acclamations — see sidebar

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Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the

*To Repeat*

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

*Last time*

sins of the world: grant us your peace.

Take, O take me as I am. Sum - mon out what I shall

be. Set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.



Song After the Final Blessing

1. Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered And hid - den from your face;  
 2. And now at length dis - cern - ing The e - vil that we do,  
 3. O Lord of all the liv - ing, Both ban - ished and re - stored,

In fool - ish - ness have squan - dered Your leg - a - cy of grace.  
 Be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing With hope and trust to you.  
 Com - pas - sion - ate, for - giv - ing, And ev - er - car - ing Lord,

But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, We rise with fear and shame,  
 In haste you come to meet us And home re - joic - ing bring,  
 Grant now that our trans - gress - ing, Our faith - less - ness may cease.

As, dis - tant but com - pell - ing, We hear you call our name.  
 In glad - ness there to greet us With calf and robe and ring.  
 Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, In par - don, and in peace.



**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION**

**Holy, Holy, Holy  
 Lord God of hosts.  
 Heaven and earth  
 are full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he,  
 blessed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Hosanna in the highest.**

**MYSTERY OF FAITH**

**We proclaim  
 your Death, O Lord,  
 and profess your Resurrection  
 until you come again,  
 until you come again.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in  
 heaven, hallowed be thy  
 name; thy kingdom come;  
 thy will be done on earth as  
 it is in heaven. Give us this  
 day our daily bread; and  
 forgive us our trespasses  
 as we forgive those who  
 trespass against us;  
 and lead us not  
 into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.**

*Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil...  
 and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

**For the kingdom,  
 the power, and the glory  
 are yours, now and forever.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who  
 takes away the sins of the world. Blessed  
 are those called to the supper  
 of the Lamb.*

**Lord, I am not worthy  
 that you should enter  
 under my roof,  
 but only say the word  
 and my soul**

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