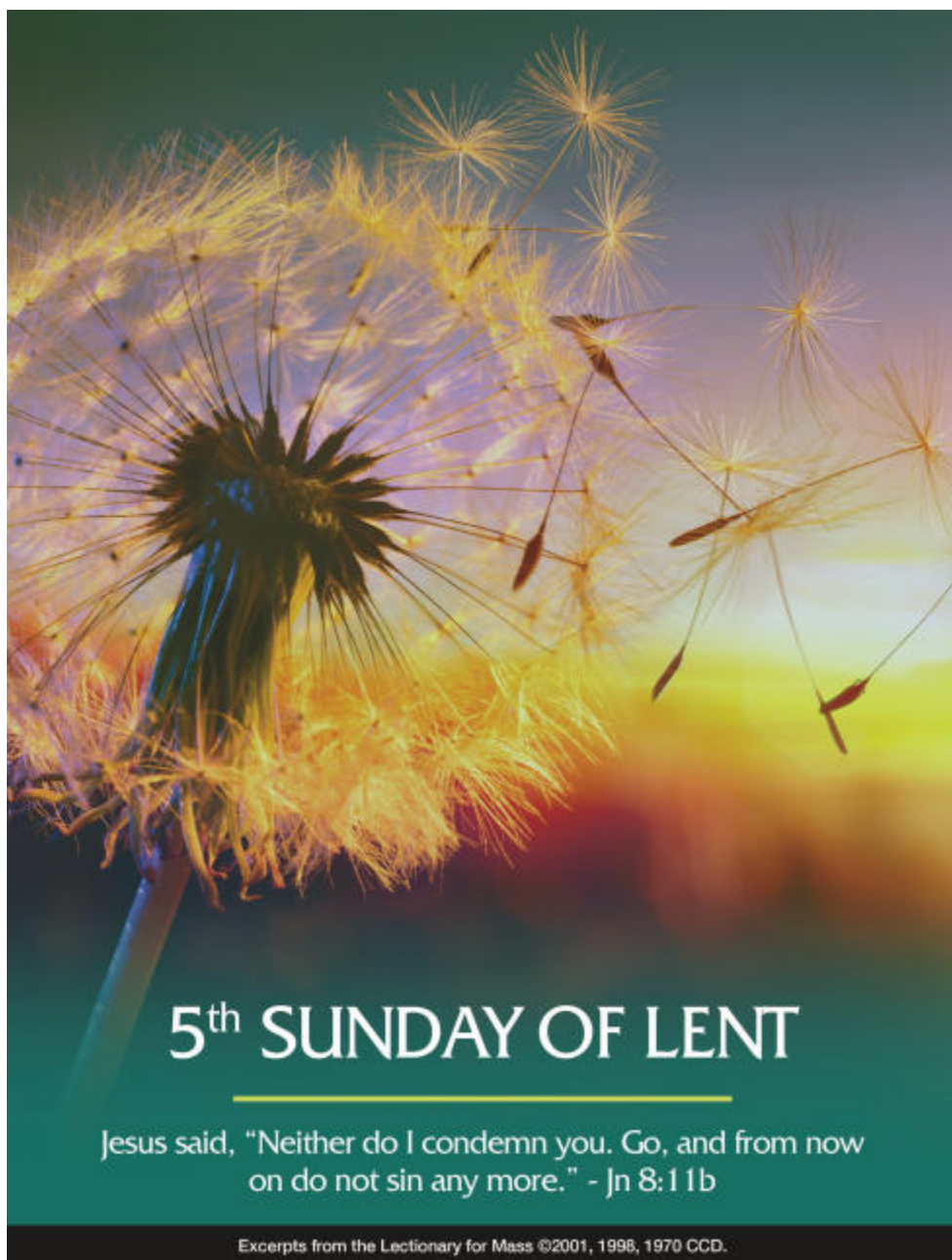


## Saint Thomas More Parish

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### 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more." - Jn 8:11b

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**Rev. Msgr. James P. Farmer, Pastor**  
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#### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

**Bible Study Group** – 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center. (Sept.-June)

**Men's Fellowship Group**—2nd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. in the TMR.

**Parish Council** — 2nd Tuesday of January, March, May, September, and November, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. All Parishioners are welcome!

**Religious Education — Grades K-12 & Why Catholic (for Adults)** classes are held on Sundays from Sept-May 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.

**Rosary Group**—after the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

#### Mass Schedule

**Saturday 4:30 p.m.**

**Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

Please see the weekday schedule inside this bulletin.



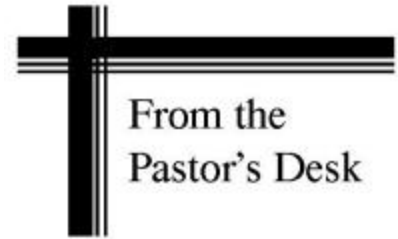
**Confessions** - Saturday from 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.



Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

Through his sufferings, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear. Therefore I will give him his portion among the great, and he shall divide the spoils with the mighty, because he surrendered himself to death and was counted among the wicked; and he shall take away the sins of many, and win pardon for their offenses.  
Isaiah 53:11b-12



Our salvation is free, but it is not cheap. Jesus paid an enormous price to give us salvation.

He suffered for us. He experienced his passion and crucifixion for us. He died for us.

Are we willing to suffer and sacrifice for Him? He carried His cross for us. Let us carry our cross for Him.

When we have difficulties in life, do we become angry and upset? Or, do we see each cross we have as a way to draw closer to Jesus?

Do we offer our suffering to Jesus? We should not waste our suffering. All suffering has a redemptive value if we offer it up to Jesus.

During the Lenten season let us look at the crucifix, and appreciate the suffering Jesus endured for us. Love is proven in sacrifice.

In Christ,




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We Pray in Faith that all who have died, especially  
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may be welcomed into the peace of God's Kingdom.

**Please pray for our Parishioners and Friends, especially:** Maureen Maguire, Rita Connor, Betty Burns (Joyce McCoy's sister), Baby Kaiden, Sr. Isabel Marie Haughey, OSF (Sr. Kathleen's sister), David Brown, Terry Doyle, Jim Gay, Claire Pistorio, Ellie Wright, Clare Doyle, Angie Gauss, Charlie Bailey, Queenetta Akwari and Baby Tobenna Akwari (Lauretta Ibe's sister and Great-nephew), Gail Kreller, Joe Nowak (Denny's son), Jerome Kersch, Ellen Adajian, Dennis Ceisla, Sally May and Hugo Quiej (Ana's brother-in-law).



**Readings for April 14, 2019**

Lk 19:28-40  
Is 50:4-7  
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]  
Phil 2:6-11  
Lk 22:14--23:56

**CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL**

"The end for which we are created invites us to walk a road that is surely sown with a lot of thorns, but it is not sad; through even the sorrow, it is illuminated by joy."  
- Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday 04/08**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Harold DeSilva**

**Tuesday 04/09**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Mary Baker**

**Wednesday 04/10**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Rev. Brian A. Zielinski, O.Praem.**

**Thursday 04/11**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Marie Silverman**

**Friday 04/12**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Parent of Michael Bish**

**Saturday 04/13**  
 4:30 p.m. Mass **For the Parishioners**

**Sunday 04/14**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Fran Meek**  
 11:00 a.m. Mass **Orlando Liberatore**

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

We are all sinners, and we all need mercy. If met with sincerity and true repentance of heart, an encounter with God's unconditional and all-forgiving love will lead to true conversion and a new life of grace. There is no point to condemnation or excessive punishment. We do not need to wag fingers or make people feel inferior. Jesus met the woman caught in adultery with compassion. He did not condemn her. People have not always been faithful to God. We have not always been faithful to God. Yet, God waits for us to return and trusts that His seeds of forgiveness and mercy will take root. We do not know if the woman left Jesus and sinned no more. It's not important.



**CHILDREN'S STATIONS of the CROSS**  
 April 12 at 7:00 p.m.

**NO CLASSES on EASTER SUNDAY, April 21st.**

**1st COMMUNION INFORMATION**

- ◆ Sunday, April 28—1st Communicants' Parent Meeting at 9:30 a.m.
- ◆ Saturday, May 4—1st Communion REHEARSAL—10:00 a.m.
- ◆ Sunday, May 5—1st Communion Mass—11:00 a.m.



**STATIONS of the CROSS**  
 Fridays during Lent at 3:00 p.m.  
 Please join us!

**Day of Reflection TOMORROW** at—9:30 a.m.—in the Gathering Space.

**ANNUAL SODALITY REUNION LUNCHEON**  
**May 20, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.**  
 Silver Spring Mining Restaurant in Perry Hall  
 Call Mary Jane at 410-254-1114.



**PARISH DINNER**

**May 19, 2019**

**1:00 to 4:30 p.m.**

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