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Weekend

Saturday - 4:00 PM

Sunday - 9:00 AM

Weekday-

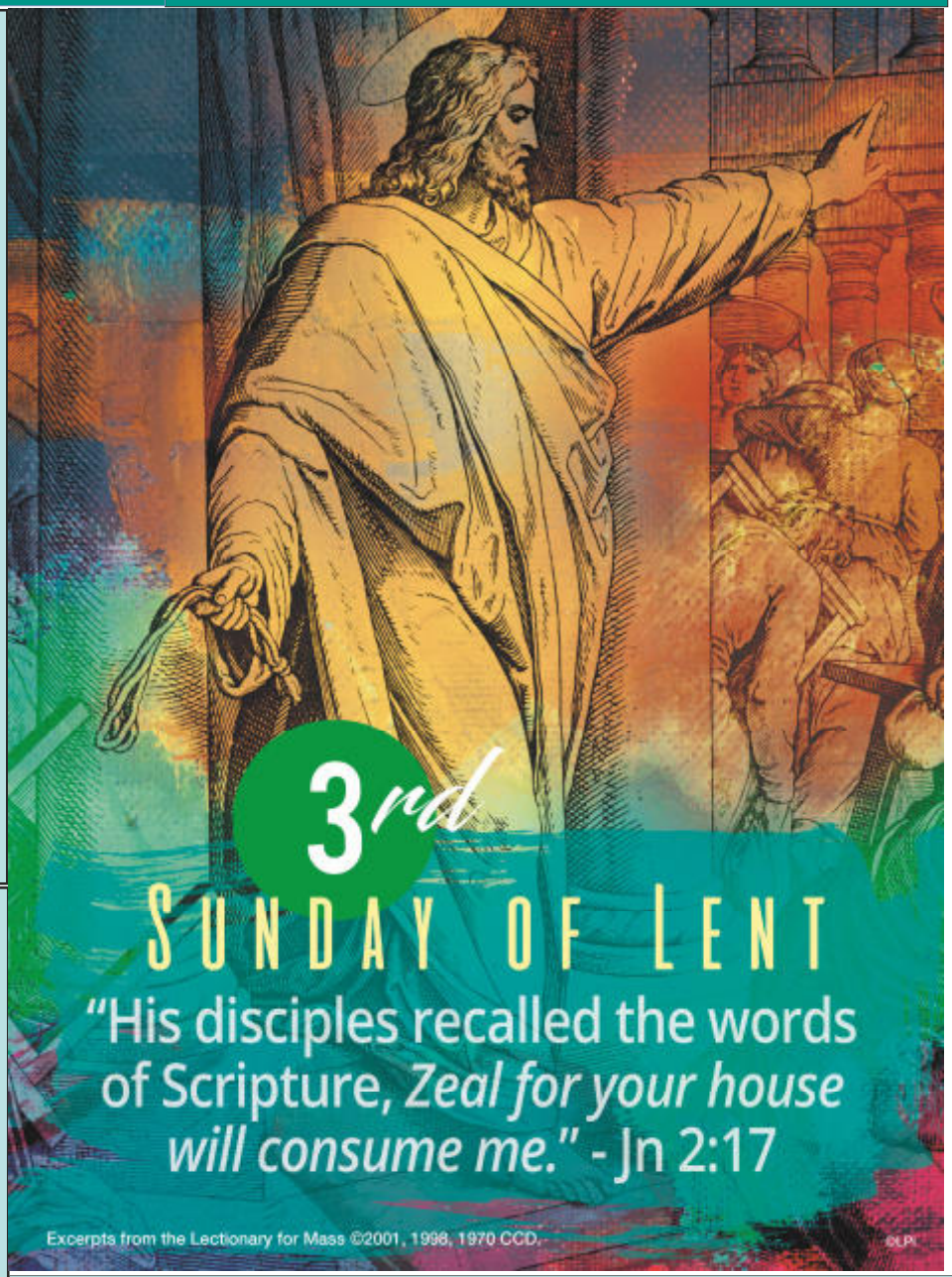
Tuesday - Friday -12:00 Noon

Adoration

Tuesday-Friday-11:00 AM

Confession

Saturday-2:30-3:30 PM



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3rd Sunday of Lent

Please join us every Friday at 6:00 pm

Schedule of Events

March 7th	Sunday	10:30 am	RE
March 8th	Monday	6:00 pm	Women's Group
March 9th	Tuesday	5:00 pm	EM Training

Fish Fry Fridays during Lent .....
4:00 P.M. to 6: P.M. @ Christ the King Church
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Parents Just Don't Understand

Anybody remember the old rap song by the Fresh Prince, aka Will Smith, "Parents Just Don't Understand?" As we grow up, it is sometimes a struggle for us to imagine that our parents understand us. It can seem impossible that Mom and Dad remember the stress of exam week or peer pressure. We never saw them as children; we never saw their disappointed faces when they weren't invited to a party, or their dashed hopes at a bad test grade. We never saw them homesick their first week of college or nervous to ask their crush to Homecoming.

We're often the same way about God. We gripe about what He asks of us. "He doesn't understand sin — he's all-good," we think. "He doesn't understand temptation — He is perfect."

In Scripture, God can be very much a father, telling us what we can and cannot do. And yet, in His divine genius, He is sometimes simply a man at a well, asking for a drink.

For me, it turns out I didn't need to tell my parents anything about what I was going through as a kid — they knew already. What I needed was for them to tell me what to do, and how to do it.

Similarly, we don't need to tell God about human nature. We need God to tell us about His nature. He's good enough to ask us for a drink, to enter into our humanity. But we have to remember, for our own sakes, to have the humility to ask Him for something, too — the water that will quench our eternal thirst.

Saturday, March 6
4:00 PM - †Martha Sanchez By Mike & Lupe Lovato
†Belen Sanchez Quintana By Mike & Lupe Lovato

Sunday, March 7
9:00 AM- For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 9
12 Noon- †Pillie Lopez By Yvonne Lopez

Wednesday, March 10
12 Noon - † Tim Maher By Gerald & Sue McDonough

Thursday, March 11
12 Noon - Special Intention For Patty Klein By Bryan & Jennifer Gallagher

Friday, March 12
12 Noon - Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, March 13
4:00 PM - †Tony Sefcovic By Rose Hopper

Sunday, March 14
9:00 AM- For the People of the Parish

Amanda Goscinski-3/8

Frank Martinez-3/8

Glenda Heymann-3/10

April Vallejos-3/10

Isabella Torres-3/11

Robert Quintana-3/13

Larissa Romero-3/13

Joe Sanchez-3/13

March 7, 2021

3rd Sunday of Lent

Many prefer a "create as you go" approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a "you can't tell me what to do" attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other's space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of "anything goes" and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on "relativism island" where only a possible suggestion to "love and do not harm" may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus' display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life's preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.

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Please pray for our Sick

Jesus Sanchez, Mary Solorzano, Jacob Ayala, Nancy Welte, Linda Welte, Esther Compton, Ed Henne, Dolores Ayala, Cloedean Stringfellow, Cecilia Aragon, Pat Allsup, David Jones, Ivan & Louise Roush, Melinda Esposito, Bette Mantelli, Ted Bueno, Rodney Metz, Debra Lopez, Connie Lopez, Matthew Smith, Lois Sullivan, Susie Sisneros, Isabel Bueno, Sam Keiffer, Carolyn McHenry, Alexander Gary, Joe Reyes, Mary Ann Niccoli, Jean Scoles,

Readings for the week of March 7, 2021

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/
Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20]/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

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