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#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## MARCH 17TH, 2024

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JOHN 12:24 -



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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday: 5PM Viail 7:30AM, 9AM, Sunday:

11AM, 5PM

#### **DAILY MASSES**

Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30 AM, 8AM Tues, Thu, Sat: 8AM

#### CONFESSION

Wednesdays: 5:15 - 5:45PM Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:45PM

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon-Fri: 8:30AM - 4:30PM Closed for lunch 12:30-1:30PM (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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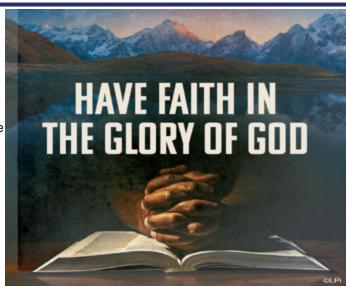


#### GOSPEL MEDITATION

#### 5th Sunday of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. "Please forgive me," I asked, "but you seem to be smiling as you share this." She said, "Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I'm smiling because I just can't wait to see what good things God does with this mess." She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.

This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus' earthly ministry. It's at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, "Father, glorify your name!" John then writes: Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his



turning to the Father with an unshakeable expectation of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.

**Lenten challenge:** This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: "Father, glorify Your name in all these things!" Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times. — **Father John Muir ©LPi** 

#### **DID YOU KNOW? MARCH 16TH-17TH**

## March 16-17 || What is a traumatic experience?

The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) defines a traumatic event as a "frightening,



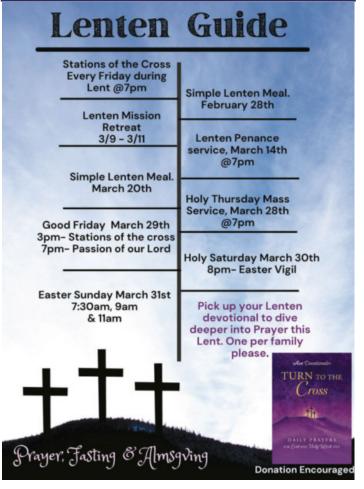
dangerous, or violent event that poses a threat to a child's life or bodily integrity." This includes events that victimize the children directly or events of this type that children witness, particularly when the person harmed is a loved one. A child's understanding of safety depends on the safety of his caregivers. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Healing from Child Trauma" at <a href="https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/">https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/</a>

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Deadline for any pulpit announcements is **Thursdays by 12N**. If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org. March 24th bulletin content due: **Thursday, March 21st.** 



#### ST. ANASTASIA LENTEN GUIDE



## MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

#### **DAILY PRAYERS**

#### PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS: 6AM - 5PM

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS: 7AM - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS: 6AM - 6PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 7AM - 6PM

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET + ADORATION**In the Church - Wednesdays at 5PM

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

Monday-Saturday following all 8AM Masses and after 6:30AM Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays



#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 ext.36 for information, as parents and godparents are required to participate in a preprepartion baptism course. You may also email Dianalee Dupree at DDupree@st-anastasia.org for information on the completion of all requirements. All requirements are to be completed <u>4 weeks</u> prior to a scheduled Baptism.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION, HOLY COMMUNION & HS CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree

Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: DDupree@st-anastasia.org

#### Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (OCIA):

for information on becoming Catholic contact Parish Office at 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

#### MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples must contact the Office 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family. **DON'T WAIT UNTIL THEIR CONDITION BECOMES DIRE**. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

#### MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

Arranged by contacting the Parish Office with names of loved ones. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

Note: Due to privacy and confidentiality laws, permission must be given by a family member to publish a loved one's name for mass intentions and prayer requests.

#### **FUNERAL PLANNING:**

Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 to arrange funeral or memorial services.

#### MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Birthday ★ Support ◆ Anniversary ♥ Memorial &

#### SUN, March 17th: 5th Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

7:30 AM - St. Anastasia Parishioners

9 AM – Patrick Strobel ★ む

11 AM - Bernadeta Semik 🕏

5 PM -The Crawford -Mallen Family ◆

MON, March 18th: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 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

6:30 AM -Wanda & Andrew Stefanski 단다

8 AM -The Ross Family ◆

TUESDAY, March 19th: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

8 AM - Wanda & Andrew Stefanski & 다

WED, March 20th:

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

6:30 AM -Chris Wyatt & 8 AM -Crystal Rasbot ★

THUR, March 21st:

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

8AM - The Extended Narcisse Family ◆

FRIDAY, March 22nd:

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

6:30 AM – The Carmelite Sisters ◆
8 AM- Florette Gauthier &
7PM- Stations of The Cross

SATURDAY, March 23rd: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

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

8 AM- Andrew Stefanski 🕆

5PM - Esperanza & Abner Daland & 약

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS**

SAT: 5PM	Fr. Rozborski
SUN: 7:30AM	Fr. Rozborski
SUN: 9AM	Msgr. Cox
SUN: 11AM	Fr. Semik
SUN: 5PM	Fr. Rozborski

First Reading: I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to

shame. (Is 50:7)

**Psalm:** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

**Second Reading**: He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

**Gospel:** They brought him to the place of Golgotha —which is translated Place of the Skull—. (Mk 15:22)

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

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## **FAITH FORMATION**

#### SIMPLE LENTEN MEAL

This Wednesday, March 20th, is our last Simple Lenten Meal of Lent 2024! Please RSVP at <a href="https://stanastasiala.floc-knote.com/signup/160122">https://stanastasiala.floc-knote.com/signup/160122</a> If you would like to bring a dish, please contact Dianalee Dupree at DDupree@St-Anastasia. org. We hope to see you there.

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Do you want to volunteer to bring a dish to our next Lenten Meal on March 20th?

Contact DDupree@st-anastasia.org to

Simple

Lenten

March 20th @6pm

in the Parish Hall

Lenten Meals are open to our entire parish. It's a great opportunity for fellowship and meeting other families while sharing in one of our community's Lenten traditions.

#### A HUGE THANK YOU!

On behalf of the entire Parish, we would like to thank Maurice A. for restoring our damaged Baptismal Font. We are so grateful for your hard work.





#### PRAYERS FOR OUR ADULTS IN OCIA

You might see unique rites taking place over the next several weeks as our adult catechumens get ready to receive their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Their attention



shifts from instruction to introspection, as they embark on a phase of purification and enlightenment. We are all asked to partake in this cleansing process during Lent, letting go of anything that prevents us from becoming more intimately connected to God.

The unbaptized will participate in scrutinies over the next three weeks, meant to help them (and us) examine areas of our lives in need of purification, and pray with openness for God's loving grace. Let us continue to pray for Benjamin, Jeremy, Danielle, and Katia during this period of conversion.

#### **KID'S CORNER**

## "Loving God, thank you for always being my refuge".

Some days, it can feel like everyone is out to get you. Your family, your friends, your teacher - no one seems to understand you or want to be on your side.

Whenever we have this kind of day, God is always ready to be our refuge. He is the place where we can curl up and feel safe. God loves us more than we love ourselves, and he is there for us. We can

trust that God will keep us safe, even when we feel like others want to tear us to pieces. -Living Faith Kids



#### **BIBLE STUDY**

St. Anastasia Bible Study

## The Four Gospels



- In the earliest days, Christians were called followers of 'The Way' of the Lord, as described in the Four Gospels.
- Coming to know Jesus more deeply in the Gospels is the key to building profound confidence and genuine Christian Hope.
- Our study of The Four Gospels begins March 19. Attend either the morning session, 9:00–10:30 am, or the evening session, 7:30–9:00 pm.
   Meetings are held in the Parish Hall. Materials \$20.



No need to register if you signed up for 'Last Things'.

Scan the QR Code, or register at the Parish Office or Online: (Select 'Giving' menu; press 'Make a Donation' button; scroll down to Bible Study.) Contact: Carolyn Godlewski ScriptureStudyStA@gmail.com

## LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration of the week

Jesus reminds us that the grain of wheat can never realize its potential without sacrifice. God has a plan for each one of us. May He give you strength to become who you were born to be.

## PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

#### **HOLYLAND HANDICRAFTS**

This weekend, March 16 th /17 th, representatives from the Holyland Handicrafts Company will be here to sell handmade olive carvings and mother of pearl religious items to help support Catholic families living in the holy cities of Jerusalem and Bethlehem. The Catholic population over the years has dropped from 40% to 1%. Jobs for these families are very

hard to come by, so they spend months creating items out of olive wood to sell for financial support. The representatives will be here after the Saturday, 5 pm Mass and the Sunday morning Masses. All forms of payment will be accepted.

#### ST. MARGERT'S CENTER

Don't miss our monthly donation basket after every Mass this Sunday, March 17th, supporting St. Margaret's Center. Since 1987, they have been providing a range of emergency and supportive services, to about 10,000 individuals annually, in the "LAX" area.

#### **NURSES MINISTRY**

Stop by the Nurses Ministry Table in the Diamond Courtyard this Sunday, March 17th, for your Blood Pressure screening after the 7:30AM, 9AM,



and 11AM Masses— thanks to Angie Tolentino and the nurses who give their time to this ministry.

#### MINISTRY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

March 19th: Bible Study (Every Tuesday 9-10:30 am or 7:30-9 pm) Location: Parish Hall

March 20th: Adult Choir (Every Wednesday at 6:15PM)

<u>March 21st</u>: Companions on the Journey (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10AM-11:30AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>March 23rd</u>: Prayer Group (Every Friday 6pm-8pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>March 26th</u>: Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>April 3rd</u>: Men's Morning Hour (Every 1st Wednesday of the month after 6:30AM Mass) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

**April 10th: Baptismal Ministry** (Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm) Location: Parish Hall

Altar Society: (Every Thursday after 8AM Mass and Rosary) Location: Diamond Courtyard w/ light refreshments and treats.



#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MODERN LIVING



#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE





## **HELP SAVE LIVES**

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion. Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, we have inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers in 63 countries.

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- Over 24,000 babies saved from abortion
- · Over 200 abortion workers converted
- Over 100 abortion centers closed



#### Here's how to take part:

Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood, 14623 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily, February 14 – March 24, 2024

Local contact: Laura Frederick, 202-361-5166, 40days4lifelawndale@gmail.com

Get involved ...learn more... and sign up for prayer times by visiting:

40daysforlife.com/Lawndale

### **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

#### MARY AND JOSEPH CENTER

## Mary & Celebrating 60 Years Soseph REFLECT ~ REST ~ RENEW

Saturday, April 13, 2024 7:00am to 1:00pm

Along the Way: A Pilgrim Walk

Sue Ballotti, Pilgrim and Labyrinth Facilitator





Join Mary & Joseph Retreat Center for the seventh annual Pilgrim Walk, a 4.8 mile walk through the streets and trails of Palos Verdes to the sacred grounds of the retreat center. As pilgrims, walkers will be blessed, walk to various stations for reflection and to have passports stamped. Modeled after the famous pilgrimage, 'the Way", to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, this half day walk is adapted to our own time and neighborhood. All ages and faiths welcome. All activities will be outdoors. Schedule: 7 am registration opens, 7:30 blessing of all pilgrims, first groups depart, walk in a calm meditative way, 11:30: closing prayer and grace, picnic lunch at noon. Please no dogs, strollers, skateboards or bicycles as parts of the trail are narrow, rocky and rough. This walk is of moderate difficulty; wear walking shoes (closed toes), hat, sunscreen and a smile.

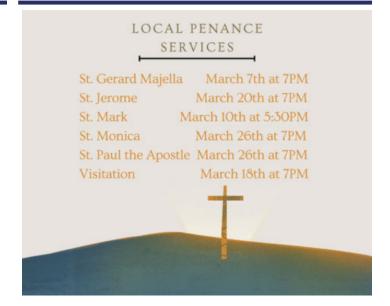
Cost: \$40 per person (picnic lunch included), Family for \$60 For those coming from a distance, stay overnight and walk with us in the morning ~ call ahead for costs & availability. To register call José at (310) 377-4867 ext 250 or email him at jsalas@maryjoseph.org or register online at www.maryjoseph.org. Please see website for Cancellation Policy.

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#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

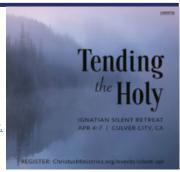


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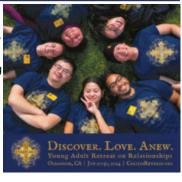
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