

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17, 2024



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Saturday & Sunday Masses

Weekday Masses

* Monday—Friday: 7:30AM

* Saturday: 8AM

Saturday Vigil Masses

* St. Gertrude's Church: 4:00PM

Sunday Masses

* Spanish Mass: 9:00AM

* English Mass: 11:00AM

* English Mass: 5:00PM

Confessions: Saturday: 3:00PM-4:00PM

Sunday: 30 minutes before all Masses



Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism: Parents may register their child for baptism at the parish office. Please turn in necessary paperwork two (2) weeks prior to class. Baptism Classes will be the 1st Tuesday of every month. Baptisms are done on the third Sunday of the Month.

Marriage: Contact Parish Priest/Office at least six (6) months before the proposed wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Priest /Office when a parishioner is seriously ill and/or is scheduled for major surgery. Emergency phone-505-835-0199.

Sunday Collection for

March 10, 2024 : \$4,691.74

(Envelopes: \$3,673.00 Loose: \$1,018.74)

Envelopes used: 124

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God Bless You!

Catholic Relief Services: \$929.40

Altar Society:

March 18, 2024

Elaine Armijo/Barbara Kuehl

St. Gertrude the Great Parish Annual

EASTER egg hunt

Easter Sunday 3/31/24

After 11am Mass

Food

Fun

Fellowship



On Tuesday, March 19th we will be ending the **St. Joseph Novena** at 6pm in the Church followed by Mass. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN IS: TUESDAY AT 12 PM IN WRITING, PLEASE!

SATURDAY— March 16

4PM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Paul

People of the Parish

- + Ben Bustos, Roy Bustos & Joe Bustos /by Marcie Bustos
- + Escolastica Casias (61 Anniv) & Feliberto Casias (11th Anniv) /by family
- + Guillermo Martinez, Luisita Flores & Rose Powell /by Geraldine

SUNDAY—March 17 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9AM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Dale

- + Deacon Ray Cordova, Steven & Gabrielle Cordova/by Evelyn
- + Damian Pacheco (Anniv) /by family
- + Emenencia Romo, *Spiritual & physical health of Herman Herrera /by David & Barbara
- + In Honor of Our Lady of Grace for Sebastian Denke & Barbara Kuehl (B-days)

11AM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Paul

- + Eloisa Olivas (4th Anniv), Cathy Armijo (2nd Anniv) & Marcos Baca (15th Anniv) /by Patsy & Albert
- + For the Soul of Emenencia Romo /by Family
- + James Porter /by Amanda Padilla

5PM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Dale

- + Patricio & Sophia Serna /by Robert

Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4,12-15 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

MONDAY— March 18 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:30AM Mass

- + Dennis Chavez & Osma Chavez /by Danny & Bernadette

Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-6 Jn 8:1-11

TUESDAY— March 19 Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30AM Mass

- + Repose of the souls of John Patrick, Joe Anaya & Vicky Voza /by Maxine
- * Intercession of St. Joseph for Paul Santiago, Oscar & Mateo Maes /by Floyd & Maxine

6PM Mass

- + For the Deceased & Active Members of the San José Society

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

WEDNESDAY— March 20

7:30AM Mass

- + June & Gilbert Salas (Anniv) & Dora Vigil /by Irene & Rosa Salas

Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42

THURSDAY— March 21

7:30AM Mass

Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59

FRIDAY— March 22

7:30AM Mass

- * Michael Elijah Lujan (B-day) /by Mom, Dad & sisters

Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42

SATURDAY— March 23 Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

8AM Mass

Ez 37:21-28 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56

SATURDAY— March 23

4PM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Dale

- * Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague protect all unborn children & their mothers /by Eufrazio & Norma
- + Jonathan Pollack, Teresa & Carol Powell /by Geraldine
- + Rosa Martinez, JoJo Martinez & Tony Trujillo /by Marcy

SUNDAY—March 24 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9AM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Paul

People of the Parish

- + Alex Mora /by Ida
- + Damian Pacheco (B-day) /by Family
- + Sam Fore (Anniv)

11AM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Dale

- + Marcelino & Lourdes Herrera
- + Ermelina Romero /by Family
- * Tori Gonzales (B-day), +Loretta Abeyta & Leroy Gonzales /by Inez

5PM Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Paul

- + Maria Concepcion Esquibel /by Danny & Bernadette
- + John & Teodorita Serna /by Sophie

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (Procession) 38:1s 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9,17-18a, 19-20,23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

Washing of the Feet

We are looking for 12 Apostles to volunteer to get their feet washed on Holy Thursday, March 28th. If you would like to volunteer please call the office and sign up. Thank you.



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) Update:

St. Gertrude Goal: \$13,500.00
Pledged to date: \$7,803.00.00
Paid as of 02/22/24: \$5,151.00
of Participating Families: 40

We would like to thank our faithful parishioners for your generosity in meeting & exceeding our goal for 2023. The excess amount will be returned to the Parish.

Virtue's Training

For anyone involved in any ministry within the Parish that is needing the Virtue's training, there will be an in-person training on Saturday, April 13th from 10am-1pm at the Lector Hall in the Mora High School. Please call the office to sign up.

Bible Study!!!



Bible Study will continue on Wednesdays during Lent at 9am and 6pm in the Church. "Gospel of John" Bring your Bibles!

Adoration Chapel: The Chapel is now open 24 hours. Anyone who wants to devote an hour of adoration please contact Deacon Eloy at 505-948-6887.

Cemetery Plots: All plots need to be prearranged by Mission Mayordomos or the Church Office. Also please clean & maintain your family member's plot.

Charitable Giving: Charitable Giving is on Monday's from 10-12 & 1-3pm.

Commodities: The Commodities will be distributed on Tuesday, April 9th

Legion of Mary: Each of you are invited to grow in your faith. Join the Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 8:50am at the Pastoral Center.

Men's Group: Men's group meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7pm in the Chapel. *For Lent, Men's Group will attend Fr. Dale's Bible Study in the Church at 6 PM.*

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Society will be praying the rosary at 8:30 on the first Sunday of every month.

WINGS: Women in Need of God meets every Friday at 10am in the Pastoral Center.

Religious Education

Elementary Religious Education: The next class will be on Tuesday, March 5th.

Confirmation I and II: There will be No Class this Sunday, March 17th.

Confirmation II letter to the Archbishop was due Sunday, March 10th. Please get those in as soon as possible

Confirmation Mass will be 4/30/24 at 6:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Las Vegas, NM

R.C.I.A. Next class will be on March 19th, 2024.

Please keep the students and their families in your prayers.

Immaculate Conception Parish



Call Ben and Michelle Sencemo
at 575-447-0316 for more information
or to register for the event

Reminder to all married and engaged couples, the IC Marriage Program Weekend will be April 12th-14th. It's a wonderful retreat opportunity for all couples.

Church Clean Up Day

We will be deep cleaning the Church on Wednesday, March 20th at 10am. We would appreciate all the help we can get.

Rice Bowls

There's still time to pick up a rice bowl in the lobby of the Church. We are asking to turn them in the week of Holy week.



Easter Lilies



In Loving Memory Lily forms and contribution envelope need to be returned by Palm Sunday.

Ministry Schedule

March 23rd 4:00pm

Lector:

Choir: Santa Maria

Server: Haley & Paul

EU Minister: Deacon Eloy

Mavordomos: William & Monica Romero

March 24th 9am

Lector: Alfredo Gomez/Evelyn Cordova

Choir: Leroy Blea/Alex Montoya

Server: Cristina, Adults

EU Minister: Deacon Clarence

Mavordomos: Jason & Loretta DeHerrera

March 24th 11am

Lector: Margaret Vigil/Virginia Taylor

Choir: San Manuel

Server: Cory & Gabriel

EU Minister: Deacon Eloy

Mavordomos: Garrick & Jessica Alexander

March 24th 5pm

Lector: Fidel Trujillo Jr./Anita Roybal

Choir: Nazario Montoya

Server: Adam & Brayden

EU Minister: Deacon Clarence

Mavordomos: Michael & Tammy Alexander

Good Friday Pilgrimage

We would like to invite everyone to join in on the Good Friday Pilgrimage this year. More information about the pilgrimage will be coming in the next weeks.

Please keep all who are making the pilgrimage in your prayers!



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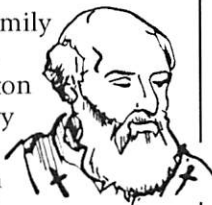
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St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church
 Father Dale Craig, S.O.L.T., Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Pope St. Zachary

Born to a Greek family in Calabria, Italy, St. Zachary was deacon to Pope Gregory III before succeeding him as pope in 741.



As pope, St. Zachary skillfully negotiated peace for Italy several times, most notably with the Lombards and the Franks. St. Zachary supported St. Boniface's German mission, ransomed slaves sold by Venetian merchants, and supported the restoration of churches. He carried the Church through troubled times with charity, prudence, and skillful leadership.

Trust

St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta refused donations beyond the current needs of her community. Accepting such help would mean she didn't trust God to provide for their needs. When we rely on God, we demonstrate our faith, just as Mother Teresa did.

"God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it"
 (1 Corinthians 10:13).



Finish Lent strong

The last weeks of Lent can feel like the last yards of a marathon. We're just pushing ourselves to reach the finish line of Easter. Instead, think of Lent as a time of silence, simplicity, and sacrifice that helps us become the people God wants us to be. That's the real point of Lent.

Silence: Prayer is oxygen for the soul. It is during prayer when God speaks to our hearts. Lent done right removes distractions so that our prayer is richer and our focus more attentive. It is critical to find time to be with Him in attentive silence each day.

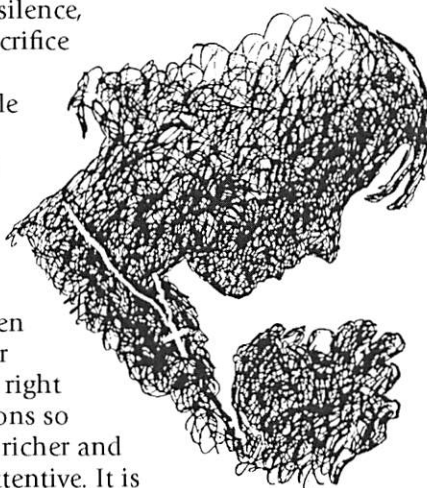
Simplicity: Avoid material clutter. Consider the six month rule – if you haven't worn it or used it in the last

six months – give it away. Not only will you help those in need, decluttering creates room in our homes and hearts for God.

Sacrifice: Through sacrifice we give back to God what we owe Him. While we can't repay Him for His gifts in equal measure, we can express gratitude with small sacrifices that show our return back to Him in gratitude and love.

Sacraments: Sacraments are the fuel for fighting evil. During Lent, these spiritual battles intensify. Weekly

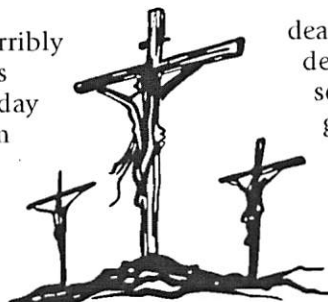
Mass and monthly Confession keep up our spiritual strength. Don't fight on fumes. Fuel up with the Sacraments.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Good Friday "good"?

Although it recalls a terribly sad event, Good Friday is "good" because it is the day when Jesus saved us from our sins, reconciled us with God, and reopened Heaven. Out of what seemed like defeat, God brought victory. By His

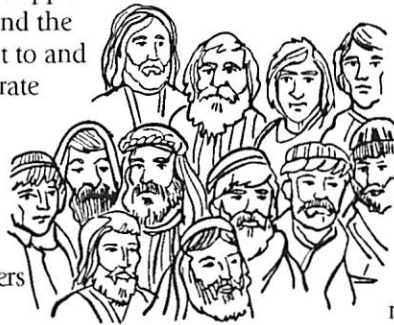


death, Jesus conquered sin and death. On Good Friday, we see more clearly God's goodness, justice, wisdom, power, and love. "God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

“By this all men will know that you are my disciples...”

Each Triduum begins by recalling the Last Supper during which Jesus gave us the priesthood and the Eucharist as His means of remaining present to and in His Church. On Holy Thursday, we celebrate discipleship and are all asked to renew our commitment to following Jesus.

Disciples act with love. *“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another”* (John 13:35). True followers of Jesus know that how we treat others proves that we know Him and follow Him.



Disciples answer the call. God chooses us first, but we must answer the call. If Peter had not dropped his nets and followed Jesus, he would not have been a disciple. Discipleship involves a choice to drop everything for Him.

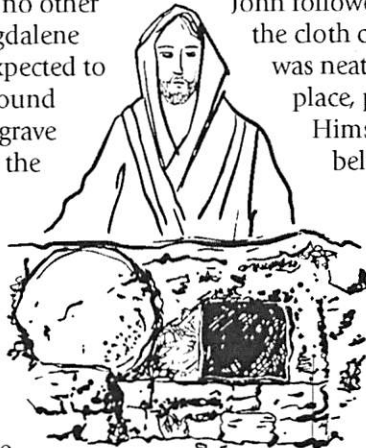
Disciples make other disciples. Ultimately, we need to do what Jesus did, which is to make more disciples. This was His final command, *“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations”* (Matthew 28:19). The Catholic Church’s mission is to make disciples who make disciples.

from **Scripture**

John 20:1-9, Jesus - not death - has the last word

The Resurrection is the keystone of our Faith, making a claim no other faith can. When Mary Magdalene arrived at the tomb, she expected to find a body. Instead, she found the stone rolled back, the grave clothes neatly folded, and the tomb empty. She concluded, wrongly, that thieves had taken the Lord’s body, and she ran to tell Peter and John.

When Peter and John arrived, Peter entered first and also saw that the grave clothes had been left behind, not left in a heap, but neatly arranged. No grave robber would have taken the



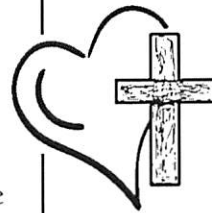
body and left the clothes behind. John followed Peter and saw that the cloth covering Christ’s face was neatly folded in a separate place, perhaps by Christ Himself. He saw and believed.

The Resurrection proves that Christ is who He says He is. Therefore, we must give Him our final allegiance. Because Jesus rose from the dead in glory, we also have the hope of rising

in glory with Him on the Last Day. Christ - not death, sin, or evil - has the last word.

Q & A What are the Corporal Works of Mercy?

As followers of Christ, we’re encouraged to care for each other. Jesus’ parable of the judgment of the sheep and the goats (Matthew 25:31-46) lists the ways we can care for those in physical need: *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...”* (Matthew 25:35).



These are the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to shelter the homeless and to bury the dead. Essentially, *“it is by what they have done for the poor that Jesus Christ will recognize His chosen ones”* (Catechism of the Catholic Church #2443).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are about being aware of others’ needs and responding to them. Living the Corporal Works of Mercy is how we can make our love for God and others visible and effective. *“Whatever you did for one of these...you did for me”* (Matthew 25:40).

Feasts & Celebrations

March 8 - John of God (1550). Moved to repentance by a homily of St. John of Ávila, St. John left his career in the Portuguese military to establish a hospital for the sick and poor. After his death, his assistants formed the Brothers Hospitallers.

March 19 - St. Joseph, Husband of Mary (1st century). Jesus’ earthly father and husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and a protector of families.

March 24 - Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion (1st Century). On

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion, we recall Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem, when He was greeted by cheering crowds waving palms. This Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week.

March 26 - St. Margaret Clitherow (1586). St. Margaret converted to Catholicism soon after she married, when Catholicism was illegal in England. Margaret continued to practice her faith, even hiding priests in her house so they could say Mass. She remained joyful, faithful, and peaceful until her martyrdom.



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