

March 10, 2024



Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Mass Times

Sunday

7:00 AM Low Mass

8:45 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM **Sung Mass**

1:00 PM Low Mass

5:00 PM Low Mass

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Monday— Saturday

6:30 AM, 8:00 am

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Confession Times

30 min. before each Sunday Mass

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30 min. before each daily Mass

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4:00-5:00 PM Saturday

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MASS AND EVENT SCHEDULE

	Events	Mass Times
Sunday March 10th Fourth Sunday of Lent	Daylight Saving Time begins	7:00 AM 8:45 AM 10:30 AM (Sung Mass) 1 PM 5 PM FSSP intention
Monday March 11th Feria of Lent	Catechism class 6:30 pm	6:30 AM 8:00 AM
Tuesday March 12th Feria of Lent (St. Gregory I)	Rosary group 6:30 pm	6:30 AM 8:00 AM
Wednesday March 13th Feria of Lent		6:30 AM 8:00 AM
Thursday March 14th Feria of Lent	Adoration/Benediction 5 pm Catechism of the Spiritual Life 6:30 pm	6:30 AM 8:00 AM
Friday March 15th Feria of Lent	Stations of the Cross 12 noon	6:30 AM 8:00 AM
Saturday March 16th Feria of Lent	Conf. of Christian Mothers mtg. 9:15 am Confessions 4 pm	6:30 AM Purgatorial Society 8:00 AM Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Sunday March 17th Passion Sunday		7:00 AM 8:45 AM 10:30 AM (Sung Mass) 1 PM 5 PM
Adoration Chapel candles: Desires of the heart (Anonymous) Sanctuary candle: No sponsor this week Flowers for the altar: No flowers during Lent Flowers for Bl. Virgin Mary: No sponsor this week Flowers for St. Joseph: No sponsor this week Flowers for the Adoration chapel: No sponsor this week		

TODAY'S HYMNS

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Processional Praise Ye the Lord

Recessional O Kind Creator

Mass Ordinaries Mass XVII, Credo I

Marian Antiphon Ave Regina Caelorum

Notes from Fr. Rapoport:

Mass intentions are now closed for all priests.

Events

Monday 3/11 | Children's Catechism classes—6:30 pm

Tuesday 3/12 | Rosary in the church—6:30 pm

Thursday 3/14 | Adult catechism class—6:30 pm

Friday 3/15 | Stations of the Cross—12 noon

Saturday 3/16 | Confraternity of Christian Mothers—9:15 am; Pro Life Rosary—12 noon (Spokane)

Monday 3/18 | Children's Catechism classes—6:30 pm

Tuesday 3/19 | Rosary in the church—6:30 pm

Thursday 3/21 | Men's group mtg.—6:30 pm

Friday 3/22 | Stations of the Cross—12 noon

Saturday 3/23 | Holy Face mtg.—9 am

Announcements

Catechism classes be cancelled for the following three Monday's; March 25, April 1, and April 8. Classes will resume on April 15.

Confraternity of Christian Mothers: for all women of the parish 18 yrs. and older, will meet for the 8 a.m. Mass on the March 16, the 3rd Saturday of the month and meet in the social hall about 9:30 a.m. Coffee and light refreshments are provided, and the meeting wraps up no later than 11:00am .

Lenten calendars: are available in the rack at the back of church. It includes certain days previously observed in the Church calendar in honor of Our Lords Passion.

New Video series: a weekly information video series titled "**Catholicism 101**" has begun. This is an opportunity for the priests to share practical points that will help parishioner in their daily lives as Catholics. Please see Saturdays parish email for the link!

Holy Triduum schedule: Holy Thursday 6 pm, Good Friday 3 pm, Holy Saturday 6 pm.

Holy Triduum confessions: please note that there will not be confession during the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday). The priests will need to prepare for the ceremonies before each Liturgy. Confession will be available on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week. We ask that you make arrangements accordingly.

Welcome! Please welcome the newest members of the church, **Christopher Marcellino Perez and Luca Valentino Perez**, both of whom were baptized on January 24; they are the children of David and Amanda Perez. Congratulations and welcome to both!

Mercy

Dr. D. Q. McNerny
(February 2017)

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." The clear import of Our Lord teaching here would seem to be that the condition that must be met if we expect to obtain mercy—not so much from others as from God—is that we ourselves are merciful. But what does that entail? What does it mean to be merciful, or to have mercy? As always, it is very helpful to "go to Thomas" and hear what the Common Doctor has to say about the matter. He provides us with an important first step toward arriving at a sound understanding of the nature of mercy when he tells us that it is "the compassionate regard for the misery of others." The merciful person is not one who regards the misery of others in an impersonal, unfeeling manner. His is a compassionate regard. Our English "compassion" has its roots in a Latin word which connotes a "feeling with." St. Thomas brings out this aspect of mercy in telling fashion when he writes that the merciful person "sees the misery of others as if it were his own". We have here, then, a rather intimate bond which is established between the one who shows mercy and the one to whom the mercy is shown.

But we would fall considerably short of understanding the nature of mercy were we to think it is merely a matter of emotion, of entertaining the "right feelings" toward those who are suffering. I might say to someone, "I feel your pain," and in saying it may in fact be deeply moved by the sad plight of another human being, but if my feelings never take on concrete, external expression, if they do not bear fruit in ameliorating action, mercy has then not been fully realized and remains but a truncated version of the genuine virtue. Mercy is fulfilled, is made complete, when we take action to alleviate, insofar as we can, the suffering of others. In some instances perhaps the only action we are able to take—by no means to be disparaged—is the action of prayer. This is "doing something" about suffering in an especially efficacious way. But if, along with prayer, we are in a position to alleviate suffering in a direct, material way, we have at our disposal the whole range of the corporeal works of mercy to specify and guide our actions.

Aristotle was reluctant to regard mercy as a virtue, apparently because he was too taken by its emotive aspect. Saint Thomas, for his part, had no hesitancy in recognizing mercy as a virtue, a specific effect of the foundational virtue of charity. To be sure, there is an important emotional element to mercy, the compassion we have for the suffering of others. But, once again, the rationale behind that emotion is to serve as the motivating impetus for the action that needs to be taken to alleviate the suffering of others. Because it is a concrete expression of charity, mercy can be seen as an especially poignant way of obeying the second of the two greatest commandments, by which we are enjoined to love our neighbor as ourselves. We do unto others in the ways we expect they will do unto us. Applying this principle to the virtue of mercy, we show mercy to others in the expectation that, when the time comes for our need for it, others will show mercy toward us. However, we do not want to allow ourselves to adopt a narrow tit for tat type of thinking in this matter. In the final analysis, we should show mercy toward others simply because it is

the right thing to do, and without any consideration for our being "paid back" or somehow compensated for our merciful acts. Here it might be salutary to call to mind the proverbial truth that virtue is its own reward.

It is first and foremost the mercy of God we all stand constantly in need of. Much has been written by learned theologians over the years on the relation between the mercy of God and the justice of God. When God acts mercifully toward us, is He somehow putting justice aside, or, conversely, when He deals justly with us, does that mean that mercy has no role in the matter? The difficulties surrounding this question can be significantly muted if not removed altogether by remembering, in considering the question, that the theologians typically direct our attention to the fact that God is utterly simple, and thus there is no real distinction, in Him, between mercy and justice; those virtues, along with all the others we attribute superlatively to God—this being the way our finite minds interpret the multifarious effects of His divine action in the world—are one and the same with the divine essence. Thus, in all God's dealings with us, there is never a separation, and therefore nothing by way of a conflict, between mercy and justice. "Mercy does not take away justice," St. Thomas writes, "but is in a way the very plenitude of justice." There are of course deep mysteries that are to be acknowledged here and before which we humbly bow.

How might those two virtues, mercy and justice, relate to one another in our own attempts to act mercifully toward others? First of all, and obviously, those virtues are really distinct in us, which is not the case with God. Second, we need to be mindful of the important principle which tells us that the virtuous life is all of a piece: if a person is in genuine possession of one virtue, then he is in possession of all of them. To put the principle in negative terms, and apropos of the virtues of mercy and justice, if I lack the virtue of mercy, then I can lay no claim to the virtue of justice; and if I lack justice, I am not going to be one who is widely known for the liberal performance of works of mercy. Earlier we identified a truncated version of mercy, that is, mercy which stops short at emotion, where emotion is fruitless because it does not become the initiator of action. There is another aberration with respect to mercy which can deservedly be called false mercy. False mercy manifests itself in a situation where we experience compassion for the perceived suffering of someone, where we take action purportedly intended to address the suffering, but where the action we take is not in accordance with the virtues of justice and charity. Some people are in misery because of their own doings, their misery being the result of freely chosen actions. Let us say that they are living lives which, objectively considered, are seriously disordered. We would not be acting mercifully toward them if we were to ignore, to downplay, or in any way to condone the disorderliness which is the very cause of their misery. To do so would be false mercy. True mercy, fueled by charity, guided by justice, always has in mind the lasting good of those to whom it is directed. We must not pass out stones to those who are in need of bread. +

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Third Sunday of Lent	4 6:30 pm Catechism class	5	6	7 5 pm Adoration Benediction	8 Stations of the Cross 12 Noon	9 10:30 am Little Flowers 4 pm Confessions 5 pm Youth group
10 Fourth Sunday of Lent	11 6:30 pm Catechism class	12 6:30 pm Rosary group	13	14 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Adult catechism classes	15 Stations of the Cross 12 Noon	16 6:30 am Purgatorial Mass 9:15 am Christian Mothers 4 pm Confessions
17 Passion Sunday	18 6:30 pm Catechism class	19 6:30 pm Rosary group	20	21 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Men's mtg.	22 Stations of the Cross 12 Noon	23 9 am Holy Face mtg. 4 pm Confessions
24 Palm Sunday 1 pm Mass cancelled	25	26 6:30 pm Rosary group	27	28 Holy Thursday	29 Good Friday	30 Holy Saturday
31 Easter Sunday	1	2	3	4 5 pm Adoration Benediction	5 First Friday	6 First Saturday 9 am Brunch 10 Maidens 4 pm Confessions

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

In your charity, please pray for the sick and homebound of the parish.

Betsy Adams, Patricia Barsanti, Mercedes Bogaczyk, Sr. Maria Consuela, Bill Connelly, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Julie deTar, , Ruben Finn, Timothy Finn, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Karen Graham, Michael Groves, David Gunseor, Frank Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Mary Hill, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Carrie Kralicek, Paul Krieg, Joseph Larsen, Marianne Leake, Donald Lohman, Spencer Lowell, Patricia Morales, Patrick McMonigle, Linda Ofstead, Katie Orozco, Philomena Ost, Patrick O'Sullivan, Florence Pearson, Phyllis Peick, Michael Permen, Rachel Porter, Julia Rose, Coleman Rozsnyai, Louis Sachwitz, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Peter Truong, Esther Vasquez, Joe Vogel, Nick & Suzie Vendetti, Fr. Graham Walters, Mary & Charles West, Lezlie White, Nicolas Williams, Kathryn Woepel, Barbara Woods

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray also for the deceased of our parish

Richard & Nancy Ambrosi, Angelo Ambrosetti, Francesco Barsanti, Robert Bowman, Diane Braun, David Brunson, Dennis Cockrum, Blake Cloney, Julie Cook, Veronica Cools, Terrence Cooney, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Raymond Covarrubias, Ann deTar, Joseph Anthony Drongoski, Regina Dumas, Charles & Susan Douglass, James & Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Brenda Finn, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Mary Jane Foeller, Lorraine Floberg, Jess Flores, Mary Forrester, Lin Fulwiler, Dorothy Gallus, Robert Geist, Joan Glaze, James & Beatrice Gordon, Fr. Bill Gould, Sarah Grant Joseph Guarnotta, Jeanine Grenier, Helen Groves, Ed Hatstrup, Mary Lou Hayes, Leo Heinan, Patricia Howland, Fr. Michael Irwin, FSSP, Rosemary Jacobs, Rodney Johnson, John Joyce, John Keller, Joseph Kemna, Mary Lynn Kenary, Daisy Koler, Paul Koudelka, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw & Wanda Kozlowski, Klaus Cuthbert, Vita La Fond, Jeremiah Leake, Steven Lepeilbet, Josephine LoCurto, Sandra Madrid, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Stephen McDonald, Kevin & Erma McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, John McMillian, Florence McNamara, David Metzger, Norm Miller, Lynnette Miller, Michael Mitchell, Ann Morgan, Carlos Moya, Arcadia Nicklay, Fr. Colman Nolan, Mary Norman, William & Molly Rose Pearson, Jerry Peick, Betty Rackie, Kathleen Rardon, Fr. George Rassley CSSR, Bonnie Royer, Tamiko Shaw, Jeremiah Shea, Evelyn Simas, Alice Sires, Steve Slater, Jeremy Smith, Ed Stephens, Maryanna Thompson, Paul Upthegrove, Paul Uribe, Linda Vogel, Paul Van Voorst, Bob & Dorothy Wagner, Helen Walitzer, Joseph Walter, Elizabeth Welch, Ernest Willette, Wes Woods

Please pray for our new church!

VOCATIONS

Please pray for the members of our parish who are discerning or pursuing a religious vocation.

Fr. Peter Mary, FSSR; Fr. Joseph Loftus, FSSP; Michael Howard, Seminarian, ICKSP; Fr. Martin Adams, FSSP; Sr. Mary Imelda & Sr. Grace Brown, Filiae Laboris Mariae; Dom Mary Peter Leedy, OSB, Monastero di San Benedetto Norcia; Brother Lawrence Marie Burns, OSB, Clear Creek Monastery; Nicholas Sower, Seminarian, Diocese of Boise; Br. Matthew Truong, Monks of Mary; Sr. Carmen Rose of Jesus, Monastery of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

FINANCES

March 3rd Collection

General, envelopes, loose cash	
On line donations	
Sunday Socials	
Flowers	
Black & Indian Missions	
Wish list	
Individual gifts-Operations	
St. Helen's fund	
Votive candles	
Building fund/Capital camp.	
Total	

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February Collections

General Offertory	
Capital Campaign	



Customary Stipends

Many people ask "what is a customary stipend in gratitude for the Sacraments?" Stipends are **not** required to receive any Sacrament. If one would like to give a gift, here are some customary offerings:

- ◇ **Mass:** \$10
- ◇ **Marriage:** \$80 - 100
- ◇ **Baptism:** \$25 - 50
- ◇ **Other Sacraments:** no stipend applies

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