

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

CATHOLIC PARISH

SUNDAY,
MARCH 22, 2026

5th Sunday of Lent

WEEKENDS: SATURDAY VIGIL: 5 PM | SUNDAY: 8 AM & 10:30 AM | CONFESSION: SATURDAY AT 4:15 PM

WEEKDAYS: 9 AM MASS (T-F) | 8:30 AM CONFESSION (TUES/THURS) | ROSARY BEFORE EACH MASS



Alive in Christ

By: Rev. Patrick Hartin

Next Sunday, Palm Sunday, initiates the most sacred week in the life of our faith. So, the Church has intentionally chosen our Gospel Readings from the Gospel of John for the 3rd (the woman at the well), 4th (the man born blind), and today the 5th Sunday of Lent (Lazarus raised from the dead) to prepare us to experience the events of Holy Week, the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of our Lord. Why are these three Gospel readings chosen?

Early in the Church's life, these three Gospel readings played a large part in the development of Lent as a process of conversion that led to Christian initiation. How did they do this? They forced the catechumens to ask three questions: Where do I thirst? In what ways am I blind? What part of me is dead? In this short reflection, I would like to focus only on today's Gospel reading: Lazarus is raised from the dead. And to ask, "What part of me is dead?" Lazarus raised from the dead (John 11:1-45) is a gripping story. Let me focus on Lazarus' sister Martha. She is disturbed: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would never have died." Jesus assures her, "Your brother will rise again." But Martha is not consoled: "I believe my brother will rise again at the resurrection on the last day." Martha's response was an answer of fact. Jesus wanted something more, something deeper, and so he says to Martha: "I am the resurrection and the life; the one who believes in me, even if he dies, will come to life. And everyone who is alive and believes in me shall never die at all" (John 11:26). Our belief in the resurrection is not limited to a belief in the future. Our belief in the resurrection refers also to the present. We are alive now because through our Baptism we share now in the Resurrected Life of Jesus Christ. St. John's Gospel emphasizes this point by reminding us that our eternal life begins now through baptism and extends beyond the grave to the future life of the Resurrected Jesus. Eternal life begins now; we are alive now in Christ. At this very moment you possess an incredible gift: God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit-alive within you. As Jesus says on the eve of his crucifixion: "This is eternal life that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" (John 17:3). So then, during these two final weeks of Lent, pray passionately for the grace to become more fully alive in Christ Jesus.

Responsorial Psalm

Cantor, then All



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MUSIC CORNER

Our second area of focus for sung participation is the Responsorial Psalm (called the Gradual in the extraordinary form). The Church emphasizes the importance of the Responsorial Psalm as a moment where the congregation responds directly to the Word of God. The psalm is meant to be sung, with the assembly joining in the repeated antiphon while the cantor proclaims the verses. This is the same structure used for our Introits during Lent. This structure encourages the faithful to meditate on Scripture and participate through a simple but meaningful musical response. Our Responsorial Psalm antiphon is printed in the bulletin every week to encourage this participation.

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Please join us in warmly welcoming Steve Eminger, the newest member of our Facility Maintenance team!

Steve has been happily married to his wife, Helen, for 30 years, and together they have been blessed with eight wonderful children. When he's not here lending a helping hand, Steve enjoys playing basketball and chess. He is also deeply involved in his nonprofit, "The Little Way Homestead", (named after St. Teresa of Lisieux) where he helps others learn to grow their own food and embrace sustainable living practices. We are grateful to have Steve join our parish team and look forward to the many ways he will serve our community!

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WORLD MISSION COLLECTION

March 21st-22nd *Donation Envelopes in the Gathering Place*

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Join us for our Lenten Penance Service this

Thursday, March 26th at 6:00pm.

Several priests will be available to hear Confessions, allowing everyone ample time to receive God's grace. What a beautiful opportunity to prepare our hearts for Holy Week and our Lord's Passion and Resurrection.

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You're invited to join us in prayer and support for the family of Rae Lynne Banks, beloved sister of Sandy and Bill Eaton, whose Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, March 27th at 11:00am.

Rae Lynne was a cherished member of our parish choir and truly lived her love for the Lord by "praying twice" through song. Her joyful spirit and gift of music will be deeply missed.

Please come and surround her family with your presence and prayers as we commend her to God's eternal care.

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PARISH STAFF

Priest Administrator: Fr. Vincent Gilmore; **Senior Priest:** Fr. Patrick Hartin;
Parochial Vicar/Director of Faith Formation: Fr. John Kibombo; **Deacon:** Patrick Cheung;
Assistant Parish Administrator: Rachael Lentos; **Receptionist:** Mindy Muglia;
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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MAR 23
NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAR 24
(8:30 am Confession)
9am, Fr. Vincent

WEDNESDAY, MAR 25
9am, Fr. Hartin

THURSDAY, MAR 26
(8:30 am Confession)
8:50 am, Fr. John

FRIDAY, MAR 27
9am- Fr. John
11am, Fr. Hartin
Funeral Mass for Rae Lynne Banks

SATURDAY, MAR 28
(4:15 PM Confession)
5 PM, Fr. John

SUNDAY, MAR 29
PALM SUNDAY
8 am, Fr. John
10:30 am, Fr. John (Incense)

Come and adore!

Adoration every Thursday after the 9:00am Mass-7pm
To sign up for a fixed hour, or to offer yourself as a substitute adorer, please call 509-701-9687



Join us downstairs in the Parish Hall after Mass for donuts, coffee, and conversation!

If you are looking for baptism, marriage, Holy Eucharist for the homebound, or funeral services, please contact the parish office.

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WEEKLY DONATIONS

March 9 - March 15:
Tithe: \$6951
Poor: \$390
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ADORATION FOR AMERICA



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have asked parishes to join in 250 hours of Adoration in honor of the 250th Anniversary of America leading up to the July 4th Anniversary. While 250 hours seems like a lot, each person present constitutes an hour prayed. Join us this Thursday after Mass until 6:30pm for this week's intention to pray a

Holy Hour for the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Join us Wednesday evenings for **Fatima Shepherds' Table Night!** Come and grow in faith and community. **Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Starting at 6:30, adults are invited to take part in a book study, while children (ages 6 and up) will take part in sacramental preparation.**

Food Theme: Casserole Night

*All are invited to join Bishop Daly and the priests of the Diocese for the **Chrism Mass, Tuesday March 24th** at **The Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes** beginning at 5:30pm*



Chrism Mass



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday: 6pm followed by procession to Adoration at the Alter of Repose at Parish Office. Adoring open until Midnight.

Good Friday: 2:30 Stations of the Cross followed by Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion

Easter Vigil: 8pm

**Easter Sunday: 8 am- Fr. Hartin
10:30 am- Fr. John**

Easter Egg Hunt after 10:30 Mass.



****Reminder****

This Wednesday, March 25, is the LAST day to bring in any candy donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. Donations can be brought to the Parish Office Building or at Shepherd's Table Night. Thank you for your help in making this a fun event!



Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper
5:30pm every Friday in Lent followed by supper in the Parish Hall



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Mar 24

Bob Leeds +
Req. by Anon

Wednesday, Mar 25

Souls in Purgatory
Req. by Anon

Thursday, Mar 26

Thomas Weiler
Req. by Yvonne Weiler

Friday, Mar 27

Thomas Weiler
Req. by Yvonne Weiler

DAILY READINGS

2026 MARCH 23 MONDAY

Reading 1, Daniel 13:41-62
Psalms 23:1- 6

Gospel, John 8:1-11

2026 MARCH 24 TUESDAY

Reading 1, Numbers 21:4-9
Psalms 102:2-3, 16-21

Gospel, John 8:21-30

2026 MARCH 25 WEDNESDAY

Reading 1, Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalms 40:7- 11

Gospel, Luke 1:26-38

Reading 2, Hebrews 10:4-10

2026 MARCH 26 THURSDAY

Reading 1, Genesis 17:3-9

Psalms 105:4-9

Gospel, John 8:51-59

2026 MARCH 27 FRIDAY

Reading 1, Jeremiah 20:10-13

Psalms 18:2- 7

Gospel, John 10:31-42

2026 MARCH 28 SATURDAY

Reading 1, Ezekiel 37:21-28

Responsorial Psalm, Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12, 13

Gospel, John 11:45-57

2026 MARCH 29 SUNDAY

Reading 1, Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Gospel, Matthew 26:14-27:66

Reading 2, Philippians 2:6-11

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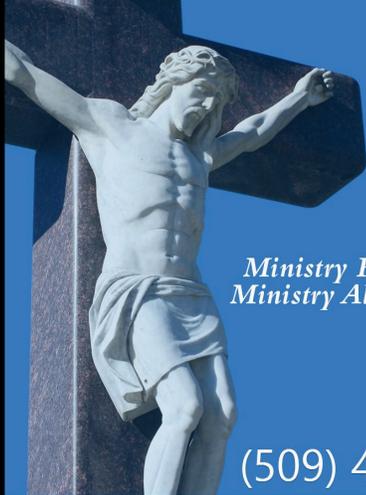


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