



5th Sunday of Lent

*"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me
will never die.*



John 11:25-26

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MASSES

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

Sunday: 10:15 am, 12:15pm (With Schola Cantorum Choir) & 5:15pm

Mon - Fri: 8:15am, 12:15pm & 1:15pm

Holidays: 8:15am, 12:15pm

Holy Day Vigil: As Announced

Holy Days: 8:15, 12:15, 1:15 & 5:15

**ST. ANDREW— NO MASS AT ST ANDREW
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

NOVENAS & DEVOTIONS

Novena follows the 12:15pm weekday Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows the

1:15pm Mass every Wednesday until 3:15

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the
Divine Mercy Chaplet every Wednesday

Mon: Our Lady of the
Miraculous Medal

Tues: St. Anthony

Wed: St. Joseph

Thur: St. Jude

Fri: Sacred Heart of Jesus

Fridays of Lent:
Stations of the Cross

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Fri: 12:45—1:15

Sun - Following the 10:15 Mass

And before the 12:15 Mass

BAPTISMS

Please call the rectory for information.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Legion of Mary (OLV) - Thurs. 3:00—Lower Chapel

Patrician Catholic (Discussion Group (OLV)

As Announced

FiDi Catholic Young Adults - As Announced

WELCOME VISITORS!

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Our Lady of Victory & Saint Andrew. If we can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us. We urge you to check out our website with the very interesting history of our relatively “young” parish, as well as goings-on that might be of interest.

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At Lazarus' Tomb
Dr. Scott Hahn



As we draw near to the end of Lent, today's Gospel clearly has Jesus' passion and death in view.

That's why John gives us the detail about Lazarus' sister, Mary - that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial (see John 12:3,7). His disciples warn against returning to Judea; Thomas even predicts they will "die with Him" if they go back.

When Lazarus is raised, John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus' burial cloths and head covering - all details he later notices with Jesus' empty tomb (see John 20:1,6,7).

Like the blind man in last week's readings, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for "dead man" - for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death.

John even recalls the blind man in his account today (see John 11:37). Like the man's birth in blindness, Lazarus' death is used by Jesus to reveal "the glory of God" (see John 9:3). And again like last week, Jesus' words and deeds give sight to those who believe (see John 11:40).

If we believe, we will see - that Jesus loves each of us as He loved Lazarus, that He calls us out of death and into new life.

By His Resurrection Jesus has fulfilled Ezekiel's promise in today's First Reading. He has opened the graves that we may rise, put His Spirit in us that we may live. This is the Spirit that Paul writes of in today's Epistle. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will give life to we who were once dead in sin.

Faith is the key. If we believe as Martha does in today's Gospel - that Jesus is the resurrection and the life - even if we die, we will live.

"I have promised and I will do it," the Father assures us in the First Reading. We must trust in His word, as we sing in today's Psalm - that with Him is forgiveness and salvation.

A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
www.SalvationHistory.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023	
5TH SUNDAY OF LENT March 26	Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/ Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
MONDAY March 27	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
TUESDAY March 28	Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
WEDNESDAY March 29	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Jn 8:31-42
THURSDAY March 30	Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
FRIDAY March 31	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
SATURDAY April 1	Ez 37:21-28/Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12, 13/Jn 11:45-56
PALM SUNDAY April 2	Mt 21:1-11/Ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/ Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54



HOLY WEEK 2023

PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 2

Masses At 10:15am 12:15pm 5:15pm

CONFESSIONS

MONDAY - THURSDAY

12:45pm - 1:15pm

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6

Low Masses at 8:15am & 12:15pm

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 7

Solemn Stations of the Cross - 12:15pm

**SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD**

3:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 9

Masses at 10:15am 12:15pm 5:15pm

PASTORAL NOTE FOR HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY Mass of The Lord's Supper
6:00pm at St. Peter's Church

GOOD FRIDAY Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
3:00pm at Our Lady of Victory Church
3:00pm & 6:00pm at St. Peter's Church

HOLY SATURDAY Solemn Easter Vigil
8:00pm at St. Peter's Church

EASTER SUNDAY
Masses 10:15am, 12:15pm & 5:15pm at
Our Lady of Victory Church

8:00am, 9:30am & 12:00pm at
St. Peter's Church

11:00am at Our Lady of The Rosary Church

Saint Berthold

DIED C. 1195
FEAST DAY: MARCH 29

Not much is known about this hermit who is considered by some historians to be the founder of the order of Carmelite friars. Various legends had him born in Limoges, France, educated at the University of Paris, and participating in the Crusades in Turkey. What is known is that he directed a group of Frankish hermits living on Mount Carmel in Palestine in the second half of the 12th century. The existence on Mount Carmel of a church and hermitage in the spiritual tradition of the prophet Elijah is documented from 1163 on. After Berthold's death, the hermits were led by another Frenchman, St. Brocard; Carmelite houses became well-established throughout Europe by 1300.



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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On all Fridays during Lent, we will offer the Stations of the Cross immediately following the 12:15 Mass in the Upper Church. All are welcome to attend.



MARCH 26,
2023



FIFTH SUNDAY
OF
Lent

JESUS SAID,
"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE."

- JOHN 11:25

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today, we know more about the beginnings of Lent than our ancestors did. We know that Lent is first of all about baptism, and secondly that it is about the desire of all the baptized to renew the power and potential of that sacrament at Easter. For centuries, this deep truth was largely obscured, but today documents have come to light to reshape the Church's thinking and practice.

One source, discovered in the 1880s, is the pilgrim diary of a Spanish nun, Egeria, writing her sisters a detailed travelogue of a fourth-century sojourn in Jerusalem during Holy Week. She describes in vivid detail her participation in liturgies that are close cousins of our own Holy Week prayer, from a festive procession with palms to a procession to the cross. Her greatest delight is in the huge number of elect: men, women, and children who experience a time of deep retreat and identification with Christ's cross, guided by the bishop and supported by their godparents' constant nurture. The discovery of Egeria's diary proved to be a moment of grace for the Church; after a long period of "ecclesial amnesia," we know at last that baptism is really the work of a whole community of faith, convened by God.

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If you or someone you know attends Mass regularly at OLVSTA and is not a registered parishioner, we ask that you please come by or phone the office (212-422-5535) and fill out a short registration form.

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You can request weekly, monthly or quarterly envelopes. You can opt out of receiving envelopes but then loose checks cannot be recorded for tax purposes.

The **Bread and Wine** to be used at all the Masses in **March**, That Will Become the **Body and Blood of Jesus** is offered In Loving Memory for Gennarina & Arnaldo Caggiano

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The **Votive Candles** That Will Burn In The Sanctuary Of The Church Chapel In **March**

Indicating The Presence

+Of The **Blessed Sacrament**+

Is For the Intentions of Bishop Frank Caggiano

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Three Lenten Disciplines: Almsgiving

In addition to prayer and fasting, Lent gives us the chance to give alms to those who are most needy. By helping others, we practice charity and social justice. We look to carry our own cross and help others carry theirs as well. In other words, we practice the same generosity as God, who makes the rain to fall on the good and on the bad and loves people without distinction. To help others is to confront the poverty of this world with the hope of the kingdom of God.

Charity is a Christian virtue because Jesus is the best example of what charity is. Charity is more than giving alms; it is love and justice. It is complying with the commandment to love one another in a world where most people are poor and abandoned. To be charitable is to give to the needy what they need from our time, talent, and treasure; it is to work for social changes that promote human dignity and the economic wellbeing of all. Charity is love and God is love. May we live in that love.

Friar Gilberto Cavazos-González, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

CREATION STORY



One night as I was putting my 2 1/2-year-old daughter to bed, I saw a bright full moon in the sky. I let her look at the moon for a minute and then asked, "Who made the moon?" "God," came her reply. "And the stars?" I asked. Again the answer was, "God." I continued with a few more questions: Who made the trees, the flowers, etc. Finally I asked, "Who made Daddy?" She said, "Grandma."

MASSES AVAILABLE FOR INTENTIONS

We currently have Mass dates available for intentions.

The Mass Intention Book is open for 2023.

Giving the gift of a Mass is a wonderful way to celebrate a variety of occasions in the lives of your family and friends. You can have a Mass offered for the deceased, for a birthday, anniversary, graduation, birth or baptism of a baby, or recovery from an illness or spiritual intentions.

Arrangements may be made at the Rectory Office

located under the Church.

Open Monday-Friday 8:30 to 5:30 P.M.

Call the Rectory for more information if needed at 212-422-5535

Our Lady of Victory and Saint Andrew

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY & GOOD FRIDAY are both days of Fast and Abstinence in the Catholic Calendar.

Please read below for the Church's teaching on what this means.

FASTING requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Nor is there eating between meals. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige through age 59. Those who are not specifically obligated to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

ABSTINENCE prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their lives. Those who are specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.

FRIDAYS in Lent are days of Abstinence.

6-DAY CANDLES AVAILABLE

You can now light a candle in the church and have it stay lit for almost a week for your prayer intentions, in thanksgiving to God or in memorial of a loved one!

These special votive candles have clear covers decorated with a cross design and can be placed inside one of the glass holders provided before the statues of Christ the King, Our Lady of Fatima, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Victory or Saint Anne, the Mother of Mary in the Upper Church only. Once lit, the candles will stay burning for your intention for about a week.

They are available for purchase from the parish office downstairs or from Carlos, our Sacristan, if you see him in the Upper Church.

If you wish, you can also purchase the candle and light for your home. The protective glass containers are also available for purchase.

The lighting of candles for your prayer intentions is a time-honored tradition in the Catholic Church that we are happy to provide at Our Lady of Victory and St. Andrew.

MASS INTENTIONS

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

10:15am: For the Intentions of Bishop Frank Caggiano
12:15pm: Irene Carnemolla
5:15pm: In Thanksgiving to St. Jude

MONDAY, MARCH 27

8:15 am: Deceased Members of The Caggiano Family
12:15 pm: Michael John Hughes
1:15 pm: Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

8:15 am: For the Intentions of The Caggiano Family
12:15 pm: Giovanni Zenfone
1:15 pm: Theresa Sweetser

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

8:15 am: For the Intentions of Bishop Frank Caaggiano
12:15pm: Patrick Wong
1:15pm: Repose of the Soul of Yuk Kiu Chan

THURSDAY, MARCH 30

8:15am: Gennarina Caggiano
12:15pm: Paul Ciaramitaro
1:15pm: Vocations to The Priesthood

FRIDAY, MARCH 31

8:15am: Arnaldo Caggiano
12:15pm: In Thanksgiving to The Holy Family
1:15pm: Roger Hamson

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 PALM SUNDAY

10:15am: Ilia Camacho Vargas
12:15pm: Tommy Wilson
5:15pm: Victoria Balsamo



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