

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE

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Masses

Confessions (Lenten Season)

Healing Services

Monday - Saturday

12:10pm Saturday Evening (Sunday Vigil) 4:30pm

Sunday

9:30am; 12:10pm

Monday-Friday

1:00-4:00pm

Saturday-Sunday

1:00-4:00pm

March 17 & April 21, 2024

2:00pm - Portuguese

April 7, 204

2:30pm - Spanish **April 28, 2024**

2:00pm - English



The Chosen (Season 3)

La Salette Retreat & Conference Center. From 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information call 508-222-8530.

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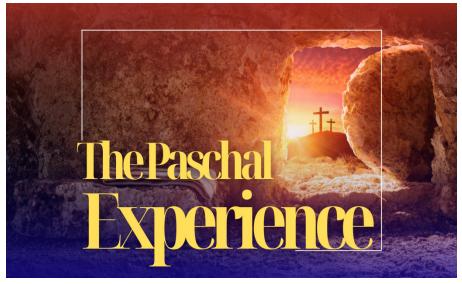
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The Paschal Experience: Easter Triduum Retreat

Thursday March 28 - Sunday, March 31, 2024

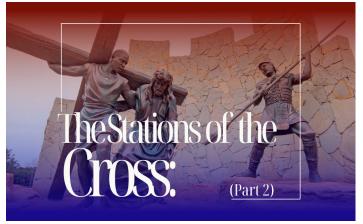
Presented by the La Salette Ministry Team

Experience the profound mysteries of the Easter Triduum on a transformative retreat. Immerse yourself in the solemnity of Holy Thursday, the contemplation of Good Friday, and the anticipation of the Easter Vigil. Allow the Easter Triduum Retreat to ignite your faith, renew your spirit, and lead you to a profound encounter with the risen Lord. We will celebrate the Triduum Services at the Shrine Church. To make this Easter experience more accessible, guests who are unable to attend the entire retreat can participate partially, as follows: 1) From Friday, March 29 to Sunday, March 31; 2) from Saturday, March 30 to Sunday, March 31. Special rate for commuters.

For more information and registration visit: www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/paschalexperience

LITURGICAL CORNER

The Stations of the Cross - Traditional and Scriptural



It is important to understand why each "site" is called Stations of the Cross.

The word station comes from the Latin word (statio) meaning to stand. Since we are walking from Christ's trial to His crucifixion at Calvary, we stop and stand at each site (station) that commemorates various events that took place along the way.

Only nine of the fourteen traditional stations (from Jerusalem) are directly biblical. None of the Gospels mention Jesus fell,(3rd,7th,9th) or Veronica wiping the face of Jesus (6th) along the way. Station 4 appears out of order from scripture. The mention of Jesus meeting his Mother on his way to Calvary contradicts the order in the Gospels, as they only mention her after Jesus is nailed to the cross and before he dies. It's interesting to note that the Traditional and Scriptural Stations of the Cross differ as to who was present or accompanied Jesus during his passion.

In 1975, Pope Paul VI approved a new series of Stations that are based on the Gospels. They started from the Last Supper and ended at the Resurrection. On Good Friday in 1991, Pope John Paul II introduced a new version referred to as the Scriptural Stations of the Cross.

All these stations are scripturally based and differ from the traditional ones. They are an alternative to the traditional stations and as a way of reflecting more deeply on the Scriptural accounts of Christ's passion.

Saint Alphonsus Ligouri originally wrote the meditations of the Stations of the Cross in Italian in 1761. His version was the most widely used during the 19th and 20th centuries in all churches in the United States and throughout the world. A new tradition, in recent decades, has been to add a "fifteenth station," recalling the Resurrection of Jesus from the tomb.



SHRINE CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP

During the month of MARCH, the Shrine Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the

MISSIONARIES OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE

Anyone wishing to have a loved one or special intention remembered should call the Shrine Secretary at 508-222-5410 and place their request. The monthly offering is \$75.

Welcoming Our Interior Movements and Sharing Them with God in an Ignatian Style



From Thursday, February 21, 2024 To Sunday, March 24, 2024

This retreat will use Ignatian Contemplation, imaginative prayer, and the senses to engage in conversation with God. The focus will be on understanding our interiority using the model of the Internal Family System (IFS) as a means to intimate prayer with God/Jesus/Spirit. We all have parts of us that are sad, joyful, anxious, discouraged, happy, funny, and many more. Having such parts is a natural aspect of adult life, and sharing such interior movements in a familiar way with God/Jesus/Spirit is what Ignatian prayer helps us to do. For more iformation and registration visit:

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/interiormovements



A Lenten reflection written by one of the members of the National La Salette Laity Board.

The readings for this Fourth Sunday of Lent that will accompany us during this fourth week of our Lenten season, deal with the theme of "LIGHT."

As I read this Sunday's Gospel and readings, I was struck by the imagery of light used in the Gospel. St John tells us "The light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light...but whoever lives the truth comes to the light." This brought to mind the globe of light that the Beautiful Lady appeared in when she visited Maximum and Melanie that Saturday morning so long ago. It was the light that caught their attention. It was the light that enveloped them as the Blessed Mother spoke her message of truth.

The truth was that the people at that time had turned away from the light, away from Christ, that is why she was compelled to come.

And her message of truth remains relevant today. As we continue on our Lenten journey, we should remember to live in the light by following the fasting and abstinence guidelines of the Church, by praying more: for ourselves, for others and for the world and by sharing our wealth with those in need.

In the second reading St. Paul reminds us, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son". Our God is a God of mercy. He loves us and will not give up on us. Even if he has to send his mother to set us straight.

Work of Mercy Challenge

Join our annual Corporal Works of Mercy Lenten Challenge from Ash Wednesday, Feb 14 to Mar 27, 2024. Participate by donating to our listed charities for each Corporal Work of Mercy at the donation boxes in the Welcome Center. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Look for donation boxes in the Welcome Center, each labeled with a charity's name and suggested donation items.



WAY OF THE CROSS

Every Friday Evening during Lent at 7:00 p.m. in the Shrine Church.

PALM SUNDAY - THE JOURNEY: MOVING TOWARDS COMFORT
Saturday, March 23 at 4:30 p.m. and
Sunday, March 24, at 12:10 p.m.

Distribution of the Palms on Saturday, March 23 at our 4:30 p.m. Mass and on Sunday, March 24, at our 12:10 p.m. Mass. *Presider: Fr. Flavio G., MS*.

HOLY THURSDAY - THE INVITATION: EMPOWERED TO COMFORT Thursday, March 28, at 7:00 p.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper. *Presider: Fr. Bernie B., MS*.

Good Friday - The Gift: Reconciled by Comfort Friday, March 29, 2024

12:30 p.m. - Jesus' Seven Last Words (Shrine Church) **3:00 p.m.** - Good Friday Service & Veneration of the Cross. *Presider: Fr. Rosanno S., MS*.

5:00 p.m. - "The Passion of Christ" enacted by teens of our Salette Malayali Community (in English-Welcome Center). **7:00 p.m.** - "The Blood of Christ" - A Good Friday Meditative Concert by our Sunday Music Director Tim Boisvert (Shrine Church).

EASTER VIGIL - THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S COMFORT Saturday, March 30, 2024

7:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass. Presider: Fr. Ted B., MS.

EASTER SUNDAY - TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S COMFORT Sunday, March 31, 2024

6:00 a.m. - Sunrise Mass. Mass will start in front of the Tomb of the Resurrection. Presider: *Fr. Flavio G., MS*. **12:10 p.m.** - Easter Sunday Mass. Presider: *Fr. Messias M., MS*.

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN After the 12:10 p.m. Easter Sunday Mass.



Discovering Saint Joseph: A Lenten Journey in Two Parts

Friday March 15 (online session) & Saturday, March 16, 2024 (in-person)

Presented by the La Salette Ministry Team

A transformative Lenten journey to delve into the life and legacy of Saint Joseph across two enriching sessions on March 15 and 16, 2024.

Session 1: Friday, March 15, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (on Zoom). Saint Joseph in Scripture, Tradition, and Archeology. Through Scripture, Tradition, and the latest archeological insights, gain a comprehensive understanding of his significance in the past and present.

Session 2: Saturday, March 16, at 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (in-person, Welcome Center). Saint Joseph Explored: Spirituality, Action, and His Role in the Church. Delve into Saint Joseph's spirituality, his call to action, and his pivotal role within the Church. This day-long recollection promises to be a journey of faith, inspiration, and community. For more information and registration visit:

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/saintjoseph

Support La Salette Vocations!

The National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette and La Salette Retreat & Conferene Center invite you to support new La Salette Vocations by hosting the "Traveling Statue of Our Lady of La Salette" for a month.

You will pledge to pray the Rosary every day for new La Salette vocations (Fathers, Brothers, and Sisters). If interested, please contact:

lasaletteshrinedirector@gmail.com

Let us join together in prayer and promote and sustain new vocations with the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette (Fathers and Brothers) and with the La Salette Sisters.



Celtic Spirituality

Explore the captivating world of Celtic Spirituality amidst the serene setting of La Salette in Attleboro, MA. Delve into the ancient traditions and mystical beliefs that shaped the lives of the Celts, known for their profound connection with nature and the divine. Through insightful discussions and engaging narratives, unravel the wisdom of Celtic Spirituality and its enduring significance in contemporary times. This talk promises an enriching experience, offering a glimpse into the spiritual heritage of one of Europe's most intriguing cultures. For more information and registration visit:

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/celticspirituality

Weekly Collections

All of our ministries here at the Shrine are only possible thanks to generous donations from people like you!

With gratitude - Thank you!

Mass Collections

Feb. 24 – Feb. 25:	\$ 2,041.62
Feb. 25 (French Mass):	\$ 169.00
Feb. 4 (English Healing Service):	\$ 712.00
Mar. 2 – Mar. 3:	\$ 1815.90
Mar. 3 (French Mass):	\$ 227.00
Mar. 3 (Spanish Mass):	\$ 1,007.95

Donations

Feb. 19 – Feb. 25:	\$ 1,011.00
Feb. 26 – Mar. 3:	\$ 1,114.55

PLEASE NOTICE

No Confessions from Thursday, March 28, 2024 to Sunday, March 31, 2024. Confessions will resume on Monday, April 1, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Heavenly Thought

"Our government could raise unlimited revenues by simply taxing sin."