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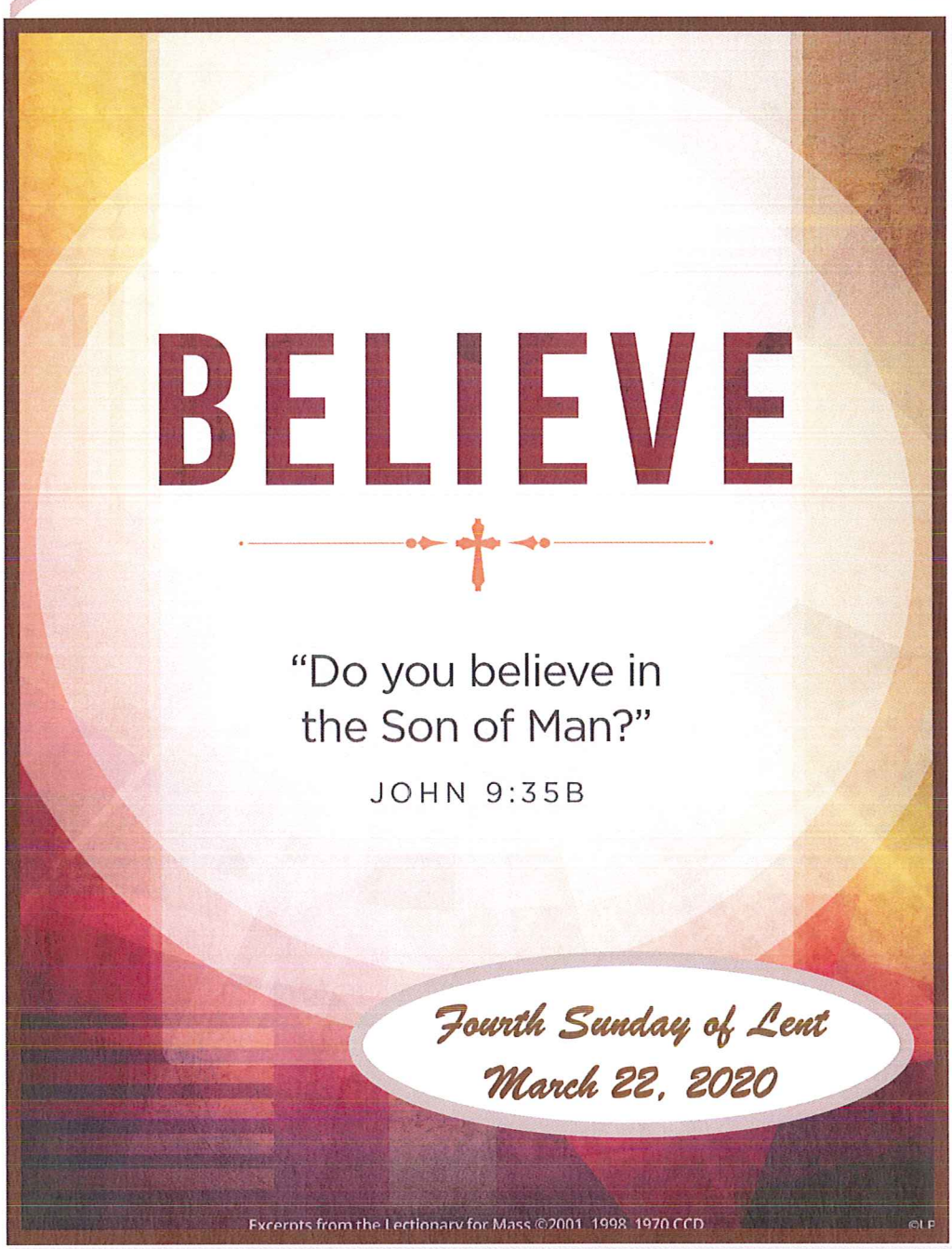

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday Liturgy: *Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am and 11:00 am*
Weekday Liturgy: *Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 pm Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am*
Sacrament of Reconciliation: *Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm Or anytime by appt.*
Eucharistic Adoration: *Thursday 7:00 - 8:00 pm*
St. Anthony Devotions: *Tuesday 7:00 pm*

Statement of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on the Suspension of Public Celebration of Mass and the Temporary Closure of the Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Catholic Center and Agencies (03/17/20):

As the health and safety conditions in our archdiocesan community have shifted, the spread of the COVID-19 virus is a moment for Catholics and all people of goodwill to offer special prayers of intercession for the healing of those infected, for the protection of the elderly and infirm who are at greatest risk, for the prevention of the disease's spread, and for the courage and strength of care providers who minister to the sick, their families and those most in need. With deep trust in the Lord and with a close attentiveness to the guidance given by experts in the fields of health and safety, the following decisions have been made about our operations and the liturgical life of those within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

Based on the recommendations from health officials concerning the danger of the COVID-19 pandemic and the urgency to stem the spread of the virus, the five Catholic bishops of Indiana have suspended effective March 18 and until further notice all public Sunday and weekday Masses throughout the Province of Indianapolis, which is comprised of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Dioceses of Gary, Evansville, Fort Wayne-South Bend, and Lafayette. Archbishop Charles C. Thompson, the Archbishop of Indianapolis, has also suspended all other liturgical services and gatherings of the faithful effective Wednesday, March 18 and until further notice. Of course, the archbishop's dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass from March 13 continues until further notice.

- We encourage all priests to celebrate Mass privately for the good of the People of God, the Church and the intentions of the day. The archbishop has given permission (GIRM, 374) for the Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions as well as Votive Masses on Lenten weekdays during this time.
- Televised and online Masses provide opportunities for the faithful to remain connected in some way to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass during this difficult time. Parishes with the potential to broadcast their own Masses should do so. All permission requirements for the online use of the prayers and readings of the Mass in both English and Spanish have been granted.

The archbishop and some of the priests on his staff will be making online Masses available soon. Please visit the homepage of the archdiocese, www.archindy.org, for more information.

During a time of prayer on Sunday or while viewing the Mass on T.V. or online, the faithful are encouraged to make an act of Spiritual Communion. This beautiful devotional practice in the Church is a real source of grace in communion with our Lord. Below is an example of a prayer for spiritual communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The faithful are also encouraged to prayerfully read the readings of Sacred Scripture for the day or to pray the rosary.

- To provide for the pastoral needs of the people, pastors and parish life coordinators are invited to utilize staff in parishes in a safe and limited way to perform the most essential functions and to attend to routine maintenance.
- Out of an abundance of caution, parishes and chapels, including perpetual adoration chapels, should remained closed until further notice.
- Decisions about the celebrations during Holy Week and beyond will be made in the coming days.

As to the celebration of other Sacraments, whenever possible any scheduled celebrations should be postponed until further notice. This includes the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Matrimony.

- More information will be forthcoming regarding the health precautions that should be taken for the celebration of the Sacraments of Penance and the Anointing of the Sick (and other Rites in Exceptional Circumstances), which should be administered whenever possible for those in danger of death. Regularly scheduled visits to vulnerable persons and to the homebound should be suspended until further notice.

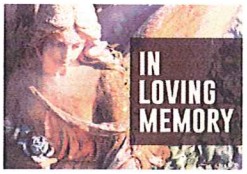
Finally, the celebration of funerals should be postponed whenever possible. If a funeral is offered, then it should be celebrated outside of Mass and in the presence of a very small number of the faithful who practice the prescribed precautions for hygiene and social distancing. A Mass for the intention and the repose of the soul of the deceased may be offered privately by the priest.

- Additionally, the archbishop has mandated the closing of the Catholic Center and related agency offices until further notice. Those employees who are able to work remotely from home are encouraged to do so.
- All Catholic schools in the archdiocese will continue to be closed until at least April 6.
- Information related to compensation and care for our employees and for the financial well-being of our communities is being compiled.

Parish News

We, the faith community of St. Mary Navilleton, in concert with the Universal Church, will provide the members of our community a home for spiritual growth and the worship of God.

Let us pray for those who have died, especially



Bert Senn

Mother of Jim Senn, Rosemary Barmore, and Frank Senn and all those who will return to God during this Lenten season that they may experience the eternal life of the victorious Christ.

ALL MASSES AND PARISH ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

THE PARISH YARD SALE HAS BEEN CANCELLED. PLEASE DO NOT PUT ANY ITEMS IN THE GARAGE.

Holy Family will **not** be holding their typical 6:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday this year.

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Stewardship News

Treasure

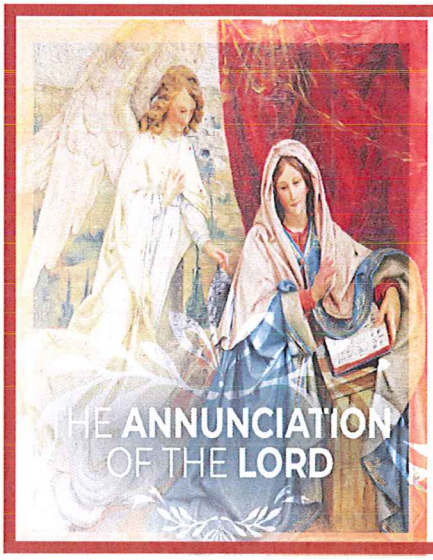
Collection of Week 38 (Mar 15)	$4,042.00
Needed weekly to meet expenses	$6,545.21
Over/(under) weekly budget	(2,503.21)
Envelopes: Sunday Collection #61	$3,410.00
Envelopes: Flower Fund #26	$406.00
Loose Contributions: Sunday Collection	$226.00
Actual Collected thru Week 38	$279,669.97
Budget Total Thru Week 38	$248,717.98
Over (under) Annual Budget	$30,951.99
Last Year YTD Collections	$263,223.46
Eastern Europe Mission	$100.00
Black and Indian Mission	$500.00

Readings for the week of March 22, 2020

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/ Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/ Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/ Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/ Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Observances for the week of March 22, 2020

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent



As we celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on March 25 let us pray this prayer to be open to God's will:
Good and gracious God, I know that life can be unpredictable. Sometimes I know what is good and right, but I don't have the courage to do it. Sometimes I am so busy with my own affairs, I forget to see the needs of people in front of me. Sometimes I am set in my own ways, and I resist growing and learning. Help me, Lord, to be open to Your will. When You prompt me to do the right thing, give me the courage to do it. When those around me need my help, give me Your heart to love them. When I'm stuck in my own ways, give me the grace to grow closer to You every day. Give me the trust and confidence of Mary. Let it be done unto me according to Your word!
Amen.

Ministry Message

From The United States Catholic Catechism For Adults

While it is the duty of all to worship and serve God, regrettably, there are some who do not believe in him and others who seriously doubt his existence. Some hesitate to believe because they cannot overcome their objections to faith, or are puzzled by the mystery of God. Some of the baptized later lapse into heresy. "Heresy is the obstinate post-baptismal denial of some truth which must be believed with divine and catholic faith, or it is likewise an obstinate doubt concerning the same" (CCC, no. 2089).

Fourth Sunday of Lent

God doesn't give up but comes to meet every one of us in the two fold way described in today's Gospel. Firstly, 'he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes' (Jn 9:6). God made man, who is a creature. He united Himself to 'our earth' so that man would never need to flee Him, but could come to recognize Him through a meeting with His Holy Humanity. Let us ask Most Holy Mary to help us to be faithful to the truth, to the events of our lives, taking the hand that always takes us to live totally for Him, in this life and eternity. 'Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you,' (Eph 5:14). (Source: CatholicCulture.org)

FORMED

The Annunciation, March 25 – What to Watch

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained Session 4 - The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall & Redemption

Now is your time to enter the story of salvation. What might you be putting off with regard to your faith? Is God asking you to do something right now? If you have been reluctant or afraid to commit your life to Jesus, spend some time [thinking] about the reasons why. Are you afraid of what your friends or members of your family might say? Pray with the father who asked Jesus to cure his son: "Lord, I believe. Help my disbelief!" (Go to FORMED.org/signup. Select our parish – St. Mary of the Annunciation Navilleton. Register with your name and email address.)

MASS ANTIPHONS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Isaiah 66:10-11

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. / Be joyful, all who were in mourning; / exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf. John 9:11, 38

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, / I saw and I believed in God.

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. — Jn 9:35-38

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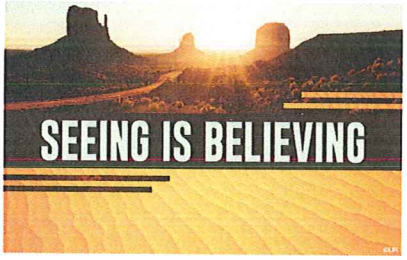
Reflection on the Fourth Sunday of Lent

"Do you believe in the Son of Man?" Jesus wants to motivate each one of us to see the truth. After developing a relationship with Jesus, the blind man "sees" as someone very special. The Pharisees, due to the blindness caused by their ignorance, prejudice, and need for self-preservation, still remain blind. Presuppositions, prejudices, assumptions, and our needs can easily blind us to truth. We see what we want or need to see and not what is really there. In addition, our stubbornness continues to convince us that we are right and that our vision is perfect. Only God can complete the picture.



Look around at our world. So much of what is happening today is due to the reluctance of folks to allow themselves to be stretched and brought to see what is really there. Many react to what life presents to them more with the lenses of ignorance than lenses of clarity. The Gospel carries great transformative value. With it, God corrects our vision and replaces our limited sight with the fullness of his sight. God opens our eyes so that we can see that it is not about preserving what we have created but of living in the immensity and wonder of God's kingdom.

Through a simple, loving relationship with God, we can break through the tethers of prejudice, eradicate fear, dispel the darkness of hatred and sin, discover freedom, live in peace, work for justice, be effective stewards of creation, assist the migrant and the immigrant, and safeguard our economic systems and policies so that they truly serve all of God's children. What we see is often an artificial lie. Our truth is much bigger than what our limited sight believes it to be. Allow God to work in and through you. Do not be afraid. Be open and be humble enough to know that you need help. Many human beings are living with severe cataracts that produce sight that is at best blurred. Are you one of them?

Food for the Soul

Acquiring sight is all about recognizing the true identity of Jesus and learning to live out of that truth. Our Lenten journey alongside those moving toward baptism is about learning to see Jesus as the one who gives true meaning to our lives.

~ "Seeing" Beyond the Miracle ~

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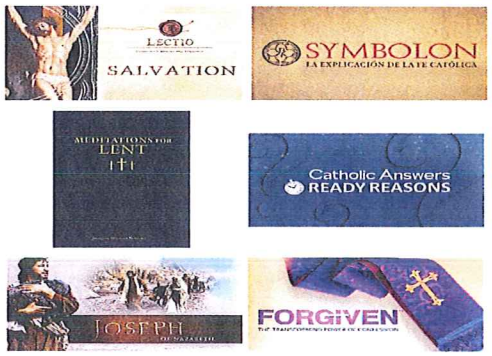

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*Study: The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Lesson 2 - The Handmaid of the Lord
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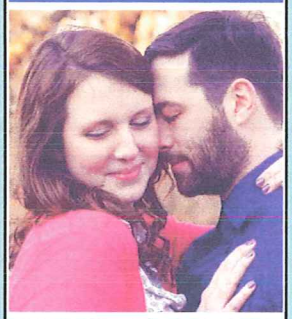

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