

*God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.  
Tanto amó Dios al mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único,  
para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna.*

*The law of the Lord is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
The decree of the Lord is  
trustworthy, giving wisdom  
to the simple.*

Psalm 19:8

God's commandments provide  
us with the road map to live  
our lives as obedient disciples,  
seeking his mercy to purify our  
hearts to be a temple  
of the Holy Spirit.



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**Birthdays / Cumpleaños:** March-Marzo 2, Alberto Bahena; 3, Valentina Mensa; 4, Liliana Hernan-  
dez; 6, John Mino; 8, Roman Bahena; 10, Nancy Lopez; 12, Sacramento Carillo; 14, Mía Lopez, Leo-  
degario Garcia; 15, María Lopez, Joe King, Maria Garcia, Terry Weter.

**Anniversaries/Aniversarios...** March-Marzo 1, Audel y Lilia Arellano, 43 años.

## Weekly Readings

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**March 3, Sunday-Domingo**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**  
**Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma**

Ex 20:1-17

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25

**March 4, Monday-Lunes**

2 Kgs/Reyes 5:1-15ab

Lk/Lc 4:24-30

**March 5, Tuesday-Martes**

Dn 3:25, 34-43

Mt 18:21-35

**Mar 6, Wednesday-Miércoles**

Dt 4:1, 5-9

Mt 5:17-19

**March 7, Thursday-Jueves**

Jer 7:23-28

Lk/Lc 11:14-23

**March 8, Friday-Viernes**

Hos/Os 14:2-10

Mk/Mc 12:28-34

**March 9, Saturday-Sábado**

Hos/Os 6:1-6

Lk/Lc 18:9-14

**March 10, Sunday-Domingo**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma**

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Eph/Ef 5:8-14

Jn 9:1-41

## Mass Intentions

**Sun, Mar 3, 8:30 a.m. Unionville**  
Piroska Campo

**Sun, Mar 3, 11:00 a.m. Milan**  
Parish

**Sun, Mar 10, 8:30 a.m. Milan**  
†Eleanor Fletcher

**Sun, Mar 10, 11:00 a.m. Milan**  
Parish



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**The Third Sunday of Lent, Year B**  
**Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma, Año b**  
**Gospel of St. Mark / El Evangelio de San Marcos**  
**March / Marzo 3, 2024**

*From Deacon John...*

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to worship God and God alone. He drives out evil and works to pu-  
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move the impurity and evil in our lives making us a proper dwelling  
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our sins, we must do our part and commit to living a more faithful  
life as His disciple. May we turn away from sin and believe in the  
Gospel so that our hearts might be a true temple of the Holy Spirit.*

*Jesús fue testigo de la forma en que la gente maltrataba el tem-  
plo, el lugar para adorar sólo a Dios. Él trabaja para purificar todo  
lo que es pecaminoso. En esta temporada de Cuaresma, Jesús  
quiere ayudarnos a eliminar la impureza y el mal en nuestras vidas,  
convirtiéndonos en una morada adecuada para el Espíritu Santo.  
Que podamos nombrar abiertamente áreas de nuestra vida que  
necesitan limpieza, invitando a Jesús a purificarnos. Aunque Él  
tiene misericordia ilimitada y se hizo humano para llevar nuestras  
cargas y borrar nuestros pecados, debemos hacer nuestra parte y  
comprometernos a vivir una vida más fiel como Su discípulo. Que  
nos alejemos del pecado y creamos en el Evangelio para que nues-  
tro corazón sea un verdadero templo del Espíritu Santo.*

## Weekly Schedule of Services

Sunday Celebration, Unionville 8:30 a.m.

Sunday English Mass, Milan 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Spanish Mass, Milan 11:00 a.m.

Evening Prayer: Wed, 6:00 p.m.

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### Pastoral Council

Rex May, *councilPresident@stmarymilan.com*;  
Tom Nee, *Buildings*; Jean Nee, Irma Bahena *Activities*;  
Dan van Ingen, *Liturgy*; Roman Bahena, Blanca Chinchilla, *Formation*;  
Mariam Camacho, *Youth*; Suzie Gardner, Josefina Pineda, *Social Justice*;  
John Mino, Alfredo Reyes, Nick Lentz, Angel Osorio, *Stewardship*;  
Lety Curiel, Jean Nee, *Altar Society*; Irma Bahena, Roman Bahena, *San Juan Bautisa*

#### Background on Today's Gospel

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

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LESSON 4

DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?

WITH SARAH KIRCHNER

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### Bishop McKnight's March prayer intention for our Local Church

For those preparing for reception of the Easter sacraments this year; may our whole Church be renewed and invigorated by the celebrations of baptism, confirmation and First Holy Communion.

### Intención del mes de marzo del Obispo McKnight por nuestra Iglesia Local

Para aquellos que se preparan para recibir los sacramentos pascuales este año. Que toda nuestra Iglesia sea renovada y vigorizada por las celebraciones del bautismo, la confirmación y la Primera Comunión.

Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With greater frequency than the other Evangelists, John intersperses post-Resurrection reflections of this Christian community in his narrative.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

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Remember your personal commitment to return to God, the Father, of a minimum of one hour of worship, prayer, service and wage each week.

Calendar of Events		
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Sun, Mar 3 9:45 am	Parish School of Religion (PSR) Milan Parish Hall	
Sun, Mar 3 11:00 am	3° Domingo de Cuaresma Misa en Español Milan & en lineo en stmary.church	
Mon, Mar 4 11-12:00 pm	Confirmation Group Milan Parish Hall	
Tue, Mar 5 9-10:00 am	Ladies Yoga, Milan Parish Hall	
Tue, Mar 5 6:00 pm	El grupo de oracion. Todos estan invitados. Milan Iglesia	
Wed, Mar 6 5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross Unionville Church	
Wed, Mar 6 6:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours Milan Church	
Fri, Mar 8 9-10:00 am	Ladies Yoga, Milan Parish Hall	
Fri, Mar 8 5:30 pm	Stations of the Cross Milan Church	
Sun, Mar 10 8:30 am	4th Sunday of Lent Service Unionville Church	
Sun, Mar 10 8:30 am	4th Sunday Lent Mass, Milan & livestream at stmary.church	
Sun, Mar 10 9:45 am	Parish School of Religion (PSR) Milan Parish Hall	
Sun, Mar 10 11:00 am	4° Domingo de Cuaresma Misa en Español Milan & en lineo en stmary.church	
Fri, Mar 22 6:15 pm	Simple Lenten Soup Supper Milan Parish Hall	
Sun, Mar 31 10:30 am	Easter Day, Holy Mass Milan Church	
Giving and Expenditures	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
Weekly Collections	\$9,040	\$64,078
Operating Expense	\$8,941	\$59,149
Balance	\$99	\$4,929



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*As we celebrate each week the pascal mystery,  
may the selfless life of Jesus Christ guide us in every way.*

Giving and Expenditures	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
Collections	\$2,596	\$23,643
Expenses	\$2,756	\$21,045
Balance	<b>-\$160</b>	\$2,598

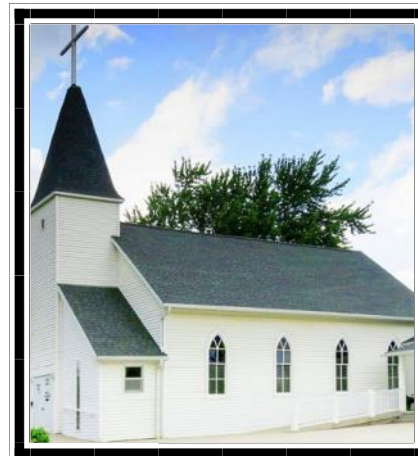
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1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25

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Lk 4:24-30

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Dn 3:25, 34-43

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Lenten Stations, Unionville, Wed, 5:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: By appointment,

Milan 30 minutes before or after mass.

**Birthdays March :** None Recorded  
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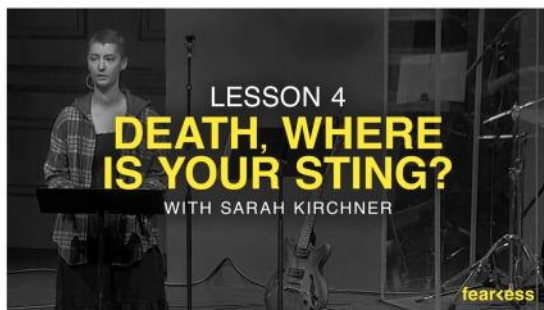
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 Pirooska Campo  
**Sun, March 3, 11:00 a.m. Milan**  
 Parish  
**Sun, March 10, 8:30 a.m. Milan**  
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Sun, Mar 3 11:00 am	3° Domingo Cuaresma Misa en Español, Milan
<b>Tue Mar 5 1:00 pm</b>	<b>"The Chosen" Unionville Parish Hall</b>
Wed Mar 6 5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross Unionville Church
Sun, Mar 10 8:30 am	4th Sunday Lent, Service Unionville Church
Sun, Mar 10 8:30 am	4th Sunday of Lent English Mass and Livestream Milan
Sun, Mar 10 9:15 am	Coffee and doughnuts Unionville Parish Hall
Sun, Mar 10 11:00 am	4° Domingo Cuaresma Misa en Español, Milan
Wed Mar 20 5:45 pm	Lenten Soup Supper Unionville Parish Hall
Sun Mar 31 8:30 am	Easter Day, Holy Mass Unionville Church

### Ministers

Ministers	March
Coordinator	Ed Brockmeyer
Music	Julia Rasmussen
Environment	Kathleen Van Wyhe
Acolyte	Ed Brockmeyer
Lead Rosary	Kathleen Van Wyhe
Greeters	Carrie Duke
Hospitality	The Williams
Lector	Joe Koenen
Communion	Kay Bonifazi
Church Cleaning	The Deskins
Plants	Margaret Szucs
Supplies	Mary Greinert