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Birthdays / Cumpleaños: March-Marzo 10, Nancy Lopez; 12, Sacramento Carillo; 14, Mia Lopez, Leodegario Garcia; 15, María Lopez, Joe King, Maria Garcia, Terry Weter; 16, Rosalyn Roman, Blanca Chinchilla; 17, Andrea Dabney; 20, Eriberto Moreno; 22, Beneranda Torres. Anniversaries/Aniversarios... March-Marzo 1, Audel y Lilia Arellano, 43 años.

Weekly Readings

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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

March 11, Monday-Lunes

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

March 12, Tuesday-Martes

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

Mar 13, Wednesday-Miércoles

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

March 14, Thursday-Jueves

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

March 15, Friday-Viernes

Wis/Sab 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

March 16, Saturday-Sábado

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

March 17, Sunday-Domingo Fifth Sunday of Lent

Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma

Ez 37:12-14

Rom/Rm 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

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The Fourth Sunday of Lent. Year B Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma, Año b Gospel of St. Mark / El evangelio de San Marcos March / Marzo 10, 2024

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La mayordomía se basa en la gratitud por la variedad de bendiciones que cada uno de nosotros recibe, entendiendo que tenemos dones de diferentes maneras y medidas. Sin embargo, hay un regalo que todos compartimos por igual. "Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo que dio a su único hijo, para que todo el que cree en él no perezca, sino que tenga vida eterna". Es difícil concebir adecuadamente la magnitud de ese don. Pero si lo hacemos, nuestra gratitud no debería tener límites. El Papa Francisco ha dicho: "Dios nunca le da a alguien un regalo que no es capaz de recibir. Necesitamos reconocer los dones de Dios y, especialmente durante nuestros preparativos para la Pascua, encontrar maneras de vivir nuestra gratitud.

Weekly Schedule of Services

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Background on Today's Gospel

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Bishop McKnight's March prayer intention for our Local Church

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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. Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today's Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

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Mon, Mar 11	Confirmation Group	
11-12:00 pm	Milan Parish Hall	
Tue, Mar 12	Ladies Yoga,	
9-10:00 am	Milan Parish Hall	
Tue, Mar 12 6:00 pm	El grupo de oracion. Todos estan invitados. Milan Iglesia	
Wed, Mar 13	Liturgy of the Hours	
6:00 pm	Milan Church	
Fri, Mar 15	Ladies Yoga,	
9-10:00 am	Milan Parish Hall	
Fri, Mar 15	Stations of the Cross	
5:30 pm	Milan Church	
Fri, Mar 15	Simple Lenten Soup Supper	
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Sun, Mar 17	5th Sunday of Lent Service	
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6:15 pm	Milan Parish Hall	
Sun, Mar 31	Easter Day, Holy Mass	
10:30 am	Milan Church	

Giving and Expenditures	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
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As we celebrate each week the pascal mystery, may the selfless life of Jesus Christ guide us in every way.

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Collections	\$1,882	\$24,294
Expenses	\$2,184	\$22,964
Balance	-\$302	\$1,330

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Tue Mar 12	"The Chosen"	
1:00 pm	Unionville Parish Hall	
Wed Mar 13	Stations of the Cross	
5:00 pm	Unionville Church	
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11:00 am	Misa en Español, Milan	
Wed Mar 20	Lenten Soup Supper	
5:45 pm	Unionville Parish Hall	
Sun Mar 31	Easter Day, Holy Mass	
8:30 am	Unionville Church	

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Acolyte	Ed Brockmeyer
Lead Rosary	Kathleen Van Wyhe
Greeters	Carrie Duke
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Lector	Joe Koenen
Communion	Kay Bonifazi
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Plants	Margaret Szucs
Supplies	Mary Greinert