

# 5th Sunday of Lent



We wish  
to see  
Jesus.

John 12:21

*Who is Jesus  
for you?*

**ST. ROSALIE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**March 21, 2021**

## *The Pastor Jots It Down*

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Rosalie and St. John Bosco Parishes and School,

Greetings in the Lord as we continue our Lenten Journey with Jesus to Jerusalem.

Last week we celebrated Laetare Sunday. That Sunday marked the halfway point of the Lenten Season. The Sacred Triduum draws ever nearer. Holy Mother Church calls us to be steadfast in our Lenten Preparations knowing that each day draws us ever closer to celebration of the Pascal Feast of Jesus Sacrificial Love for us.

In the Paschal Feast, we remember The Last Supper; Jesus' Agony in the Garden; Jesus' Sentence to Death on a Cross; His Crucifixion, Death and Burial; and His Resurrection on the third day.

In the Paschal Mystery, Jesus showed the depth of His love for us. Today, we can ask ourselves about our depth of love for Him. With the great sacrifice He made for us, what sacrifices are we making for Him this Lenten Season. How are we reenergizing our faith practice and that of our families? How have we and our families grown in personal relationship with Jesus so far during this holy season.

If Lent, so far, has been like every other time in the year with minimal faith practice, now is the time to get serious about growing our faith in Jesus and our personal relationship with him as we well as deepening the prayer life that of our spouse and of our families.

Let's not forget the importance of families praying together at home, worshiping together as a family at Sunday Mass, and approaching the Sacrament of Reconciliation together as a family. Also, let's not forget the powerful example that these moments have on our children. If prayer and the sacraments are not important in the life of parents, why would it be important for their children. For the most part children live what they learn in the home. Faith practices learned in school, have a much better chance of becoming part of their lives, if these practices are lived in the home.

If you haven't taken advantage of confession this Lenten Season, this Wednesday there will confessions heard in both Churches from 5 to 6:30 pm during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and then on Saturdays at St. Rosalie from 3:15 to 3:45 pm and at St. John Bosco from 4:30 to 5:15pm.

Wednesday of Holy Week and going forward our regular Wednesday evening Confessions and Adoration will resume from 7 to 8 pm at both churches.

This Thursday, March 25, is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Angel Gabriel to Mary announcing God's wish that Mary become the mother of His Son, Jesus. The Angelus prayer reminds us of this great event in the unfolding of our reconciliation with God. On this day we might want to pray this beautiful prayers as the church desires in the morning, at noon, and in the evening. This is why the church bells ring at these times to call the faithful to remember the Incarnation and pray the Angelus.

God loves you!

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## *The Angelus*

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The Angelus takes its name from the Latin word for angel from the prayer's first verse "Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae" [The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary].

The Angelus is a short devotional prayer which today is recited three times a day at morning, noon and evening and is often accompanied by the ringing of a bell. Even our modern-day Divine Office apps such as Universalis and other phone and tablet apps have alerts in the form of chiming bells that remind us to pray the Angelus at 6am, 12 mid-day and 6pm.

### **THREE HAIL MARYS**

The prayer recites Hail Mary three times wrapped around four verses and a final prayer. The Angelus honors four aspects of Mary. The Annunciation when Gabriel appeared to Mary, her importance in God's plan of the Incarnation, her self-giving and Mary's intercessory role for us. The Angelus also reminds us of the Passion of Christ and his resurrection.

*V/. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,  
R/. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*

*Hail Mary...*

*V/. Behold the handmaid of the Lord,  
R/. Be it done unto me according to your Word.*

*Hail Mary...*

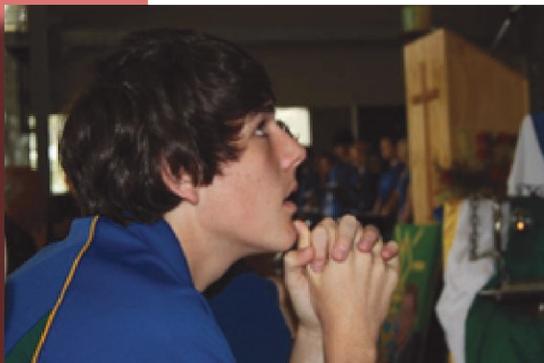
*V/. And the Word was made flesh,  
R/. And dwelt among us.*

*Hail Mary...*

*V/. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,  
R/. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

*Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts: that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*

# *The spiritual offering of prayer*



## **The spiritual offering of prayer**

**From the Treatise On Prayer**  
by Tertullian, priest

Prayer is the offering in spirit that has done away with the sacrifices of old.

We are true worshipers and true priests. We pray in spirit, and so offer in spirit the sacrifice of prayer. Prayer is an offering that belongs to God and is acceptable to him: it is the offering he has asked for, the offering he planned as his own.

We must dedicate this offering with our whole heart, we must fatten it on faith, tend it by truth, keep it unblemished through innocence and clean through chastity, and crown it with love. We must escort it to the altar of God in a procession of good works to the sound of psalms and hymns. Then it will gain for us all that we ask of God.

Since God asks for prayer offered in spirit and in truth, how can he deny anything to this kind of prayer? How great is the evidence of its power, as we read and hear and believe?

In the past prayer was able to bring down punishment, rout armies, withhold the blessing of rain. Now, however, the prayer of the just turns aside the whole anger of God, keeps vigil for its enemies, pleads for persecutors. Is it any wonder that it can call down water from heaven when it could obtain fire from heaven as well? Prayer is the one thing that can conquer God. But Christ has willed that it should work no evil and has given it all power over good.

Its only art is to call back the souls of the dead from the very journey into death, to give strength to the weak, to heal the sick, to exorcise the possessed, to open prison cells, to free the innocent from their chains. Prayer cleanses from sin, drives away temptations, stamps out persecutions, comforts the fainthearted, gives new strength to the courageous, brings travelers safely home, calms the waves, confounds robbers, feeds the poor, overrules the rich, lifts up the fallen, supports those who are falling, sustains those who stand firm.

What more need be said on the duty of prayer? Even the Lord himself prayed. To him be honor and power for ever and ever. Amen.



# What is a plenary indulgence?

By Carol Glatz

But what is this ancient practice of offering indulgences through prayer and penance and what is needed to receive them?

An indulgence is not a quick ticket to heaven, as St. John Paul II once said; rather, it is an aid for the real conversion that leads to eternal happiness. Sins are forgiven through the sacrament of penance, but then there is a kind of punishment still due the sinner, the late pope explained during a general audience in 1999.

God's fatherly love "does not exclude chastisement, even though this always should be understood in the context of a merciful justice which reestablishes the order violated," he said.

The pope had said the "temporal" punishment that remains after forgiveness is a grace aimed at wiping away the "residues of sin," offering the reformed sinner the chance of complete healing through "a journey of purification" that can take place in this life or in purgatory.

By God's grace, participation in a prayer or action that has an indulgence attached to it brings about the necessary restoration and reparation without the suffering that would normally accompany it. It frees a person from the punishment their sinfulness warrants as it is a remission of the temporal punishment a person is due for sins that have been forgiven.

The granting of an indulgence by the church is "the expression of the church's full confidence of being heard by the Father when, in view of Christ's merits and, by his gift, those of Our Lady and the saints, she asks him to mitigate or cancel the painful aspect of punishment by fostering its medicinal aspect through other channels of grace," the late pope said.

An indulgence, then, is the result of the abundance of God's mercy, which he offers to humanity through Jesus Christ and through the church, he said.

But this gift cannot be received automatically or simply by fulfilling a few exterior requirements nor can it be approached with a superficial attitude, St. John Paul said.

The reception of an indulgence depends on "our turning away from sin and our conversion to God," he said.

That is why there are several conditions for receiving an indulgence:

- A spirit detached from sin.
- Sacramental confession and Eucharistic communion as soon as possible.
- Prayer for the Holy Father's intentions.

The faithful can claim the indulgence for themselves or offer it on behalf of someone who has died. Though only once per day.

<https://www.catholicnews.com/what-is-a-plenary-indulgence/>

## Announcements

### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend the Archdiocese of New Orleans is hosting a very important second collection to raise funds to offset the costs of educating seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. This is the first time this collection has been held in the archdiocese and all funds will go directly to supporting the educations and formation of the 30 men currently studying to be priests in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The annual cost to fund one seminarian is \$45,000 and this total is one of the largest budgetary items in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Please continue to pray for these men and those who work with them on their priestly formation and please give generously to this very important fund that will provide monetary support to those men who will minister to the people of God in New Orleans for many years to come.

### SPECIAL REQUEST

Please do not staple or scotch tape your envelopes. It makes it very difficult to open the envelope resulting in tearing of the money or checks. Thank you for your cooperation.

### ALTAR SOCIETY/WOMEN'S CLUB

The Altar Society/Women's Club will hold its first meeting of the year on April 5th in the church. Rosary begins at 6:30 followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Masks and social distancing applies. Dues for the year are due.

*We ask for your prayers*



**March 25-31**  
please pray for

**Thomas Nguyen**  
(from the SUO Province)  
who is in Pre-Novitiate  
and in formation at  
Don Bosco  
Preparatory High School  
in Ramsey, NJ.

### PALMS

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. We are in need of palms to decorate the church. If you have palms that you would like to donate, please call the Parish Office 340-1962 to make arrangements to drop them off on Thursday the 25th of March. We ask that the palms be cleaned and trimmed.

### PARISH PROPERTY SALE

**Small parish parking lot**  
opposite old 5th grade building and  
**House and lot at 613 1st Avenue**  
**The Dominic House**

The process of having both properties appraised has begun. If any parishioner is interested in the purchase of these properties, please leave your name and contact information at the parish office.

### LADIES' LENTEN RETREAT

We still have Openings for **Ladies' Lenten Retreat** at St. Joseph Abbey **March 29th - 31st.**

*For information call*

Janet Adams – 341-9058 or  
Jackie Gerstner – 940-8165

### THE HAWK GUYS DAD'S CLUB

*Happenings*

### ANNUAL GULF TOURNAMENT

will be held at  
**Timberlane Country Club**  
1 Timberland Dr., Gretna  
**MARCH 27 – 12:00 Tee Time**

### CRAWFISH BOILING POT RAFFLE

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Raffle Tickets*

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## Mass Intentions



### SATURDAY, MARCH 20

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased  
4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin  
Wayne Oubre  
Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.  
Troy Dean Williams II  
Hunter & Guastella families  
Hidalgo, Tassin & Simoneaux families  
Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora  
Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez  
Hilton Lirette  
Diane Bourg  
Sen. J. Chris Ullo  
Alexis & Beverly Vicari  
Joan Jones  
Artney J. Morvant

### SUNDAY, MARCH 21

8:00a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving  
10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.  
Gary Pratt  
T-Van Falgout  
Sandy & Garin Hernandez  
Kevin Fitzhenry  
Byron S. LeJeune  
Rosalie Gaspar  
Agnes & Sidney Rotolo  
Allen Joseph Trafficano  
All Souls in Purgatory

### MONDAY, MARCH 22

7:00a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving  
12:10p.m. Alex Mahl

### TUESDAY, MARCH 23

7:00a.m. Ruby Armbruster  
12:10p.m. Lynwood Allemore  
Fred Gerstner, Jr.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

7:00a.m. Hillary Kline  
12:10p.m. Katherine Dotson  
Glen Moorman

### THURSDAY, MARCH 25

7:00a.m. Hillary Kline  
12:10p.m. Fred Gerstner, Jr.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 26

7:00a.m. Sen. J. Chris Ullo  
12:10p.m. Katherine Dotson

**MASS FOR HEALING:** Brady & Grayson Hernandez  
Jackie Morvant Bush, Colleen Martin,  
Julie Kirkland

**SPECIAL MASS:** For conversion of sinners.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 27

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased  
4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin  
Wayne Oubre  
Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.  
Malcolm 'Buck' Cortez  
Malcolm & Timmy LeBlanc  
Raymond LeBlanc  
Diane Bourg  
Hilton Lirette  
Dwayne Guidry  
Alexis & Beverly Vicari  
Joan Jones

### *In Our Parish*

**SANCTUARY LAMP**  
*will burn in memory of*  
**Walter & Doris Treadaway**

**BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP**  
*will burn in memory of*  
**Bob Higgins**

**ALTAR WINE**  
*is offered for*  
**Byron S. LeJeune**



## Friday Night Fish Fry

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