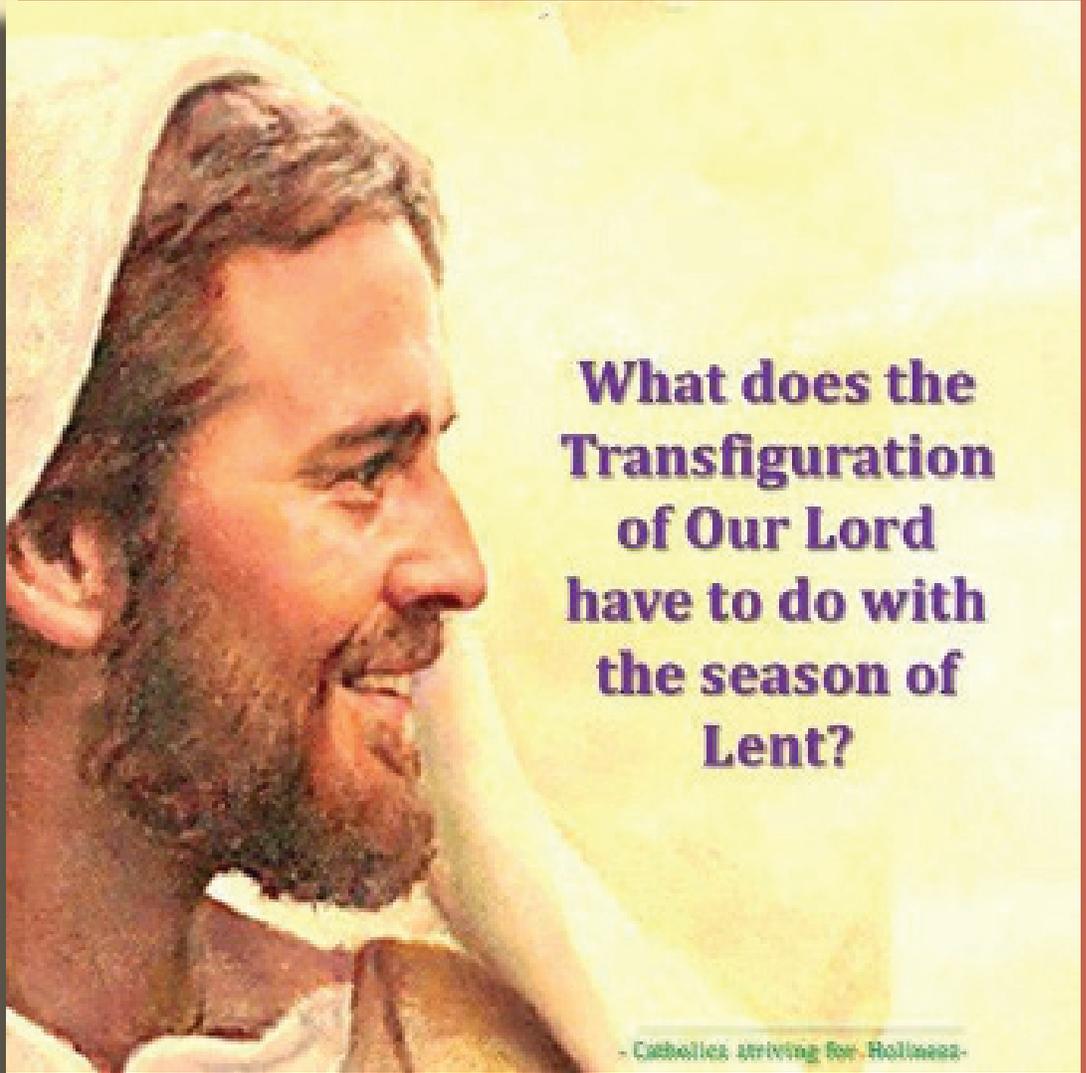


The Transfiguration

The 2nd Sunday of Lent



**What does the
Transfiguration
of Our Lord
have to do with
the season of
Lent?**

**ST. ROSALIE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
March 13, 2022**

The Pastor Jots It Down

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



It is necessary to know why we are doing what we are doing.

If we are reading a book, we must not only understand the words, but also what the book wants to tell us.

If we are taking a train, a plane, or a bus we must know where it is taking us.

Likewise, in the spiritual realm, there are spiritual acts that we do, and we must not only know what we are doing, but why we are doing them.

WHEN WE PRAY, it is not just about saying one prayer after another.

Prayer is a means of communion with God, and hence, prayer changes our hearts to love God and to love others.

WHEN WE FAST, it is not just about skipping a meal or two and feeling hungry.

Fasting is a form of prayer to express our hunger and yearning for God so that we empty ourselves of our earthly desires and pray to be filled with the love of God.

The season of Lent has many meaningful spiritual exercises that will soften our hearts so that we can turn to God.

May we understand the meaning of what we are doing and be renewed in our love for God and for our neighbors.

God loves you!

F. Mark

LENT
— journey with us —

- Fasting days**
include Ash Wednesday, March 2 and Good Friday, April 15 (one full meatless meal is permitted), and meatless Fridays during Lent (fish and shellfish are permitted).
- The three pillars**
of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In addition to fasting, many also choose to abstain from other comforts during Lent.
- Holy Week**
begins with Palm Sunday, April 10, a celebration of Christ's triumphant return to Jerusalem.
- Easter Triduum**
begins with Holy Thursday, April 14, at sunset, signaling the end of the Lenten season.



DO PRIESTS CRY...

By Bishop Gerardo Alminaza

Do the priests cry?

Yes. They do cry....

And why does a priest cry?

Priests cry for many reasons...

But are not priests men of God? Why would they have to cry?

Yes, priests are men of God it's true, but they are not superheroes nor stones. They are human beings.

But why does a priest cry?

Priests cry for misunderstanding. A priest cannot get sick, feel tired, or be sad, the people demand him to be perfect and no matter how many good things he does, there will be a mistake to criticize him.

They cry over frustration that sometimes even if they try and give their best, people don't respond. It's like they're fighting alone.

They cry for powerlessness when they witness pain, problems, diseases, poverty and suffering of their sheep and they can do nothing but pray, accompany, understand and feel compassion.

They also cry of happiness when they live their vocation, when they serve their neighbor, when they perceive the fruit of the mission.

They cry of love when they receive the true and selfless affection from some good people, when they feel the love of God in their lives.

Priests cry yes. Refugees in the heart of God.

Also, the priests weep in agony for their sins and miseries, because in spite of everything, they are also sinners.

That's why we pray for priests!

And more than criticizing a priest, let's bow our knees and pray for him.



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One beautiful spring day we did our normal Thursday P.E at the playground: picnic lunch with our kids and fellow moms, then the kids would go onto the field for P.E, and we would have our discussions. That day being Mary or Martha came up in our conversation. As the women who felt that it was better to be Mary argued with the women that felt that it was better to be Martha with both sides insisting on being correct, I sat quietly observing. One of the moms realized I hadn't said anything and asked me which woman I felt I was more like. Me, being the troublemaker that I am, said I'm both. Confused faces looked at me because in their thoughts there is no way to be both women.

I said that when I read the passage of Mary sitting at Jesus' feet listening to Him while Martha did the household work then she complained to Jesus about the unfairness of the situation, I feel that Jesus wasn't reprimanding Martha. I feel that in His response to Martha's complaints, He was simply telling her to make her work her prayer and her prayer her work. I went on to explain to the other moms that while we can all agree that in

Are You a Martha or a Mary?

*A Catholic Homeschool Mom
Reflects on Martha and Mary*

Having been a Catholic Homeschool mom I enjoyed a lot of conversions with my fellow Catholic homeschool moms. The ladies helped me to deepen and grow in my faith. But there are two topics that, how to put it nicely, would become a "lively" discussion. One being "Which is the proper Mass" and the other being "Are you Mary or Martha."

the time between when our husbands leave for work and we wake the kids to start our day, we had our “Mary” time where we prayed quietly sitting at His feet. After the kids have awoken, we became Marthas. I went on to say that we have a God of order so why would Jesus fuss Martha for doing her work. What I think He was telling her to do as she did her work: talk to God, offer up the tasks that she dislikes, to share her disappointments and give thanks for the work. I explained that as I do my tasks like laundry I thank God for my family that wears these clothes and pray for those who don’t have clean clothes; as I clean the bathrooms I thank God for clean running water and pray for those that don’t have clean water; as I make the beds I thank God for the nice soft mattress and the warm blankets and pray for those who don’t have a soft, warm place to rest their head. That’s why I said I’m both Mary and Martha.

That is not to say that in doing my work prayerfully it was always sunshine, rainbows and unicorns. There were days where it was rainy, dark clouds, and stubborn mules. On those days, when the house was quiet and locked up for the night, in the stillness as I was Mary again, I could see where the Son was shining through the clouds, and I missed Him. While mumbling and grumbling about paint being on a shirt, water being all over the counter, and a spilled drink on the living room carpet; I missed that the paint was from a picture my child made for me, the water on the counter was from my child trying to help me clean, and the spilled drink on the carpet was from the kids playing while building a blanket fort. If had I completed my task more with a heart full of thanksgiving and pray as Jesus instructed Martha to do instead of aggravation and grumpiness at “having to do everything”, maybe I wouldn’t have missed those blessings.

Now that three of my kids have graduated from college and the youngest is in his first year of college, I have more to time to be Mary and sit at Jesus’ feet. I’m also still Martha. I have my household tasks to complete, and I still try to do them prayerfully. Although my homeschooling days are completed, when asked this question “Are you Mary or Martha”, I will still answer I am both women.

Lisa Haddican 2022
St. John Bosco Parishioner

Dear Blessed Mother,

Today as we pray our Rosary, let it be our weapon of choice, asking that God intervene in the bloody war presently going on, as people again try to destroy your world.

May our recitation of the rosary and of rosaries being said throughout the world, be heard in Heaven.

May God have mercy on those who caused it.

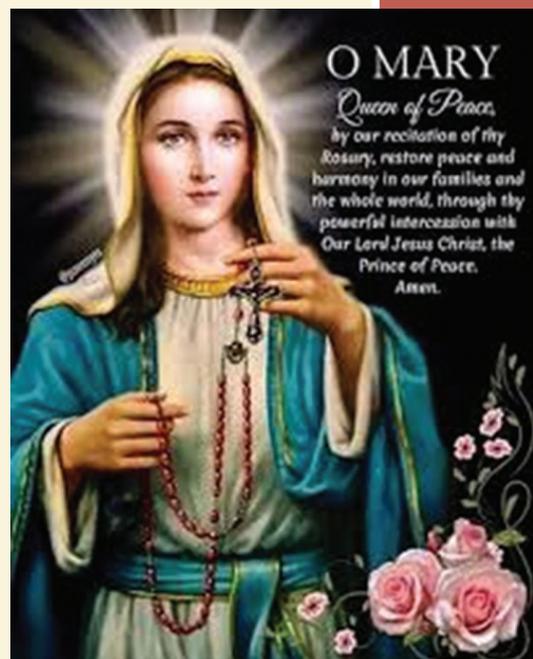
May those poor souls who asked not for this conflict, yet die because of it, feel your love and the love of God as they meet their maker.

Dear God, we ask all of this through the “Queen of Peace” and pray you hear us.

For all the world and for all gifts received through your Love, we humbly offer our sincere thanks.

We also ask that you hear all other intentions offered up today.

Richard Lamoureux
St. Rosalie Parishioner



Announcements

SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

The Sanctuary Committee for the weekend of March 19th is Team 2, which consists of Marion Cortez, Rosalie Oubre, Jackie Gerstner and Faye Gomez.



THE POPE'S PRAYER FOR MARCH

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

VOCATION PRAYER INTENTIONS



March 11 - 17
please pray for
Nathan Gonzalez
who is in
Candidacy
in Orange, N.J.

In Our Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP
will burn in memory of
Carlos Savona

BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP
will burn in memory of
Alex Mahl

SACRED HEART SHRINE LAMP
will burn for the health of
Tess Martin

ST. ROSALIE SHRINE LAMP
will burn in memory of
Byron S. LeJeune

ALTAR WINE
is given for healing of
Jackie Morvant Bush



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March 2, 2022
Ash Wednesday

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

As we are all aware, Russian troops have invaded Ukraine. Russian forces have caused unprovoked death and destruction for the people.

As we see the images of Ukrainian people fleeing their homes to safety and read the headlines about the damage and casualties, let us not be complacent but offer prayer and call upon Jesus the Prince of Peace and the intercession of our Blessed Mother to bring an end to this unjust war and peace amongst the nations.

Please join me and Catholics around the globe in offering Lenten sacrifices for peace in the Ukraine.

If you wish to make a gift to the people of the Ukraine, you may send it to me or give it to your parish priest. The United States bishops have a strong relationship with the bishops of the Ukraine and can send your gift to them.

Wishing you God's Lenten blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans

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Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, MARCH 12

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
4:00p.m. Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
Carmen & Charles Austin
Alexis & Beverly Vicari
Calogero & Loretta D'Amico
Thomas Byrnes
Donna Rankins
Hunter & Guastella Families
Raymond Champagne
Troy Dean Williams II
Dominick & Conchetta Bellipanni
Steve Tassin
Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora
Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez
Craig Pellegal
Jerry Melancon
Hilton Lirette

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

7:30a.m. Jackie Jaccuzzo
10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois
Kevin Fitzhenry
Byron S. LeJeune
Nelson Cantrelle, Jr.
Donald Comeaux
Brenda Zappulla
Chetta Doming
Sam & Laura Ditta
Margaret Ditta Panepinto
Joseph Panepinto, Sr.
Tommy Mauro
LeJeune, Orgeron, Rodrigue and
Angelle Families
Agnes & Sydney Rotolo
Poor Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, MARCH 14

7:00a.m. All Souls in Purgatory
12:10p.m. Raymond Champagne

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

7:00a.m. Patricia Diez
12:10p.m. Raymond Champagne
Todd & Percy Robichaux

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

7:00a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory
12:10p.m. Raymond Champagne
Dee Clements

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

7:00a.m. Cabra Dominicans deceased
12:10p.m. Raymond Champagne
Fred Gerstner, Jr.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

7:00a.m. Saladino/LeBlanc Families deceased
12:10p.m. Raymond Champagne

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
4:00p.m. Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
Carmen & Charles Austin
Alexis & Beverly Vicari
Donna Rankins
Donald Comeaux
Leah & Sam Pater
Malcolm & Timmy LeBlanc
Danny Tague, Sr.
Hidalgo, Tassin & Simoneaux families
Malcolm 'Buck' Cortez
Anthony Savona
Craig LeBlanc
Jackie Jaccuzzo
Jerry Melancon
Margaret Montet
Celino/Saragusa Family
LeBoeuf/Richoux Family
Hilton Lirette
Conrad & Anthony Saluto
Shayna Catherine Cline
Tony & Jaden Phillips

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Fr. George Hanna, SDB

Fr. Wilgintz Polynice, SDB

Parochial Vicars

Kevin Steel, *Deacon*

MASS FOR HEALING:

Brady & Grayson Hernandez, Julie Kirkland,
O.J. Orgeron, Jackie Morvant Bush,
Shannon Morvant Olivero, Rosalie Oubre
Colleen Martin

MASS FOR THE LIVING: Patrick Lofton, Anne,
William, Thomas and Marguerite Hart

SPECIAL MASS: For conversion of sinners.

A Mass of Thanksgiving to Jesus Christ for
Prayers answered for Shannon Morvant Olivero