



Did you know that the life of Jesus humanly speaking, ended in failure?

Rev. Jesús Mariscal

At a first glance this question above can be disturbing. However, it is a truth that far from disturbing us, it should give us hope. The fact that Jesus also experienced failure reminds us that He truly understands us when we may be feeling like we are failing in life. Or have you never felt that your life is a failure?

Jesus was the Son of God. He was the best preacher of all time. He would speak the Word of God. He was the Word of God. He was God Himself. Yet, people would not believe or understand His Word. When He was preaching at Nazareth, his hometown, no one believed His Word so much so that not one miracle happened there, and people even tried to throw Him off a cliff (Lk 4:29). In spite of all the most amazing and unthinkable miracles that he did, and His infinite love and mercy, His life, humanly speaking, ended in failure. Therefore, "if at times our efforts and works seem to fail and produce no fruit, we need to remember that we are followers of Jesus ... and his life, humanly speaking, ended in failure, in the failure of the cross" (Francis 09/29/2015).

To "the Greeks who look for wisdom," the crucifixion was a failure, which was barbaric and absurd, perhaps even a Tragedy. To the Jews, who demanded miracles and expected a worldly glorious Messiah, the crucifixion was a deserved punishment to an impostor of the Son of God who claimed that He could rebuild their temple in three days. To those who believed, He was the "power and the wisdom of God" (1 Cor. 23). Do you believe?

When you feel like a failure, unappreciated, undervalued or undermined, and feel that your efforts are in vain and not bearing fruits, remember that you are a follower of Jesus. Remember that He was not only unappreciated, misunderstood, and undermined, but He was also humiliated and Crucified. He sees you. He understands you. He knows you. He loves you and forgives you. You are not a failure. You may not see the fruits of your great efforts and of your labor now, but that does not mean that you are not already flourishing, successful, and making a positive difference for many.

Not even the apostles were sure what to think about the Crucified Jesus as He hung on the Cross. Not even they could see how the Crucified Christ would lead to the greatest event in the entire history of Creation, the Resurrection.

Keep fighting. Keep believing. Keep giving it your best. The most important thing is that we do not give up and never give into the worldly ways. God is not blind. He sees you. Would you allow him to see you? Would you turn to Him and see Him?

Lenten Family Healing Retreat (Spanish)



The basic and essential thing for our physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual health is to be in harmony with ourselves, with God and with others. If we achieve a conscious encounter with God, no matter what situation or illness we are suffering, we will always be well. We invite you to heal and strengthen your relationship with God, with yourself and with everyone around you.

March 13, 14 and 15 from 6:00pm-9:00pm-Cathedral
March 17 from 10:00am-12:45pm-School Gym



LITURGY FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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Processional Hymn Jesus, Tempted in the Desert No. 459

Responsorial Psalm 19

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Acclamation John 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Offertory O God, You Search Me No. 580

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Holy, Holy, Holy No. 304

Memorial Acclamation *from Belmont Mass*
Save Us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

Amen No. 218

Lamb of God No. 311

Communion Hymn In This Place Your Word Is Planted No. 595
What Wondrous Love Is This No. 641

Recessional Hymn How Firm a Foundation No. 687

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Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:30PM
(Closed 12:00 Noon-1:00PM)

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:30PM & 7PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 7, 9, 11AM, 1PM (Spanish) & 7:00PM Life Teen

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday, Wednesday Friday: 7AM
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8AM
Spanish Mass Tuesday: 7:00PM

Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:00PM or by Appointment

Baptisms
Please call Parish Office

Weddings
Four months preparation required

Adoration
Fridays 7:30AM-6:00PM Benediction

Monday Evening Prayer
Weekly 5:30PM-Chapel

Complete Staff listing inside.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 4, 2024

M Mar. 4 St. Casimir
T Mar. 5 Lenten Weekday
W Mar. 6 Lenten Weekday

TH Mar. 7 Sts. Perpetua and Felicity
F Mar. 8 St. John of God
S Mar. 9 St. Frances of Rome

LAST WEEK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING TOTAL: \$11,373.00

LENTEN MASSES AND SERVICES

This Monday we continue our services of extra Lenten opportunities to draw closer to the Lord. Besides the ordinary schedule, the following are recommended for you (in the Chapel).

Mondays: Sung Lenten Evening Prayer 5:30pm
Tuesdays: Evening Mass 5:30 pm
Wednesdays: Stations of the Cross 5:30pm
Thursdays: Evening Mass 5:30pm
Fridays: Via Crucis (Spanish) 6:30 pm

The morning Mass schedule, Tuesday evening Spanish Mass (7:00pm), Adoration Fridays and Benediction following at 6pm continue.

Take advantage of these additional during the Lenten Season!!

FRIDAYS OF LENT

The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (no meat) and Good Friday (29 March) is also a day of fast (no eating between meals).



"LOOKING AHEAD"

1) COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

(Celebration of Reconciliation) although confessions are heard every Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 PM in our Cathedral, our Lenten celebrations will be held as follows:

Wednesday March 20th
 4:00 PM Holy Redeemer Church and
 7:00 PM Holy Family Church
Thursday March 21st
 4:00 PM St. Joseph Church
7:00 PM CATHEDRAL

Plan to celebrate this sacrament in time for Holy Week and Easter.



2) SOLEMN CHRISM MASS

The annual Mass in which our Bishop blesses the Holy Oils for the consecration of sacred vessels, churches and the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and Anointing Of The Sick and the priests of our Diocese renew their commitment to serve our Diocese of Yakima, will be celebrated here in our Cathedral on **Tuesday, March 19th**, the Feast of Saint Joseph, Patron of our Diocese, at **7:00 PM**, preceded by an afternoon of reflection and dinner for our priests and permanent deacons of the Diocese. Plan to join us for this important celebration of The Church of Central Washington.



LAETARE (REJOICE) SUNDAY

Next Sunday we celebrate the middle of Lent on which Rose- color vestments are used pointing to the upcoming Holy Week and Easter



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OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Within a few weeks, look for a mailing from Our Sunday Visitor and the Cathedral which will be the official beginning of our drive for 3½ million dollars as the first phase to restore this great building for use as a parish center: for religious education classes, LifeTeen, SPYEdge, social and parish gatherings, retreats, funeral luncheons, Knights of Columbus and sports activities and recreation for our youth and adults. Please prayerfully consider your response now (hopefully double it) and take part in this essential part of our parish! Also, as we previously announced, we intend to paint the outside of the Cathedral and beautify its grounds. WE NEED EVERYONE IN OUR FAMILY OF FAITH TO BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT--Phase ONE.

Confirmation 2024

Our Bishop will celebrate this sacrament with us in our Cathedral on May 12 (Mothers' Day) for all our 8th Graders and high school students not yet confirmed. There will also be a special celebration of this sacrament of the Holy Spirit for adults, the week before, on May 5, 2024. For info contact Shawn Exner at the Parish Office. Thank you!!



PARISH COUNCIL

Our Parish Advisory Board meets a week from today Monday, March 11th at 6:15 in our office conference room. Concerns or Questions? Contact Sandi Hays, President, or any of the members (posted in the Vestibule of the Cathedral).

PARISH COUNCIL

REMEMBER

This Saturday we are privileged to officiate at the burial of Bob and Maxine Erskine of our community, with many family members part of our own parish community. Tahoma Cemetery 12:00 PM. May we always remember our deceased and their families that mourn them.



St. Patrick's Day!



If you'd like to support Catholic students while having a great time, we invite you to celebrate with us. La Salle's 25th Annual St. Patrick's Day Gala & Auction takes place March 16th at La Salle High School. Call (509) 225-2990 or email snelson@lasallejakima.org for tickets. Call (509) 225-2990 or email snelson@lasallejakima.org for tickets.

ST. JOSEPH MARQUETTE CATHOLIC SCHOOL EST. 1875
You're Invited to Our OPEN HOUSE
March 6th 5 to 7pm

St. Joseph Marquette Catholic School FISH FRYDAYS
 every Friday from February 16 - March 22 . 5pm - 8pm

LOCAL BEER & WINE! \$20.00 fish & chips, coleslaw, applesauce & beverage TAKE OUT AVAILABLE! \$10.00 mac n'cheese, chips, coleslaw, applesauce & pop

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ABUSE HOTLINE

Our Diocese has a private hotline for those who wish to report incidents of sexual abuse regarding clergy, diocesan or parish employees or volunteers
1-888-276-4490



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23, Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6, Eph 2:4-10, Jn 3:14-21



"LOOKING AHEAD"

In two years our Diocese celebrates the **75th anniversary** of our establishment as a diocese and for St. Paul's; the 75th anniversary as a CATHEDRAL.

Besides the diocesan celebrations and, as a center of these observances, we also mark the 75th anniversary of St. Paul's being named the CATHEDRAL OF THE DIOCESE OF YAKIMA. Our goal is to make sure our Cathedral Parish is in great form, everything brought up to date and restored for this major event in the history and life of The Church of Central Washington. This (2026) will be a year: to remember the past and especially the parishioners who have built up our parish to be what we are; to celebrate the present and all who are part of our parish family; and to confidently face the future as a vibrant and joyful parish family. Keep it in mind!!

Walking Together Toward Resurrection

Family and Friends, please plan to join us on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM to a *Walking Together Toward The Resurrection Fair* as we joyfully await Holy Week and Easter. St. Paul Cathedral Parish will be hosting family games, giveaways and raffles. Food and drinks will be provided. For questions and more information please contact: **Maria Santiago 509-969-3424**



SPRING FORWARD!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME WILL BEGIN, MARCH 10TH AT 2:00AM. (NEXT SUNDAY)



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

If you haven't yet donated to this essential effort for our Diocese and Bishop, THERE'S still time. Extra Envelopes are in the Cathedral vestibule pamphlet racks. Thank You!! "Everyone should have a share in the ministry of our Bishop and Diocese"!!



IGNITE CONTINUES:

Looking for an idea of what to sacrifice for Lent? Join us in spending an extra 30 minutes, immediately following Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings, as we keep watch and pray through our Lenten Journey.



PARKING AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please, for your own protection DO NOT PARK CARS ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WEST CHESTNUT AVE, as cars may be ticketed (immediately next to the Church). Cars parked there are also in the way of emergency vehicles.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TO: Larry Chartier, Nestor De La Torre, Juan A. Hernandez, Emely Tello, Cheyenne Christie, Addie Dolquist, Nicholas Levesque, Abigail Maris, Megan McCambridge, Nayeli Roque, Wil DeGooyer, Freddy Flores, Rosalie Rowden, Andrew Boucher, Robby Matus, Anita Quintana, Lisa Freund, Cresanna Zeigler, Giselle Andrade, Whitney Cooper, **Art Marsh**, Roberta Mcgee, Adan Mora, Jeanne Rothenbueler, Mary Holbrook, Kayla Jessup, Max Picatti, Karis Sevigny, and all who celebrate this week!



Sunday Offering ONLINE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING!