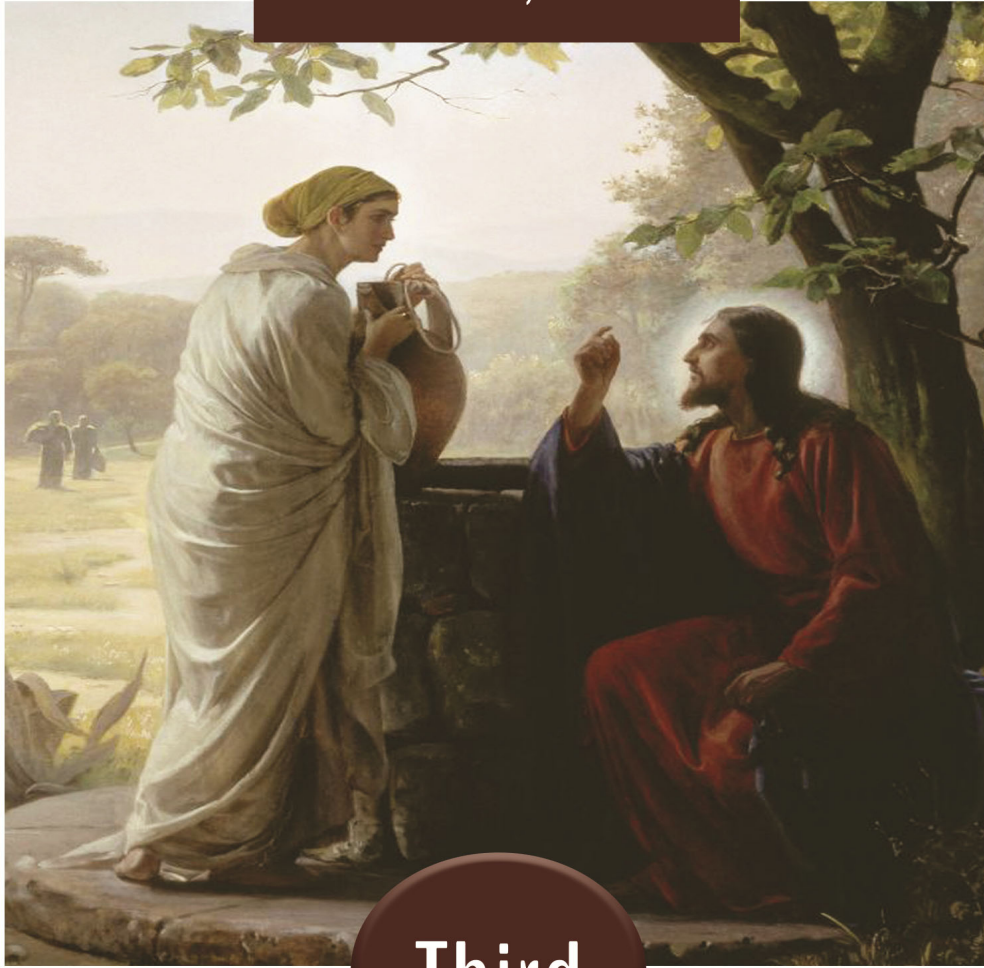


March 15, 2020



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## *Sunday of Lent*

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.  
Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

John 4:7

# St. Cyril of Jerusalem

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### From The Desk of Father Mac

This week we celebrate the feasts of three great saints. Tuesday March 17 is the feast of St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland. Thursday March 19 is the feast of St. Joseph, husband of Mary. Sandwiched between those two, on Wednesday March 18 we celebrate the feast of our parish patron Saint Cyril of Jerusalem.

Saint Cyril was bishop of Jerusalem in the mid-4<sup>th</sup> century, a time of great crisis as the Church was dealing with the Arian heresy which denied the divinity of Christ. The crises that the Church faces today may seem minor when compared with the threat posed by the Arian heresy, which almost overcame Christianity in the fourth century. Cyril was caught up in the controversy, accused of Arianism by Saint Jerome, but ultimately vindicated by the men of his own time and by being declared a Doctor of the Church. In 1822.

Cyril was raised in Jerusalem and was well-educated, especially in the Scriptures. He was ordained a priest by the bishop of Jerusalem and was given the task during Lent of catechizing those preparing for Baptism and catechizing the newly baptized during the Easter season. His *Catecheses* remain valuable writings as examples of the ritual and theology of the Church in the mid-fourth century.

There are conflicting reports about the circumstances of Cyril becoming bishop of Jerusalem. It is certain that he was validly consecrated by bishops of the province. Since one of them was an Arian, Acacius, it may have been expected that his "cooperation" would follow. Conflict soon rose between Cyril and Acacius, bishop of the rival nearby diocese of Caesarea. Cyril was summoned to a council, accused of insubordination and of selling Church property to relieve the poor. Theological differences were also likely involved. Cyril was condemned, driven from Jerusalem, and later vindicated. Half of his episcopate was spent in exile. He finally returned to find Jerusalem torn with heresy, schism and strife, and wracked with crime. Even Saint Gregory of Nyssa, who was sent to help, left in despair.

Both men went to the Council of Constantinople, where the amended form of the Nicene Creed was promulgated in 381. Cyril accepted the word *consubstantial*—that is, Christ is of the same substance or nature as the Father. Some said it was an act of repentance, but the bishops of the Council praised him as a champion of orthodoxy against the Arians.

Those who imagine that saints lived simple lives, untouched by controversy may be shocked by Cyril's story. Yet, it should be no surprise that saints, indeed all Christians, experience the same difficulties as their Master. Jesus promised that to follow him means to take up the cross. Good men and women like St. Cyril have suffered the pain of controversy and error in the search for truth. But their lives are monuments to honesty and courage.

YOURS IN CHRIST,  
REV. EBEN MACDONALD, PASTOR

*Fr. Mac*

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE** We will have our Lenten Communal Penance Service on **Monday, March 23 at 7pm**. Plenty of priests will be on hand for individual confessions. Don't miss this opportunity to make your Easter confession!



**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION (CRSC).** Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. As part of the universal mission of the Catholic Church, CRS works with local, national and international Catholic institutions and structures, as well as other organizations, to assist people on the basis of need, not creed, race or nationality.

**Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise.** Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief). PLEASE NOTE: This collection is separate from CRS Rice Bowl. Rice Bowl donations will be collected at the end of Lent on a date to be announced soon.



**NOVEL CORONAVIRUS UPDATE** The Archdiocese recommends the following liturgical accommodations and resources for all parishes, schools and ministries until such time as the virus is no longer a threat:

- The use of the cup for Holy Communion should be suspended. Holy Communion is only to be given in the species of the consecrated bread.
- It is recommended that the faithful receive Holy Communion on the hand. However, pastors may choose to continue to give Holy Communion on the tongue.
- The faithful should be encouraged to refrain from shaking hands at the sign of peace and from holding hands during the Our Father.
- Remove holy water from fonts not attached to filtration systems.

Please continue to pray for all those who are ill and for those who are providing care to the afflicted.

### TOGETHER IN MISSION

*Our Story is Alive*  
*As of March 2nd 2020*

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| PARISH GOAL    | \$ 63,795   |               |
| AMOUNT PLEDGED | \$ 32,506   | 51% of goal   |
| AMOUNT PAID    | \$ 24,164   | 37% of goal   |
| BALANCE        | \$ - 39,639 | - 63% of goal |

## SAFEGUARDING THE CHILDREN DID YOU KNOW? BE AWARE OF POISON DANGERS IN THE HOME



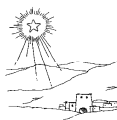
More than 90% of all poisonings happen in homes. Parents should know the top risks for children (especially children who still put things in their mouths!) and work to eradicate them.

Lead poisoning is high on the list, especially for older homes with lead paint or dust. Button batteries are small and shiny and lurk in many toys and electronics that litter our homes. Swallowing these can be deadly for children. The same is true of household cleaners like laundry or dishwasher detergent pods. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

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**FROGS (Fully Rely on God)** will meet during the 10 am Mass on **Sunday, March 22nd**. Join us as we journey through the season of Lent to prepare our hearts for Easter.



**BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES** will be here to sell their hand carved religious articles made of olive wood from the Holy Land on March 21st and 22nd. Their hand-made religious articles are stunning and they make wonderful gifts.

The sale of these precious articles helps supports the Christian families who are struggling to remain in Bethlehem.

At least 90 percent of all funds generated from these sales go directly to the families living in the Holy Land. Most have no other source of income and so they are dependent on the olive wood industry. God bless you, and thank you for your generous support.



**CANDLELIGHT ROSARY AND PRAYER GROUP** meets on Monday nights (except holidays) at 7pm in front of the Blessed Mother's shrine near the west doors of the church. During the Lenten season, we will meditate on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the rosary and we will finish our devotion with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please consider joining us to pray for our parish and for the whole world. All are welcome.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE AND GREECE WITH FR. MAC** You are invited to join Fr. Eben MacDonald on a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage from September 30 through October 11, 2020. Join us as we venture to Apparition Hill in Medjugorje and to Greece in the footsteps of St. Paul. Information flyers are available in the literature racks at the church exits. You can pick up an application form from the parish office. To reserve your space, please submit an initial deposit as soon as possible. The trip must be paid in full by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Space is limited so act now! For more information, contact Group Coordinator Celita de Castro at (818) 468-4663 or Cathy Plattner at 818-789-6578.



## Mass Intentions

- SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH**  
4:00 pm - Helen Cardelucci Duncan, *RIP*.
- SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH**  
8:00 am - People of the Parish, *SPEC. INT.*  
10:00 am - Leandro & Leonor Mayor Jr., *RIP*.  
12:00 pm - Mark Levander, *RIP*.
- MONDAY, MARCH 16TH**  
7:30 am - Amanda Cardenas Myers, *SPEC. INT.*
- TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH**  
7:30 am - Mary Ann Mc Eeety, *SPEC. INT.*
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH**  
7:30 am - John & Leona Johnston, *RIP*
- THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH**  
7:30 am - Jose & Pilar San Agustin, *RIP*
- FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH**  
7:30 am - The Persecuted Church, *SPEC. INT.*
- SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST**  
7:30 am - Joseph Yim, *SPEC. INT.*

## ST CYRIL OF JERUSALEM PARISH STEWARDSHIP MARCH 8TH 2020

*"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." JOHN 4:13*

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become His Stewards, we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

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| Envelopes   | \$ 6,090  |
| Loose cash  | \$ 853    |
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| Total       | \$ 8,681  |
| Weekly Goal | \$ 15,000 |
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*Pray For*



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| Alicata Houston |                  |
| Family          |                  |

# Saint Cyril of Jerusalem Church

## SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Saturdays          | 4:00 PM                     |
| Sundays            | 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM |
| Vigil of Holy Days | 7:00 PM                     |
| Holy Days          | 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM  |
| Weekdays (MON-SAT) | 7:30 AM                     |

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8:00-8:30 AM & 3:00-4:00 PM

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: 8:00 AM

## HOLY ROSARY

Daily after the 7:30 AM Mass

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

2nd Sunday of each Month at 2:00 PM

## WEDDINGS

*Must contact the priest at least 6 months in advance*

## BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Open Monday—Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st Friday of each Month after the 7:30 AM Mass

## JOIN US FRIDAYS IN LENT

SOUP SUPPER IN THE HALL 6PM



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# MUSIC AT ST. CYRIL'S

Cecil B. DeMille's Classic Silent Film

## King of Kings

Sunday, March 22, 2020 at 7:30 pm

Christian Elliott, Organist



We will present Cecil B. DeMille's epic motion picture **King of Kings** on Sunday Evening, March 22nd at 7:30 pm.

This will be the silent movie version, with accompaniment on our Rosales Pipe Organ, as DeMille originally intended it,

You will not want to miss this dramatic presentation of our Lord's Life and Passion.

You will thrill at the sight of the demons of the seven deadly sins being expelled from

Mary Magdalene!

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The movie is suitable for families and there is no admission charge of course.



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