

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021

THE HOUR HAS COME FOR
THE SON OF MAN TO BE
GLORIFIED.
AMEN, AMEN,
I SAY TO YOU,
UNLESS A GRAIN OF
WHEAT FALLS TO THE
GROUND AND DIES,
IT REMAINS JUST
A GRAIN OF WHEAT;
BUT IF IT DIES, IT
PRODUCES MUCH FRUIT.
WHOEVER LOVES HIS LIFE
LOSES IT,
AND WHOEVER HATES HIS
LIFE IN THIS WORLD
WILL PRESERVE IT
FOR ETERNAL LIFE.

JOHN 12:23-25





SUNDAY MASS
9:00 am, 11:30 am, & 8:00 pm
Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm

DAILY MASS
Monday - Friday 8:30 am
Saturday 8:00 am



Our Mission

Driven by the missionary zeal of St. Thérèse,
the Lord anoints us to proclaim
to the poor and broken
the Good News
that Jesus calls us to abundant life in Him.

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Saturday 8:30 to 9:30 am, and 4:30 to 5:00 pm
(Or By Appointment.)

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration

Saturday 8:30-9:30 am
Most Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays 9:00-10:00 am

Additional Sacraments

Baptism & Anointing of the Sick—Contact the office for more information.
Marriage—Please contact the office at least 6 months in advance.

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Closed Wednesdays 10:00 am-12:00 pm



This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 20

5:30 pm †Maslanich and Riley Families

Sunday, March 21

9:00 am †Matthew Vu Phong Pham
11:30 am The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower
8:00 pm †John Small

Monday, March 22

8:30 am †Joanne Bauee

Tuesday, March 23

8:30 am †Vincent, Katherine, & Edward Bradley

Wednesday, March 24

8:30 am Intentions of Sharon Byorni

Thursday, March 25

8:30 am †Living and Deceased Members
of the Christ Child Society

Friday, March 26

8:30 am †Dale West

Saturday, March 27

8:00 am Intentions of Daniel Tucker
5:30 pm †Cindy Moore

Sunday, March 28

9:00 am †Norma Miller
11:30 am The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower
8:00 pm †Giovanna Beyer

From Father Terry

It has been a benefit to be a part of the presbyteral council for Bishop Rhoades alongside twelve or so other priests of our diocese. It allows me to get a wider picture of all the thoughts and perspectives that go into the decision-making of our divinely-appointed shepherd, who represents Jesus the Good Shepherd for us all. One of the discussions was very pertinent for us all and I think very helpful for us all to hear clearly.

How does our diocese make decisions regarding COVID-19 virus mitigation as we cautiously work to evaluate practices we treasured over a year ago? For example, we might wonder about the process for evaluating that Mass can be done safely, with very little risk, last May, as well as a couple months ago when we returned to quiet singing among the congregation.

I got a good grasp of that process at the quarterly council meeting last week, and want to share it with you. First, Bishop Rhoades has a team that does a lot of deep research and provides the necessary information to make a prudential decision for what is okay in our parishes. This team includes diocesan staff and most importantly, doctors who are both specialists in epidemiology or public health as well as practicing Catholics. They have helped to gather the most accurate scientifically-based information regarding the virus spread and the best practices that help to mitigate it. One example of how this information has changed over the past year is knowledge of the importance of aerosol spread compared to surface spread, which over time has been revealed as a less-serious vector of transfer in most cases.

This Bishop also has worked with the other bishops in the dioceses of Indiana to collaborate on joint decisions, such as when they met to decide on the dispensation from Mass last

March, and to continue that dispensation this past fall until they explicitly lift it. (I do not know when that will be.) Some of the decisions are out of the bishop's purview. For example, the governor's order that lasts until March 31st has required churches to maintain six-foot distances during worship services. Our bishop's requirement that everyone wears a mask (beyond the governor's mandate) helps to make our space even safer, and thankfully most of the Catholic churches are large enough to handle the crowds. However, we may soon see our gymnasium populated for overflow on Sundays unless the governor decides to allow masked parties to be closer (for example, 3-feet). I have set up the gym every Sunday for the past six months so we are ready to have people there and pray with us and even receive Communion there. I am sure this will be utilized for Easter, and I'm excited because that will allow almost 50% more people to go to Mass! I hope this explanation helps you to see that there is a good process that includes the use of experts in their field looking at the science, the most recent data, and weighing the risk of all the practical things that are a part of our experience of the Sacraments, especially Sunday Mass. Please pray for their wisdom, which has for the past year allowed our churches to be safe, while at the same time still accommodating all those who are at higher risks categories - something we will continue to do in the months ahead.

May the Lord give you all a very blessed Holy Week starting with Palm Sunday, as well as a joyful celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord, the victor over sin and over death!
St. Thérèse, the little flower, pray for us!



Family Freedom Night

Family Freedom Nights are quarterly nights of prayer meant for the whole family. Come as a group, hear a talk about some of the most common needs of families right now and how to achieve healing. This month's speaker will be Sarah Hoegler, a PhD student in marriage and family counseling, as well as an experienced intercessor in inner healing and family wounds.

After the brief talk, there will be time for prayer ministry. Don't underestimate what God can do when the whole family prays together!

Text of the Propers— Fifth Sunday of Lent

The Propers of the Mass include the Scriptural texts that change with the liturgical calendar. The Proper texts which will be chanted by a cantor are the Introit (when the priest processes to the altar), Offertory (when the altar is prepared for the Liturgy of the Eucharist), and Communion.

Introit: “Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly nation; from wicked and deceitful men deliver me, for you are my God and my strength.” (Psalm 43:1-2).

Offertory: “I will praise you, O Lord, with my whole heart; deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and observe your word; revive me according to your word, O Lord.” (Psalm 119:7, 10, 17, 25)

Communion: “If a man would serve me, let him follow me; wherever I am, my servant will be there, too.” (John 12:26)

Readings for the Week of March 21, 2021

Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Lent Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
	Scrutiny Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45
Monday	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday	Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Friday	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday	Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Prayer to St. Joseph

from Pope Francis' apostolic letter Patris Corde

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.

IF YOU HAVE SUFFERED
MISCARRIAGE STILLBIRTH INFANT LOSS
there is healing.

JOIN US FOR A HALF DAY RETREAT

ava's grace

SATURDAY, MARCH 27 | 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Via ZOOM

To register, contact Lisa: leverett@diocesefwsb.org
diocesefwsb.org/avasgrace

*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

Zechariah 9:9



HOLY WEEK 2021

MARCH 30 | CONFESSIONS 5:30-8:30 PM

MARCH 31 | FAMILY FREEDOM NIGHT 7:00 PM

APRIL 1 | HOLY THURSDAY
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 PM*

APRIL 2 | GOOD FRIDAY
LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION 3:00 PM*
STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:30 PM

EASTER VIGIL
9:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY
9:00 AM*
11:30 AM
8:00 PM

*LITURGY WILL BE LIVE STREAMED

Holy Week Livestream Liturgies With Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades

March 28: Palm Sunday Mass at 9 am
March 29: South Bend Chrism Mass* at 7:30 pm
March 30: Fort Wayne Chrism Mass* at 7:30 pm
April 1: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 pm
April 2: Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 1 pm
April 3: Easter Vigil Mass at 8:45 pm

More information is available at diocesefwsb.org/holy-week

*Due to distancing requirements, Chrism Masses are not open to the public.

Gifts from the Holy Land

Alfred & Grace Salsa natives of Bethlehem will be with us on the weekend of **March 27 & 28** (palm Sunday weekend) with their beautiful religious items made by the Christian community in Bethlehem, please stop by their display after all masses as you will find many religious items for your house or as gifts for the loved ones and you will find many items especially made for Easter. The display will be in Payne Hall.

Adoration schedule change

There will not be an adoration night on the 26th, due to the fact that Confirmation will be on that same night. Please accept our apologies for the confusion. If you are looking for times to enter into deeper intimacy with Jesus in adoration, please join us for one of these regular times for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament...
M, W, F: 9:00-9:30am
Third Thursdays: Kingdom Builders for women
Fourth Thursdays: Young Adult Praise & Worship
Saturdays: 8:30-9:30am



Knights of Columbus Seminar

Please plan on attending the upcoming virtual Fraternal Benefits Night on March 23rd at 7:30 pm. We are hosting Tom Hegna once again, a renowned retirement speaker presenting on how to have Paychecks and Playchecks in retirement. He is an industry leader and is considered by many as "The Retirement Income Expert."

For more information and to register visit: www.kofc.link/hegna.

Social Justice Immersion from Your Home

This coming weekend and on April 3, the Center for Social Concerns at Notre Dame is sponsoring a free Zoom Social Justice Conference. The Little Flower Social Justice Commission invites you to participate from your home and in your pajamas or comfy clothes.

A feast of vital topics as you enter Holy Week of your 2021 Lenten journey:

Thursday, March 25

7:15-8:45 pm – Racial Justice-Engaging the Structure of Oppression

Friday, March 26

11:00 a.m.-12:30 pm – Creating a Global Vision of Justice

4:00-5:15 pm – Hearing the Gospel and Spreading Good News

7:00-8:15 pm – Justice in the World of Work: Global, National, Local Perspectives

Saturday, March 27

9:00-10:15 am – Starting Justice at Home

11:00 a.m.-12:15 pm – Justice for the Earth

Saturday, April 3

9:30 am – The Cry of the Earth, The Cry of the Poor: A Holy Saturday Virtual Retreat

For full information and to register for this free event, go to: <https://socialconcerns.nd.edu/justiceintheworld>



Healing Prayer Corner: God Does Not Need, We Need

The closing words of the First Reading are a REALLY BIG DEAL. "...for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more." Jeremiah is prophesying about the New Covenant and Christ's shedding of his blood for all our sin – past, present, future. In the Old Covenant, sin was dealt with through law. In the New Covenant sin is dealt with by grace, God's limitless mercy. So does that mean no more confessing sins? Nope.

God does not need our praise. We need to give it. In the same way, God does not need our confession. We need to give it. Because our hearts are vulnerable, always lured by selfishness, resentment, unforgiveness, and, you name it. We can allow ourselves to be imprisoned by our sins, never really trusting in God's limitless mercy, just as we're vulnerable to not truly believing in God's unconditional love, boundless generosity, and limitless patience.

All this has everything to do with healing. We can not heal when our face is turned away from God. But God's face is never turned away from us. His grace is beyond measure.

Job Postings // Christ Child Society Boot Collection

Job Postings

Right to Life Michiana is seeking a full-time Program Manager. The Program Manager is responsible for executing programs and events with the goal of sharing a respect and dignity for life. Applicants should have strong event planning and communication skills as well as a passionate commitment to the pro-life cause. Full job description at prolifemichiana.org/team. To apply, send a resume and cover letter to Jackie: executivedirector@prolifemichiana.org.

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Christ Child Society Winter Boot Collection



The Christ Child Society annually provides new warm winter coats, shoes and clothing for thousands of children in our community who lack resources. One thing parents often request is boots to help make shoes last and keep tiny feet warm.

As winter winds down, please save your gently worn boots or buy a new pair at season-end discount. A collection box will be available in the church vestibule on **April 17 - 18** to collect the boots, preschool sizes through Youth 4.

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