

REFLECTION:

In teaching Nicodemus, Jesus uses a familiar story from the Old Testament (Numbers 21:4-9) about Moses. When Moses lifted up a bronze snake in the desert for all to see, those who had been bitten by snakes were healed. Jesus says that he too must be lifted up so that all might have eternal life through him. He will be lifted up on the cross. But he will also be lifted up in his resurrection and in his ascension to the Father. Whoever looks at him in faith will receive eternal life. Followers of Jesus recognize him as the light that came into the world. They strive to live truthfully in the light.

DISCUSSION QUESTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS:

Picture the entire world today as a patient in a doctor's office. What might the doctor say is wrong with the world's health? List some of the problems Jesus might point out and name some of the ways the followers of Jesus can be healers in our world. How do we show that we are living in the light? What can we do to help others choose to live truthfully in the light?

Everyday, as long as this "today" lasts, keep encouraging one another. — Heb. 3:13

Safeguard The Children 3/14/21

DID YOU KNOW?

How parents can help fight against sex trafficking Sex trafficking is a serious threat in the U.S. and around the world. Parents can make a difference in their families and in their communities by educating themselves and their children. Know the signs of trafficking or abuse, including changes in behavior, nightmares, anxiety, and self-destructive behavior. Fostering trust and communication between parents and children is crucial to protecting them from exploitation. To read more from the VIR-TUS® article "Sex trafficking: What we can do to help," visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>

Mass requests to be printed in Sunday's Bulletin must be submitted to church office no later than Tuesday before 12 Noon. You can also request mass intentions in writing by submitting request in Sunday's collection basket the week prior to the requested date of the Mass Intention in order for the intention to be printed in the bulletin.

THIS WEEK AT ST. EUGENE

Today: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Masses – 8:00 a.m. (Bilingual)
10:00 a.m. (Eng) & 12 Noon (Igbo)

Fri: Stations of the Cross - 7pm (Conf. # below)

Sat: No Morning Mass

Sun: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Masses – 8:00 a.m. (Bilingual)
10:00 a.m. (Eng) & 12 Noon (Igbo)

All Masses are in the Parking Lot

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Last Sunday Collection - \$3135.75

For online offering please visit parish website:
steugeneparish.org

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

Sacrament of reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

EASTER PROGRAM 2021

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 28 2021: Masses 8am, 10am, 12 Noon

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper,

April 1, 2021 Mass: 5pm

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion,

April 2, 2021 Passion of the Lord: 5pm

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil,

April 3, 2021— Easter Vigil Service: 5pm

Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of Our Lord,

April 4, 2021 Masses: 8am, 10am, 12 Noon

Almsgiving

The foundational call of Christians to charity is a frequent theme of the Gospels. During Lent, we are asked to focus more intently on "almsgiving," which means donating money or goods to the poor and performing other acts of charity. As one of the three pillars of Lenten practice, almsgiving is "a witness to fraternal charity" and "a work of justice pleasing to God." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2462*). In his Message for Lent 2015. . . Pope Francis asks us to reach out to those in need: "... **Read more:** <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/len/almsgiving-sacrificial-giving-catholics-lent.cfm>

UKA NKE ANO N'OGHE NCHETA AHUHU

KRISTI, AFO NKE ABUO

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021

EKPERE MMEGHE:

Chineke onye ebere, I sitere n'okwu onu Gi bu Nwa Gi, were uzo di itunanya mee ka Gi na uwa di na mma ozo. Anyi na -ario Gi, mee ka anyi bu ndi otu Kristi were ihunanya na- ekpo oku na okwukwe di ndu na- akwadosi ike maka emume nke a na-abianu. Site na Dinwenu anyi Jesu Kristi.....AMEN.



IHE OGUGU NKE MBU: 2 Ihe-E-Mere 36:14-16, 19-23

Ihe ogugu e wetra n'Akwukwo nke Abuo nke Ihe-E-Mere

Ndi isi nchuaja nile na ndi mmadu mere njo kwuru njo mekwasi n'elu mmehie ha nile, biakwa na-eme aru nile nke umu mba ndi ozo, na-emerukwa Ulo Nso nke Onyenweanyi doro aso na Jerusalem. Onyenweanyi Chineke nke nna nna anyi ha buru uzo si si n'onu ndi ozi Ya di iche iche, na-ezigara ha ozi, n'akwusighi akwusi, n'ih na, na O choro izoputa ndi nke Ya na Ulo Nso Ya. Ma ha jiri ndi ozi Chineke mere ihe ochi, nupukwa isi n'aka O doro ha na nti. Ha jiri ndi amuma Ya mee ihe ochi, wee ruo mgbe iwe nke Onyenweanyi lara elu karia n'ebe ndi nke Ya no, nke na o kwekwaghi ogbugbo. O bia were eze ndi Kaldia, buso ha agha, onye gbusiri umu okorobia ha n'ebe kacha nso nke Ulo Nso; nke na o nweghi onye onwu hapuru, ma umu okorobia ma umu okorobia ma umu agboghobia, ma okenye ma onye na-ala ezumike nka. O weere ha nile nyefee eze ndi Kaldia n'aka. Ndi iro ha biara were oku suree Ulo Nso Chineke, kwatuchaa mgbidi Jerusalem, surekwaa ulo eze oku, biakwa laa ihe dum bara uru na Jerusalem n'iyii. Nebukadneza buuru ndi mma agha gbufo laa Babilon. Ebe ahu ka ya na umu ya jiri ha mere ohu wee ruo mgbe alaeze ndi Pershia weere ike ochichi. Ihe nile ndi a bu ihe a mere iji mezuo okwu Onyenweanyi si n'onu Jeremaya kwuo si: 'Wee ruo mgbe ala a weghachiri ubochi ezumike nile fulahara ya,n'oge nile ahu o togboro n'efu, o ga-edogide ubochi ezumike aso ruo iri afo asaa'. N'afu mbu nke Sairos, eze Peshia, iji mezuo okwu ahu Onyenweanyi siri n'onu Jeremaya kwuo, Onyenweanyi kpalitere mmuo nke Sairos, eze Peshia ka o tie iwu, deputakwa ya ebe mmadu nile ga-ahu ya n'alaeze ya gburugburu. Nke a bu ihe Sairos, eze Peshia kwuru: "Onyenweanyi, Chineke nke eluigwe enyela m alaeze

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021

OPENING PRAYER:

O God, who through your Word, reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever.....AMEN.

FIRST READING: 2Chro.36:14-16,19-23

A reading from the second Book of Chronicles:

IN those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD'S temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost Sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

The word of the Lord. —R. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5

R/. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

1. By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept when

nile no n’uwa. O nyela m iwu ka m wuoro ya Ulo Nso na Jerusalem nke di na Juda. N’ihi ya, onye o bula n’ime unu so na ndi nke Ya, ka Chineke ya nonyere ya. Ya gbagoo ebe ahu”.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa Ekene diri Chukwu

ABUOMA NA AZIZA YA: 136:1-6 Az.6

Aziza: O buru na m echefu Gi, ka ire m rapara n’okpo onu m.

1. N’agiga mmiri Balilon ka anyi noduru ala na-akwa akwa mgbe anyi chetara Zayon. N’alaka osisi toro n’ala ahu ka anyi kokwasara ubo akwara anyi. **Aziza.**
2. N’ebe ahu ka ndi dotara anyi n’agha gwara anyi ka anyi buoro ha abu. Ndi na-emegbu anyi gwara anyi nuruba anu, biakwa si: Buoronu anyi abu Zayon. **Aziza.**
3. Ma olee otu anyi ga-esi buo abu Onyenweanyi n’ala mba ozo? Jerusalem, o buru na m echefuo gi, ka aka nri m kponwuo. **Aziza.**
4. O buru na m ghara icheta gi, ka ire m rapara n’okpo n’onu: ma o o buru na m ejighi Jerusalem mere isi anuri m. **Aziza.**

IHE OGUGU NKE ABUO: Efesos 2:4-10

The ogugu e wetara n’Akukwo Ozi Pol di aso de-gaara ndi Efesos

Chieneke bara uba n’amara. N’ihi na ihunanya Ya n’ebe anyi no ebuka, o burugodu mgbe ahu anyi nwuru anwu site na njo anyi, Chineke kpobatarara anyi na ndu n’ime Kristi. Chineke ji amara zoputa unu! N’ime Kristi Jesu, Chineke mere ka anyi na Kristi soro bilite n’onwu, biakwa nye anyi na Ya onodu n’eluigwe. Nke a bu jji gosi ndudugandu nile na-abianu, site n’imere anyi ihe oma di egwu n’ime Kristi Jesu, na amara Ya anaghi agwu agwu. Ebe o bu na e jiri amara zoputa unu, site n’okwukwe; na o bughi site n’ike aka unu, kama site n’onyinye amara Chineke; na o bughi site n’ihe o bula unu metara, ka mmadu o bula ghara inya isi. Anyi bu oru-aka nke Chineke kere n’ime Kristi Jesu ka anyi wee na-ebi udi ezigbo ndu ahu Chineke kwadoro n’isi mbido na mmadu ga-ebi.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa Ekene diri Chukwu

MBEKU: Jn. 3:16

Chineke huru uwa n’anya nke ukwu, nke na O weere otu Nwa Ya nye: onye o bula kwere na Ya enweela ndu ebighi ebi.

OZIOMA: Jon 3:14-21

Ihe ogugu nke a si n’Ozioma di aso nke Jon dere Jesu gwara Nikodemos: “Dika Mosis si welie agwo elu n’ime ozara, otu ahu ka a ga-esi welie Nwa nke Mmadu elu, ka onye o bula kwere na Ya nwee ndu ebighi ebi.

we remembered Zion. On the aspens of that land we hung up our harps. —R.

2. For there our captors asked of us the lyrics of our songs, And our despoilers urged us to be joyous: “Sing for us the songs of Zion!” —R.
3. How could we sing a song of the LORD in a foreign land? If I forget you, Jerusalem, may my right hand be forgotten! —R.
4. May my tongue cleave to my palate if I remember you not, If I place not Jerusalem ahead of my joy. —R.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:4-10

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians:

BROTHERS and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ - by grace you have been saved -, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

The word of the Lord. —R. Thanks be to God.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL: John 3:16

R. Praise to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John:

JESUS said to Nicodemus: “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.” For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the

Chineke huru uwa n’anya nke ukwu nke na O nyere So Otu Nwa ya, ka onye o bula kwere na Ya ghara ila n’iyi, kama ka o nweta ndu ebighi ebi. N’ihi na Chineke eziteghi Nwa Ya n’uwa ka O ma uwa ikpe, kama ka O zoputa uwa. A gaghi ama onye kwere na Ya ikpe, ma amalari onye na-ekweghi na Ya ikpe, n’ihi na o kweghi na Nwa ahu Chineke muru nani Ya. Nke a bu ikpe-omuma ahu: na onye ahu bu ihe abiala n’uwa, ma ndi mmadu huru ochichiri n’anya karia ihe, n’ihi na omume ha joro njo. Onye o bula omume ya joro njo na -akpo ihe asi. O dighi abiakwute ihe, ka a ghara ime ka ajo omume ya puta ihe. Ma onye na-eme ezi omume na-abiakwute ihe ahu, ka ezi omume ya wee puta ihe, n’ihi na o mere ya n’irubere Chineke isi.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa Otito diri Gi, Kristi

EKPERE NHUNYE:

Onyenweanyi, anyi ji Gi anuri ebutere Gi onyinye ndi a bu ihe I ji agwo anyi oria mgbe dum. Biko, anyi ji umeala ario, mee ka anyi jiri okwukwe di ndu akwesipuru Gi; biakwa na-efe Gi n’uzo kwesiri ekwesika maka nzoputa nke uwa. Site na Kristi Dinwenu anyi.....AMEN.

EKPERE A NATACHAA ORIRI NSO:

Chineke, o bu Gi na-enye mmadu nile na-abata n’uwa a ihe. Biko, were ebube nke amara Gi hunye ihe n’ime obi anyi. Mee ka obi anyi juputa n’ihe nke Ozioma Gi; ka anyi na-eme ihe na-amasi ebube eze Gi mgbe nile; biakwa nwee ezigbo ihunanya n’ebe I no. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.....AMEN.

Bulletin Announcements:

Request for bulletin announcements must be submitted to church office no later than Mondays for Fr. Jude’s approval to go into the following Sunday’s Bulletin.

Pray for our parishioners:

Winston Burns, Jacquelyn Cathcart, Lillie Celestine, Eldora Dixon, Theresa Ezeokoye, Ngozi Obika, Frances Johnson, Michele Johnson, Arlene Miller, Rita Palacio, Michael & Mark Smith, sons of Mary Hudson, James Spann, Barbara St. Julien, Travis Lewis Sr.

Parish Community Night Prayer:

Join our parish Community night prayer at 9:00 pm (P.T.) every night. To join, call (712) 775-7031 conf. ID, 221104842.

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays of Lent at 7pm.
Dial: 339-207-6234

light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord,

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS:

We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. Through Christ our Lord.....AMEN.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendor of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. Through Christ our Lord.....AMEN.

MASS INTENTIONS

8:00 am Mass

1. Thanksgiving and petition for Anthony Ukatu - By the Family.
2. For the Happy repose of Elizabeth Efobi, Sunday Efobi, Grace Obidike -By Chris Nwafor & Family.

12:00 noon Mass.

1. Thanksgiving and petition for God’s blessings on Scholastica Okolue, Victor Ufondu and Victoria Ufondu—by Cecilia Ufondu
2. Thanksgiving and petition for birthday intentions of Kelechi Udeze -By Greg/Schola Ogomaka & Family.
3. For the Happy repose of soul of Okechukwu Emechete, 2yrs Memorial—By His Wife & Children
4. For the happy repose of soul of Anne Chidebe -Nonyelu—By Okwo & Chidebe Families.
5. For the happy repose of soul of Ibeanuna Dike Chinyere —By Ugoeze BumBum Anum and Family.
6. For the happy repose of soul of Theresa Nwosu —By Sir Felix Nwosu & Family
7. For the Happy repose of soul of Angela Uba Nee Ezech – By Reginard/Ify Ezech & Family
8. For the Happy repose of soul of Frank Anebere —By Ethel/Ngozi Anebere & Family.
9. For the Happy repose of soul of Veronica Mere -By Okey Mere & Family.