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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Mar 29, 2020

Pastor :

Rev. Father Hamish Currie

Assistant Pastor :

**Rev. Father Clarence
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Parish Secretary :

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Office Hours :

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Sunday Masses :

**Saturday Vigil Mass : 5:00 PM
Sunday : 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
and 8:30 PM**

Weekday Masses : 8:00 AM

No Mass on Wednesday

Sacrament of Penance :

Saturday : 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

Baptism :

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements **one month in advance** by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage :

Please make marriage arrangements **6 months in advance** by contacting the Parish office.

Papal Blessing :

Please allow at least **6 months** for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

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Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

Prayer Line :

**Corona McNally
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5th Sunday of
Lent
We prepare

TO STEM THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 VIRUS

ALL WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES
ARE CANCELLED

CHRISM MASS ON MARCH 31/20 IS CANCELLED

Weekdays Scripture Readings: 30TH March to 4th April 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Daniel 13.1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-64++	John 8.1-11
Tuesday	Number 21.4-9	John 8.21-30
Wednesday	Daniel 3.13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95++	John 8.31-42
Thursday	Genesis 17.3-9	John 8.51-59
Friday	Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13++	John 10.31-42
Saturday	Ezekiel 37.21-28	John 11.45-57

Health Update

As many of you know I had a heart attack while in Florida. After experiencing chest pain I attended Emergency at Holy Cross Hospital and was transferred to the Cath (Stent) Lab. Doctors attempted to put in a stent but were unable to due to damage sustained from previous attack (of which I was unaware). After 4 days in Cardiac ICU I returned to the parish. I am resting comfortably at home until such time as I see a Cardiologist and have a treatment plan for going forward.

In some ways, the timing couldn't be better as we all live in isolation due to Covid -19. Thank you all for your ongoing prayer. Know that I hold you in my prayer with gratitude. I'll keep you posted.

Fr. Hamish

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Fifth Week of Lent

The **Fifth Sunday of Lent** brings us closer toward the Passion and death of Jesus. . In **John's Gospel**, we hear the story of the raising of Lazarus. Jesus is not there when his dear friend, Lazarus dies, but after meeting with Lazarus' grief-stricken sisters and himself weeping, he stands at the door of the tomb. "Lazarus, come out!" Jesus commands. The man who had been dead came out. His hands and feet were wrapped with strips of burial cloth, and a cloth covered his face. Jesus then told the people, "Untie him and let him go."

The first readings prepare for the gospels. We begin with the long, but well worth reading, story of Susanna, who trusted in God. The bronze serpent on a pole reminds us of Jesus's saving cross. Three young men refuse to commit idolatry and show us how God protects "the servants who trusted in him." God entered a covenant with Abraham. In the midst of his persecution, Jeremiah praises God, "For he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!"

Our gospels are again from the **Fourth Gospel**. Presented with a woman caught in adultery, Jesus replies, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Reminding us of the bronze serpent and his death, Jesus says, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I AM." To the children of Abraham and to us Jesus declares, "If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." "Whoever keeps my word will never see death. ... Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM." They heard what they thought was blasphemy and tried to stone him. Jesus simply told the truth, because, "the Father is in me and I am in the Father." After the raising of Lazarus, the plans were set to destroy Jesus. The high priest says the prophetic words, "it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish."

On **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord** we make our way into **Holy Week**. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole **Passion**, this year from **Matthew's Gospel**.