

#### Most Reverend Patrick J. Zurek



#### **Roman Catholic Diocese of Amarillo**

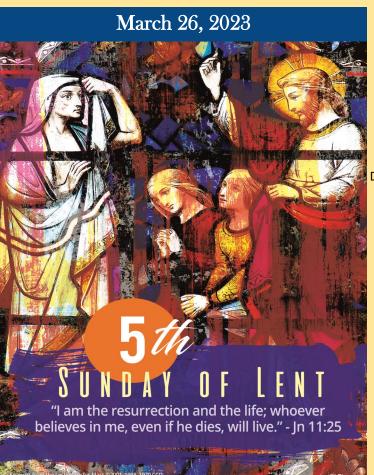
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#### **Celebration of the Mass**

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am (livestreamed), 12:00 pm (interpreted for the Deaf)

#### Daily Mass (In the Chapel)

Monday and Wednesday: 7:00 am Tuesday and Thursday: 5:30 pm Friday (School Mass): 8:15 am

#### **Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday: 3:00—5:00 pm Wednesday: 5:30-7:00 pm

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact parish office. Couple must speak with Deacon Robert Smith at least six (6) months before the wedding.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents must be a member of St. Mary's for at least six (6) months. Baptismal preparation program is required.

#### Sacrament of Anointing of The Sick

Please contact the parish office.

#### **Homebound and Hospital Visits**

Please contact the Parish Office.

#### **Vocation Crucifix**



Crucifix & sign-up sheet are on the podium in the Narthex. Each week an individual or family takes home the Crucifix and puts it in a place of honor. Our Diocesan Vocations prayer is attached. It may be prayed, along with other prayers, each day the Crucifix is in your home.

> Please return it the following weekend to the podium.

#### **Our Mission Statement**

St. Mary's Cathedral Parish is a diverse Catholic family, united in faith, centered in the Eucharist, mindful of our rich history, dedicated to evangelization and formation, and active in proclaiming and practicing the welcoming love and mercy of Jesus the Christ.

# WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

Pastoral Staff

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Maintenance/Parish Family Center-Robert Salazar



Sign up for Flocknote at: www.stmarysamarillo.com

#### St. Mary's Cathedral Parish Masses

Facial Masks are optional. A section of pews on the far left facing the altar is reserved for those who wish to wear masks.

#### **Confessions/Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Confessions are in the Church.

Please park in the West Parking lot.

#### Reminder: Livestream of the 9:30 am Sunday Mass

- The Stream starts 2:00 mins before Mass starts.
- The links do change from week to week.
- Don't forget to sign up for Online Giving.

Please Subscribe to the YouTube Channel

For your Smart TV's and Devices

youtube.com/@StMarysCathedralAmarillo

For Smart Devices and Computers venue.streamspot.com/e...

### Sacrament Information

# Sacrament of Baptism at St. Mary's

- 1. Complete a registration form available online/Hospitality Desk (Narthex) or the Parish Office.
- 2. Parents who have completed the form must be active members of St. Mary's Cathedral Parish for at least six months. Godparents must be active in a Catholic Parish. Parents/Godparents are required to attend Baptism Saturday Orientation. Orientations will be held in November, February, May, and September.

Deacon Ron and Levina Herr, Ext. 3036 herr@stmarysamarillo.com



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Interested in Becoming Catholic? Or do you know someone who is?

The process is known as the Catechumenate, or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Contact the church office for more information. 806-376-7204

#### WEDDINGS

Contact the office at least six months in advance of the date you have chosen. Please call the office to set up an appointment with Father Tony.

#### QUINCEAÑERAS (not a sacrament)

Must have attended Faith Formation for 2 consecutive years prior to celebration and contact office at least 6 months in advance. Please call the office to set up an appointment with Father Tony.



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# **Worship & Meditation**

# Readings for the week of March 26, 2023

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4,

> 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27,

33b-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: 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: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7,

8-9/Jn 8:51-59

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

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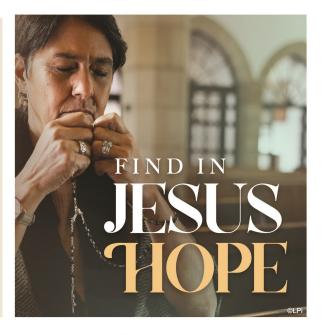
Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:

8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-

27:66 or 27:11-54



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# **Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

Of all Jesus' miracles, the most unsettling might be when he made a dead person alive. We know of three times when he did so: a girl, a young man, and Lazarus. The miracle teaches us he has the power of life and death. He anticipates his resurrection. Sin hurts us. Some sin kills us, spiritually. The three miracles reveal to us that no matter our circumstances, Jesus can give life to us.

The three miracles are instructive of the three ways we feel dead. The little dead girl symbolizes sin before it has time to mature. She's in bed and, once alive, gets right back to her life. The young man is lying in his casket in a funeral procession. This is sin allowed to fester, to grow and become somewhat normalized. Once raised, he has a short walk back home. Lazarus, a full-grown dead man, lies wrapped in burial bands in the tomb. Once he is raised, much needs to be done. He'll need to remove those bands, find new clothes, and travel all the way back home. That is sin allowed to go all the way, unchecked for months or years. It's the most spectacular of the three and reveals Jesus' glory more than the others.

What hope that should give us, for us and those whom we love! Jesus knows our sin hurts us and can even kill us spiritually. No matter the extent of the damage, he is always ready for the miracle of making the dead fully alive.

— Father John Muir

**SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023** 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

# Our Rector's Rambling

I think that the first reading should be set to music of the most dramatic style. Maybe the whole book set as an oratorio for soloists and choir and orchestra. Oddly enough it hasn't been set to music except in modern times. Can you just hear the trio of voices representing God shouting through background, "O My People!" It is not a shout of exultation but loud groaning of sorrow. They do not know to whom they belong. Beginning with sorrow, ending with promise and rejoicing.

To whom do we belong? Do we recognize that we are not our own? We don't even belong to ourselves, and yet I know that more often than not I live my life as if it were my own. That I am the great decider of my fate and the direction of my life. My life is my own and I cannot turn a single hair from grey to brown. Let us rise from the grave, and life in the life of Christ. Easter is coming may we all arrive at the foot of the cross, at the mouth of the empty tomb safely, changed people, made more holy by our Lenten journey.

~Blessings, Fr. Tonyn~



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION on Saturday, April 1st in the manner Our Lady requested at Fatima:

- RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION (within a week before or after is acceptable). St. Mary's offers confession on Wednesdays: 5:30-7:00 PM and Saturdays: 3:00-5:00 PM both in the chapel
- 2. **RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION**: The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is at 5:30 PM in the Church
- 3. PRAY THE ROSARY In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament for world peace, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the blasphemies against Mary's Immaculate Heart along with meditating on the mysteries for 15 minutes. To fulfill this end, we will gather in the church on the far left near Our Lady of Guadalupe at 4:30 pm to pray and meditate on the rosary using the book: The Contemplative rosary with St. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Avila. (The book is not required.)

Questions may be directed to Shelley Sample: 806-672-6363 or Lucy Jalbert: 806-570-5583.

# Peek at the week

Monday, March 27

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden Beds 7:00 pm: Hearts Afire—Reception Room

Tuesday, March 28

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: Sycamore—Reception Room

6:00 pm—7:00 pm Sycamore Prayer Group –Chapel 6:30 pm—Stephen Ministry—St. Joseph's Room

Wednesday, March 29

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

9:30 am: St. Anne's Sewing Circle—KC Room

5:30 pm: Confession—Chapel

6:30 pm Edge

7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 30

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm Divine Mercy—St. Joseph's Room

Friday, March 31

8:15 am : School Mass—Church (Parishioners are welcome)

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel 5:30 pm: Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 6:00 pm: Stations of the Cross—Church

Saturday, April 1

9:00am: Abide With Him Women's Group—

San Juan Padilla Room

3:00 pm: Confessions—Church

5:30 pm: Mass - Church

Sunday, April 2

Mass Schedule: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm 10-45 am: Religious Education—CR 4 and 7

10:45 am: RCIA - CR 1 and 3 10:45 am: Divorce Survival — CR 5

5:30 pm-Life Teen



# Around our Parish/Diocese

Daily Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral is celebrated by our priests. Please request Mass Intentions for loved ones, both living and deceased.

Monday, March 27

7:00 am — Treycen McClure by Family of John Connelly, Sr.

Tuesday, March 28

5:30 pm — †Mrs. Luis Mata by Aurora & Mary Mata

Wednesday, March 29

7:00 am — +Ventura & Mary Garcia by Lance & Oralia Garcia

Thursday, March 30

5:30 pm— Jeremy Kirkland by Family of John Connelly Sr.

Friday, March 31

8:15 am — † Stephanie Kordas by George & Marge Kenney

Saturday, April 1

5:30 pm — +Ruth Connelly by Family of John Connelly, Sr.

Sunday, April 2

8:00 am — +Julio, Sr. & Patricia Guerra by The Guerra Family

9:30 am — For the People (Parish Family)

12:00 pm — +Michael Burch by Iris Upchurch

Mass Stipends are \$5 Contact the Parish Office 806.376.7204



#### **Central Deanery Spring Meeting 2023**

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Location: Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church Hall

Theme: Path of Renewed Encounter

Time: Registration 8:30 am

Registration Cost \$30.00—that includes Lunch! Additional Information: Gloria Carlile (806)674-3890

### Kids Can't Learn When They're Hungry...

Parish Lenten Neighborhood Outreach:

Sponsor a Wolflin Elementary student's weekly Snack Pak. \$20.00 provides a student with Snack Paks for a month; \$240 for a year.

100% of donations buys food.

Envelopes available, until Holy Thursday, at the Faith and Action Apostolate table.

Kids Can Change The World When They're Full



St. Mary's Cathedral Council of Catholic Women Invites you to join us Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

Msgr. Smyer Reception Room

We will have light snacks and continue to make plans for our future.

Questions: Call Jeannie Friddell (806) 679-9144



# Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th

An Outpouring of Tremendous Graces Will Happen On April 30, 2000, Pope St. John Paul II announced the reemergence of an ancient feast in the Church now called Divine Mercy Sunday. He said, "There is nothing mankind needs more than Divine Mercy"; Through revelations given to St. Maria Faustina in the 1930's Jesus Himself repeatedly requested the celebration of this feast and promised an outpouring of unimaginable graces, including complete remission of sins and punishment, upon those who turn with trust to His mercy. Go to MercySundayMomentum.org to learn more about how to prepare for, celebrate, and share the good news of Divine Mercy Sunday.



## **Holy Cross**



The All District Basketball team from Holy Cross Catholic Academy has been named. Congratulations to the following students:

> 2022 - 2023**TAPPS All District Team** Basketball 1A - District 1

**Girls Basketball** 

1st Team

Isabel Britten – Freshman

2nd Team

Audee Seidenberger – Senior\* Lisbeth Vasquez - Sophomore

**Honorable Mention** 

Emily Monroe – Freshman Leah Ramos – Sophomore

**Boys Basketball** 

1st Team

Kon Deng - Freshman

2nd Team

Kameron Boyd - Sophomore

**Honorable Mention** 

Andrew Britten – Sophomore

TAPPS Academic All State Requirements: Student must make 1st or 2nd All District Team Students must be a Junior or Senior

Students must have an accumulative grade average of 3.5 or above.

**Rosary Walk through Holy Cross** 

Students, Staff, Family and Friends

Fridays @ 3:35 - 4:00

# Youth





Edge: will not meet on April 5th. It is Holy week!! Life Teen; will not meet April 9th, Happy Easter!!

#### Faith Formation/Youth



GIFT March 26th 10:50-11:50 am in the gym

No class on April 9th

First Holy Communion 2nd year retreat is April 1st 9:00-noon

The Knights of Columbus will serve

hamburgers & hotdogs at noon















### Misc.

Socials with the Saints are opportunities to learn from role models of faith and from one another. These gatherings are also for fellowship and prayer. The purpose is to inspire individuals in their daily pilgrimage by introducing them to companions on the journey, in the Communion of Saints. Join us every 3rd Thursday of every month at Pilgrim Center of Hope 7680 Joe Newton in San Antonio from 2-3:30pm. On March 16th, we will discuss St. Casimir, a prince of Poland who realized at an early age that his life belonged to a King much higher than his own father. For more information, please call Pilgrim Center of Hope at 210-521-3377.



# ITALY & AMALFI PILGRIMAGE

12 DAYS: NOVEMBER 6 - 17, 2023

Hosted by



Fr. Tony Neusch

\$3799 FROM DALLAS\* Air/land tour price is \$3279 plus \$520 gov't

taxes/airline surcharges For More Information, Please Contact

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CONTRIBUTIONS — GENERAL 3.19.2023			7.01.2022—3.19.2023		THANK YOU FOR YOUR
Weekly Collection (Including holy days/ building)	\$	24,634.09	\$	973,533.32	THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP
Other Receipts	\$	1,479.93	\$	58,682.62	The easiest and most efficient way to support
Weekly Total	\$	26,114.02	\$	1,032,215.94	St. Mary's Cathedral Church is
Weekly Goal	\$	28,483.88	\$	1,082,387.62	to go to Online Giving at:
Over/Under	\$	(2,369.87)	\$	(50,171.68)	www.stmarysamarillo.com
(Not including special collections)					Your generosity helps with the
Annual Expense Budget	\$	1,481,162.00			Cathedral's everyday bills.

Attendance: 1,010 Catholic Relief Services \$1,874.23



An important theme of the Lenten season is the humanity of Christ. In Jesus, God became human and fully experienced the wide range of emotions we all encounter in life. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger, disappointment, grief, and abandonment. That is part of being human. Another part of being human is needing help from each other. God never intended us to be completely self-sufficient. Part of God's plan is for each of us to turn to others for help when we need it.

So, when you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Stephen Ministers can bring the love of Jesus back into your life. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, call 806-350-2930. Someone will contact you.

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!