

March 10, 2024 | Fourth Sunday of Lent

# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

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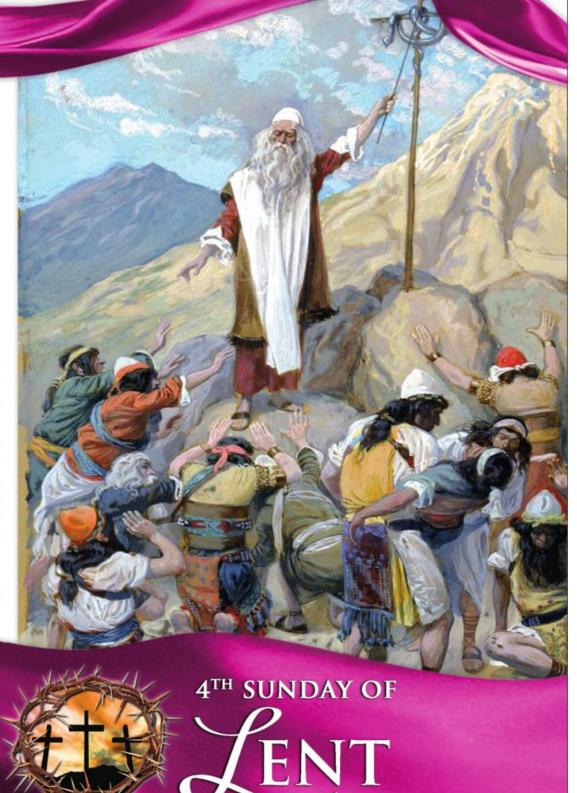
Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

John 3:14,15

Jesús dijo a Nicodemo: "Así como Moisés levantó la serpiente en el desierto, así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna."

Juan 3, 14 y 15

The Brazen Serpent by James Tissot, circa 1899



4º Domingo de Cuaresma

#### Mass Intentions Intenciones de la Santa Misa

#### MONDAY March 11

†Repose of the soul of Eulogio Cabrerra

#### TUESDAY March 12

†Repose of the souls of Rosario Jr.& Ignacia N. Montalvo †Repose of the Soul of Manuel Bejarano III

#### WEDNESDAY March 13

In act of thanksgiving to St. Gregory the Great

#### THURSDAY March 14

Special Intentions for holy vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

#### March 15 Friday

Special Intentions for an end to suicide.

#### Saturday March 16

†Repose of the soul of Margaret Stahl

†Repose of the soul of Damian Rene Martinez

#### March 17 SUNDAY 8:00am

In act of thanksgiving to St. Joseph †Repose of the souls in Purgatory

†Repose of the soul of Jerry Traugott

Special Intentions for the Women of Faith Prayer Group †Repose of the soul of Arthur C. Carvajal †Repose of the soul of Manuel Bejarano III

#### 12:00pm

Missa Pro Populo

BLESSED MOTHER LAMP / VELA A MADRE MARÍA †Andy Lopez



#### Mass Times

Saturday 5:30pm *Vigil* Sunday 8:00am

10:00am

12:00pm Spanish

M-F 8:15am

Th. are Communion Services

#### RECONCILIATION

Fridays 4pm - 6pm

#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Mon.- Fri. 7am-9pm

#### Marriage

To schedule a wedding, the couple meets with the parish priest at least *nine months* to the intended date. Please call the parish office. 210-342-5271

#### Parish Staff

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Phone: 210-342-0281

#### BAPTISMS

Please call Zeke at the Parish office for more information.

#### **OUINCEAÑERAS**

Call Gloria Silva at the Faith Formation Office 210-342-3826.

#### FUNERALS & Anointings of the Sick

Please call Zeke at the Parish Office.

#### THIS WEEK / ESTA SEMANA

Monday, March 11

6:30pm Crecimiento de la Fe -St. Jospeh's

Tuesday, March 12

**6:30pm** Legion de Maria –Mary's House **6:30pm** Women's Retreat Meeting –Rectory

Wednesday, March 13

**6:30pm** Faith Night –Parish Hall

Thursday, March 14

9:30am Legion of Mary –Rectory 6:00pm SVDP Monthly –Mary's House

**6:30pm** RCIA –St. Joseph's Room

7:00pm Holy Hour –Chapel

#### Friday, March 15

**3:00pm** Divine Mercy Chaplet –Chapel

**4-6pm** Confessions –*Chapel* 

5-7pm HN Fish Fry –BBQ Pit

**6:30pm** Stations of the Cross – Church

#### Saturday, March 16

8:30am Men's Day Retreat –Parish Hall

#### Stewardship / Corresponsabilidad

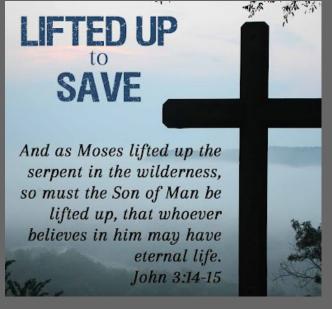


Weekend of March 3, 2024

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# Fourth Sunday of Lent **Saying, Doing, or Being?**



St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Ephesians that we are saved through grace: God's actions of sending his Son to die for us, and raising Jesus from the dead show the love God has for us. It comes entirely from God. We are saved by our faith in Jesus, but even that faith comes from God. So when Paul says that no one can boast about being saved, he means that we can't add up our good deeds like reward points for heaven. He also means that we can't brag about our faith because we can recite the creed or answer an altar call. So if being saved is not a matter of saying the right things, or doing good deeds, what is it?

The answer comes from the gospel. Jesus tells us that he will be lifted up, or crucified, so that we can believe in him and have eternal life. Notice he doesn't give a list of facts about God that we are required to believe. When we "believe in" someone, we put our love and trust in that person. We want to be with that person as much as we can. We know that we are loved and so respond by giving love. Our response of love is not just a happy feeling. It inspires us to stop being selfish and start noticing that others need our help. Jesus describes it as living in the light: we are not ashamed to help someone, forgive someone, or comfort someone. While we do not force our faith on others, we don't hide it either. Our life is in the light, open to anyone who wants to see what God has done for us.

That brings us back to the question about salvation: it is not something we do or say. It is what God does for us. Our response of faith is also his gift. So when we recognize all that God has done for us and believe in his Son Jesus, the Spirit will guide us to live that faith and share it with others.

# Cuarto domingo de Cuaresma ¿Decir, hacer o ser?

San Pablo nos dice en su carta a los Efesios que somos salvados a través de la gracia. Las acciones de Dios de enviar a su Hijo a morir por nosotros y resucitar a Jesús de entre los muertos muestran el amor que Dios tiene por nosotros. Proviene enteramente de Dios. Somos salvados por nuestra fe en Jesús, pero incluso esa fe viene de Dios. Así que, cuando Pablo dice que nadie puede presumir sobre ser salvado, quiere decir que no podemos sumar las buenas obras como puntos de recompensa para el cielo. También quiere decir que no podemos presumir de nuestra fe porque podemos recitar el credo o irnos al altar cuando nos inviten. Entonces, si ser salvado no es cuestión de decir las cosas correctas o hacer buenas obras, ¿qué es?

La respuesta viene del evangelio. Jesús nos dice que será levantado, o crucificado, para que podamos creer en él y obtener la vida eterna. Ten en cuenta que no da una lista de hechos acerca de Dios que debemos creer. Cuando "creemos en" alguien, ponemos nuestro amor y confianza en esa persona. Queremos estar con esa persona lo más posible. Sabemos que somos amados y por eso respondemos dando amor. Nuestra respuesta de amor no es sólo un sentimiento de felicidad. Nos inspira a dejar de ser egoístas y empezar a darnos cuenta de que los demás necesitan nuestra ayuda. Jesús lo describe como vivir en la luz: no nos avergonzamos de ayudar a alguien, perdonar a alguien o consolar a alguien. Si bien no imponemos nuestra fe a los demás, tampoco la ocultamos. Nuestra vida está en la luz, abierta a cualquiera que quiera ver lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros.

Eso nos lleva de nuevo a la pregunta sobre la salvación: no es algo que hacemos o decimos. Es lo que Dios hace por nosotros. Nuestra respuesta de fe también es su don. Entonces, cuando reconocemos todo lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros y creemos en su Hijo Jesús, el Espíritu nos guiará a vivir esa fe y compartirla con los demás.





#### FAITH FORMATION | FORMACIÓN DE LA FE

Office Hours: Sunday – Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Phone: 210-342-3826 / gloria.asilva@stgregorys.net



#### TH FORMATION:

SPRING BREAK – All Faith Formation students will be off this Sunday, March 10. Students RE-TURN on Sunday, March 17. Have a safe & fun time off!



Parents of all 2nd grade class, students in Delia Burkett's class (4-6th grade) and students in Jose Sandoval's class (7-12th grade) have a Reconciliation meeting on Sunday, March 17 at 11:30am -12:45pm in the youth room church office.

# LAETARE SUNDAY: 4th Sunday of Lent March 14. 2021

# Laetare means to rejoice

the day takes its name from the opening words of today's Mass:

"Laetare, Jerusalem" "Rejoice, O Jerusalem"

Laetare Sunday provides us encouragement as we progress toward the end of the Lent. Today is a small break from the penitential season that reminds us of the joy and hope ahead at Easter.

"For God so LOVED the world that He gave us his only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life."

John 3:16









#### PARISH ACTIVITIES



#### HEART work is HARD work ~



"Healing the heart of a Disciple."

Men of the Parish - you're invited to attend the next St. Gregory the Great Men's Day Retreat, scheduled for Saturday, March 16th, 2024 in the parish hall. The retreat will run from 8:30AM until 4:00PM. Admission is free!! Breakfast and lunch provided.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Dave Ziegler at 210-380-9122 or David Contreras at 210-364-3409

#### St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church

Community Women's Day Retreat



Please join us for food, sisterhood, and prayer.

March 23, 2024 8:30 am - 3:30 pm (includes breakfast & lunch) St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall

Retreat and Meals complimentary

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#### St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church Drawing closer to Christ during Lent

Sundays

Praying the Holy Rosary 30min. before Mass

Tuesdays

Praying the Sorrowful Mysteries at 6:30pm in the Chapel Feb. 27, 2024 is the Parish Wide Confessions @7pm

Wednesdays

Faith Night topic on Holy Week 6:30pm Parish Hall

Thursdays

Holy Hour at 7pm in the Chapel

-Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm in Chapel

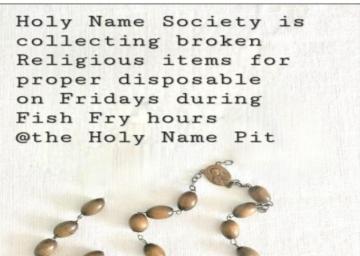
-Confessions 4-6pm in Chapel

-Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm in the Church

-HNS Fish Fry 4-6:30pm at the BBQ Pit

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Holy Name Pit
Drive-thru
5pm-7pm



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Alex Alarcon: 210-842-3617

or

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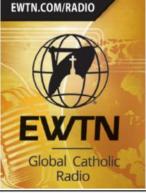
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