



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 19, 2023

[The man who had been blind] replied, "...One thing I do know is that I was blind but now I see."

JOHN 9:25



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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday—Friday  
7:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION:

Fridays: 10:15—11:00 a.m.  
& Saturdays 3:00—4:15 p.m.  
or by appointment

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Fridays: After the 7:00 am mass until 11:15 a.m.

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Anointing of the Sick and Funerals:** Please call the Parish Office.

**Infant Baptism:** Parents are required to meet with Father before scheduling a baptism. Please call the Parish Office or send an email to request a registration form. (For Adults call and leave a message for RCIA coordinator at ext. 25.)

**Marriage:** The proper and required prep for this Sacrament is extensive. Please talk to a priest before setting a date (leave 6 months to prepare)

### CLERGY:

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doorbell on the Makai side door.  
Please call the office if you are  
trying to get in  
or leave a message if we can help  
in any way.*

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## *Coming of Age, Coming of Faith*

### Good News!

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6–7, 10–13a / Ephesians 5:8–14 / John 9:1–41

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**It is said we never become a believer before age thirty-five.** I don't think there is anything magical about that age. Some in their seventies still have not yet come to be people of faith, and there are those who, at a very young age, seem to have entrusted their lives to God. What the age of thirty-five does say, however, is that most people need to have lived a while and experienced a few ups and downs to recognize there is a power in their lives greater than themselves.

This week's Gospel story of the man born blind encapsulates a lifelong journey of coming to see who Jesus is, compressed into a few days. When asked who cured him of blindness, the man first says the man Jesus did it. Brought to testify before the Pharisees, he says that Jesus must be a prophet. Confronted by the Pharisees a second time, he testifies that Jesus must be of God. Finally, when he sees Jesus again, he calls him Lord, a name for God. The story is a parable of sorts about how we come to have faith, to see with new and different eyes.

Faith involves trusting, sometimes trusting an unseen Power who feels absent at times; about surrendering control over our lives to God, as we come to see in an entirely new way. It can take a lifetime to begin seeing in such a way.

### Reflect

*Where am I on the journey of faith?  
How open are my eyes?*

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*We pray for the repose of soul of  
+Leo Lau  
and for the consolation of his family*



### March Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

#### For victims of abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

Date		Intentions	Celebrant
Sat Mar 18	5:00 PM	Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul	Fr. Khanh
Sunday Mar 19	7:00 AM	Elizabeth Kun (BD) Bonaventure Noh (SI)	Fr. Khanh
	9:00 AM	+ Edward Lockwood	Fr. Greg
	11:00 AM	+ Edwin Munalem Ka Kin Choi (H)	Fr. Khanh
	12:30 PM	Thi Nhi Nguyen (H) Stanley Ferreira (H) Angelica Dabu (H)	Fr. Greg
	6:00 PM	Doreen & Joseph Shimabuku (H)	Fr. Khanh
Monday Mar 20	7:00 AM	Tran Quoc Cong (H)	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	Pacita Espejo (BD) + Wilfred Tom	Fr. Khanh
Tuesday Mar 21	7:00 AM	+ Ralph Dennison Galero	Fr. Greg
	12 NOON	Manlolo family (SI)	Fr. Greg
Wednesday March 22	7:00 AM	Kyle Nakanelua (H)	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	Manlolo family (SI)	Fr. Greg
Thursday March 23	7:00 AM	+ William Kennedy	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	Ka Kin Choi (H)	Fr. Khanh
Friday March 24	7:00 AM	+ Dolores Santos	Fr. Greg
	12 NOON	Cely Ferrer (SI)	Fr. Khanh
Sat March 25	5:00 PM	Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul	Fr. Khanh
Sunday March 26	7:00 AM	+ Fidel Mendiola Becky Miranda (BD)	Fr. Khanh
	9:00 AM	+ Nick & Naty Arato + Teri & Tony Nuivo	Fr. Khanh
	11:00 AM	+ Ruth Tavares-Toma + Fr. Peter Van Dongen	Fr. Greg
	12:30 PM	Vicky Chee (H) Angelica Dabu (H)	Fr. Khanh
	6:00 PM	Mary Ann Galolo (H)	Fr. Greg

## STEWARDSHIP

### TIME – TALENT – TREASURE

#### *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Please join us as we continue to celebrate the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults as we look forward to Easter. We celebrate the Second Scrutiny with our Elect at 11:00 a.m. Mass.



**MAHALO to all those who helped with the Olakino Produce Distribution** on Saturday. Our next distribution will be April 15.  
**March 18 & 19, 2023—Catholic Care Project Collection of nonperishable food items**

Please place your items in the marked bins in the courtyard.  
 Please call the office if you are in need of supplies.

**Friday, March 24, 2023—Catholic Care Project—Catholic Care bags are packed after the 7:00 AM Mass.**

### **Knights of Columbus MEMBERSHIP FAIR!**

**Saturday & Sunday, March 18 & 19, 2023**



**Please Visit our Display Table after all masses**

#### **THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Mar 20—26)**

**Monday: 6:30 pm—Charismatic Prayer Group—Courtyard**

**Wednesday: 1:00 pm—Legion of Mary—Courtyard**

**3:30 pm—Centering prayer—Reception Room**

**6:00 pm—Parish Scripture Group—Reception Room**

**Friday: 7:30—11 am—Eucharistic Adoration—Church**

**11:15 am—Stations of the Cross—Church**

**6:00 pm—Stations of the Cross—Church**

**Sunday: 10:30—11:45 a.m.—CCD—Amana Bldg & 2nd floor**

**9:30—11:00 a.m.—RCIA—Reception room**

**Monday Office will be closed for Prince Kuhio Day Holiday**

#### **TREASURE**

*Mahalo for your generous contributions  
and faithful stewardship contributions.*

*Totals for **March 11 & 12, 2023:***

<b>Sunday Collection &amp; Stewardship</b>	<b>\$8,324.93</b>
Building Fund	61.00
Outreach	0.00
Olakino Produce Program	300.00
Mass Intention	220.00
Ash Wednesday	55.00
Catholic Relief Services	12.00
Church in Latin America	3.00
Black & Indian Mission	3.00
Augustine Education Foundation	3.00
Candles	674.06
<b>Total:</b>	<b>9,655.99</b>

*Our online giving is available on our website.*

*The collection total for **March 6--10, 2023***

*online giving is: **\$ 618.31***

Stewardship	197.22
Building Fund	62.22
Mass Intentions	142.22
Catholic Care	12.22
Olakino Produce Program	77.22
Shaping the Future Campaign	112.22
Brick Project	2.22
Operation Rice Bowl	7.22
Catholic Relief Services	2.22
Help offset fee	3.31

Sunday, March 26, 2023

**OHANA MASS @ 5:30 PM**

Mary, Star of the Sea Church

4470 Aliikoa St., Kahala

Eucharistic celebration includes  
signing for hearing impaired and  
altar servers with autism and  
Down's syndrome.

Potluck fellowship to follow.

*(Ohana Masses will continue on the  
Fourth Sunday of each month)*

#### **OPERATION RICE BOWL**

##### **SHARING SUCCESS**

Most people in Turkana, Kenya raise livestock,  
and a few are farmers. But the hot and dry  
climate makes this work difficult—and climate  
change is making it even harder. Rebecca and

Lotiang participated in a Catholic Relief  
Services program that installed a water well and  
taught them new farming techniques. They can  
support their family with their crops and are  
teaching others in their community what they  
learned. How can you use your skills and  
knowledge to help others?

Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

#### **SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**March 19**

**Catholic Relief Services**

**March 26**

**Parish Building Fund**





# Dear Padre,

***Why should I bother to be more religious? I'm a good person. Isn't that enough to get me into heaven?***

When asked for advice about how people should decide on a vocation, St. Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, said they should do an imagination exercise. "Imagine that you are on your deathbed," he said. "From that point of view what would you wish you had done in your life?" That is still good advice.

Here's another exercise: Imagine you have a grandmother who is completely generous and caring toward you. Throughout your childhood, she was always there for you. But as a teen you belittled her and, in effect, told her that all she had offered is worthless to you. In a saner moment, won't you feel terrible about how you treated her?

Our life with God is much the same. God has given us absolutely everything, from our existence to every breath we take. God has also given us a way to know him through his Son, Jesus (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 73). And one way we know Jesus is through the Church and the celebration of the sacraments (CCC 1085). To refuse these gifts, to say, "I am already a good person. I don't need these gifts from God" is a bit presumptuous, don't you think?

To be "religious" is not just an outward show of piety. It's the way we have been given to learn God's language: the language of forgiveness, of faith, hope, and love. ●



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**Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, CSSR / DearPadre.org**

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
March 20 <i>St. Joseph</i> 2 Sm 7:4–5a, 12–14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16–18, 22 / Mt 1:16, 18–21, 24a	March 21 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Ez 47:1–9, 12 Jn 5:1–16	March 22 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Is 49:8–15 Jn 5:17–30	March 23 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Ex 32:7–14 Jn 5:31–47	March 24 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Wis 2:1a, 12–22 Jn 7:1–2, 10, 25–30	March 25 <i>Annunciation of the Lord</i> Is 7:10–14; 8:10 Heb 10:4–10 Lk 1:26–38	March 26 <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> Ez 37:12–14 Rom 8:8–11 Jn 11:1–45 or Jn 11:3–7, 17, 20–27, 33b–45



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***We complain about things that are wrong in society, in the Church, in the world, without first questioning ourselves....Every fruitful, positive change must begin from ourselves. If we are blind, we cannot claim to be guides and teachers for others: indeed, a blind person cannot lead another blind person....***

**ANGELUS, FEBRUARY 27, 2022**