

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" - Jn 11:43

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**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March, 26, 2023**

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,
12:00p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Other times: By appointment only

Marriages:

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:

Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.
Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:

Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo.
Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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SUNDAY'S READINGS -

First Reading:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live,
and I will settle you upon your land;
thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

Psalm:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,
the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also,
through his Spirit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

Gospel:

“I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.” (Jn 11:25-26)

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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, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
- Next Sunday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11



Knights of Columbus Council 9969 for the weekend of 3/25-3/26
Why not join your Brother Knights for the April General Business Meeting on Thursday, April 13th at 730PM at the Chapel? Why not get involved with the many charitable efforts your council supports? We could use your help!

The Knights of Columbus are now taking applications for their annual John and Jane Homze Scholarship. Application packets can be found in the vestibule of the church after all Masses until the weekend of April 8th and 9th. The deadline for returning completed applications is Monday, April 17th, 2023. Applicants must be a High School Senior and a member of Holy Cross Parish. The scholarships are worth \$1,000 each and will be awarded to one female and one male student. Applications can also be obtained by contacting Youth Ministry Director Danny Cleary (dcleary@holycross-moorpark.org) or any member of the Knights of Columbus. For more information, contact leonardcruz386@yahoo.com.

All are invited to join Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council 9969 as we recite our Scriptural Rosary on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:30PM at the Chapel. If you wish to attend the Scriptural Rosary via Zoom, please contact Leonard Cruz at (805) 889-1620 or E-mail leonardcruz386@yahoo.com

Observances for the week of March 26, 2023

- Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent
- Saturday: April Fools' Day
- Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

PENANCE SERVICES

MONDAY
MARCH 27TH at 7:00 pm
HOLY CROSS, MOORPARK

TUESDAY
MARCH 28TH at 7:00 pm
SAINT PETER CLAVE, SIMI VALLEY

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 29TH at 7:00 pm
SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA, CAMARILLO

Servicio de Penitencia Parroquial de la Cuaresma



Pray for ...

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Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations

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| Bagged Beans 16 oz | Sugar | Jelly |
| Bagged Rice 16 oz | Flour | |
| Oil | Peanut butter | |

Please join our Deacons in our Holy Cross Parish for the Stations of the Cross on these Fridays during Lent.

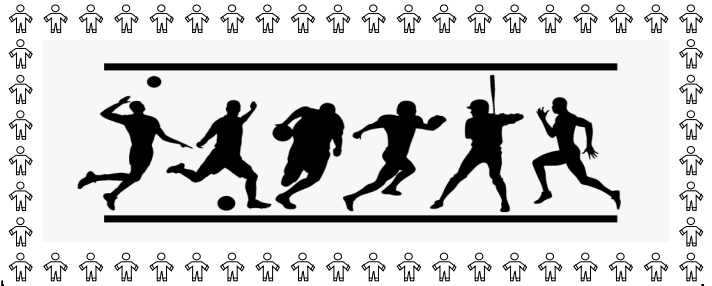
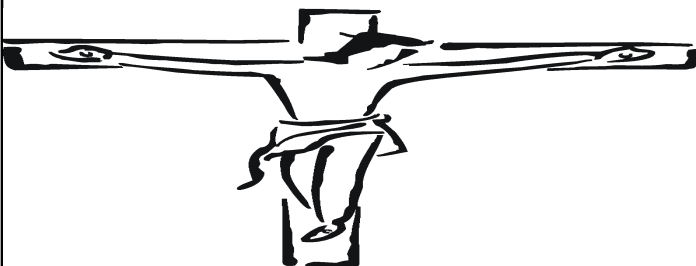
English will be at 6:00 pm
Spanish will be at 7:00 pm

March 31st

Por favor, únase a nuestros diáconos en nuestra Parroquia de la Santa Cruz para las Estaciones de la Cruz en estos viernes durante la Cuaresma.

El inglés será a las 6:00 pm
El español será a las 7:00 pm

31 de marzo



**Did you know?
March 25-26**

Abuse prevention includes sports

All coaches who serve in archdiocesan Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are required to undergo a multi-hour VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children for Adults Training.” They are also required to participate in the Play Like a Champion Today program, a national program that works with sports organizations at the youth and high school level to educate ethically responsible coaches. For more information about coaching requirements in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, visit playlikeachampion.org and <https://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-3>.

La prevención del abuso incluye los deportes

Todos los entrenadores que prestan servicio en las escuelas católicas arquidiocesanas de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles deben someterse al entrenamiento multihoras de VIRTUS®, “Entrenamiento de adultos para la protección de los niños de Dios”. Además, los entrenadores están obligados a participar en el programa “Play Like a Champion Today” (Juega como un campeón hoy), un programa nacional que trabaja con organizaciones deportivas a nivel de jóvenes y escuelas secundarias para enseñar a entrenadores a tener responsabilidad ética. Para obtener más información sobre los requisitos para los entrenadores deportivos de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, visite playlikeachampion.org y <https://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-3>.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 26, 2023
5th Sunday of Lent

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

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Offerings

Offer it up. My grandmother used this phrase with her children, and my mother, in turn, used it with me. It's a kind of verbal heirloom, a gift of wisdom from a generation that knew suffering all too well.

We know it to be true that God will work through our suffering if we invite him to. We know it and we have seen it — we have only to look at Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary.

But, often, I invite God into my suffering only to tell Him where I want Him to stand. I make an offering of suffering but expect God to do something very specific with it. Teach me this, please. Give me this specific grace. Show me this specific answer.

The happy ending in today's Gospel is not the alleviation of the sorrow Martha and Mary feel because it isn't alleviated, Lazarus is still human, and death still awaits him. Someday, his sisters will have to mourn at his tomb. That loss and pain will not be avoided.

The happy ending is that he is resurrected now, and in doing so, brings so many to belief. The happy ending is that Martha and Mary do not abandon discipleship because things didn't work out exactly the way that they wanted. They run out to meet Christ, eyes dim with tears. They fling themselves into his company and onto his providence.

They made an offering of their suffering, and their happy ending is that their offering was accepted.

“You are not in the flesh, on the contrary, you are in the spirit.” — Romans 8:9

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MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

26 de marzo de 2023
5º Domingo de Cuaresma

“El que está vivo y cree en mí, dice el Señor, no morirá para siempre” (Juan 11,26). Este es el séptimo y último milagro de Jesús en el Evangelio de Juan; como pasó con la samaritana, el diálogo se ve truncado a cada momento porque Jesús retoma las palabras dándoles un significado diferente (Comentario Biblia Latinoamérica edición revisada 2005). Martha y María, amigas de Jesús, estaban muy tristes por la muerte de su hermano Lázaro. Ellas pensaban que, si Jesús hubiese estado presente, él no habría muerto. Sin embargo, Lázaro murió para que el Hijo de Dios fuera glorificado. ¿Crees esto? ¿Qué piensas exactamente de la resurrección? La respuesta de Jesús sobre la vida y la muerte va más allá y afirma: “Yo soy la resurrección y la vida. El que cree en mí, aunque muera, vivirá. El que vive, el que cree en mí, no morirá para siempre” (Juan 11,25). Que más claridad se puede tener, la convicción de la vida eterna es cuestión de fe no de convencimientos. Ahora, ya se acerca la pasión del Señor, que lo llevará a la muerte en la cruz, y se prepara para su gloriosa resurrección. Terminaremos la Cuaresma con la esperanza que todas las acciones buenas durante ese tiempo hayan sido realizadas con amor hacia cada miembro de la familia y comunidad. Que no sea una Cuaresma más, sino que se salga fuera de las tumbas del egoísmo y se luche incansablemente por una sociedad mejor.

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**Las lecturas de la semana del 26 de marzo de 2023**

Domingo: Ez 37, 12-14/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 (7)/Rom 8, 8-11/Jn 11, 1-45 o 11, 3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45
Lunes: Dn 13, 1-9. 15-17. 19-30. 33-62 o 13, 41-62/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Jn 8, 1-11
Martes: Nm 21, 4-9/Sal 101, 2-3. 16-18. 19-21/Jn 8, 21-30
Miércoles: Dn 3, 14-20. 91-92. 95/Dn 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56/Jn 8, 31-42
Jueves: Gn 17, 3-9/Sal 104, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Jn 8, 51-59
Viernes: Jr 20, 10-13/Sal 17, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6. 7/Jn 10, 31-42
Sábado: Ez 37, 21-28/Jr 31, 10. 11-12. 13/Jn 11, 45-56
Domingo siguiente: Is 42, 1-7/Sal 26, 1. 2. 3. 13-14/Jn 12, 1-11

Primera Lectura:

Dios reveló al profeta Ezequiel su plan divino para la resurrección de los muertos: "Pueblo mío, yo mismo abriré sus sepulcros, los haré salir de ellos." Como persona de fe, ¿cómo te da esperanza esta promesa?

Segunda Lectura:

Pablo insiste en que, para los creyentes, el Espíritu que mora en nosotros da vida a nuestros cuerpos mortales, resucitándonos de entre los muertos como Cristo resucitó de entre los muertos. ¿Cómo impacta esto tus pensamientos sobre la muerte misma?

Evangelio:

En su dolor y tristeza por la muerte de su hermano Lázaro, Marta profesa su creencia en Jesús como el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios. A medida que la temporada de Cuaresma llega a su fin, ¿de qué manera los últimos 40 días han fortalecido su fe en Jesús como nuestro Señor y Salvador?

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 26 de marzo de 2023

Domingo: 5º Domingo de Cuaresma
Sábado: Día de los Inocentes
Domingo siguiente: Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión de Cristo, comienza la Semana Santa

Ofrécelo

Ofrécelo. Mi abuela usaba esta frase con sus hijos, y mi madre, a su vez, la usaba conmigo. Es una especie de reliquia verbal, un regalo de sabiduría de una generación que conocía demasiado bien el sufrimiento.

Sabemos que es cierto que Dios obrará a través de nuestro sufrimiento si lo invitamos a hacerlo. Lo sabemos y lo hemos visto, solo tenemos que mirar a Lázaro y sus hermanas Marta y María.

Pero, a menudo, invito a Dios a mi sufrimiento solo para decirle dónde quiero que se pare. Hago una ofrenda de mi sufrimiento, pero espero que Dios haga algo muy específico con eso. Enséñame esto, por favor. Dame esta gracia específica. Muéstrame esta respuesta específica.

El final feliz del evangelio de hoy no es el alivio del dolor que sienten Marta y María porque no es aliviado; Lázaro sigue siendo humano y la muerte aún le espera. Algún día, sus hermanas tendrán que llorar ante su tumba. Esa pérdida y ese dolor no serán evitados.

El final feliz es que resucitó ahora, y al hacerlo, atrae a muchos a creer. El final feliz es que Marta y María no abandonan el discipulado porque las cosas no salieron exactamente como ellas querían. Corren al encuentro de Cristo, los ojos empañados por las lágrimas. Se lanzan a su compañía y a su providencia.

Hicieron una ofrenda de su sufrimiento y su final feliz es que su ofrenda fue aceptada.

“No estáis en la carne, al contrario, estáis en el espíritu”.
— Romanos 8:9

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SPRING OPEN HOUSE – Saturday, April 1, 2023, 10:00 am

La Reina’s Spring Open House takes place on Saturday, April 1, 2023, starting at 10:00 a.m. Your family will begin at 10:00 am with an informational session and promptly afterward begin a tour of our beautiful campus and learn more about our academic, spiritual, athletic, art, and co-curricular offerings at La Reina. Reserve your tour today at www.lareina.com/spring23

CATHOLIC PARISH SCHOLARSHIP

We are pleased to share that La Reina has established a Parish Scholarship available to families at all area Catholic parishes. These scholarships will be awarded to two new incoming students per parish, who are planning to attend La Reina. Each scholarship is valued at \$2,000 and will be applied to the 2023-2024 tuition. To apply for this scholarship, the student must complete an online application which includes a short application form and submit an essay. To Apply: www.LaReina.com/Parish

Stations of the Cross

Question:

Who invented the Stations of the Cross?

Answer:

The first Stations of the Cross were walked by Jesus himself on the way to Calvary. Known as the "Via Dolorosa" ("The Way of Suffering") or the "Via Crucis" ("The Way of the Cross"), it was marked out from the earliest times and was a traditional walk for pilgrims who came to Jerusalem. The early Christians in Jerusalem would walk the same pathway that Jesus walked, pausing for reflection and prayer. Later, when Christians could not travel to the Holy Land, artistic depictions of "The Way of the Cross" were set up in churches, or outside and Christians would walk from station to station, reading the Gospel account of the Passion, or simply praying and reflecting on each event. While the content or place of each station had changed, the intention was to make a mini-pilgrimage and follow--literally--in the footsteps of Jesus.

This devotion became better known in the Middle Ages, and the Franciscans are credited with its spread. Lent is a time when many people make the Stations and some churches present Passion plays or Living Stations. But anyone can pray the Stations at any time. It is a simple and personal reflection on the passion of Jesus and what it means to us.

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We always welcome new members to our Ministries

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Mass Intentions for the week 3/26

Sunday 7:30 am Adele Mars (RIP)
10:00 am Stacy Belanger (RIP)
12:00 pm Parishioners

Monday 8:00 am Genevieve Dugay
(Special Intention)

Tuesday 8:00 am Dominic Tran (RIP)

Wednesday 8:00 am Jerry Lang (RIP)

Thursday 8:00 am Edward & Helen Kondzielski
(RIP)

Friday 8:00 am Joseph Vu (RIP)

Saturday 4:00 pm Imelda Tija (RIP)
Frigga Tija (RIP)

Prayer Request