

**4th Sunday of Lent  
March 10, 2024**

**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:**

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers,  
 send his messengers to them,  
 for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place.  
 But they mocked the messengers of God,  
 despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets,  
 until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed  
 that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

**Psalm:**

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

**Second Reading:**

God, who is rich in mercy,  
 because of the great love he had for us,  
 even when we were dead in our transgressions,  
 brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

**Gospel:**

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
 so that everyone who believes in him might not perish  
 but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

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**Readings for the week of March 10, 2024**

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21  
 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38  
 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54  
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16  
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30  
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47  
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53  
 Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33  
 Scrutiny: 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



**Knights of Columbus Council 9969 for the weekend of 3/9-3/10**

Are you a Moorpark HS Senior? Is there a Moorpark HS Senior in your house? Do you know a Moorpark HS Senior? The \$1,000 Homze Scholarship, sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 9969, is open to all Moorpark HS

Seniors. Applications are now available in the Holy Cross church vestibule. The requirements are simple:

- Be a Moorpark HS Senior
- Be a member of Holy Cross parish
- Be a practicing Catholic

That's it! Don't miss out on this great offer to help with your higher education expenses.

The Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council 9969 invite you to join us as we host the nine-week Novena for Life series at the Chapel on Wednesday, March 13th at 730PM. All are invited.

Why not join your Brother Knights for the March General Business Meeting on Thursday, March 14th at 730PM at the Chapel? It's a great opportunity to get involved with the many charitable efforts your council supports. We could use your help!

The annual Council 9969 St. Patrick's Day party is set for Saturday, March 16th at 5PM in the Cosgrove Center. Join the Knights and your fellow parishioners for an evening of fun, music and food! Tickets are available from the Knights in the vestibule after Mass.

The 2024 9969 Foundation Golf Tournament, set for August 11th at beautiful Moorpark CC, will be here before you know it. This is a great opportunity for all Brother Knights to step up and help with our single biggest fund-raising effort of the year. Our next planning meeting is Thursday, March 21st. With your help we can make the 2024 Tournament the best ever!

Please consider joining the 9969 Foundation (a 501 (c) 3 organization) GEM program. Signing up through your bank's auto bill-pay service is simple and easy and offers a host of benefits to both you and the Foundation. You can choose a monthly amount that's comfortable, and every dollar donated above your annual dues amount is tax deductible and benefits local Moorpark charities. And since the 9969 Foundation is a 501(c) 3 organization, your donations may be eligible for matching funds if your employer offers that benefit.

# Pray for ...

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### Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations  
 Peanut butter (small)    Ramen Soup  
 Canned veggies            Canned Tuna  
 Canned fruit                Jelly

### Please join us for the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent

Únase a nosotros para las Estaciones de la Cruz en  
 Viernes durante la Cuaresma

6 p.m. will be Stations of the Cross in English  
 7 p.m. serán las Estaciones de la Cruz en español  
 Stations of the Cross will be done inside the Church  
 El viacrucis se realizará en el interior de la Iglesia  
 3/15  
 3/22

### MISSION COOPERATIVE

Thanks to your generosity Holy Cross was able to send \$7,530.20 for this year's Mission Cooperative Plan appeal. All parishes in the Archdiocese collectively donated 1.5 million dollars.



### Did You Know? March 9-10

#### Why are children with disabilities at risk?

Children with disabilities are at higher risk for maltreatment and abuse. In many cases, this is because these children may be more vulnerable to grooming or exploitation by a perpetrator, need extra attention and care, which can lead to caregiver burnout and frustration, isolation from community, and financial strain. To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

#### ¿Por qué los niños con discapacidad están en riesgo?

Los niños con discapacidad corren un mayor riesgo de sufrir malos tratos y abusos. En muchos casos, esto se debe a que estos niños pueden ser más vulnerables al acoso o a la explotación por parte de un perpetrador, y necesitan atención y cuidados adicionales, lo que puede llevar al agotamiento y a la frustración de los cuidadores, al aislamiento de la comunidad y a las tensiones financieras. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

**March 10, 2024**  
**4th Sunday of Lent**

Our national pastime isn't baseball. It's what the Bible calls "condemning the world." We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don't believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: "We all agree that if they are eradicated, things will be great." Condemning is almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That's why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him" (Jn 3:17). He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it without an act of condemnation. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus' endless mercy and love, this is the least godlike thing we can do.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

— Father John Muir

**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK****First Reading:**

We hear how God reacted strongly against Israel's disobedience and infidelity, ultimately sending them to exile in Babylon. But God also showed mercy to Israel in sending king Cyrus of Persia to rescue them. As we enter the fourth Sunday of Lent, for what do you need God's mercy in your life?

**Second Reading:**

Paul taught the Ephesians that by God's mercy and grace, we have been saved through Christ for the good works that God has prepared for us. Where in your life do you feel like you are doing God's work?

**Gospel:**

Jesus taught Nicodemus that God loves the world and desires to save it. In what ways do you show love and respect for our world?

**PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA****Primera Lectura:**

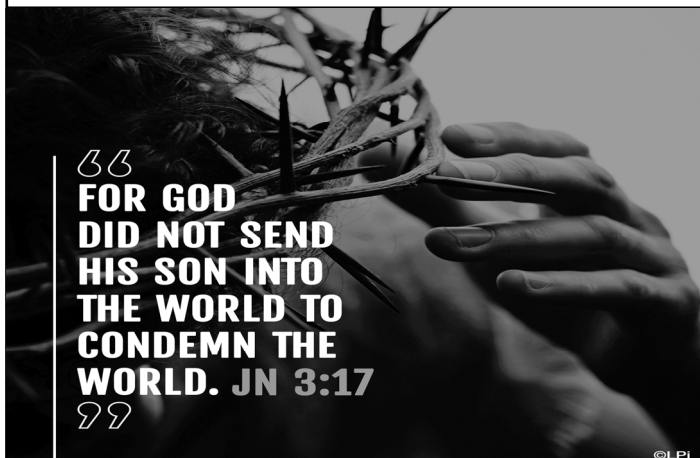
Escuchamos cómo Dios reaccionó fuertemente contra la desobediencia e infidelidad de Israel, y finalmente los envió al exilio en Babilonia. Pero Dios también mostró misericordia a Israel al enviar al rey Ciro de Persia a rescatarlos. Al entrar en el cuarto domingo de Cuaresma, ¿para qué necesitas la misericordia de Dios en tu vida?

**Segunda Lectura:**

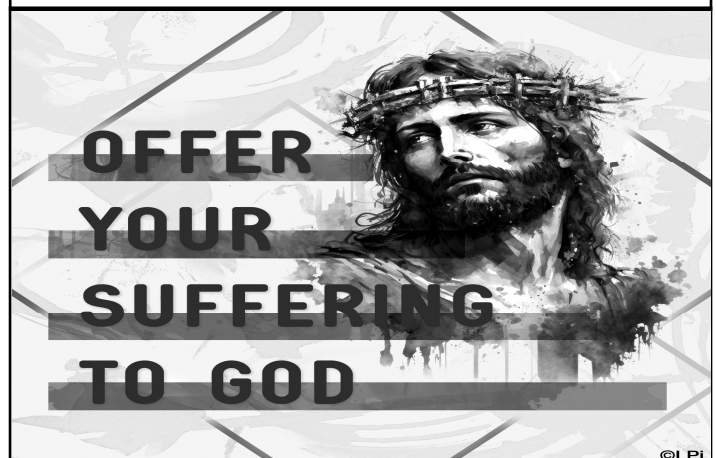
Pablo enseñó a los efesios que, por la misericordia y la gracia de Dios, hemos sido salvos por medio de Cristo para las buenas obras que Dios ha preparado para nosotros. ¿En qué parte de tu vida sientes que estás haciendo la obra de Dios?

**Evangelio:**

Jesús le enseñó a Nicodemo que Dios ama al mundo y desea salvarlo. ¿De qué manera muestras amor y respeto por nuestro mundo?



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**FOR GOD  
 DID NOT SEND  
 HIS SON INTO  
 THE WORLD TO  
 CONDEMN THE  
 WORLD. JN 3:17**  
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**OFFER  
 YOUR  
 SUFFERING  
 TO GOD**

**MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO - ALENTAR ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA (Gospel Meditation)**

10 de marzo de 2024  
4º Domingo de la Cuaresma

Ya estamos muy cerca de la Semana Santa y la Iglesia, en su sabiduría, sigue invitándonos a caminar en la luz de Cristo. Nos sigue animando a creer en Jesús en estos tiempos tan difíciles que estamos viviendo, sin embargo, esto exige de nosotros una conversión continua. El signo de la cruz distingue al seguidor de Cristo. Para honrar la cruz, debemos de dar honor y gloria a Dios por ella: “Recuerden la serpiente que Moisés hizo levantar en el desierto; así también tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del Hombre, y entonces todo el que crea en él tendrá por él vida eterna” (Juan 3,14-15).

Siempre debemos de tener presente que el camino de la resurrección pasa primero por el sufrimiento por la cruz. Nuestra esperanza de cristianos debe ser el cielo. Con confianza, demos gracias a Dios por habernos dado a su Hijo: “¡Así amó Dios al mundo! Le dio su Hijo Único, para que quien cree en él no se pierda, sino que tenga vida eterna” (Juan 3,16). Tomemos en serio estas palabras del Evangelio, palabras del mismo Jesús especiales para nosotros. Para vivir con entusiasmo y alegría este Tiempo Santo de Cuaresma se necesita tener fe. Y una fe activa que dé fuerza desde el fondo del corazón. Pero, cómo medirla, cómo darme cuenta que voy por ese camino. Muy sencillo, haz la prueba y reflexiona. ¿Ha cambiado mi forma de vivir en este tiempo? ¿Soy más tolerable y generoso con los que me rodean? ¿Mi ayuno, oración y caridad han aumentado? ¿Es Dios mi recuerdo durante el día? Si es así, vas por la senda correcta.



**LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO**

**Primera lectura:**

Temprano y muchas veces Jehová, Dios de sus padres, envía sus mensajeros, porque tuvo compasión de su pueblo y de su morada. Pero se burlaron de los mensajeros de Dios, despreció sus advertencias y se burló de sus profetas, hasta que la ira de Jehová contra su pueblo se encendió tanto que no había remedio. (2 Crónicas 36:15-16)

**Salmo:**

¡Que se calle mi lengua, si algún día te olvidó! (Sal 137)

**Segunda lectura:**

Dios, que eres rico en misericordia, por el gran amor que nos tenía, incluso cuando estábamos muertos en nuestras transgresiones, nos trajo a la vida con Cristo. (Efesios 2:4-5)

**Evangelio:**

Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo que entregó a su único Hijo, para que todo el que cree en él no perezca pero podría tener vida eterna. (Juan 3:16)

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**Las lecturas de la semana del 10 de marzo de 2024**

**Domingo:** 2 Chr 36, 14-16. 19-23/Sal 136, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6 (6)/Ef 2, 4-10/Jn 3, 14-21

**Escrutinio:** 1 Sm 16, 1. 6-7. 10-13/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6 (1)/Ef 5, 8-14/Jn 9, 1-41 o 9, 1. 6-9. 13-17. 34-38

**Lunes:** Is 65, 17-21/Sal 29, 2 y 4. 5-6. 11-12 y 13/Jn 4, 43-54

**Martes:** Ez 47, 1-9. 12/Sal 45, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 5, 1-3. 5-16

**Miércoles:** Is 49, 8-15/Sal 144, 8-9. 13-14. 17-18/Jn 5, 17-30

**Jueves:** Ex 32, 7-14/Sal 105, 19-20. 21-22. 23/Jn 5, 31-47

**Viernes:** Sab 2, 1. 12-22/Sal 33, 17-18. 19-20. 21 y 23/Jn 7, 1-2. 10. 25-30

**Sábado:** Jr 11, 18-20/Sal 7, 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/Jn 7, 40-53

**Domingo siguiente:** Jr 31, 31-34/Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 14-15 (12)/Heb 5, 7-9/Jn 12, 20-33

**Escrutinio:** 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

**Faith Formation**

**Elementary & JHM**

The Fourth Sunday of Lent  
 “So they said to him, ‘Who are you?’” John 8:25  
 Who is Jesus in your life? Let this question be a conversation starter about the place of Jesus in your home and family.

**Confirmation**

Confirmation Year 1 meets this Sunday at 5:30P.  
 Don’t forget to “Spring forward” your clocks.

**Prayer for Laetare Sunday**

Dear Jesus,  
 We’ve been in this season of Lent for a few weeks now. I want to re-commit myself in this time — renew and strengthen my resolve. Help me to use these last few weeks to grow closer to you. Amen.

**Fourth Sunday of**



**Is God Calling you to be a Sister?** Do you wonder what being a Sister is all about?  
 The Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to join us for a Religious Vocation Experience! Two opportunities available:  
 \* Los Angeles area for one day: Saturday, **March 23**  
 \* Bay Area from **May 22-27**  
 This opportunity is for single, Catholic women, ages 18-40.  
**Call or text Sr. Lisa Laguna, D.C. for any questions you might have at (213) 210- 9903 or (650) 949-8890 or email [srllaguna@doc1633.org](mailto:srllaguna@doc1633.org) [www.Daughters-Of-Charity.com](http://www.Daughters-Of-Charity.com)**

**Holy Cross Parishioners!**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered the First Friday of every month. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am mass & continues until 6:00pm.  
 From 6:00pm -7:00pm , there is a Holy Hour in Spanish with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.  
 We are currently in need of volunteers to commit to an hour of time with Our Lord. If you are available please contact: Kathy Johnston at 805-402-7856

Thank you !

**SAINT OF THE WEEK**

**St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**

**Short Bio**  
 St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was a French nun who had visions of Jesus and his Sacred Heart. She devoted her life to promoting Eucharistic adoration and the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Her Thursday night holy hours are still a common practice among modern Catholics!

**Sta. Margarita María Alacoque**

**Biografía Breve**  
 Santa Margarita María Alacoque fue una monja francesa que tuvo visiones de Jesús y de Su Sagrado Corazón. Ella dedicó su vida a promover la adoración Eucarística y la Fiesta del Sagrado Corazón. ¡Sus horas santas los jueves en la noche todavía son una práctica común entre católicos de estos tiempos!



**Oración para el domingo de Laetare**

Querido Jesús,  
 Hemos estado ya algunas semanas en este tiempo de Cuaresma. Quiero volver a comprometerme en este momento: renueva y fortalece mi determinación. Ayúdame a utilizar estas últimas semanas para acercarme más a ti. Amén.

**Feligreses de la Santa Cruz!**

La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento es ofrecida el primer viernes de cada mes. La Adoración comienza después de la misa de las 8:00am y continúa asta las 6:00pm.  
 De las 6:00pm - 7:00pm, hay una Hora Santa en español con La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento. Estamos necesitando voluntarios que se comprometan y enlisten para acompañar por una hora a Nuestro Señor. Si tú estás disponible y deseas hacerlo por favor contacta a:  
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**Mass Intentions for the week 3/10**

**Sunday** 7:30 am For Parishioners  
10:00 am Frank Pavone (RIP)  
12:00 pm Claudia Meraz Espinoza  
& Adolfo Lopez Valdez (RIP)

**Monday** 8:00 am Jackie Flame (Sick)

**Tuesday** 8:00 am Joseph Hung Vu (RIP)

**Wednesday** 8:00 am Ryan Morris (RIP)

**Thursday** 8:00 am  
7:00 pm Javier Rojas (RIP)

**Friday** 8:00 am Ngoc Nguyen (RIP)

**Saturday** 4:00 pm Michael Mead (RIP)

*Prayer Request*