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“Do you believe in the Son of Man?”

JOHN 9:35B
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Fourth Week of Lent

Sunday, March 22 - 4th Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday

- Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

8:00 AM  
+Teresa Silva Parsons - Silva family  
For the People of the Parish  
+Mercey Roybal - George T. Roybal  

10:00 AM  
+Steve Fuentes - Sonia & Frank Gabaldon  
+Frank Lenahan - Rosemarie Lenahan  
For the departed souls not in heaven who have no one to pray for them - Anonymous  

12:00 PM  
+Sophie Chavez (39) - Henry & Theresa Lucero & Family  
Return to the Faith of all Prodigal Children - Prayerful Parents  
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Monday, March 23

7:00 AM  
+Daphne Stones - Richard Lindsay  
+Marge Kelly - Cathy Kendrigan  
+Ida Ortiz - Rose M. Gilbert  

Tuesday, March 24

7:00 AM  
+Mercedes Roybal - Loretta & John Funk  
+Martin Candelaria - Family  
+Ida Ortiz - Rose M. Gilbert  

Wednesday, March 25

7:00 AM  
Health & Wellbeing of Deirdre Murphy - Mary Jane Drndak  
Living & Deceased Members of La Cofradia de la Conquistadora  
+Mercey Roybal - George T. Roybal  

Thursday, March 26

7:00 AM  
Special Intention of Sharon, John Hickey & Family  
+Boyd Houston - Cathy Kendrigan  
+Ida Ortiz - Rose M. Gilbert  

5:15 PM

Friday, March 27

7:00 AM  
Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus & their Benefactors  
+Martha Vargas - Family  
+Susan Callars - Cathy Kendrigan  

Saturday, March 28

7:00 AM  
Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus & their Benefactors  
Deceased of Manuel D. Rodriguez Family - Jean G. Rodriguez  
For the departed souls not in heaven who have no one to pray for them - Anonymous  

5:15 PM  
+Monica Augustine - Deacon Juan & Mary Jane Martinez  
+Jacob Brito - Deacon Juan & Mary Jane Martinez  
+Libby Lucero - Henry, Theresa & Family  

Sunday, March 29 - 5th Sunday of Lent

- Second Collection for Easter Flowers

8:00 AM  
+Mercy Roybal - George T. Roybal  
+Martha & Manuel Montoya - Pielts  
+Jesus Lopez - Mr. & Mrs. Larry Wesneski  

10:00 AM  
Special Intention of Loretta Funk (Birthday) - John Funk  
+Pat & Celine Vigil - Family  
+Beatrice R. Garcia - Bill Garcia  

12:00 PM  
For the People of the Parish  
+Daniel Wright - Charlotte Wright  
For the departed souls not in heaven who have no one to pray for them - Anonymous  

Readings for the Week of March 22, 2020

Sunday: 1Sm 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 [2a]/Jn 4:43-54  
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16  
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47  
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53  
Next 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  

¿Las lecturas de la semana del 22 de Marzo de 2020

Domingo: 1Sm 16, 1. 6-7, 10-13/Sal 23, 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 30, 2 y 4. 5-6, 11-12 y 13 [2]/Jn 4, 43-54  
Martes: Ez 47, 1-9. 12/Sal 46, 2-3. 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5, 1-16  
Miércoles: Is 7, 10-14; 8, 10/Sal 40, 7-8. 8-9. 10. 11 [8 y 9]/Heb 10, 4-10/Lc 1, 26-38  
Jueves: Ex 32, 7-14/Sal 106, 19-20. 21-22. 23 [4]/Jn 5, 31-47  
Sábado: Jr 11, 18-20/Sal 7, 2, 3. 9-10. 11-12 [2]/Jn 7, 40-53  
Domingo siguiente: Ez 37, 12-14/Sal 130, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 [7]/Rom 8, 8-11/Jn 11, 1-45 o 11, 3-7. 17. 20-27. 33b-45  

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Laetare Sunday – “Rejoice Sunday”

We learn in today’s readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent that divine vision penetrates beyond the superficial and sees into our deepest selves.

The First Reading, from 1 Samuel, recounts the anointing of the young shepherd boy, David, as king of Israel. In the story, God directs Samuel to Jesse of Bethlehem, who had eight sons. From Jesse’s sons would come the next king of Israel. Jesse’s eldest son, Eliab, was by all outward signs the logical choice among Jesse’s sons. But to the surprise of all, God chooses Jesse’s youngest son, David. It was what God saw in David’s heart that made him different from his brothers. Israel was learning to rely on divine vision to guide its history and its destiny.

The divine vision of Jesus drives today’s Gospel reading from John, the healing of the man born blind. The blind man’s healing begins with a simple and logical question from the disciples: Was the man born blind because he or his parents sinned? In fact, throughout this healing story, a total of sixteen questions are asked by various people. All of these questions express some form of limited human vision. It is Jesus alone who sees that the man was born blind “so that the works of God might be made visible through him.”

In his Letter to the Ephesians, Paul encourages the Ephesians to “live as children of light” (Ephesians 5:8), producing “goodness and righteousness and truth” (Ephesians 5:9). During this season of Lent, we are called to challenge our own limited human vision, to look beyond mere appearances, and to seek what is good and true and righteous. In this way, we will learn to see as Good sees.


The Importance of Making a Spiritual Communion and How You Can Do It Anytime, Anywhere

Garrett Johnson - www.Catholic-link.org/spiritual-communion-can/, Garrett Johnson

Spiritual communion is a great way to cultivate our love for Christ in the Eucharist for those times when we can’t make it to Daily Mass for a variety of reasons (no priest, something unexpected, weather, job, sickness, etc.). It is important to note that a spiritual communion can never replace your obligation to attend Mass on Sundays though. It doesn’t matter when or where you are, as long as you practice the devotion with “renewed faith, reverence, humility and in complete trust in the goodness of the Divine Redeemer” and are “united to Him in the spirit of the most ardent charity,” as Pope Pius XII says in his encyclical Mediator Dei (The Sacred Liturgy). Marge Fenelon, in an article in the NC Register, shares a four-step method from Redemptorist Father Jim White. He proposes the following:

The Act of Spiritual Communion

1. Make an act of faith.
The key here is to express to the Lord: our faith in his merciful love and his real presence in the Eucharist. You can come up with your own prayer or use a more traditional version. For example (USCCB):

O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins and that he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches because you have revealed them who are eternal truth and wisdom, who can neither deceive nor be deceived.
In this faith I intend to live and die.
Amen.

2. Make an act of love
O Lord God, I love you above all things and I love my neighbor for your sake because you are the highest, infinite and perfect good, worthy of all my love.
In this love I intend to live and die.
Amen.

3. Express our desire to receive him
4. Invite Jesus to come into our hearts spiritually.

With a humble and contrite heart, we ask the Lord to come to us just as He would if we were able to receive the sacrament.

“This puts us in the state of mind of being in union with Jesus,” Father White explained. “It’s very simple, it only takes a moment, and we can do it during our work, our studies or anything else we may be doing.”

We find each one of these steps summed up nicely in a beautiful act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori “My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee” (St. Alphonsus Maria de’ Liguori).
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8AM in Spanish: KSWV 99.9FM / 810 AM Suave Radio or online http://www.kswvradio.com
10 AM: Live on our Facebook page or listen online from the link provided on our website.
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