

ST. MARY CHURCH

HYDE PARK

MARCH 17, 2024

THE FEAST OF SAINT  
PATRICK

BISHOP, CONFESSOR, & APOSTLE OF IRELAND





## Weekend Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

## Daily Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** 9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday.

All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** 5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** 11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday

## Confession Schedule

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses and one hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

*For information on weddings, baptisms and funerals, please visit [eastsidefaith.org](http://eastsidefaith.org) or call the appropriate parish office.*

### St. Cecilia (Oakley)

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[www.stceciliacincinnati.org](http://www.stceciliacincinnati.org)

[facebook.com/stceciliacincinnati](https://facebook.com/stceciliacincinnati)

[instagram: stceciliaparish](https://instagram.com/stceciliaparish)

### St. Mary (Hyde Park)

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Office: (513) 321-1207

[www.smchp.com](http://www.smchp.com)

[facebook.com/SMCHP](https://facebook.com/SMCHP) and [facebook.com/St-Mary-School](https://facebook.com/St-Mary-School)

[instagram: stmaryhydepark](https://instagram.com/stmaryhydepark)

### Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville)

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(513) 271-0920

[www.eastsidefaith.org](http://www.eastsidefaith.org)

**Priest Emergency Line: (513) 815-5038**

## Mass Intentions (St. Mary)

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

5:30 PM Mike Germann ☩

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

5:30 PM Patrizia Massoli (L)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

5:30 PM Vida Girnius

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

5:30 PM Violet Hehman

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

5:30 PM No Mass

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

4:00 PM Deceased Members of the Kadon Family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24 Palm Sunday**

8:30 AM David Schubert ☩

10:30 PM Ann Hutchins ☩

**Mass intentions** may be requested and paid for online at [EastsideFaith.org](http://EastsideFaith.org), under the “About” section. Masses may also be scheduled at one of our offices. Payment may be made online, in an envelope clearly marked in the collection basket, or in person during office hours. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.

## Wedding Banns

No wedding banns this week.

## Pastoral Leadership

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## The Feast of Saint Patrick

March 17, 2024

This feast of St. Patrick, I am asking everyone to really model themselves after this truly great saint. Of course it's a tradition to wear green, sing Irish music and enjoy the food and drink of the Irish on this day, but I encourage you to go a step further.

St. Patrick loved God so much that he spent most of his time in prayer so that he could be in the company of The Lord. He realized that prayer could be used when in fear, before a meal, as we wake, and so many other times of the day. We especially should pray when we are feeling spiritual attacked. He was one of the saints that experienced spiritual warfare and listened to hear God's answers to his prayers. He trusted that answers would come from God and that is something we should do. We should always trust in God, even when our prayers are answered in ways we did not hope for or expect.

His prayers were to be freed from slavery and to return to England. Yet God called Patrick back to Ireland after years of being enslaved. It was not what Patrick prayed and wished for, yet he faithfully went to Ireland. His mission was most successful — he converted the island to Catholicism in his 40 years there. Sometimes that is the way God answers us— by directing us to what He knows is truly good and right for us rather than what we think. We must make His will our own.

May we take this opportunity to live as St. Patrick. Move that step further this year to strengthen our prayer life and love for God. Enjoy the traditions, but challenge yourself to live like this dear saint.

Amen? Amen.

*Fr. Jessie*

### Stations of the Cross during Lent

Every Friday during Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 9:30 AM and 7 PM at St. Cecilia. During this special devotion, through meditation and prayer, we will walk with our Savior on his way of suffering from the time he was condemned to death until he died and was buried. Making this devotion part of your Lenten commitment to prayer will help you grow closer to Christ.

### Fast and Abstinence Guidelines for Lent

- **Ages 18-59:** Fast on Good Friday. Fasting allows one full meal a day.
- **Ages 14 and up:** Abstain from eating meat on Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.

### Join the Oratory in Praying for Priests!

Please join us this week in praying for **Fr. Michael Nartker (St. Francis de Sales)**, **Fr. Matthew Jozefiak (Holy Redeemer, New Bremen)**, **Fr. John Paul Bevak (OSM)**, **Fr. Robert Muhlenkamp (Holy Rosary, St. Mary's)** **Fr. Chau Pham (Our Lady of Lavang)**. Through the intercession of St. John Vianney, may they grow in holiness and zeal. Please consider joining in the Rosary especially offered for these priests at the Oratory each weekday at 11:15 AM, before the 11:45 Mass.

### Hospitality Ministry at the Oratory

Isn't it great to gather for fellowship and food? We are excited about so many people enjoying Donut Sunday. It's a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other and enjoy one another's company. We'd like to have more hospitality opportunities and involvement, That means we need you to let us know you're interested, whether it's once or twice or on a regular basis. Your ideas and participation are welcome! Sign up for Hospitality at church or email [monicanhurley@gmail.com](mailto:monicanhurley@gmail.com).



Bring witness to the place where babies & mother's lives are in extreme danger. Use your Lenten prayer time to advocate for your soul & the souls of others: the unborn, their parents and for the healthcare professionals, legislators and others who fail to cry out in defense of all these lives!

Our Eastside parish family is committed to praying **every Thursday during Lent (Feb. 14 - Mar. 24) from 7 am - 7pm**. Invite parishioners, friends and family to join you for 60 or 120 minutes in peaceful prayer in front of Planned Parenthood or if you cannot make it there, do an hour of prayer at church or at home!

*Any questions or if you would like to have someone meet and pray with you, please call or text Brigid Duffy at 513 379-0821.*

### Oratory Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers

We will be having our second annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Oratory immediately following Mass on Easter Sunday morning. Coffee and Donuts will be served and there will be plenty of eggs to hunt for in the courtyard! **If you would like to help by donating candy, stuffing eggs, or hiding them on Easter Sunday, please see the signup sheets in the back of the Oratory to volunteer.**

### From the Desk of Fr. Ken

When the Second Coming occurs, God will appear in different ways to different nationalities. He will appear as Christ the King to the English, who love royalty. To the Germans, who love music, He will appear with choirs of angels. To the Spanish, who love festiveness, He will appear with a robe of glorious colors. To the Irish, who have brought wit and whimsy to the world, He will show them His Smile. **Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

*Fr Ken Schopf*

### From the School Office

This past Friday, our Kindergarten-Grade 4 Students welcomed their Grandparents for a morning that included a classroom visit, Mass, and a Jr. Theater Performance. May God bless all Grandparents. We are grateful for the love and wisdom they freely share.



### Happy Retirement, Terri!

We wish Terri Knappenberger, Coordinator of Outreach & Evangelization, a very happy retirement. Terri oversaw several ministries: Baptism, Homebound & Elderly Outreach, Fellowship Sundays, and other special events. She fulfilled her duties with love and joy. Terri and her husband are still members of St. Mary Parish, so we will enjoy seeing her on Sundays. We wish her God's blessings as she focuses on the care of her family and causes close to her heart. Any special retirement wishes and messages can be sent to the rectory.



### Easter Giving

Thank you for considering a special **Easter** contribution to St. Mary Church. These extra offerings at Christmas and Easter are a meaningful way to give thanks for the many blessings St. Mary Parish brings to our lives and are also an important part of the operating budget.

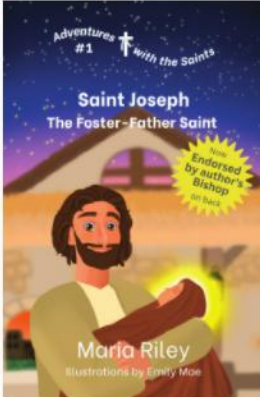
Text **Easter** to 513-540-0703 or scan the QR code. Both text and QR code will take you to our secure WeShare Easter link. Thank you very much. We are grateful.



**Chris Bergman was installed as an acolyte on March 10th at the Covington Cathedral. On his road to becoming a Deacon, one of the minor orders is the acolyte.**



## THE CATECHIST'S CORNER

*St. Joseph: The Foster-Father Saint* by Maria Riley

About two weeks ago, St. Mary School had the opportunity to host Maria Riley, the author of an up-and-coming Catholic children's series called *Adventures with the Saints*. I was so thankful to be in attendance for her presentation! Maria spoke to the children about how each of them is called to sainthood and that the pathway to fulfilling this calling is intimately related to them becoming who God calls them to be. That is, virtuous men and women who help others to encounter God through the unique gifts and experiences he has given them. Her series, *Adventures with the Saints*, seeks to promote this understanding of our Catholic call to evangelization through shedding light on the stories of the countless holy men and women who we recognize as one with God in Heaven. You might call it a Catholic's reimagining of *The Magic Tree House*, a favorite from my youth, as it combines siblings traveling in time to meet historical figures of influence with lessons about how to live life well. The first book focuses on St. Joseph, whose feast day we celebrate this week, and kicks off the series by focusing on the depth of love between an adoptive parent and child. Main character Joshua, grapples with moving in with a new foster family, the Martins. Through the story of St.

Joseph and the Holy Family, he comes to discover that familial connection goes far beyond blood relations. I encourage you to order this beautiful book and share it with the children in your life! And if you are eager for more, check out her two sequels about St. Therese and St. John Bosco. (Reviewed by Haley Metzger)

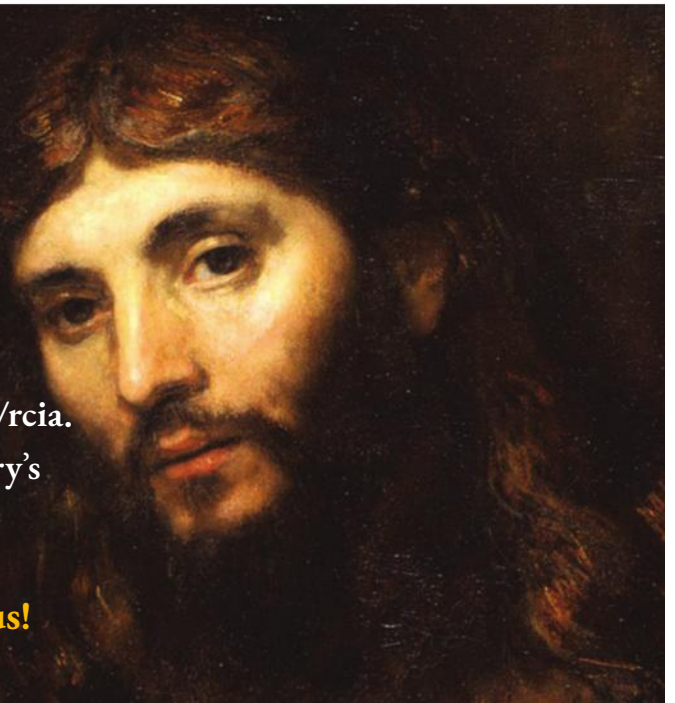
## Interested in becoming Catholic?

*Or simply learning more about our faith?*

Contact RCIA Director Colin Kunath at [rcia@eastsideregion.org](mailto:rcia@eastsideregion.org) or visit [eastsidefaith.org/rcia](http://eastsidefaith.org/rcia).

Classes are Wednesday nights at 7PM in St. Mary's Robisch Hall.

**Classes are in session, but you can still join us!**



## Marriage Solutions

If you are having trouble within your marriage, especially if you are considering separation, the Church is here to help you. There is no such thing as Catholic divorce, as marriage is a permanent, unbreakable institution. Even if you think you and your spouse are beyond all reconciliation, there is hope and there is help. Even if you are separated or civilly divorced, your marriage bond is not broken. Please reach out to Deacon Nathan ([deaconnathan@stceciliacincinnati.org](mailto:deaconnathan@stceciliacincinnati.org)) for a confidential meeting. Our clergy will either try to help you here, or guide you toward someone who can.

However, there are times when two people have attempted marriage invalidly, have separated, and are in need of the Church's help in order to marry in the future. Catholics who are in this state do not need to refrain from the Sacraments unless they have already attempted marriage again or are in a relationship with a person other than their spouse. If you suspect your prior marriage may be invalid, we can help with the annulment process. Please reach out to Joe Fondacaro at 513-871-5757, ext. 222, for help. All inquiries regarding your current or past marriage are kept in the strictest confidence.

# How will you pray this Lent?

Looking for a variety of ways to enter into the liturgical season? We've got you covered! Between parish goings-on, video series, Bible studies and worldwide prayer challenges, we can assure you that this Lent will be anything but ordinary.

Recommit to prayer this season and visit:  
[www.eastsidefaith.org/lenten-resources](http://www.eastsidefaith.org/lenten-resources)

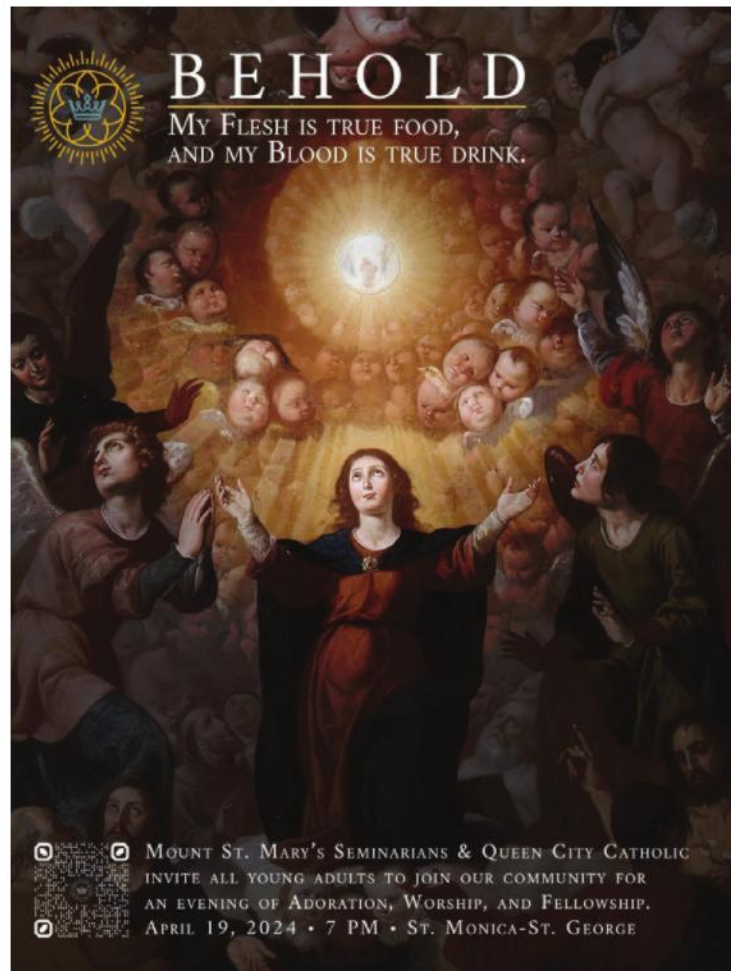
## Are you celebrating your 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY in 2024?

*Married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2024 are invited to attend the ...*

**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASS**  
on **Sunday, September 8**, at 11:00 a.m.  
at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains  
*with Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr.*

Registration is required to attend the Mass.  
Please register online by completing the anniversary certificate request form linked here:  
<https://bit.ly/3IgyXfv>.

Questions? Please contact the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Marriage & Family Evangelization Office at [cne@catholicaoc.org](mailto:cne@catholicaoc.org).



**BEHOLD**  
MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD,  
AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK.

INVITE ALL YOUNG ADULTS TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY FOR AN EVENING OF ADORATION, WORSHIP, AND FELLOWSHIP.  
APRIL 19, 2024 • 7 PM • ST. MONICA-ST. GEORGE





# Eastside Family March Madness Split the Pot! Sponsored by Young Adult Ministry

Join us for all the buzzer beaters, Cinderella stories, and age-old rivalries that go hand-in-hand with the NCAA College Basketball Tournament. Register below to join our "Eastside Family" bracket group and submit your picks for a chance at victory. The top three winners will receive tiered portions of one half of the total amount raised, while the other half will be donated to the Eastside Family of Parishes.

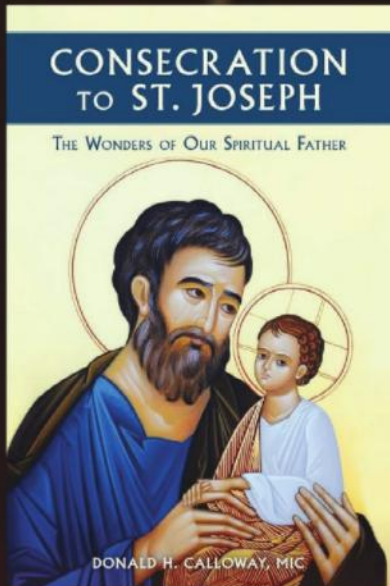
Cost: \$10 for two brackets



Register by 12 pm Wednesday, March 20th at  
[www.eastsidefaith.org/march-madness](http://www.eastsidefaith.org/march-madness)







## *Consecration to St. Joseph*

### Group Study

April 3rd - May 1st, 2024

8-9:15 pm

St. Cecilia Parish House

Looking for a way to continue growing in your prayer life after Lent is over? Men from across the Eastside Family are invited to join us in reading and participating in *The Consecration to St. Joseph* by Fr. Donald Calloway. Come discover the incredible graces of our Lord's earthly father and entrust yourself and your family to his protection.

Sign up at [www.eastsidefaith.org/joseph](http://www.eastsidefaith.org/joseph)

**EPIC proudly presents**

to all Eastside Family Parishes and their family and friends, a trip to ...

## MACKINAC ISLAND

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4, 2024

Enjoy exciting excursions with fellow parishioners. Take an exciting cruise through the Soo Locks, time in Sault Sainte Marie and much more.

Contact MARY LANDRUM at [mlandrum@eastsideregion.org](mailto:mlandrum@eastsideregion.org) for more information.



## *Holy Thursday*

### SEVEN CHURCH PILGRIMAGE



March 28, 2024

Following the conclusion of Mass  
All Eastside Family locations

All Eastside Family parishioners are invited to join us for a centuries-long Holy Thursday tradition. Typically credited to St. Philip Neri and practiced by Catholics around the world, the Seven Church pilgrimage will take us to the Altars of Repose at seven churches in the local area and remind us of Jesus' instruction to the Apostles to keep watch with Him through the night. Booklets with proposed itineraries and reflections for the each stop will be available at each church's Altar of Repose.



*This spring, love is in bloom...*

Catholic speed-dating returns May 2024  
Join the Young Adult email list to claim your spot!

## RETROVAILLE

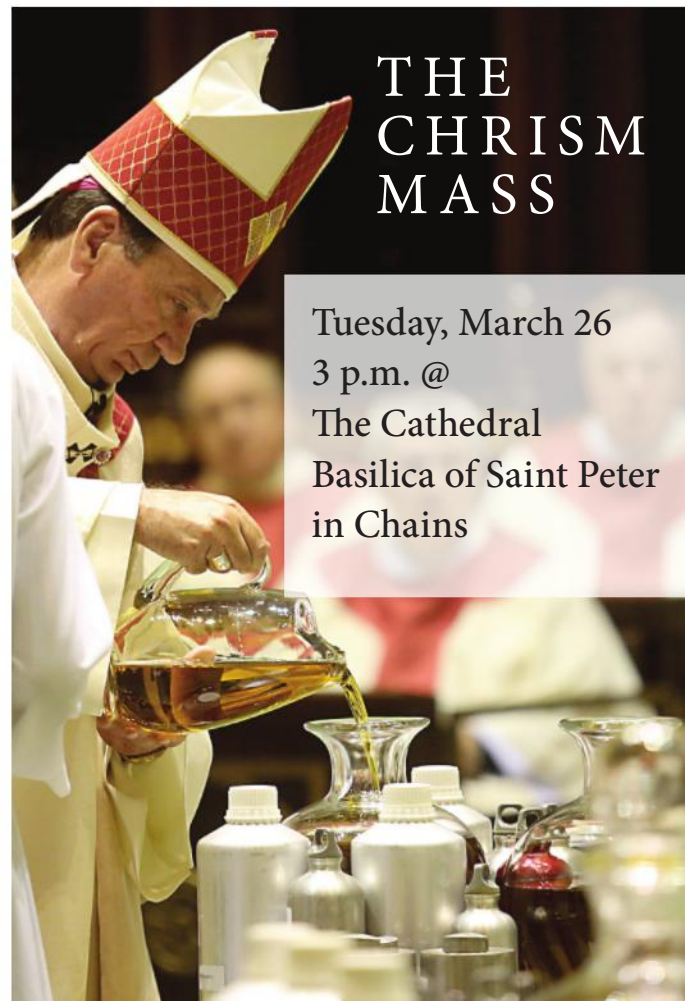
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

CINCINNATI WEEKENDS  
APRIL 5-7 SEPTEMBER 6-8

### Rediscover your love.

Retrovaille has been helping troubled marriages since 1977. The program is confidential, effective and can help you find hope and healing.

To register,  
visit [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org)  
or call 513-486-6222.



## THE CHRISM MASS

Tuesday, March 26  
3 p.m. @  
The Cathedral  
Basilica of Saint Peter  
in Chains

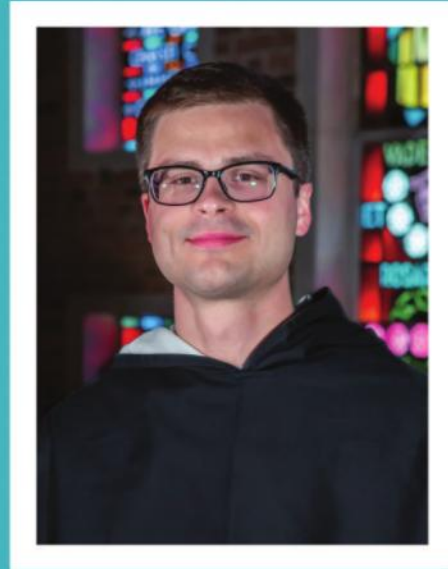


# Cocktails with the Catechism presents

ENCOUNTER JESUS:  
**Divine Physician**

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Fr. Luke VanBerkum, O.P.  
Tuesday, March 19  
7-9 PM  
Big Ash Brewing



The Eastside Family Young Adult Ministry invites you to join us for the February edition of our 2024 series as we “Encounter Jesus,” our Divine Physician. During this blessed season of Lent, we are invited to return to God with prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We recall in a more focused way our own weakness in the face of sin as well as our very real woundedness. With great love for His people, our Lord gives us the sacraments of healing and, in particular, unlocks the ability for God’s forgiveness to undo the painful disorder of sin in our lives through Reconciliation. Whether you have either steered clear of the confessional out of fear or skepticism or have developed a routine of saying “Bless me Father...” once a month for years, come partake in a rich, beautiful discussion led by Fr. Luke VanBerkum about the manifold graces of Confession and understand in a new way the meaning of the word “penance.” Join us for an evening of refreshments, fellowship, and the wisdom of our speaker!





# Worship Aid for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

## Prayer for Vocations



Almighty Father, You have created for us some definite purpose.  
Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church. We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

## Entrance Hymn

## Entrance Antiphon for Lent

God grant me jus - tice plead my cause a -  
gainst a faith - less land. From ev - 'ry foe de -  
liv - er me, my ref - uge and my strength.

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## Verses

*Choir or cantor*

1. O send forth your light and your truth;  
they will guide me on.  
They will bring me to your holy mountain,  
to the place where you dwell.
2. And I will come to the altar of God,  
to God, my joy and gladness.  
To you will I give thanks on the harp,  
O God, my God.

## Penitential Rite

**I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and  
in what I have failed to do,  
*And striking their breast, they say:*  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask  
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.  
Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Reading

Jer 31:31-34

The days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant, and I had to show myself their master, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD. I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives how to know the LORD. All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm Response

Psalm 51:3-4,12-13, 14-15

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God. Cre -  
ate in me a clean heart, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your merciful love;  
according to your great compassion,  
blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me completely from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin. *R.*

renew a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence;  
take not your holy spirit from me. *R.*

Restore in me the joy of your salvation;  
sustain in me a willing spirit.

I will teach transgressors your ways,  
that sinners may return to you. *R.*

Create a pure heart for me, O God;

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refrain, *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL  
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## Second Reading

Heb 5:7-9

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Jn 12:20-33

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.





## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

**All make a profound bow:**  
*and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary,  
and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the  
resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Offertory Hymn

## Mercy, O God

### Refrain



### Verses



1. Gath - er the peo - ple, the chil - dren, the eld - ers;
2. Now is the hour, the day of sal - va - tion;
3. Long is the jour - ney and steep are the moun - tains,
4. Wash us a - new in your life - giv - ing wa - ter;
5. Once lost in dark - ness you did not for - sake us, but
6. Wake, O sleep - er, a - wake from your slum - ber;



now is the time to re - turn to God.

come now and guide us, O gra - cious God.

come quench the thirst of our year - ing hearts.

called us your chil - dren and gave us light.

rise from the chains of the dark, cold tomb.



O - pen your lives to for - give - ness and mer - cy;

Show us your face, give us hope for the jour - ney;

Break through the si - lence, the fear and the long - ing; em -

O - pen our eyes, come re - move all our blind - ness.

Walk in the light of com - pas - sion and mer - cy;



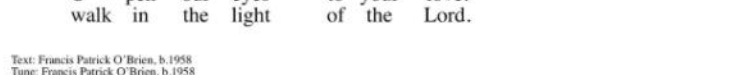
O - pen your lives to the Lord.

Lead us to walk in your love.

brace us with un - end - ing love.

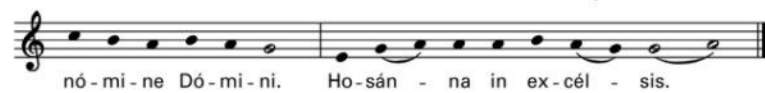
O - pen our eyes to your love.

walk in the light of the Lord.



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## Sanctus



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## Communion Hymn

## Unless a Grain of Wheat

### Refrain



### Verses



1. ♪ If we have died with him, then we shall
2. ♪ If an - y - one serves me, then they must
3. ♪ ♪ Make your home in me as I make
4. ♪ If you re - main in me and my word
5. ♪ ♪ Those who love me are loved by my
6. ♪ ♪ Peace I leave with you, my peace I



live with him; if we hold firm, we shall  
 fol - low me; where - ev - er I am, my  
 mine in you; those who re - main in me  
 lives in you, then you will be my dis -  
 Fa - ther; we shall be with them and  
 give to you; peace which the world can - not



reign with him.  
 ser - vants will be.  
 bear much fruit.  
 ci - ples.  
 dwell in them.  
 give is my gift.

## Turn Our Hearts



1. Have mercy on me, God of love. Lead me in the path of justice.
2. You have placed your truth in my heart, O God. Teach me wisdom of heart.
3. Enfold me in the arms of love. Restore in me the joy of your saving grace.

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## Recessional Hymn

## Again, We Keep This Solemn Fast

1. Again we keep this solemn fast,  
 A gift of faith from ages past,  
 This Lent which binds us lovingly  
 To faith and hope and charity.

2. The law and prophets from of old  
 In figured ways this Lent foretold,  
 Which Christ, all ages' Lord and Guide,  
 In these last days has sanctified.

3. More sparing, therefore, let us make  
 The words we speak, the food we take,  
 Our sleep, our laughter, ev'ry sense;  
 Learn peace through holy penitence.

4. Let us avoid each harmful way  
 That lures the careless mind astray;  
 By watchful prayer our spirits free  
 From scheming of the Enemy.

5. We pray, O blessed Three in One,  
 Our God while endless ages run,  
 That this, our Lent of forty days,  
 May bring us growth and give you praise.

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