



MASS TIMES

SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)

4:00 PM

SUNDAY

7:00 AM

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

6:00 PM

WEEKDAY

MON-FRI 12:10 PM

SATURDAY 9:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

FRIDAY 8:00 AM-12 NOON

CONFESSION

SATURDAY 2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY 11:30 AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 1PM

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THURSDAY 5PM

ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

MONDAY-THURSDAY

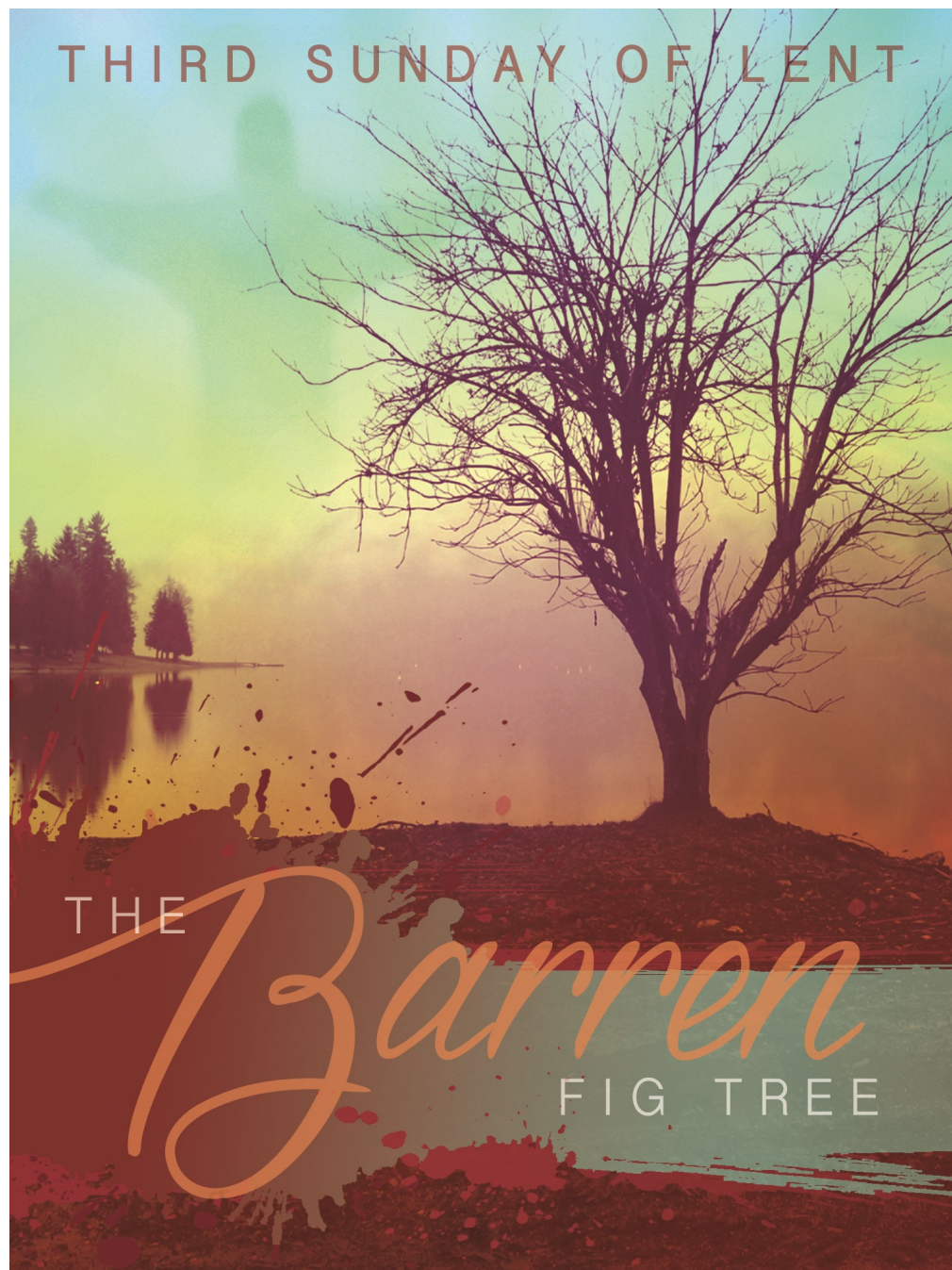
10:00 AM-AFTER DAILY MASS
SUNDAY

8:00 AM-AFTER 11AM MASS

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MARCH 23, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday March 23	3rd Sunday of Lent	Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9	7:00 AM ++Vittorio & Maria D'Angelo 9:00 AM +Bernadette Gallegos 11:00 AM Barb and Mark McCormick 6:00 PM People of St Peter	7:30 AM OCIA Inquiry Group 8:00 AM-12:30 PM Gift Shop Open 9:15 AM Faith Formation Groups 10:15 AM OCIC Inquiry Group
Monday March 24		2 Kings 5:1-15ab Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 Luke 4:24-30	12:10 PM +Pauline Flores	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord	Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38	12:10 PM Judy Yates	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 6:00 PM Adult Faith Formation
Wednesday March 26		Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Matthew 5:17-19	12:10 PM +Angie Vega	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession 1:00 PM Bible Timeline Study 6:00 PM Eucharistic Glory group
Thursday March 27		Jeremiah 7:23-28 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Luke 11:14-23	12:10 PM +Patricia Leslie	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open 6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group
Friday March 28		Hosea 14:2-10 Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 Mark 12:28-34	12:10 PM +Guillermo Quintero	1:00 PM Quilter's Group 6:00 PM Stations of the Cross & Lent Supper
Saturday March 29		Hosea 6:1-6 Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab Luke 18:9-14	9:00 AM ++Dorothy Banks, Raul Morales Natividad, Mary Reis 4:00 PM +Ron McKenzie	2:00 PM Confession
Sunday March 30	4th Sunday of Lent	Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32		

Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

Today's Liturgy of the Word turns our attention to two passages that reveal a crucial aspect of our relationship with God: the importance of repentance. The readings from Luke and 1 Corinthians remind us that while sin is a serious matter, it is not sin itself that creates an insurmountable obstacle between us and God. Rather, it is our lack of repentance that hinders our relationship with Him.

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus tells the parable of the barren fig tree. The owner of the vineyard is frustrated with the tree's lack of fruit and instructs the gardener to cut it down. However, the gardener intercedes, asking for one more year to cultivate the tree and help it bear fruit. This parable beautifully illustrates God's patience and mercy. He is willing to give us time to repent, to turn away from our sins, and to bear the fruits of righteousness.

The fig tree represents each one of us. There are moments in our lives when we fail to bear fruit, when we fall into sin and turn away from God's love. But Jesus, our divine gardener, pleads on our behalf, offering us the opportunity to repent and renew our relationship with God. The key to this renewal lies in our willingness to acknowledge our sins and seek forgiveness. God's patience is tremendous, but it is our repentance that unlocks the door to His mercy.

In Paul's letter to the Corinthians, we are given a stark reminder of the consequences of unrepentance. Paul recounts the history of the Israelites, who despite witnessing God's mighty works, fell into sin and disobedience. He warns the Corinthians not to be complacent, reminding them that the same fate could befall them if they do not turn away from their sins. Paul's words are a call to vigilance and humility, urging us to recognize our need for God's mercy and to repent sincerely.

The message of both readings is clear: every sin can be forgiven, but it requires our willingness to repent. God's mercy is not automatic; it is activated by our contrite hearts and our genuine desire to seek His forgiveness. We must be like the fig tree, allowing the divine gardener to work in our hearts, cultivating us to bear the fruits of atonement and virtue.

God's patience with us is boundless, but it requires our response. Let us not delay in turning to Him with repentant hearts, trusting in His infinite mercy. In doing so, we will experience the fullness of His love and the joy of being in right relationship with Him.

May we always remember that it is our lack of repentance, not our sins, that creates obstacles in our relationship with God. Let us strive to cultivate hearts that are quick to repent and eager to receive God's forgiveness, so that we may bear the fruits of righteousness and grow ever closer to Him.

Lent Schedule

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 6:00 PM

followed by a Lent Supper in the parish hall

Confession Available at March 28 Stations

March 28 Stations will feature
Scriptural reflections

Penance Service

Thursday, April 10 at 6:30 PM

Multiple Priests will be available to hear
your confession.

Parish Mission

**Monday, April 7-Wednesday, April 9
6:30-8:00 PM**

"Catholic Calisthenic: Gestures, Postures,
and Symbolic Movements Used
in the Liturgy"

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volunteers to serve in their kitchen. They
serve 3 meals a day and prepare 200 sack
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Parish Ministries



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Canned fruit	Rice	Peanut butter
Canned chicken	Syrup	Canned pasta meals
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Ramen noodles	Snacks	Granola bars

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Bear Catholic Lent Appeal

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Youth Group

Thursdays 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us!



Steubenville of the Rockies

9th-12th grades

July 25-27, 2025

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Young Adult Group

Faith Formation

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PRAYER REQUESTS

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+Scott Jones, NJ King, Jean Koch, Joan Lind, Lee
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STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In today's Gospel Jesus offers his parable about last chances. The fig tree will have one last chance to bear fruit before it is cut down and destroyed. Good stewards realize that, like the fig tree, they are endowed with God-given gifts that are meant to "bear fruit" for God and neighbor. God has legitimate expectations of them. They also realize they do not know how much time they have left before the gardener returns for an accounting of their fruitfulness. How are we using our God-given gifts? How might we use our gifts to bear more fruit? The answer requires some urgency.

Order of Christian **OCIA** Initiation for Adults

THE SCRUTINIES

Beginning today for the next three weeks we will be celebrating the scrutinies at the 11:00 AM Mass. The purpose of each of the scrutinies is "to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect" and "to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, holy, and good."

"The scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ." At its core, the scrutinies are not about the sinfulness of the elect but about the overwhelming grace of God in Christ.

Please continue to pray for our elect who will be baptized, confirmed, and receive the Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Dyana, Bryce, Ashley, Koleman,
William and Franki

The Knights of Columbus

OUR NEXT MEETING IS AT 7:00 PM
Knights Hall 2600 6th Ave, Greeley

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or thegreeley6@aol.com



Corporate Communion

Sunday, March 30th at the 9:30 AM Mass
at St. Mary Catholic Church
Rosary at 9:00 AM

Breakfast Buffet to follow at
Eaton Country Club (\$10 per person)
All Knights and their families are invited

RSVP to Ron Antista by text 970-371-0047



Spiritual Adoption

Archbishop Fulton Sheen encouraged us to spiritually adopt a preborn child by saying a short daily prayer for one particular but unknown child's life to be spared abortion. **Our parish will begin this commitment on March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord**, and will continue for 9 months until Christmas. Please consider spiritually adopting an unborn child for yourself and pray for him or her daily. In the bulletin we will provide monthly updates on your baby's development.

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [baby's name] the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

Around the Area



St. Mary Catholic School
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Silver Jubilee Auction Dinner

Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 5:00 PM

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Saturday, April 26th at Our Lady of the Valley

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Young Saints-in-Training



*What's wrong with this fig tree?
See what the two men want to do with it by
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The Burning Bush Word-Find

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A L O R D E A O W S E F
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A O A B U S H O R E B N
C O C N D B L A Z I N G
E K M I S E R A B L E S

*See if you can find
all the words
in CAPITALS
in this story.*



*The left over letters
tell what the
Israelites in Egypt
wanted:*

A _____

MOSES was looking after the sheep of his father-in-law, JETHRO, on Mount HOREB. Suddenly he noticed a BUSH that was BLAZING like FIRE, but it wasn't burning up! He came FORWARD to look closer, but GOD spoke from the FLAME, saying "Come no nearer. TAKE your SHOES OFF, for this is HOLY GROUND. I am the God of your fathers-of ABRAHAM, ISAAC and JACOB." Moses was AFRAID to LOOK at God, and covered his FACE. The LORD said, "I HAVE seen the MISERABLE state of my people in EGYPT and heard their cry to be FREE. I will DELIVER them from their SUFFERING and bring them to a new LAND."

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The 1st Sorrowful Mystery (Last Week)

2nd Sorrowful Mystery

The 3rd Sorrowful Mystery (Next Week)

The Scourging at the Pillar

“Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged. And the soldiers wove a crown out of thorns and placed it on his head, and clothed him in a purple cloak, and they came to him and said, ‘Hail, King of the Jews!’ And they struck him repeatedly.”

—John 19:1-2

Reflection by Bishop Robert Barron

After Pilate sentences Jesus to death, he has Jesus scourged at the pillar, which was a customary torture leading up to crucifixion. We know from archeological evidence and from written accounts what this form of punishment was like. Using a variety of weapons and instruments, Roman scourgers would brutalize their victims.

Hans Urs von Balthasar writes that even those passive aspects of Jesus' passion in which he allows himself to be used—including the scourging at the pillar—are expressions of "his active will to give himself up in self-surrender," a loving completion of God's promise to his people.

Presenting the scourged Jesus to the crowds, Pilate says, “Behold the man.” In the delicious irony of John’s Gospel, Pilate is unwittingly drawing attention to the fact that Jesus, completely acquiescent to the will of the Father, even to the point of accepting torture and death, is in fact “the man,” humanity at its fullest and most free.

Throughout this decade of the Rosary, let us contemplate the brutality endured by Christ during his scourging and see his loving acceptance of suffering as the means through which he conquers sin and redeems humanity.

The Annunciation of the Lord

March 25th

- The Feast of the Annunciation celebrates the actual incarnation of Jesus, when he became flesh in his mother's womb.
- Even though it is not a holy day of obligation, it is still very important.
- The Feast of the Annunciation is celebrated 9 months before Christmas.
- The Annunciation is a good time to remember the humanity of pre-born children in their mothers' wombs.

"In families with young children, this feast would be a good time to begin teaching youngsters important lessons about the inestimable value God places on human life.

First, that He loved us so much that He chose to become one of us—to take on our humanity so completely that he "became flesh", as utterly weak and dependent as any human infant is. Second, God became "like us in all things except sin" at the moment of His conception in Mary's womb, not at some later time. The Feast of the Annunciation is a celebration of the actual Incarnation of Jesus Christ."

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“Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” —Luke 1:31-33

“The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.” —Luke 1:35

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
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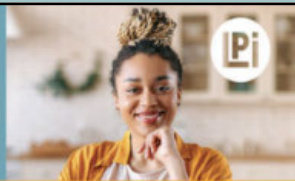
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