

### **MASS TIMES**

### **SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)**

4:00 PM

#### **SUNDAY**

7:00 AM

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

 $6:00 \, \text{PM}$ 

#### 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

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

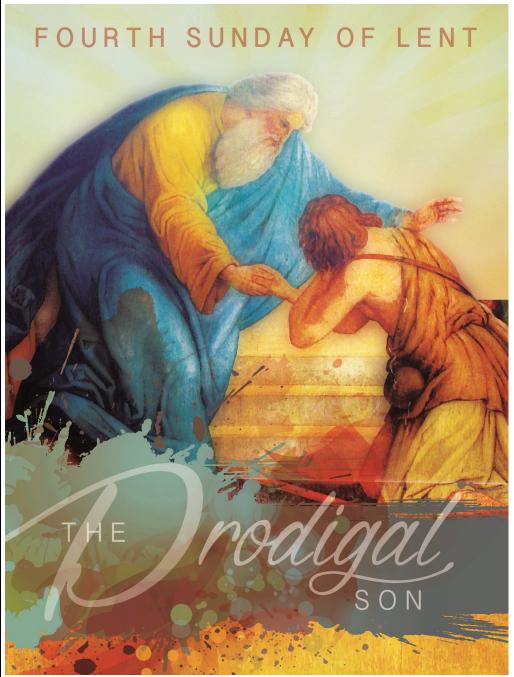
Monday 1pm Through Thursday 5pm

## ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

Monday-Thursday 10:00 am-After Daily Mass Sunday 8:00 am-After 11am Mass

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March 30, 2025



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	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
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	7:00 AM ++Joe and Joan Jaber 9:00 AM +Tom O'Brien 11:00 AM Jim, Tony, and all Deacons in formation 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 31		Isaiah 65:17-21 Psalm 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b John 4:43-54	12:10 PM +Herb Friedl	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday April 1		Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 John 5:1-16	12:10 PM LaBonde and Sieber families	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 6:00 PM Adult Faith Formation
Wednesday April 2	Saint Francis of Paola	Isaiah 49:8-15 Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 John 5:17-30	12:10 PM +Kelsey Thomas	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession 1:00 PM Bible Timeline Study
Thursday April 3		Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 John 5:31-47	12:10 PM ++Patrick, Sophia, and Owen Dornisch	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open 6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group
Friday April 4	Saint Isidore of Seville	Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22 Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30	12:10 PM +Karen Flores	1:00 PM Quilter's Group 6:00 PM Stations of the Cross and Lent Supper
Saturday April 5	Saint Vincent Ferrer	Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 John 7:40-53	9:00 AM Sue Landretti, Mike Wood 4:00 PM +Michael Guttersen, Jr.	9:45 AM Women Growing in Christ 2:00 PM Confession
Sunday April 6	5th Sunday of Lent	Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11		

## Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

Today, Church bring us the Word of God that invites us into a profound reflection on the mercy of Jesus and the reality of human sinfulness. In both Luke's account of the Prodigal Son (Year C) and John's narrative of the man born blind (Year A), we are confronted with a truth that is both humbling and liberating: we are all sinners in need of God's grace. Yet, so often, we judge others outwardly and forget to examine our own hearts.

In Luke's Gospel, we see the Pharisees and scribes accusing Jesus, saying, *This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.* Their disdain is rooted in the belief that holiness should separate one from sinners, not draw them closer. But Jesus, through the parable of the Prodigal Son, reveals the depth of God's love and the shared sinfulness of all humanity.

At first glance, the younger son seems to be the main subject. His reckless choices and return to his father in desperation paint the portrait of a sinner seeking mercy. Yet, the older son's resentment and self-righteousness reveal a more subtle but equally harmful sin: pride. He refuses to celebrate his brother's return, claiming his own righteousness as justification. Both sons, in different ways, are distant from their father's heart, and both are in need of reconciliation.

Turning to John's Gospel, we find another form of misunderstanding. The disciples, upon encountering the man born blind, ask, *Rabbi*, *who sinned*, *this man or his parents*, *that he was born blind*? Their question reflects a common belief that suffering is the direct result of personal sin. Jesus, however, redirects their thinking, saying, *Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him*. Jesus challenges their judgmental perspective and invites them to see the man's blindness not as punishment, but as an opportunity to witness God's glory.

Both readings expose a tendency we all share: the temptation to focus on the sins or perceived flaws of others while neglecting our own need for repentance. We are quick to see the faults of the Prodigal Son or assume blame for the man born blind, but we forget to look within. Outward judgment is easy — it shields us from the discomfort of confronting our own imperfections. But Jesus calls us to a deeper, more introspective path.

The season of Lent provides us with a sacred opportunity to examine our conscience. Are we harboring resentment like the older son? Do we judge others' hardships, assuming they stem from their sins rather than recognizing their dignity as beloved children of God? Do we mask our own shortcomings by pointing out those of others?

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

## Friday, April 4th at 6:00 PM followed by a Fish Fry in the parish hall

Confession Available

This Friday's Stations will feature reflections by Fr. Benedict Groeschel



## **PENANCE SERVICE**

Thursday, April 10 6:30 рм-8:00 рм

Multiple Priests will be available to hear your confession.

## PARISH MISSION

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

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

### **Bear Catholic Lent Appeal**

Help support our college students!



Give online at <u>bearcatholic.com/giving</u> or pick up an envelope at the church entrances.

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## Help Us Clean the Church for Easter!

Saturday, April 5th 10:00 AM-12:00 PM ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME



## **Coffee and Donuts**

Next Sunday, April 6 after the morning Masses Join us for food and fellowship!

## Parish Ministries



## Bear Catholic Campus Ministry

Students: Scan here to see this week's upcoming events





Find us on: facebook.



## First Saturday Rosary and Chaplet

This Saturday April 5 the rosary will be said at 8:20 AM with the Divine Mercy Chaplet immediately following.

Mass begins at 9:00 AM

## Women Growing in Christ

Our next gathering is Saturday, April 5
At 9:45 AM in the church basement

Questions? Contact Susan LaBonde 970-353-3342

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Sunday, April 27th at 11:00 AM

Rehearsal
Tuesday, April 22nd at 5:45-6:45 PM

For more information contact tomoko.creed@gmail.com

## 33 Days to **Eucharistic Glory**

Wednesday Evenings Begins After Easter

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## **Young Adult Group**

<u>Faith Formation</u> Mondays at 7:30 PM at Zoe's Café

Contact Katelyn Mendoza 970-691-1449 katelyn.mendozaweiss@outlook.com

### PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Sarah Aguilar, Dorothy Anders, Francisco Botello Jr, +Al Gallegos, Pete Guerrero, Kim Guy, Beverly Jablonski, +Scott Jones, NJ King, Jean Koch, Joan Lind, Lee Lind, Stacy Long, Sally Martinez, Michael Morel, Larry and Jean Mueller, Jim Patrick, Ailey Perise, Diane Quigley, +Jim Schreck, Ruben Sendego, Doug Seery, Hod Soto, Sonny Unrein, +David Waldschmidt

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## St. Peter Food Pantry

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Canned chicken Syrup Canned pasta meals
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Mac & Cheese cups Beans Baking Mixes
Ramen noodles Snacks Granola bars

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## Baptism Class



If you are a parent or godparent of a child to be baptized, our next class is

Monday, April 7th at 6:00 PM The class is offered for fluent English speakers.

Spanish classes are offered at Our Lady of Peace. Call the office to sign up 970-352-1060

## **Youth Group**

Thursdays 6:30 PM-8:00 PM
All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us!



## Need Help with Yard Work or Spring Cleaning?

The Bear Catholic students are ready to assist!

Saturday, April 12th
Sign up at bearcatholic.com on the "give" tab.

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Today we hear one of the most beloved stories in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving when we, through our own sinfulness, leave his presence, and then through repentance, return to him. The remainder of the Lenten season offers us an opportunity to reflect on God's compassion and our need for reconciliation. Consider celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation and experience God's loving embrace and forgiveness.



## Spiritual Adoption Conception

At the moment of conception, a unique human person was created—me! Remarkably, even though just a

single cell, I already have the entire blueprint that will define my eye and hair color, adult height, and aptitude for math, art, and sports. All that is required now is nourishment, a safe home in which to live and grow, and a loving family.



## Palm Sunday, April 13th

No Adoration this Week

### **Tuesday April 15**

Office closed for Chrism Mass in Denver
Daily Mass at 7:00 AM
No Adult Faith Formation

#### Wednesday, April 16

Gift Shop Closed No Seniors Meeting

#### Holy Thursday, April 17

Office, gift shop, food pantry closed
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM
No Daily Mass
No Youth Group

### Good Friday, April 18

Office closed
Good Friday Service 3:00 PM
Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM (no supper after)

### Holy Saturday, April 19

No Daily Mass Blessing of Easter food 9:00 AM Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM

### Easter Sunday, April 20

Masses at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM (no 6PM)
No Classes
Gift Shop Closed

### Monday, April 21

Office, Gift Shop, and Food Pantry closed
Mass at 12:10 PM

## Around the Area



## Women's Day of Faith

Saturday, April 26th at Our Lady of the Valley

**Unleashed:** How to Receive Everything the Holy Spirit Wants to Give You

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8:45 ам-3:00 рм

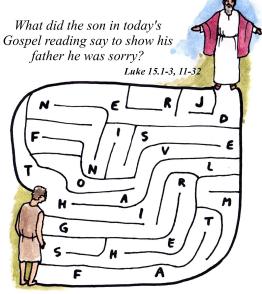
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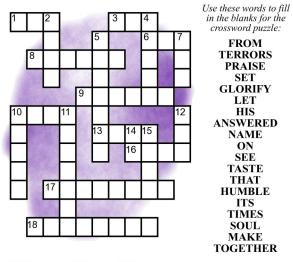
## Faith Formation

## Young Saints-in-Training



As you go through the maze, use only the letters in the right path to fill in the blanks: I. Answers to Cross-Word: ACROSS: 1.his 16.name 17.together 18.answered DOV taste 11.terrors 12.see 14.on 15.make 1.his 3.let DOWN:

## Psalm 34 Cross-Word Puzzle



10D and 12D 10A the Lord is good. I will bless the Lord at all 4D His \_\_\_\_9A \_\_\_ is always 14D my lips; In the Lord my \_\_\_\_ 2D\_\_\_ shall \_\_ 15D\_\_ 6A boast. shall hear and be glad.



the Lord with me. I sought the Lord and he me. 11D he 7D me free all my\_

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Answer to Front Page: Father I have sinned. 6.its 8.humble 9.praise 10.that 13.from 2.soul 4.times 5.glorify 7.set 10.tr

2nd Sorrowful Mystery (Last Week) 3rd Sorrowful Mystery 4th Sorrowful Mystery (Next Week)

## The Crowning with Thorns

"Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, the stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him."

—Matthew 27: 27-31

### **Reflection by Bishop Robert Barron**

Upon being presented to Pilate, Jesus is asked: "Are you the King of the Jews?" A blandly affirmative answer comes: "You say so." This leads the Roman soldiers to place a purple military cloak on his shoulders, a reed in his right hand, and a crown of thorns on his head. They say, "Hail, King of the Jews," and they further mock him by kneeling before him, spitting on him, and striking him on the head with the reed.

But Mark's Gospel does not want us to miss the irony that, precisely as the King of the Jews and the Son of David, Jesus is implicitly King to those soldiers, for the mission of the Davidic king is the unification not only of the tribes of Israel but also of the tribes of all the world. In a meditation he wrote on this mystery, Fulton Sheen calls this mockery of the true King by the soldiers—who presume Jesus' kingship to be false—an atonement for the "sins of the mind," such as egotism, doubt, and pride. The key to honor in the kingdom of God is the willingness to suffer out of love, to give one's life away as a gift. Look at the lives of the saints. It is never about aggrandizing the ego but rather emptying it out.

For this decade, let us savor the way that Christ absorbs the mockery and hatred of the crowd, and thereby reveals the quality of the divine forgiveness and love.



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You can also register on our website.

stpetergreeley.org/parish-registration

## **NEED PRAYERS?**

Call our prayer line at 970-939-5869 or email prayers@stpetergreeley.org.

To sign up to receive prayer requests, text PRAYERLINE to 84576



## Sign up for Adoration

Discover a peaceful haven in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Commit to just one hour each week, day or night, and experience the transformative power of prayer and reflection.

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