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**Parish Mission and Vision**

We are a Christian community from varied roots, united by God, guided by St. James the Greater, worshiping, evangelizing and helping each other toward holiness.

We form our young, adults, and families to develop Christian values, that all may serve the church and community through faith.

*Somos una comunidad Cristiana de raíces variadas, unidas por Dios, guiada por Santiago el mayor, adorando, evangelizando y guiando mutuamente.*

*Formamos a nuestros jóvenes, adultos y familias para desarrollar valores cristianos, que todos pueden server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad.*



**RCIA** If you are an adult, not baptized or baptized other than the Catholic baptism, and would like to join the Catholic Church, the RCIA is a venue to learn the Catholic faith more and eventually get initiated or fully accepted in the Catholic faith. The instruction/formation runs about a year (10 months). If you are interested, join us anytime. Normally, initiation happens at Easter Vigil. Easter Vigil is on the eve on Easter Sunday. Call 503-829-2080 for more information. Come and see.

**C A L E N D A R**

March 12, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross  
March 14, 10:00am Second Scrutiny (RCIA)  
March 19, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross  
March 21, 10:00am Third Scrutiny (RCIA)  
March 26, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross  
March 28, Palm Sunday  
April 1, Maundy Thursday  
April 2, Good Friday  
April 3, Easter Vigil  
April 4, Easter Sunday  
April 9-11, Retiro de Iniciacion



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**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE LA SEMANA SANTA**

Palm Sunday (Domingo de Ramos)  
Regular Mass Schedule (Misa del Domingo regular)  
Maundy Thursday (Jueves Santo) 7:00PM  
Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration after Mass and then adoration (Reposicion del Santisimo despues de la Santa Misa y luego adoracion) 8:30pm - 12:00am  
Good Friday (Viernes Santo)  
Stations of the Cross 12:00pm  
Veneration of the Cross 6:00pm  
Easter Vigil (Vigilia Pascual) 8:30pm  
Easter Sunday (Domingo de Pascua)  
Regular Mass Scedhule (Misa del Domingo regular)

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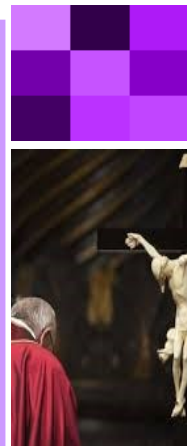


**Collection Update for February 27-28, 2021**

Collection \$ 3 627.69  
Estimated Expense for the Week \$ 3 100.00  
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Thank you all for your constant support to the welfare of our parish family. Please continue to help us in the best way possible that you can.

Show your love to our parish. Be generous of your time, talent and treasure. For volunteers and donations, contact the office 5038292080.



March 7, 2021

III Lent



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**Fr. Cit's Column**

On fasting and abstinence. Give up chocolate. Give up TV time. Give up long hours of internet use. In an industrialized economy, there are plenty of comforts to give up. Before, it did not make sense to me. Now I understand it the way I understood how, in my past, I do not necessarily do a lot of effort to abstain from meat. You have to give up a lot. We do not have even meat to give up. It is normal to give up more where there is plenty as it is normal to give up nothing more than what is already nothing.

Fasting and abstinence encourage solidarity with those suffering from serious political, economic, social and spiritual maladies. Hopefully that solidarity with the suffering awaken a passion for the promotion of the good of all humanity. While there are many advocacies for equality and justice in various forms and levels, the suffering of many has not been eradicated or abetted.

What would help achieve our Christian obligation towards our brothers and sisters? According to the challenge Jesus issued to his detractors: fast from corruption, discrimination, prejudice and uncharitable actions.

The disadvantaged continue to be abused because conscience no longer guide our choices. Each of us has a moral obligation to do what promotes the good of the other. This problem the world is enduring is a test to that need. Are we going to be indifferent?

In the race to get the vaccine, with the ideal to achieve herd immunity in the whole world, what plays out realistically is the power that money and influence can do. The industrialized countries have the machinery to ease out their programs, while the rest of the world is struggling to secure supply. The richer countries have their vaccine roll out go steady while the poorer ones have not started giving the jab. How many comforts are we going to give up to let our world know what conscience there is to promote the good of all.-30-

Sobre ayuno y abstinencia. Ríndete al chocolate. Renuncia a la hora de la tele. Renuncie a largas horas de uso de Internet. En una economía industrializada, hay un montón de comodidades que renunciar. Antes, no tenía sentido para mí. Ahora lo entiendo de la manera en que comprendí cómo, en mi pasado, no necesariamente hago un gran esfuerzo para abstenerme de la carne. Tienes que rendirte mucho. Ni siquiera tenemos carne que renunciar. Es normal renunciar más donde hay mucho, ya que es normal renunciar a nada más que lo que ya no es nada.

El ayuno y la abstinencia fomentan la solidaridad con quienes sufren graves males políticos, económicos, sociales y espirituales. Esperemos que la solidaridad con el sufrimiento despierte una pasión por la promoción del bien de toda la humanidad. Si bien hay muchas advocaciones a favor de la igualdad y la justicia en diversas formas y niveles, el sufrimiento de muchos no ha sido erradicado ni incitado.

¿Qué ayudaría a alcanzar nuestra obligación cristiana con nuestros hermanos y hermanas? Según el desafío que Jesús lanzó a sus detractores: ayuno de la corrupción, la discriminación, los prejuicios y las acciones incaritables.

Los desfavorecidos siguen siendo abusados porque la conciencia ya no guía nuestras decisiones. Cada uno de nosotros tiene la obligación moral de hacer lo que promueve el bien del otro. Este problema que el mundo está soportando es una prueba de esa necesidad. ¿Vamos a ser indiferentes?

En la carrera por obtener la vacuna, con el ideal para lograr la inmunidad de rebaño en todo el mundo, lo que se desarrolla de manera realista es el poder que el dinero y la influencia pueden hacer. Los países industrializados tienen la maquinaria para aliviar sus programas, mientras que el resto del mundo está luchando por asegurar el suministro. Los países más ricos tienen su puesta en marcha de la vacuna va constante, mientras que los más pobres no han comenzado a administrar la vacuna. Cuántas comodidades vamos a renunciar para que nuestro mundo sepa qué conciencia hay para promover el bien de todos.-30-

**MASS INTENTIONS**

March 6, 5:30 Connie Johnson +, P. Benedo A.  
March 7, 8:00  
March 7, 10:00 Maria de Jesus Galvan Camacho, Fam  
March 7, 12:00 St. James Parish,  
March 7, 2:00 P. Benedo Archila  
March 8, 9:00/10:00 Francisco Javier Garcia, Fam  
March 9, 9:00/10:00 P. Benedo Archila  
March 10, 9:00/10:00 Erminia Jacobo +, P. Benedo A  
March 11, 9:00/10:00 Antonuio Galvan Camacho +  
March 12, 9:00/10:00

**MASS TIMES**

**M-F 9:00AM & T 5:30PM**  
**Sat 5:30PM**  
**Sun 8:00AM, 10:00AM,**  
**12:00PM, 2:00PM(Span)**  
**Adoration 9:30AM—8:00PM**  
**Confession Sat 4:00-5:00PM**  
**but always available as needed**

## THE SEASON OF LENT III *From the Directory of Popular Piety*

Of all the pious exercises connected with the veneration of the Cross, none is more popular among the faithful than the Via Crucis. Through this pious exercise, the faithful movingly follow the final earthly journey of Christ: from the Mount of Olives, where the Lord, “in a small estate called Gethsemane” (Mk 14, 32), was taken by anguish (cf. Lk 22, 44), to Calvary where he was crucified between two thieves (cf. Lk 23, 33), to the garden where he was placed in a freshly hewn tomb (John 19, 40-42). The love of the Christian faithful for this devotion is amply attested by the numerous Via Crucis erected in so many churches, shrines, cloisters, in the countryside, and on mountain pathways where the various stations are very evocative. The Via Crucis is a synthesis of various devotions that have arisen since the high middle ages: the pilgrimage to the Holy Land during which the faithful devoutly visit the places associated with the Lord's Passion; devotion to the three falls of Christ under the weight of the Cross; devotion to "the dolorous journey of Christ" which consisted in processing from one church to another in memory of Christ's Passion; devotion to the stations of Christ, those places where Christ stopped on his journey to Calvary because obliged to do so by his executioners or exhausted by fatigue, or because moved by compassion to dialogue with those who were present at his Passion. In its present form, the Via Crucis, widely promoted by St. Leonardo da Porto Maurizio (+1751), was approved by the Apostolic See and indulgenced(137), consists of fourteen stations since the middle of seventeenth century. The Via Crucis is a journey made in the Holy Spirit, that divine fire which burned in the heart of Jesus (cf. Lk 12, 49-50) and brought him to Calvary. This is a journey well esteemed by the Church since it has retained a living memory of the words and gestures of the final earthly days of her Spouse and Lord. In the Via Crucis, various strands of Christian piety coalesce: the idea of life being a journey or pilgrimage; as a passage from earthly exile to our true home in Heaven; the deep desire to be conformed to the Passion of Christ; the demands of following Christ, which imply that his disciples must follow behind the Master, daily carrying their own crosses (cf Lk 9, 23).

The following may prove useful suggestions for a fruitful celebration of the Via Crucis:

- the traditional form of the Via Crucis, with its fourteen stations, is to be retained as the typical form of this pious exercise; from time to time, however, as the occasion warrants, one or other of the traditional stations might possibly be substituted with a reflection on other aspects of the Gospel account of the journey to Calvary which are traditionally included in the Stations of the Cross;
- alternative forms of the Via Crucis have been approved by Apostolic See or publicly used by the Roman Pontiff: these can be regarded as genuine forms of the devotion and may be used as occasion might warrant;
- the Via Crucis is a pious devotion connected with the Passion of Christ; it should conclude, however, in such fashion as to leave the faithful with a sense of expectation of the resurrection in faith and hope; following the example of the Via Crucis in Jerusalem which ends with a station at the Anastasis, the celebration could end with a commemoration of the Lord's resurrection.

Innumerable texts exist for the celebration of the Via Crucis. Many of them were compiled by pastors who were sincerely interested in this pious exercise and convinced of its spiritual effectiveness. Texts have also been provided by lay authors who were known for their exemplary piety, holiness of life, doctrine and literary qualities. Some of the recent Pope's have their own version of the Stations, including Pope St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict and Pope Francis.

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## CELEBRATION OF HOPE

SATURDAY MAR. 13, 2021 | 4:30PM - 6:00PM

[WWW.AVCAST.ME/CATHOLICCHARITIES](http://WWW.AVCAST.ME/CATHOLICCHARITIES) 

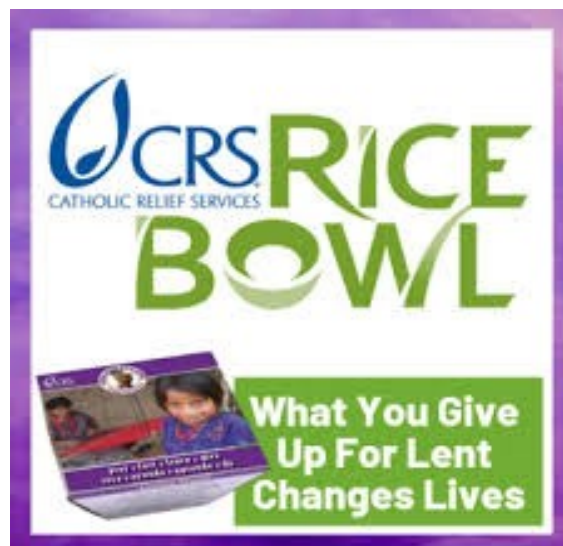
We're gathering together virtually to celebrate hope and to spread goodwill to those in greatest need. Please join us for our annual Celebration of Hope gala and help us give others a chance for a brighter tomorrow.

2020 was an unprecedented year of extreme challenges, but the support of our Catholic Charities network hasn't wavered. Please join us in bringing lasting solutions to poverty and injustice and in celebrating hope for the coming year.

Individual tickets are **FREE** and sponsorships are still available! RSVP, learn more, donate, tune in, and become a sponsor on our [event website](#).

Thank you for your continued support! We hope to see you there.

Event Co-chairs: Catholic Charities Board Chair Kathy Swift & Eva Garcia



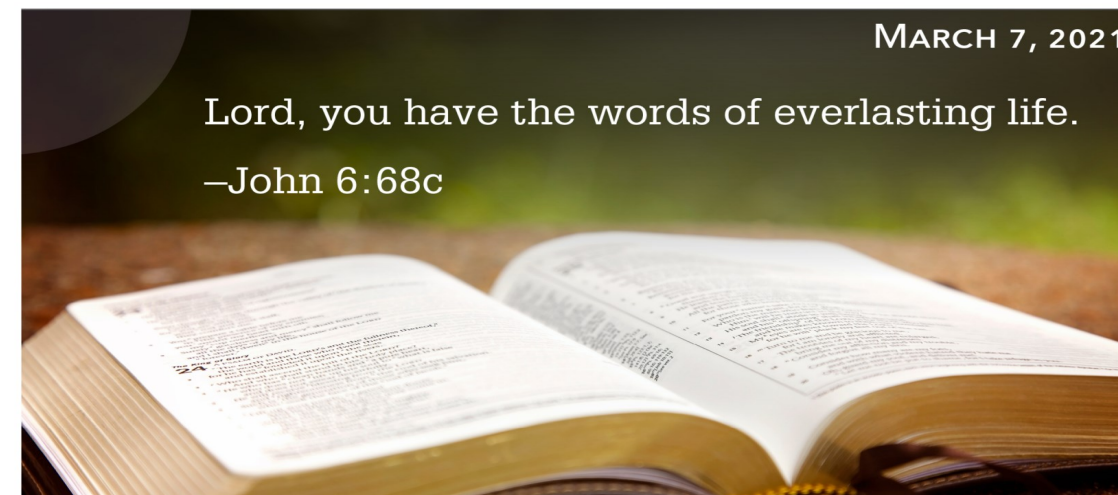
Drop your canned donations in the narthex. Bins are available. Your donations will go to St. Vincent de Paul.

## The Third Sunday of Lent

MARCH 7, 2021

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

—John 6:68c



In today's first reading, we are reminded of the Ten Commandments. Which commandment do you struggle with the most? Aim for one small improvement this week.

### A Prayer for Pope Francis

On March 13th, we celebrate the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' election! Say a prayer for the Holy Father.

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;

Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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