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March 24, 2024 ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



The Hungers with Which We Live

Tenzin Kiyosaki is a former Buddhist nun who now works as an interfaith chaplain at a medical center in Los Angeles. There she tends to the spiritual needs of patients who have less than six months to live. When her brother asked her what it was that dying patients talk about, it led to her book The Three Regrets: Inspirational Stories and Practical Advice for Love and Forgiveness at Life's End. The three regrets she lists are: 1) I did not live the life of my dreams; 2) I did not share my love; and 3) I did not forgive. All too easily it seems we become preoccupied with what in the end becomes peripheral to what we really seek in life.

Today we tell the story of how Jesus' life of loving others came to its final conclusion, one of sacrificial love to the point of death. He came to reveal how such love is an essential dimension of the presence of God at the heart of every human life, and a cornerstone of the kingdom of God he proclaimed and to which he gave his life. To the end, even on the cross, forgiveness was an essential aspect of his life of loving others. The very realities of what Jesus' life was all about are the same hungers we so often fail to recognize as we live our lives, though it is what he continually preached. Coming face to

face with our own mortality seems to make his message most real.

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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday: 7:00pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am (*Weekday holidays* - Mass moves to 9:00am) Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions included in Wednesday Mass Adoration follows Friday Mass.

Masses are available online

Reconciliation Wednesday 6:30 - 7:00pm & Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm or call the parish office for an individual appointment with a priest.

<u>Marriages</u>

A minimum of six months advance notice is required. A marriage preparation program is required to be married in the church.

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule the pre-baptism course and for more information. A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided before the baptism.

Collection March 16/17, 2024

Green Envelopes	\$6,513.50
Loose Collection	1,617.00
E-Transfers	300.00
Total of above	\$8,430.50

Miscellaneous Contributions

Development & Peace \$2,330.00 (Total \$2,425.00) Initial Offering \$10.00 (Total \$3,124.00) Good Friday \$40.00 (Total \$90.00) Easter Sunday \$40.00 (Total \$320.00) Easter Flowers \$315.00 Acknowledged with gratitude.

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend this celebration and it will be livestreamed at www.thebasilica.net and at www.thebasilica.church.

There will be no mass at St. Teresa's on this date so that everyone may attend this celebration.



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 28, 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper ***Incense will be used No 8:00 a.m. mass

Good Friday, March 29, 3:00 p.m. One service only Doors will open at 10:00 a.m. for private prayer

Holy Saturday, March 30, 8:00 p.m. ***Easter Vigil ~ Incense will be used No 5:00 p.m. Mass, No confessions

Easter Sunday, March 31

Regular Mass Times ~ 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Incense will not be used at these masses.



2024 Trouters Special Fundraiser The second draw for our 2024 Trouter's Special Fundraiser, sponsored by St. Teresa's Mundy Pond Corporation, took place on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Our second winner of \$1,000 is: Florencio Abanador (#01941) Congratulations!

Our third draw will take place next Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at the Parish Office at 10:00 a.m. We have 388 tickets available for sale at the Parish Office, Monday - Friday, 9-4. Seven more weekly draws of \$1,000. Final Draw on May 15 for the \$10,000 Grand Prize plus five \$1,000 prizes. That is \$22,000 more in prizes to be won.

Thank you for your support. St. Teresa's Mundy Pond Corporation

Knights of Columbus ~ Fish & Brewis Take Out Dinner ~ Good Friday This is a 16 ounce serving of Fish and Brewis including a dinner roll. The cost is \$20 each and tickets must be purchased in advance. There will be only 160

servings prepared. Tickets are available by contacting Philip Fahey at 709-764-7320 or email josephfahey66@hotmail.com or Doyle Rose at 709-685-6617. Dinners will be ready for pick up in the basement of the church following the Good Friday Service, March 29.

Mass in Gratitude, New Date - Sunday, April 7, 11:00 a.m.

It is with great joy and gratitude that we invite you to join us in celebrating the purchase of our beloved church. We feel blessed to have been able to secure its future for generations to come. We celebrate you and your efforts. We invite you all to join us as we give thanks and ask for God's continued blessings on our community. We hope to see you there.

Knights of Columbus

Weekly crib tournament - every Tuesday, 7pm, St. Teresa's Room, church basement. Enter by west side basement door.



Development and Peace – Share Lent Campaign Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2024! Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the

Reaping our Rights campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$2,425.00. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at devp.org/give.

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Dear Padre,

I am the divorced mother of three young children. My daughter is making her first Communion and I want to go to Communion with her. But I haven't been to Mass in three vears because of my divorce. I am nervous and embarrassed about returning to the Church. What can I do?

Sharing in your daughter's preparation for holy Communion is a lovely desire and a good chance to look closely at your own faith; it may be the "little push" you need. She needs to see in you someone who has faith and is committed to the Church. Taking your children to Mass each Sunday is a good start. You mentioned that you haven't been to church in three years because of your divorce. You may be confused about the teachings of the Church concerning divorce. Divorced Catholics are still full members of the Church and can receive holy Communion. If you have remarried outside the Church, it is a more complicated issue, yet not hopeless. Since you haven't been to Mass in three years, the first step is to talk to your pastor or another priest with whom you feel comfortable. Be honest. Explain why you have stayed away from the Church. Then set up a time to go to confession. And please don't be ashamed or embarrassed about coming back to church. No matter how long it has been, the Church welcomes you home.

March 31 - The Resurrection of The Lord First Reading - Acts 10.34a, 37-43 Second Reading - Colossians 3.1-4 **Gospel** - John 20.1-18++

_____ Mass Intentions March 25 - 31

Monday 7:00pm Gerry Fallon, Marilyn Lawlor, William Lynch Tuesday 8:00am No Mass Wednesday 7:00pm Stephanie Sutton, Julita Muzychka, Maureen Finlay Holy Thursday 7:00pm The Parishioners Good Friday 3:00pm The Parishioners Holy Saturday 8:00pm The Parishioners Easter Sunday 9:00am The Parishioners 11:00am The Parishioners

The veil of darkness transformed to the brightest *light. The most dreadful end became the most* beautiful beginning. The depths of despair fade to reveal hope everlasting. The curse of death defeated *by eternal life.* — *Author Unknown*

Flowers to Decorate the Church

Parishioners may donate a flower in memory of a loved one. You may either bring a flower to the parish office any time from March 25 - 28, or you may put \$10.00 in an envelope and place it in the collection basket or the mail slot at the parish office. Please fill out the following slip and place it with the flower, or put it in the envelope with your donation. If you have parish envelopes please include your envelope number. These will be acknowledged in the bulletin.

Easter Flower donated in memory of:
Ву:
Envelope number
 Enclosed is \$10.00 to purchase flowers Here is my flower

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