



MARCH 29 2020
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
CYCLE A

REFLECTION

At Lazarus' Tomb: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifth Sunday of Lent

As we draw near to the end of Lent, today's Gospel clearly has Jesus' passion and death in view. That's why John gives us the detail about Lazarus' sister, Mary—that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial (see John 12:3, 7). His disciples warn against returning to Judea; Thomas even predicts they will "die with Him" if they go back. When Lazarus is raised, John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus' burial cloths and head covering—all details he later notices with Jesus' empty tomb (see John 20:1, 6, 7). Like the blind man in last week's readings, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for "dead man"—for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death. John even recalls the blind man in his account today (see John 11:37). Like the man's birth in blindness, Lazarus' death is used by Jesus to reveal "the glory of God" (see John 9:3). And again like last week, Jesus' words and deeds give sight to those who believe (see John 11:40). If we believe, we will see—that Jesus loves each of us as He loved Lazarus, that He calls us out of death and into new life. By His Resurrection Jesus has fulfilled Ezekiel's promise in today's First Reading. He has opened the graves that we may rise, put His Spirit in us that we may live. This is the Spirit that Paul writes of in today's Epistle. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will give life to we who were once dead in sin. Faith is the key. If we believe as Martha does in today's Gospel—that Jesus is the resurrection and the life—even if we die, we will live. "I have promised and I will do it," the Father assures us in the First Reading. We must trust in His word, as we sing in today's Psalm—that with Him is forgiveness and salvation.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14
 Psalm: Psalm 130:1-8
 Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11
 Gospel: John 11:1-45

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's liturgy program is on Sunday's at the 10:30 am Mass. Geared towards children in Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 6.

March 29, 2020

GOSPEL THEME: JESUS RAISES LAZARUS

John 11: 1-45



Mass Intentions 
 FOR THE WEEK

MARCH 28TH TO APRIL 4TH 2020

SAT MAR 28TH 5:00 PM - Sophie Lobo †
 SUN MAR 29TH 7:30AM - In Thanksgiving for Katrina Jose
 9:00AM - Helen Stephens †
 10:30AM - Mary Velicevic †
 12:00PM - People of the Parish

TUE MAR 31ST 8:30AM - Marina Jose †
 WED APRIL 1ST 7:30PM - All Souls in Purgatory
 THU APRIL 2ND 8:30AM - Intentions of the President
 FRI APRIL 3RD 7:30PM - Judith Gabriel †
 SAT APRIL 4TH 8:30AM - Special Intention for Charles Faria

OUR SICK:



Fernando Rajasoorier, Rose Green, Georgina DaCosta, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Eccleston, Kathleen Copeland, Silvia Emma Rossi, Conchita Estolano Paran, Margaret Horvath, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Kerrie-Lynn Leonard, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Lilia D. Perez, Jennifer Young, Angie Cantor, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Jean Schofield, Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Sr. Cecilia Marie Ching, Sr. Theresa Ching, Innes Potgieter, Mario Tan Jr., Daniela Alario, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Maureen Dempsey, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Joshua Bolingot, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clera Uy Cruz, Marie Herrera, Frank McPhearson, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Loren Lea Hodgeson, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Tony & Nelie Sicat, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Deacon Gerald Godsoe, Ellen Jarman, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marie McPherson, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Rita Ropke, Marie Dignum, Maria Anna Diandra Rivera, Natalina Fernandes, Umbelina Felix, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Ela Sicat -Angeles.

Confessions and Stations of the Cross Through Lent

Confession and Stations of the Cross will be available through-out Lent Friday evenings. Come and be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God.

7:00pm - Stations of the Cross
 7:30pm - Mass
 8:00pm - Holy Hour with Divine Mercy and Confessions



**2020 DIVINE MERCY
NINE DAYS NOVENA & DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

APRIL 10- GOOD FRIDAY
7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross/Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 11- HOLY SATURDAY
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 12 - EASTER SUNDAY
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 13 - EASTER MONDAY
7:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 14 - EASTER TUESDAY
9:00 am - Divine Mercy Novena After Mass

APRIL 15- EASTER WEDNESDAY
7:00 pm - Perpetual Help Novena
7:30 pm - Mass
8:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 16 - EASTER THURSDAY
9:00 am - Divine Mercy Novena After Mass

APRIL 17 - EASTER FRIDAY
7:30 pm - Mass
8:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 18- EASTER SATURDAY
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 19- DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
2:45 pm - Praise & Worship
3:00 pm - Mass

*Please join us in the Hall after Mass
for refreshments / potluck



Bereavement Peer Support meeting

Date: Saturday April 18 2020
Time: 3 - 4 pm
Location: St. Stephen's Room (downstairs
from the entrance on Markanna Drive)
New members are welcomed.



SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

FIRST COMMUNION



Session No. 1 - Saturday, February 29th
Session No. 2 - Saturday, March 7th
Session No. 3 - Saturday, March 28th
Session No. 4 - Saturday, April 4th
Saturday April 4th - Seder Supper and Potluck at 6:00pm
Session No 5 - Saturday, April 18th
Session No. 6 - Saturday, April 25th
Sunday, April 26th - Parent Meeting and Rehearsal at 1:00PM

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 2 @ 5 pm Mass
Sunday, May 3rd @ 12 pm Mass
Saturday, May 9th @ 5 pm Mass
Sunday, May 10th @ 12 pm Mass

Sunday, June 7th @ 1:00 pm - Certificate Pick-up

Celebrate Your Marriage with a World-wide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

Upcoming Weekend: April 24-26, 2020 - Four Points Sheraton (Argentia Road), Mississauga, ON
For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact:

Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.

The purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer for Easter through prayer, doing penance, mortifying the flesh, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and self-denial. Persons 18 years or older abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent. Every person between the **age** of 18 and 59 (beginning of 60th year) fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (Persons with medical



2020 TRIDUUM AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday - April 9th

NO Morning Mass
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Confessions following Mass

Good Friday - April 10th

12:00 Noon Good Friday: the Lord's Passion
Confessions following The Solemn Liturgy

3:00 pm Good Friday: the Lord's Passion
Confessions following The Solemn Liturgy

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
No Evening Mass
Confessions during and After Stations

Holy Saturday - April 11th

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass
No Confessions

Easter Sunday Masses - April 12th

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12 Noon
NO 7:30 am Morning Mass



Serving Our Neighbours In Need

Bundle up Weekend

SAVE THE DATE : MAY 16/17 2020