



**MARCH 22 2020**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**CYCLE A**

**REFLECTION**

**Eyesight to the Blind:**

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fourth Sunday of Lent

*God's ways of seeing are not our ways, we hear in today's First Reading. Jesus illustrates this in the Gospel—as the blind man comes to see and the Pharisees are made blind. The blind man stands for all humanity. "Born totally in sin" he is made a new creation by the saving power of Christ. As God fashioned the first man from the clay of the earth (see Genesis 2:7), Jesus gives the blind man new life by anointing his eyes with clay (see John 9:11). As God breathed the spirit of life into the first man, the blind man is not healed until he washes in the waters of Siloam, a name that means "sent."*

*Jesus is the One "sent" by the Father to do the Father's will (see John 9:4; 12:44). He is the new source of life-giving water—the Holy Spirit who rushes upon us in Baptism (see John 4:10; 7:38–39). This is the Spirit that rushes upon God's chosen king David in today's First Reading. A shepherd like Moses before him (see Exodus 3:1; Psalm 78:70–71), David is also a sign pointing to the good shepherd and king to come—Jesus (see John 10:11).*

*The Lord is our shepherd, as we sing in today's Psalm. By His death and Resurrection He has made a path for us through the dark valley of sin and death, leading us to the verdant pastures of the kingdom of life, the Church.*

*In the restful waters of Baptism He has refreshed our souls. He has anointed our heads with the oil of Confirmation and spread the Eucharistic table before us, filling our cups to overflowing.*



*With the once-blind man we enter His house to give God the praise, to renew our vow: "I do believe, Lord." "The Lord looks into the heart," we hear today. Let Him find us, as Paul advises in today's Epistle, living as "children of light"—trying always to learn what is pleasing to our Father.*

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](http://www.stpaulcenter.com)

**SUNDAY MASS READINGS**

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6–7, 10–13  
 Psalm: Psalm 23:1–6  
 Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8–14  
 Gospel: John 9:1–41

**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 22, 2020**  
**GOSPEL THEME: A MAN BORN BLIND CAN SEE**  
**John 9: 1-41**



**Mass Intentions**   
**FOR THE WEEK**

**MARCH 21ST TO MARCH 28TH 2020**

SAT MAR 21ST 5:00 PM - Intention of the Presider  
 SUN MAR 22ND 7:30AM - Pam Stephens †  
 9:00AM - Rufina & Cesario Abrazaldo †  
 10:30AM - Deodato Da Costa †  
 12:00PM - People of the Parish

TUE MAR 24TH 8:30AM - Mr. David Marcus  
 WED MAR 25TH 7:30PM - Gerry Auchincloss †  
 THU MAR 26TH 8:30AM - Intention of the Presider  
 FRI MAR 27TH 7:30PM - Curtis Lang †  
 SAT MAR 28TH 8:30AM - Irene D'Souza †

**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](http://www.wwme.org) or contact:**

**Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto: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**



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*Bundle up Weekend*

**SAVE THE DATE : MAY 16/17 2020**