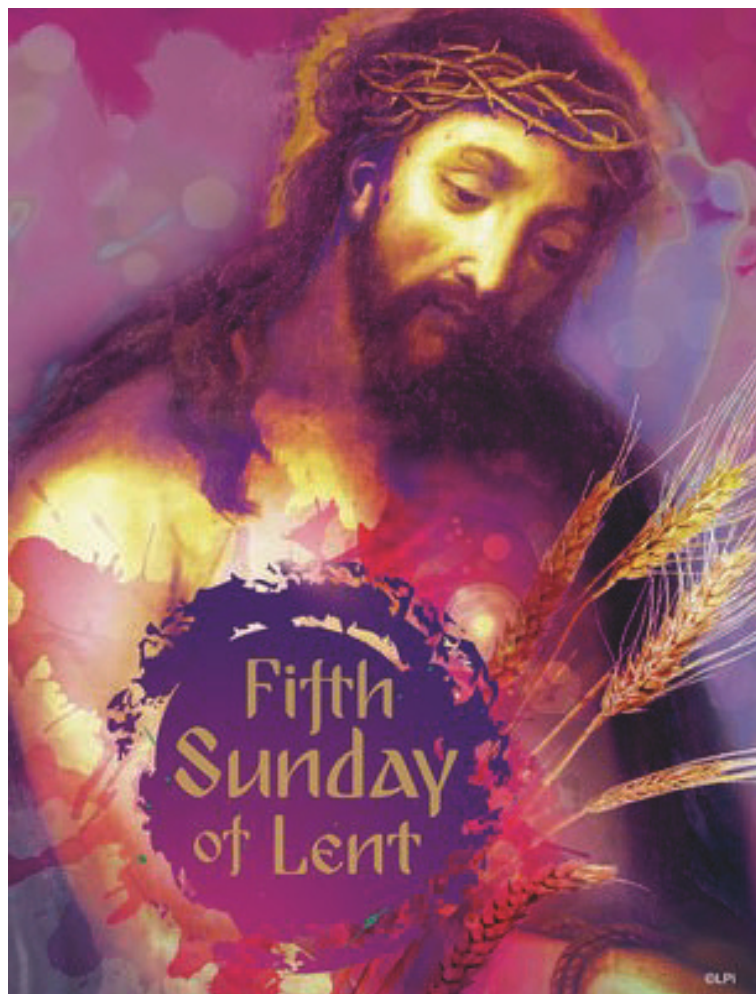


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Sunday, March 29, 2020 | Fifth Sunday of Lent



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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays: 7:45 a.m. (Monday through Saturday)
*First Friday: 7:45 a.m.
11:00 a.m. (when School is in session)*
Holy Days : 7:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Civic Holidays: 7:45 a.m.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

*Saturday: 7:15 to 7:35 a.m. and
3:00 to 3:45 p.m.*

Sacrament of the Sick

*In case of emergency, at any time.
Whenever someone is seriously ill, in
the hospital or homebound, please
notify the parish office.*

Sacrament of Baptism

*Third Sunday of the month at
1:00 p.m., after preparation by
appointment.*

"One in Mind and Heart, Intent Upon God"
~ St. Augustine

MASS INTENTIONS

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Fr. Kelley will be remembering your intentions during his daily private mass

MONDAY, MARCH 30

7:45 Vincenza Ronesi Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

7:45 James Fredricks Sr. Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

7:45 Communion Service

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

7:45 Michael & Angela Zotta Deb Scarchilli

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

7:45 Helene Blain Frank & JoAnne Galarneau

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

7:45 Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

4 pm Michelina M. Cassella Family
Agnes & George Herring Janet & Barbara
Cynthia Knorr Heidi & Jeff Knorr

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

8:00 Ronald Muscatiello Pearl & Ken Perrier
Jan Duclos husband, Bob

10:30 Wilma & Edward C. Sullivan Family
Loretta Marble (30th Anniv) Marion Nielsen

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Calendar of Events

All public Masses and events are cancelled until further notice.

In the absence of mass, here are several resources available for your devotional use:

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE at:

<https://www.rcda.org/livemass>

WATCH DAILY MASS WITH POPE FRANCIS:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope-francis/mass-casa-santa-marta.pagelist.html>

LISTEN TO DAILY MASS at:

<https://www.ewtn.com/radio/listen-live>



Religious Education

All classes are cancelled until further notice. However, we encourage all families to have faithful conversation and prayer with your children.

Students, remember we may not be in our classrooms or our churches, but we easily and safely carry Jesus in our hearts!

First Holy Communion and Confirmation are presently cancelled but will be rescheduled at a later date.



<p>APRIL BREAD</p> <p>In Memory of SILVIO, GLORIA & RONALD FEDERICI Given by FAMILY</p> <p>WINE In Memory of RONALD MUSCATIELLO Given by FAMILY</p>	<p>APRIL SANCTUARY CANDLE</p> <p>In Memory of MARIE L. BECKER Given by SON, JOSEPH</p> <p>In Memory of PRIMEAU FAMILY Given by FAMILY</p>	<p>APRIL MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL</p> <p>In Memory of PAUL SNAY Given by FRIENDS</p>
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READINGS FOR THE 5th SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING

You shall know that I am the LORD,
when I open your graves and have you rise from them,
O my people! (Ez 37:13)

PSALM

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
(Ps 130)

SECOND READING

But if Christ is in you,
although the body is dead because of sin,
the spirit is alive because of righteousness. (Rom 8:10)

GOSPEL (John 11:17-27)

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of

God, the one who is coming into the world.



Gospel Meditation

Even though we say that we believe, there is a part of us that doesn't. There are many times in our lives when we experience death, whether it be the physical death of someone we love, a failed relationship, the loss of a job, or a broken dream. As we are going through these death experiences, we can easily find ourselves reaching out to God to make it better and fix it! We think that the proper order of life is to maintain the things of this world, especially those things that are essential to our sense of well-being and security. We do not like change. The grieving that comes from our death experiences can keep us stuck and in despair. If we have lost something or someone of great value, the very meaning and essence of life is lost with them. We need gentle companions to lift us from despair and that is precisely who God desires to be in our life as well.

God calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" He desperately wants to show us the path to hope and the new life that is possible after loss and death. But our faith can be weak, and we still prefer to cling to the memory of what we had rather than the joyful possibilities of tomorrow. We sometimes live as if God is not real and that the transformative power of His resurrected presence is a story found in the Bible rather than a narrative unfolding in our lives.

God is the God of surprises, not our demise. God opens new possibilities, begins new chapters, creates new verses, and brings us to new heights! We spend so much time and energy ruminating over what we left behind yesterday that we are far too tired to see what can unfold tomorrow. Loving someone new doesn't negate our past loves. Embracing the love of a person, God, or life itself tomorrow doesn't diminish the love of yesterday. Each of our loves is different, and one cannot be replaced by another. They don't cancel each other out. God truly has tended to every detail of our lives, and if we listen to each detail, we find that they all lead us back to Him. Jesus wants us to come out of our closed-up tombs. Are we going to listen this time?

In addition to the sick in our parish, please remember to pray for those who lost their lives to the Coronavirus and their families, for the thousands of people who continue to meet the health needs of all of us during this pandemic; doctors, nurses, and healthcare workers and those in public service and industries who serve us all amidst this crisis .

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Rose Bix, Carol Travis, Anna Papperman, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Margaret Rose DeLucia, Robert Wittemann, Connie Laviolette, Muriel Smith, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Carol Hervieux-Potts, Althea Alger, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Maria Pascarella, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Cathy Powers Vanina, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, John Daly, Bill Dame, Michael Clune, Jacob Ward, Joan Fontaine, Rosemary Gavitt, Donald Berthiaume Jr., Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Carol Hart, Melissa Rice, Paula Navojosky, Nicholas Muscatiello, Father Joseph Getz O.S.A., and Father John Byrnes, O.S.A.,

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