

# Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

## March 7, 2021

### *3rd Sunday of Lent*



#### *Mass Schedule during Covid-19*

*Vigil Mass 5:00 PM (English) - Live-Streamed*

*Sunday 8:30 AM (English)*

*10:30 AM (English) - Live-Streamed*

*12:30 PM (Spanish) - Live-Streamed*

*We will continue to Livestream these masses for those who cannot join us*

*Confessions (During Covid-19 are held in the Parish Hall)*

*Saturday 4pm to 5pm*

*Sunday 9:45am to 10:30am*

**4020 Curtiss Parkway, Virginia Gardens, Florida 33166**

**Parish Office Phone: 305-871-5780 School Office Phone: 305-871-5766**

**Website: [www.blessed-trinity.org](http://www.blessed-trinity.org)**

**[www.facebook.com/BlessedTrinityChurch](https://www.facebook.com/BlessedTrinityChurch)**

**YouTube: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church**

**Instagram: [blessed\\_trinity\\_parish](https://www.instagram.com/blessed_trinity_parish)**



## Parish

Pastoral Staff  
*Fr. José N. Alfaro*  
Pastor

*Fr. Pawel Duda*  
Parochial Vicar

*Dennis Jordan, José Alemán,  
Javier Inda and Ernesto Sosa*  
Deacons

*Olga Venegas*  
Religious Education

*Maria Teresa Perez*  
Director of Development and  
Institutional Advancement

### Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Saturday: CLOSED  
Sunday: 9 am – 2 pm

[reception@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:reception@blessed-trinity.org)  
Phone: 305-871-5780

Parish Mission  
*Bring Christ to All*

## School

Pre-K2 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

School Office Hours  
7:30 am - 3:30 pm

[btschool@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:btschool@blessed-trinity.org)  
Phone: 305-871-5766

*Mrs. Susy Del Riego*  
Principal

### School Mission

*“Blessed Trinity Catholic School’s mission is to witness and nurture the transforming power of the teachings of Christ through academic excellence and servant discipleship”*



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Catholic Church

- Bring Christ to All -



### Baptisms / Bautizos

ENGLISH: First Sunday of every month @ 2PM

ESPAÑOL: Segundo domingo del mes @ 2PM

Baptismal Preparation classes:

ENGLISH: First Thursday of every month @ 7PM

ESPAÑOL: Segundo jueves de cada mes @ 7PM

Communion and Confirmation require 2 years of preparation in order to receive the Sacrament.

*La Primera Comunción y Confirmación requieren 2 años de preparación para recibir el sacramento.*

Holy Matrimony - A date cannot be set until all requirements are met. You should schedule to meet with our priest at least 8—10 months prior to expected wedding date.

*No se puede establecer una fecha hasta que se cumplan todos los requisitos. Usted debe hacer cita con el sacerdote por lo menos 8– 10 meses antes de su boda.*

### Anointing of the Sick / Unción de los enfermos

Anyone who is ill, anticipating surgery, or undergoing medical testing is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

*Cualquier persona que esté enferma, anticipando una cirugía, o sometiendo a pruebas médicas, puede recibir el Sacramento de la Unción de los enfermos.*

### Communion to the Sick / Comunion a los enfermos

If you are homebound for any reason and would like to receive communion, please call the parish office so we can arrange for a minister to come to you.

*Si no puede asistir a Misa y necesita que le traigan la Comunion, por favor llame a la oficina para que le manden un ministro.*

		INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, March 6 Vigil	5:00 PM	†Pat Robertson	The Knigge family
Sunday, March 7	8:30 AM	†Ed & Jeanne Winslow	Mario & Marisa Gonzalez
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
	12:30 PM	†Julio Prospero Jimenez Capia †Francisco Minaya Lopez †Ana Gladys Alfaro de Lopez †Gloria Rodriguez †Valentina Rodriguez †Luis Raul Muñoz-Veloso †Tomas Jose Torres	Su familia Su familia Grupo de intercesión Familia Hoffmann Balbas Her family Fr. Alfaro Ana Maria & Elisa
	5:30 PM	†Dr. Luis Fernandez-Rocha	Lucy Diaz
Monday, March 8	7:30 AM	†Felicia Gilberto Gonzalez †Lydia Maria Graffe	Barbara Baltar Cecilia Cobiah
	6:30 PM	†Marge Lyles †Sandra Pages	The Venegas family The Venegas family
Tuesday, March 9	7:30 AM	Canonization of Sor Maria	Barbara Baltar
	6:30 PM	†Irene Priess	The Venegas family
Wednesday, March 10	7:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro - blessings	Walter Barbara Haas
	6:30 PM	†Ana Gladys Pacheco de Lopez	Venegas family
Thursday, March 11	7:30 AM	†Yareli San Juan †Marge Lyles Mayra Serna - birthday blessings	Bruener family Bruener family Fr. Alfaro
	6:30 PM	†Charlotte Eisele	Her family
Friday, March 12	7:30 AM	Michelle Royal - birthday blessings Joey Wehbe - birthday blessings	Daisy Ebenhack His family
	6:30 PM	Lino y Jenny de la Cruz - bendiciones de cumpleaños	Fr. Alfaro
Saturday, March 13	8:30 AM	†Joe Burke †Irene Priess †††Francis Smith, Lilliam McNaboe & Thomas McNaboe	James & Eve Kelly & fam. Ladies Guild BT family
	5:00 PM	†Timothy Clough	Yocum family
Sunday, March 14	8:30 AM	†Denise Contreras	Her family
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
	12:30 PM	Difuntos de la familia Diaz-Lopez Difuntos de la familia Blanco-Martinez †Luis Castro †Ana Gladys Alfaro de Lopez †Maruca Castaneira †Rossana Vasilievich †Denise Contreras	Lourdes Blanco Lourdes Blanco Su familia Grupo de intercesión Adela Vasilievich Su mamá Familia Venegas
	5:30 PM	Carla & Cameron -Blessings on their wedding	Their family

This Weekend's 2nd Collection is **FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**  
Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America /Apoye la Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina

By supporting the Collection for the Church in Latin America, you help local parishes address the immediate pastoral and material needs of these vulnerable refugee families. Thank you for your generosity to the collection.

Al apoyar a la Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina, usted está ayudando a las parroquias locales a responder a las necesidades pastorales y materiales inmediatas de estas familias de refugiados vulnerables. Muchas gracias por su generosa contribución a la colecta.



Please keep all of these intentions in your daily prayers:

**For our Pastor's Intentions:**

- \* For the sick and suffering of the parish; for those mourning the death of a loved one.
- \* For our country, for the new administration that they may be guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit.
- \* For everyone affected by the Coronavirus and that we find a cure for it.

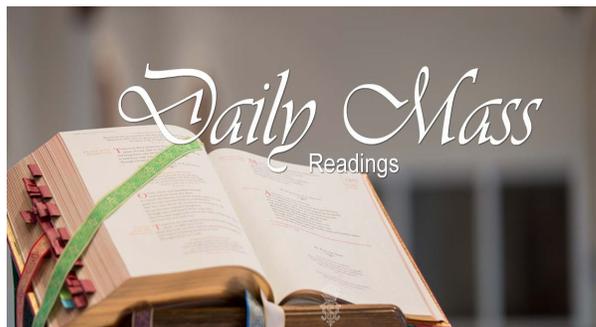
**For our Parish Intentions:**

- \* For the success of the 2021 ABCD campaign, that together, we may continue to change lives.
- \* For a renewed sense of evangelization among our parishioners so that our mission, to Bring Christ to all, may be fulfilled.
- \* For the young adults to recognize the importance of receiving the sacrament of matrimony and having Christ as the center of their union.

**For the Pope's Intentions:** Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

**For the sick and elderly of the parish,** Zach K., Hermes H., Xonia G., David T., Olga Maria B., Juan B., Angel C., Juan A, Miguel N., America V., Robert (Ski) W., Rose B, Pamela C., Juanita S, George & Isabel R., Jordan, Michael S., Patrick, Roger P , Geoffrey P., Larry B., Angeline & Emily M., Jesus, Eugenia & Esteban G., Jose Alberto V., Osvaldo C., Yeelow M., Ozzie C., Peter C., Manolo R. & Fatme R.

**For the eternal repose of the recently deceased members of our parish especially** Caridad Valdez , Palmira Valdes, Maria Piedad Manriquez & Gabriel Rosales



**MARCH 2021**

**8 Mon**

Saint John of God, Religious]  
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30 (237)

**9 Tue**

Saint Frances of Rome, Religious]  
Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35 (238)

**10 Wed**

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 (239)

**11 Thu**

Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 (240)

**12 Fri**

Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34 (241)

**13 Sat**

Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14 (242)

**14 SUN**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 (32)



It is important during this difficult time of "Social Distancing", that we stay in contact, we still need each other and need to keep our momentum and hope on our mission of Bringing Christ to All.

*Es importante durante este momento difícil de "distanciamiento social", que nos mantegamos en contacto, todavía nos necesitamos los unos a los otros y debemos mantener nuestro impulso y esperanza en nuestra misión de llevar a Cristo a todos.*

**Ministries starting via Zoom:**

CCD/Religious Ed	Sunday	9 am
Griefshare	Sunday	2 pm
Men's Emmaus	Tuesday	7 pm
TMIY	Thursday	6 am
Lifeteen	Sunday	6:45 pm
BT Young Adults (BiWeekly)	Wednesday	6 :30 pm

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Come to church and spend an hour in the company of Jesus!**

Every Wednesday  
*Todos los miercoles*

8AM to 1 PM  
and  
7PM to 8:30PM

¡Venga a la iglesia y acompañe a Jesús por una hora!

Be mindful of the social distancing & mask requirements! When you leave, please use the sign that indicates sanitizing is needed in that seat.

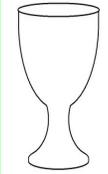
## The Vocation Cup Week of 3/8—3/14

Sousa Family —English  
Jeaneth Huancas— Spanish

Please sign up to host the Vocation Cup for a week in your home, to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Please contact Lourdes at 305-302-6990 to schedule a week of your preference.

**Por favor llame a Ana Maria Sora al 305-298-6703 si quiere rezar de manera especial por las vocaciones durante una semana.**



## The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of March 7, 2021

**Blessings for the marriage of:**  
Carla Smith & Cameron Ollivierre

**Offered by:**  
Pati Kattan



# SAVE THE DATE

We are excited to announce that our  
2021 Parish Festival  
has been scheduled for:

**December 2,3,4 and 5**

Let's continue to pray for an  
end to this pandemic!

## OUTREACH MINISTRY PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY SANDWICHES COLECCION DATES 2021

Collection is at 6pm in front of the Parish Office



March 16 & 30  
April 13 & 27  
May 11 & 25  
June 8 & 22  
July 6 & 20  
August 3, 17 & 31  
September 14 & 28  
October 12 & 26  
November 9 & 23  
December 7 & 21

## 4 Ways To Give

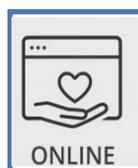


IN PERSON



BY MAIL

4020 Curtiss Parkway  
Virginia Gardens, FL 33166



ONLINE



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[www.Blessed-trinity.org](http://www.Blessed-trinity.org)

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**RECONCILIATION WEEKEND**

Friday March 19th from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.  
Saturday March 20th from 10:00 A.M. to Noon

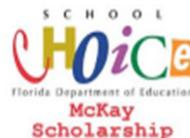
**BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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- St. John Paul II Program for students with special needs
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- Fully accredited



**Contact: 305.871.5766**

**[bts.blessed-trinity.org](http://bts.blessed-trinity.org)**



We will be starting our 4th week!

The meetings will be held weekly on Monday at 7:15 pm, in the church and live streamed for 5 weeks ending with the 7:30 am mass on the Feast day of Saint Joseph on March 19th. **For more information, call the Parish office at 305-871-5780**

*Las reuniones serán semanales, los martes a las 7:30 pm via Zoom por 5 semanas terminando con la misa de 6:30 pm en la Fiesta de San José, el 19 de Marzo.*  
**Para más información, llame a la oficina de la parroquia al 305-871-5780**



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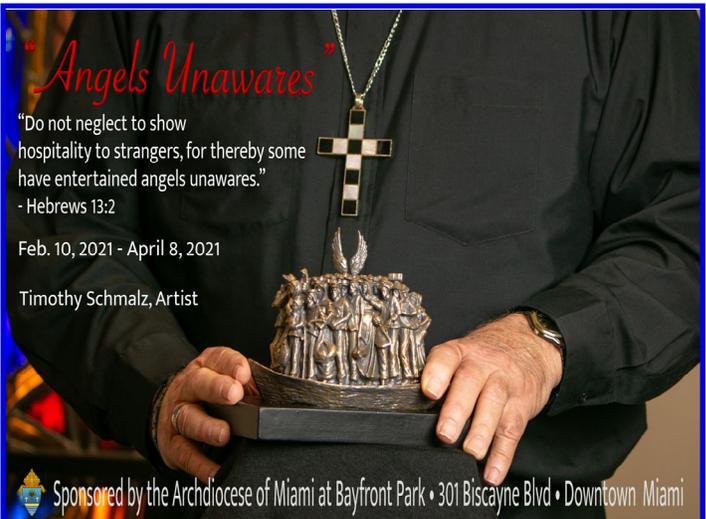
**TOGETHER WE ARE the CHURCH**

**Parish Goal: \$122,602.02**  
**Pledges Received: 103,449.00**  
**Missing to reach Goal: \$ 19,153.02**

We **thank each of you** for your gift that allows us to get one step closer to our goal! But most importantly, we thank you for continuing to be a part of this amazing family that answers the call of bringing Christ to all. We are grateful and thank you for making all we do possible.

Many have sent a gift directly to the Archdiocese, please know that they are still processing donations.

If you would like assistance, please do not hesitate to contact, Tere Perez in our parish office at 305-871-5780.



*“Angels Unawares”*

“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”  
- Hebrews 13:2

Feb. 10, 2021 - April 8, 2021

Timothy Schmalz, Artist

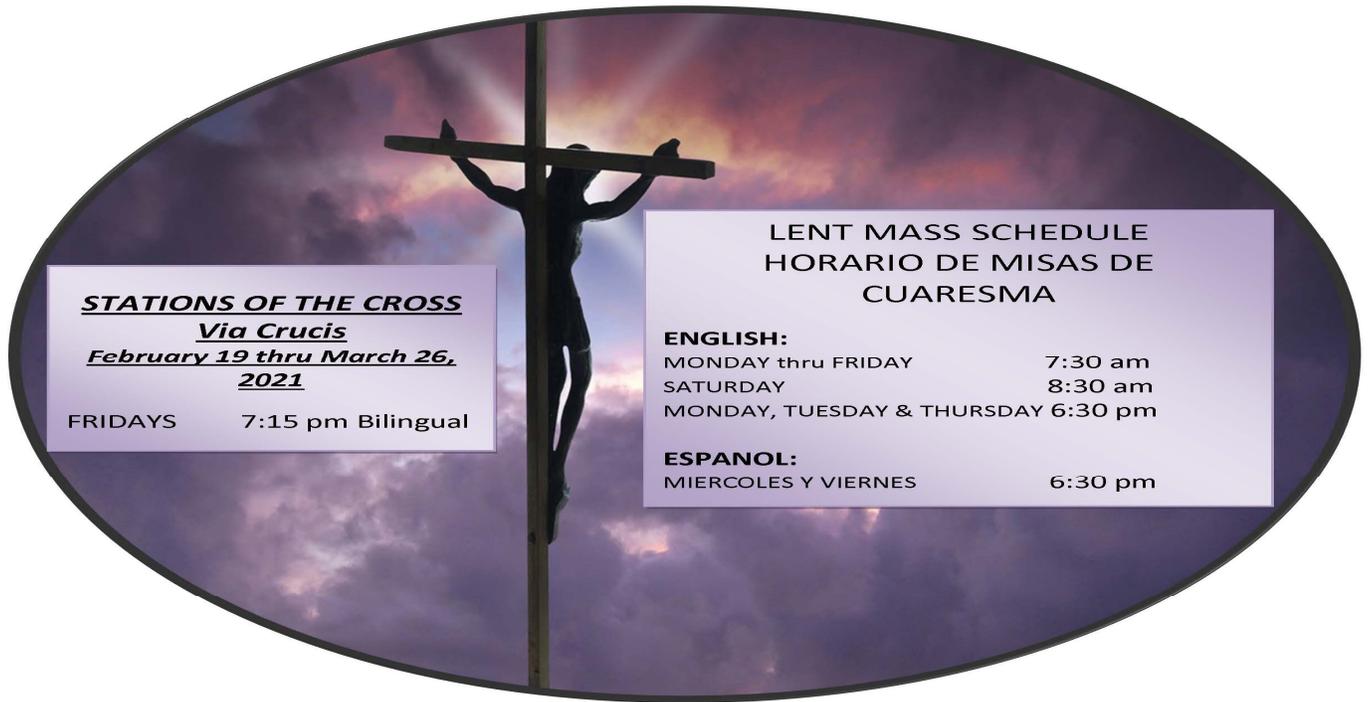
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“No dejen de practicar la hospitalidad, pues saben que algunos dieron alojamiento a ángeles sin saberlo”.  
Carta a los Hebreos 13, 2

10 de febrero, 2021 - 8 de abril, 2021

Timothy Schmalz, Escultor



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**Via Crucis**  
**February 19 thru March 26,**  
**2021**  
 FRIDAYS 7:15 pm Bilingual

**LENT MASS SCHEDULE**  
**HORARIO DE MISAS DE**  
**CUARESMA**

**ENGLISH:**  
 MONDAY thru FRIDAY 7:30 am  
 SATURDAY 8:30 am  
 MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY 6:30 pm

**ESPAÑOL:**  
 MIÉRCOLES Y VIERNES 6:30 pm

# LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Fasting	Abstinence
Ash Wednesday Good Friday	Every Friday during Lent
Ages 18-59	Ages 14+

**How do we fast?**

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

**Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?**

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).




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**Lenten penances that can be life transforming for us and those around us:**

- 1- Come to daily Mass during Lent or at least add one additional Mass during the week.
- 2- Arrive early to church. Make it a point to arrive ahead of time and spend a few minutes praying.
- 3- Observe silence in Church and show reverence before the Blessed Sacrament present in the Tabernacle.
- 4- Read and meditate the daily Mass readings.
- 5- Consecrate yourself to St. Joseph
- 6- Pray the Rosary and/or the Divine Mercy Chaplet either individually or with your family daily or once a week.

**Penitencias de cuaresma que pueden transformar sus vidas y las de los que los rodean:**

- 1- Venga a misa diaria, o por los menos venga a una misa adicional durante la semana.
- 2- Llegue temprano a la misa. Hagase el proposito de llegar unos 15 minutos antes que comience la misa y pase unos minutos en oración.
- 3- Una vez dentro de la iglesia, guarde silencio y muestre reverencia al Santisimo Sacramento presente en el tabernaculo.
- 4- Lea y medite las lecturas de la misa diaria.
- 5- Consagre a San José.
- 6- Rece el Rosario o la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia diariamente o una vez a la semana. solo o con sus familiares.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Why we use Latin in the liturgy, especially in Lent. Here are the main reasons:

- 1- Of the 24 rites in the Catholic Church, 1 Western and 23 Oriental, the Roman or Latin rite is the most widespread, the most universal.
- 2-Latin is a dead language. Unlike other languages that evolve and the meaning of words change over time, with Latin, that is not the case, the meaning remains intact. Besides being a dead language it does not produce jealousy because it is not used in any country, it is only the official language of the Church.
- 3-It is a very precise language with rigorous logic.
- 4-It has a beautiful and poetic style, very suitable for intonation.
- 5-Its sense is universal, Catholic. Easier to follow than many other languages in an increasingly globalized and common world.
- 6-The use of Latin united us with the Church and her liturgy over the centuries, as a symbol of continuity in faith to God, and our response to his love.

During Lent, the Church asks us to surrender ourselves to prayer and to the reading of Scripture, to fasting and to giving alms. The fasting that all do together on Fridays is but a sign of the daily Lenten discipline of individuals and households: fasting for certain periods of time, fasting from certain foods, but also fasting from other things and activities. Likewise, the giving of alms is some effort to share this world equally—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents.

Here are a few reasons why we Fast (from Ascension Press):

- 1- Fasting offers spiritual sacrifice in solidarity with Jesus himself (Matthew 4:1-11).
- 2- It can help us grow in discipline and therefore virtue.
- 3- Fasting brings us into solidarity with the poor.
- 4- It helps us to subordinate created goods to the creator.
- 5- Along with almsgiving and prayer, fasting trains us to be self-gift (love).
- 6- Fasting, along with prayer, is a powerful mode of penance and supplication.
- 7- When we fail at it, fasting reminds us that we are in need of redemption.

## ¿Sabía usted ?

Porque utilizamos el latín en la liturgia, sobre todo en Cuaresma. Estas son las razones principales:

- 1- De los 24 ritos que hay en la Iglesia Católica, 1 Occidental y 23 Orientales, el rito romano o latino es el más extendido, el más universal.
- 2-El latín es una lengua muerta. A diferencia de otros idiomas que evolucionan y el sentido de las palabras cambia con el transcurso del tiempo, eso no sucede con el latín donde el significado se mantiene intacto. Además al ser una lengua muerta no produce celos porque no es utilizada en ningún país, solo es la lengua oficial de la Iglesia.
- 3-Es un idioma muy preciso con una lógica rigurosa.
- 4-Tiene un estilo bello y poético, muy adecuado para la entonación.
- 5-Su sentido es universal, católico. Más fácil de seguirlo que muchos otros idiomas en un mundo cada vez más globalizado y común.
- 6-El uso del latín nos une con la Iglesia y su liturgia a través de los siglos, como un símbolo de continuidad en la fe a Dios, y nuestra respuesta a su amor.

Durante la Cuaresma, la Iglesia nos pide que nos entreguemos a la oración y a la lectura de las Escrituras, al ayuno y a la limosna. El ayuno que todos hacen juntos los viernes no es más que un signo de la disciplina diaria cuaresmal de las personas y los hogares: ayunar durante ciertos períodos de tiempo, ayunar con ciertos alimentos, pero también ayunar de otras cosas y actividades. Del mismo modo, la entrega de limosna es un esfuerzo por compartir este mundo por igual, no sólo a través de la distribución de dinero, sino a través del intercambio de nuestro tiempo y talentos.

Estas son algunas de las razones por las que ayunamos (Ascension Press):

- 1- El ayuno ofrece sacrificio espiritual en solidaridad con Jesús mismo (Mateo 4:1-11).
- 2- Puede ayudarnos a crecer en disciplina y, por lo tanto, en virtud.
- 3- El ayuno nos lleva a la solidaridad con los pobres.
- 4- Nos ayuda a subordinar los bienes creados al creador.
- 5- Junto con la limosna y la oración, el ayuno nos entrena para ser auto-regalo (amor).
- 6- El ayuno, junto con la oración, es un poderoso modo de penitencia y súplica.
- 7- Cuando fallamos en ello, el ayuno nos recuerda que necesitamos redención.



## Archdiocese of Miami Development Corporation Social Media and Bulletin Announcements

**“You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything...” - Exodus 20:4**

How many “gods” do you put before God? “Idols” do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times, they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health. Pray for God’s help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.

**“No te harás ídolos de cualquier forma” - Éxodo 20:4**

¿Cuántos “dioses” anteponeamos a Dios? Los ídolos no siempre toman la forma de cosas físicas, cosas que podemos tocar y sentir. Esos son fáciles de reconocer. Muchas veces toman la forma de cosas que no podemos tocar y son mucho más difíciles de detectar como el orgullo, el poder, el ego, el tiempo, la comodidad o la salud. Rece pidiendo la ayuda de Dios para eliminar nuestros vicios y crecer en virtud.



Office of  
Young Adult  
Ministry

# Young Adult Mass

*all are welcome!*

**MARCH 11, 2021  
8:00 PM**

LENTEN REFLECTION BY  
FR. MATTHEW GOMEZ

MUSIC BY ZANDER

**ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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slaw, dinner roll,  
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**Drinks available for  
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**Every Friday  
from**

**February 19<sup>th</sup>  
to March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**FATHER CARNEY  
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**The Blessed Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Society  
is *Your Society*.**

It is your Dimes, and Dollars (sometimes more), that pays for the overdue FPL Bill, the Water Bill, sometimes the rent, and often pays for the groceries. So when you see the SVDP 'Poor Box' Collection Box at the entrance of the Church, please think of all you can do by supporting. ***Your Blessed Trinity SVDP.***

***To Schedule an appointment please call the parish office. Thank you.***



**STEWARDSHIP**

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

Offertory Totals for  
February 28, 2020  
\$ 6,417.84

**Thank you for your generosity!  
¡Gracias por su generosidad!**

# LENT 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>CNS/Nancy Wiechec</p>			<p><b>March 3</b></p> <p>On the memorial of St. Katharine Drexel, who gave up her wealth to be a missionary, we are reminded, “As a Church, we are called to be missionary disciples who know and live the faith and confidently share the Gospel.”</p> <p><i>(Living as Missionary Disciples, USCCB)</i></p>	<p><b>March 4</b></p> <p>Rededicate yourself to prayer. Set aside time every day, even for just a few moments, to sit with Jesus.</p>	<p><b>March 5</b></p> <p>“To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognize Christ in the poorest, his brethren.”</p> <p><i>(Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1397)</i></p> <p>Learn more about the roots of <a href="#">Catholic Social Teaching</a>.</p>	<p><b>March 6</b></p> <p>“Only by identifying with the least [will we] come at last to be the brothers of all. May God inspire that dream in each one of us.”</p> <p><i>(Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 287)</i></p>
			<p><b>March 7</b></p> <p><b>Third Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>March 8</b></p> <p>“The Church’s obligation to participate in shaping the moral character of society is a requirement of our faith. It is a basic part of the mission we have received from Jesus Christ.”</p> <p><i>(Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, no. 9)</i></p>	<p><b>March 9</b></p> <p>Today is the memorial of St. Frances of Rome, who organized a women’s religious order—the Oblates of Mary—and was known for her great charity. In her honor today, let us pray for those in consecrated life.</p>	<p><b>March 10</b></p> <p>Heart of Jesus, Son of the eternal Father, have mercy on us.</p> <p><i>(Litany of the Sacred Heart)</i></p>
<p><b>March 14</b></p> <p><b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p>The Fourth Sunday of Lent is the midpoint and known as Laetare Sunday. Laetare means “rejoice” and the Church expresses hope and joy in the middle of our penitential Lenten practices.</p>	<p><b>March 15</b></p> <p>“In every act we do, in every step we take, let our hand trace the Lord’s cross.”</p> <p><i>(St. Jerome, Letters, 22.37)</i></p>	<p><b>March 16</b></p> <p>“A clean heart create for me, O God / and a steadfast spirit renew within me.”</p> <p><i>(Ps 51:12, Lectionary)</i></p>	<p><b>March 17</b></p> <p>Today is the memorial of St. Patrick, the “apostle to Ireland”! He wrote, “Our way to repay God is to exalt him and confess his wonders before every nation under heaven.”</p> <p><i>(St. Patrick, Confession, 3)</i></p>	<p><b>March 18</b></p> <p>St. Cyril of Jerusalem honored today was known for his “Catechetical Instructions.” Give thanks for the catechists in your community and all they do to educate children and adults alike.</p>	<p><b>March 19</b></p> <p><b>Solemnity of St. Joseph</b></p> <p>In celebration of the <i>Year of St. Joseph</i>, we pray today for all fathers, that through the example of St. Joseph, they may fully embrace their vocation and accept the privilege and responsibility of caring for their children as St. Joseph cared for Jesus.</p>	<p><b>March 20</b></p> <p>Today is the first day of spring! “Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us.”</p> <p><i>(Pope Francis, Laudato Si’, no. 160)</i></p>

# Reflect. Repent. Restore.

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<p><b>March 21</b></p> <p><b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p>As we journey with Jesus towards Holy Week, remember all those in our world today who carry heavy crosses of poverty, homelessness, and hunger.</p>	<p><b>March 22</b></p> <p>Why is the Lenten season forty days long? <a href="#">In the Bible</a>, forty is typically indicative of a time of testing, trial, penance, purification, and renewal.</p>	<p><b>March 23</b></p> <p>Today, we mark the memorial of St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, a Spanish-born evangelizer who was sent as a missionary to Peru and opened the first seminary in the New World. In his honor, pray for vocations.</p>	<p><b>March 24</b></p> <p>“Keep your eyes fixed on the outstretched arms of Christ crucified, let yourself be saved over and over again.” <i>(Pope Francis, <a href="#">Christus Vivit</a>, no. 123)</i></p>	<p><b>March 25</b></p> <p><b>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</b></p> <p>Today is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, celebrating the incarnation of Christ in Mary’s womb. Take time to pray the Hail Mary, taken in part from the angel’s words to Mary.</p>	<p><b>March 26</b></p> <p>“Forgiveness first sets free the person who had the courage to grant it.” <i>(Pope Benedict XVI, Address, May 6, 2006)</i></p>	<p><b>March 27</b></p> <p>“My dwelling shall be with them; / I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” <i>(Ez 37:27, <a href="#">Lectionary</a>)</i></p>
<p><b>March 28</b></p> <p><b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b></p> <p>In one week, we will celebrate Easter Sunday. Pray that the Lord allow you to accompany him serenely during these Easter mysteries and you may emerge from them renewed in faith, hope and charity.</p>	<p><b>March 29</b></p> <p>Holy Week is here. How have you grown throughout your Lenten journey?</p>	<p><b>March 30</b></p> <p>Take time this week to go to confession. Before celebrating the Sacrament of Penance, prepare yourself with an <a href="#">examination of conscience</a>, which involves reflecting prayerfully on one’s thoughts, words, and deeds in order to identify any sins.</p>	<p><b>March 31</b></p> <p>Lent officially ends tomorrow as the Mass of the Lord’s Supper begins. Contact your parish to learn more about how you can participate in the moving liturgies of the Triduum.</p>	<p><b>April 1</b></p> <p><b>Holy Thursday</b></p> <p>“If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, / you ought to wash one another’s feet.” <i>(In 13: 14, <a href="#">Lectionary</a>)</i></p>	<p><b>April 2</b></p> <p><b>Good Friday</b></p> <p>As we mark the day on which Jesus was crucified, pray the <a href="#">Stations of the Cross</a> to reflect on Christ’s Passion.</p>	<p><b>April 3</b></p> <p><b>Holy Saturday</b></p> <p>As you prepare for Easter, reflect on your Lenten journey and think about how you can continue to grow throughout the Easter season.</p>
<p><b>April 4</b></p> <p><b>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</b></p> <p>“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.” <i>(Ps 118:24, <a href="#">Lectionary</a>)</i></p>	<p>“I ask Mary Most Holy to pray that our Lenten celebration will open our hearts to hear God’s call to be reconciled to himself, to fix our gaze on the paschal mystery, and to be converted to an open and sincere dialogue with him. In this way, we will become what Christ asks his disciples to be: the salt of the earth and the light of the world (cf. Mt 5:13-14).”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Pope Francis, <i>Message for Lent</i>, 2020</p> <p><small>This calendar may be printed and distributed without charge in its original format only for personal and institutional use. No other use of the copyrighted content is permitted. <i>Lectionary for Mass for Use in the Dioceses of the United States</i>, second typical edition, copyright © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. All rights reserved. Neither this work nor any part of it may be reproduced, distributed, performed or displayed in any medium, including electronic or digital, without permission in writing from the copyright owner. Scripture excerpts used in this work are taken from the <i>New American Bible, Revised Edition</i>, copyright © 2010, 1991, 1986, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Quotes from Pope Francis, Pope Benedict XVI, copyright © 2006, 2008, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2020 Libreria Editrice Vaticana, Vatican City State. All rights reserved. Used with permission.</small></p> <p><small>Copyright © 2021, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved.</small></p>					 <p style="text-align: right;"><small>CNS/Paul Haring</small></p>



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