



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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A Parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent March 31, 2019

DIVINE WORSHIP ORDER OF HOLY MASS

Low Mass 8:00 am, Sung Mass 10:30am, Low Mass 6:00 pm

Collect

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace, may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

First Reading

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

In those days: The LORD said to Joshua, "This day I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." While the sons of Israel were encamped in Gilgal they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month at evening in the plains of Jericho. And on the next day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. And the manna ceased on the next day, when they ate of the produce of the land; and the sons of Israel had manna no more, but ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

8:00 am & 6:00 pm Masses said by lector and people after the First Reading. Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 am Mass

Gradual

I was glad when they said unto me:
we will go into the house of the Lord.
V. Peace be within thy walls:
and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Brethren: If any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*8:00 am & 6:00 pm Masses chanted by priest and people.
Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 am Mass*

Tract

They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion:
which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.
V. The hills stand about Jerusalem:
even so standeth the Lord round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

At that time: The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.'" And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

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But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. "Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Behold, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"



A Letter from the Bishop

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter,

It is my privilege and joy to share with you the happy news that our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed our own Father Carl Reid as Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross in Australia. This comes as the Holy Father has accepted the retirement of Monsignor Harry Entwistle, who headed the Ordinariate there since its founding in 2013.

Australia's new Ordinary, Fr. Carl Reid, was born on December 14, 1950 and was baptized on January 14, 1951 in the Anglican Church of Canada. Most of his ministry as an Anglican was spent in Ottawa, Ontario.

Fr. Carl will be installed as Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross on Tuesday, August 27, at 7pm at the Cathedral of St. Mary's in the Archdiocese of Sydney by the Archbishop, Most Rev. Anthony Fisher, O.P. Archbishop Fisher will be joined by Archbishop Augustine DiNoia, O.P. Adjunct Secretary of Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Monsignor Keith Newton from the UK Ordinariate and I will be representing our respective Ordinariates at the Installation celebrations. All of our clergy and faithful are welcome, though admittedly it's a long way to go for Mass!

Please join me in praying for Fr. Carl and for his wife, Barb, as they transition into this new adventure. Those of you planning to attend the Ordinariate Chrism Mass on April 11 will have the opportunity to congratulate Fr. Carl in person. I have asked him to preach the homily at our annual Chrism Mass.

With prayerful best wishes, I am
Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Steven J. Lopes.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Intercessions (Form III)**

For those expecting children: Mary & Peter; Katie & Dan; Joan & John Paul; Bethany & Seth.

For those celebrating anniversaries: *Monday:* John Paul Morris [B]; Mary Jane Morris [B]; *Tuesday:* Joseph LeBlanc [B]; Kristobal Takawo [B]; Kristobal & Kazue Takawo [W]; *Wednesday:* Caleb Skinner [B]; Timothy Harron [B]; Jon & Eileen Hager [W]; *Thursday:* Linda Ledek [B]; Kazue Takawo [B]; Bill & Ellen Thomas [W]; *Friday:* Chuck Lynk [B]; Jessica Pratt [B].

For those in special need: Allen; Leonard Chaires & family; The Thompson family; Tommy; Nina; Dang; Soan; Jonathan; Patrick; Jameson; Joseph; Andy; Elizabeth; Buddy; Grant; Charlotte; Christopher; Dorothy; Michael; Ryan; Damian; Jaime; Isabella; Ronald; Laura Ann; Carol; Ann; Emma; Beverly; Shelli; Echo.

For those serving in our armed forces: Lucas; Patrick; Richard; Victor; Byron; Luke; Tommy; Christian; Chelsey; Dillon; Mathew; Alton; Annie; Josh; Sebastian; Brandon; James; Jacob.

For the faithful departed:

Recently Departed:

Anniversaries of Death: *Sunday:* Russ Meyers; *Monday:* Balthasar Szarka, O Cist., priest; *Tuesday:* Pope John Paull II; Michael Boyer; *Wednesday:* Frank O. Cox; *Thursday:* Richard Judge; *Friday:* Cecilia Nayanwu; Elizabeth Holtz; *Saturday:* Alfred Joseph Keenan; Thelma Collins.

MUSIC

**Mass setting is the Simple Chant Mass in Latin.
The Kyrie, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei are in the Missal
and Hymnal in your pew They can be found on MS 2.**

Offertory Hymn	*140
<i>Wilt Thou forgive that sin, where I begun"</i>	
MYSTERIUM FIDEI	MS 14
PATER NOSTER	MS 17
Communion Hymn	*470
<i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i>	
Communion Anthem	E 4
<i>In the Lord's Atoning Grief</i>	

*Please note that Hymn numbers with no letter refer to the red or blue "82 Hymnal" in the pews.

**Adult Choir meets on Thursday at 7:00 pm.
Youth Choir meets on Sunday
after the 10:30 am Mass until 1:00 pm.**



The Parish Offering

Weekly Offertory Forecast.....	\$6,000.00
Actual Offertory Collected.....	\$6,350.00
Variance.....	\$350.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. MARY'S THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 31

Masses at 8:00 am, 10:30 am. 6:00 pm
Religious Ed at 9:15 am

Monday, April 1

Mass at 12:00 pm

Tuesday, April 2

Mass at 7:00 pm
S.I. Christopher Hardy

Wednesday, April 3

Confessions at 11:00 am
Mass at 12:00 pm

Thursday, April 4

Mass at 12:00 pm
S.I. Kenneth Basile, RIP
Men's Examen Group at 10:30 am

Friday, April 5

Mass at 9:00 am
S.I. George Marquez
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00 am–6:00 pm
K of C Lenten Fish Fry at 5:30 pm
Stations of the Cross, Adoration & Benediction at 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 6

Mass at 9:00 am
S.I. Ryan Thompson, RIP
Confessions 10:00–11:00 am
Saturday Morning Martyrs Men's Group at 8:00 am

Sunday, April 7

Masses at 8:00 am, 10:30 am. 6:00 pm
Religious Ed at 9:15 am
K of C Meeting at 12:30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY IS THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Totus Tuus -- Totally Yours, Totally Catholic

The Eucharist is at the heart of the Totus Tuus Vacation Bible School program that will be coming to St. Mary the Virgin on July 13-20. Fr. Dean will preside at a Mass each day that will be an integral part of the Totus Tuus. Other pillars of the program are Marian devotion, catechetical instruction, vocational discernment and fun. The program is presented by four college-age missionaries, two women and two men, who are selected for their love of the faith, energy, enthusiasm, commitment to spiritual growth, and desire to work with youth. Totus Tuus is split into two offerings one for children from 9 AM to 2:30 PM, and one for older youths from 7:30 to 9:30 PM. Plan now for your children to attend and by all means have them bring their friends.

Spaces are Filling Up: Discernment Days June 26-29

The Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter is hosting Discernment Days June 26-29, 2019 in Houston. Attendees must have a Pastor's letter of recommendation for their acceptance to the program. Attendees must have their own transportation to/from Houston, otherwise they will be guests of the Ordinariate. Participation is limited to 12 young men who will be selected from among the applicants.

These days are for young men (age 16 and a Junior in High School to age 30) who are open to discerning a call to the priesthood. The Days will include presentations on such topics as Seminary Life and the Life of Prayer, the Life of ministry, the Gift of Celibacy, and the Missionary Life of the Ordinariate. Centered in prayer, there will be daily Mass and Eucharistic Holy Hours. The time will also include time for conversation & recreation. They will conclude on Saturday by being a part of the congregation at the Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham.

To nominate young men from your Parish or Parochial Community contact Fr. Rick Kramer at the Chancery by phone 346-247-2205 or by e-mail vocations@ordinariate.net

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

If you are scheduled to serve but unable to please arrange substitutes & call (817.460.2278) ASAP.

March 31

8:00 am Altar Server	Jon Carr
Ushers	Nance FitzGibbon & Eli Castro
10:30am Master of Ceremonies	Br. Michael Bell.
Thurifer	Gilbert Irlbeck
Crucifer	Peter Irlbeck
Torchbearers	Jake Garland / Luke Garland
Boat Boy	Matt Garland
First Reading	Rease Parton
Intercessory Prayers	Meg Jones
Ushers	Brandon Brinkley / Stephen Schmitt
6:00pm Altar Servers	William Harvey / Paul Denning (C)
Ushers	TBD
Office Help	Terry Southard / TBD



On Friday, April 5, the K of C will host a Lenten Fish Fry. Come & enjoy fried fish & hush puppies! **Doors will open at 5:30 pm and Stations of the Cross will begin at approximately 7:00 pm. Ticket Prices are:** Ages 16+ \$7.50, ages 9 – 15 \$5.00 & ages 8 & younger, No Charge. Family Max is \$30.00.

Getting Earth into the Bargain

“If your aim is earth alone, says C.S. Lewis, you will lose it, but if you aim for heaven, you will get earth into the bargain...

“That is the open secret that we all find so hard to learn. Love does not hoard itself up but gives freely, gives with abandon; so that he who seeks first of all to save his life shall lose it, but he who is willing to lose his life shall save it. The corollary for culture and civilization is clear enough. You cannot save a culture by raising culture to the ultimate good. That is what the sad prophet of culture Matthew Arnold tried to do, once he had lost the sunny liberal Christian faith of his father, Thomas Arnold, headmaster of Rugby. He believed that we would be saved from anarchy by being immersed in the best that has been thought and said and done. Ralph Waldo Emerson, the everlastingly optimistic American, believed much the same. It did not work out. Cut off from the springs of the divine, the best that has been thought and said loses all conviction, and the best that has been done seems utterly impossible ever to do again – as the cathedral of Chartres and the monastery at Mont-Saint-Michel seemed to the faith-starved Henry Adams.

“He who would save a culture or a civilization must not seek first the culture or the civilization, but the Kingdom of God, and then all those other things, says Jesus, shall be given unto him as well. (emphasis added) That is not simply a promise that a person believes or not but a revelation of the inner logic of a culture’s being. Just as we cannot produce joy on an assembly line, or even seize joy by seeking it, but rather receive joy as a gift when we are seeking something greater than joy – when we give ourselves away in love – so we cannot produce culture except as it comes to us through our seeking what is higher than culture. “I will go in unto the altar of God,” says the psalmist in Jerome’s translation, “to God, who giveth joy to my youth.” So too with culture.

The medieval painters who dwelt lovingly upon the countenances of Mary and the infant Jesus had no notion that they were giving to art an impetus that had been missing in it since the time of Aristotle and Alexander, the careful meditation upon the human face and figure, but that is what they did, and they never would have done it had their aim been a footnote in a textbook on art history and not something else...Take away the devotion and you take away the soul. The cynic and the agnostic are kissing cousins – if they can quit muttering long enough to kiss at all. The cynic and the agnostic achieve little, because they cannot fling themselves away in divine charity. They are too timid for that. Even their motto rings hollow: “Let us eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die.” They eat and drink, but they are not particularly merry, and fearing that they will be slow in dying, and knowing no meaning either to suffering or to pleasure, they wish to conscript” others, including professions such as physicians “into the ranks of the executioners” or with those who would kill divine joy wherever they find it...Someday “people will wake up and say, “Why did we believe such a mass of stupidities, cruelties, and lies? What was the point of it all?”

Out of the Ashes, Rebuilding American Culture by Anthony Esolen 2017

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Priest: Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

All: O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest: Bless our families. / Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

Priest: Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

A. M. D. G.

Flowers: NO FLOWERS—LENT

Sanctuary Light: Josie Rios *in celebration of her birthday.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady: Teresa Dean *in thanksgiving.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Joseph: The Blue family *for a special intention for Scott Blue.*

Lamp at the Shrine of St. Therese: The Blue family *for a special intention for Bella Blue.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Blessed Charles I: The Oliver family *in celebration of Becket Jones’ birthday.*



CORRECTION: On Monday **March 18**, Jacob & Karla Burger welcomed their daughter, Josulli Mila-Jane, weighing in at a whopping 8 pounds 8 ounces and 22 inches long! Happily they are all doing well. Parishioners Keith & Bridget Burger & the entire Burger family thanks you for your prayers.

Lauren & Scott Blue & the entire Blue Crew welcomed Maura Rose Blue on Sunday, March 24th. Maura came in at 5 lbs., 12 oz. Mom is doing well but Maura will need a couple of days in the hospital for jaundice issues. The Blue family thanks their parish family for their continued prayers .

