Reading I: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity,

practicing all the abominations of the nations

and polluting the LORD's temple

which he had consecrated in Jerusalem.

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers,

send his messengers to them,

for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place.

But they mocked the messengers of God,

despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets,

until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed

that there was no remedy.

Their enemies burnt the house of God,

tore down the walls of Jerusalem,

set all its palaces afire,

and destroyed all its precious objects.

Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his

sons

until the kingdom of the Persians came to power.

All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah:

"Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths,

during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest

while seventy years are fulfilled."

In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia,

in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah,

the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia

to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom,

both by word of mouth and in writing:

"Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth

the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me,

and he has also charged me to build him a house

in Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people,

let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Responsorial Psalm: 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept

when we remembered Zion.

On the aspens of that land

we hung up our harps.

For there our captors asked of us the lyrics of our songs,

And our despoilers urged us to be joyous:

"Sing for us the songs of Zion!"

How could we sing a song of the LORD

in a foreign land?

If I forget you, Jerusalem,

may my right hand be forgotten!

May my tongue cleave to my palate

if I remember you not,

If I place not Jerusalem

ahead of my joy.

Reading II: Ephesians 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters:

God, who is rich in mercy,

because of the great love he had for us,

even when we were dead in our transgressions,

brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him,

and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus,

that in the ages to come

He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace

in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith,

and this is not from you; it is the gift of God;

it is not from works, so no one may boast.

For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good

works

that God has prepared in advance,

that we should live in them

Verse Before the Gospel: John 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,

so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him might not perish

but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him.

Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,

but whoever does not believe has already been condemned,

because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

And this is the verdict,

that the light came into the world,

but people preferred darkness to light,

because their works were evil.

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light

and does not come toward the light,

so that his works might not be exposed.

But whoever lives the truth comes to the light,

so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

Lectio Divina

Before you begin to read, take a moment to place yourself in the presence of God and ask the Holy Spirit to help you to pray.

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READ

Read the following passage for this upcoming Sunday's Gospel three times very slowly somewhere quiet.

John 12:20-33

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus."

Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,

it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.

The Father will honor whoever serves me.

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say?

'Father, save me from this hour'?

But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour.

Father, glorify your name."

Then a voice came from heaven,

"I have glorified it and will glorify it again."

The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

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	concrete and simple resolution for the day or week ahead based on what God ou. Example: Today I will pray a decade of the rosary before I go to bed for my

What's happening at St. Catharine

A full calendar of events can be found online at stcatharine.com/calendar

Bishop Brennan wants your input!

Now through March 22nd

St. Catharine will be participating in the diocesan-wide Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey between now and March 22. This nationally-recognized survey has been administered at parishes around the United States and Canada since 2013. St. Catharine, as part of the Diocese of Columbus Real Presence Real Future planning process, will participate in this survey during Lent. The results from our parish survey will not only be used for information and planning for our own parish, but will also be included the in national results which track trends, growth and Church-related opportunities nationwide. You can take the survey online at www.stcatharine.com/survey or via a paper copy available at the parish through March 22. This is an exciting opportunity for our parish, and I hope you will participate!

The DMI survey was developed by the Catholic Leadership Institute in conjunction with advising US bishops and Catholic lay leaders in 2013. The DMI Survey was created as a tool to help more **Catholics to grow along their faith journey with Christ and to become more engaged in the community life of the parish.** The DMI Survey seeks to provide parishioners an opportunity to reflect on their spiritual growth as well as provide parish leadership with invaluable insights regarding a parish's strengths and opportunities.

Youth Group

Sundays at 6:00pm

High School Youth Group: Every Sunday in the Parish Center // 6pm-8pm **Middle School Youth Group:** March 14th, March 28th, April 11th, April 18th in the School Gym // 6pm-8pm Questions? Contact Dorothy Allwein, dorothy@damascus.net

Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Tuesday · 1:00pm in the Lower Level

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Tuesday in the Lower Level of the Church at 1:00 p.m. This is an open meeting; if you think you have a problem or if you just want to see what A.A. is all about, please join us. Questions? Nancy H. 614-301-1588

SPICE Dinner

Moved to September 18th

While the SPICE St. Patrick's Day Dinner will have to wait...in the meantime, we hope that you'll please save the date...we're planning a celebration this Fall that you'll want to remember...Support SPICE at St. Catharine on the 18th of September!

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Adoration Chapel

Open Sunday-Friday from 6:00am-9:00pm for quiet prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, All are welcome to make a visit any time.

There has been a lot of interest in Saturday Adoration lately...so let's make it happen! If you have not made an Adoration commitment yet, or if you want to switch your time, now is a great time to do that. Just head to www.stcatharine.com/adoration

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- Saturday, March 6th
- Saturday, March 27th

10:00am-11:30am

Make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and we will purchase the food to give to the needy. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "SVDP Fill a Plate" and place it in the collection basket or mail/drop at the Church office any time.

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- 2 cans soup
- 2 cans fruit
- 1 can spaghetti sauce
- 1 box pasta
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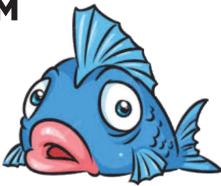
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Tuesday, March 30th 1:00pm - 7:00pm

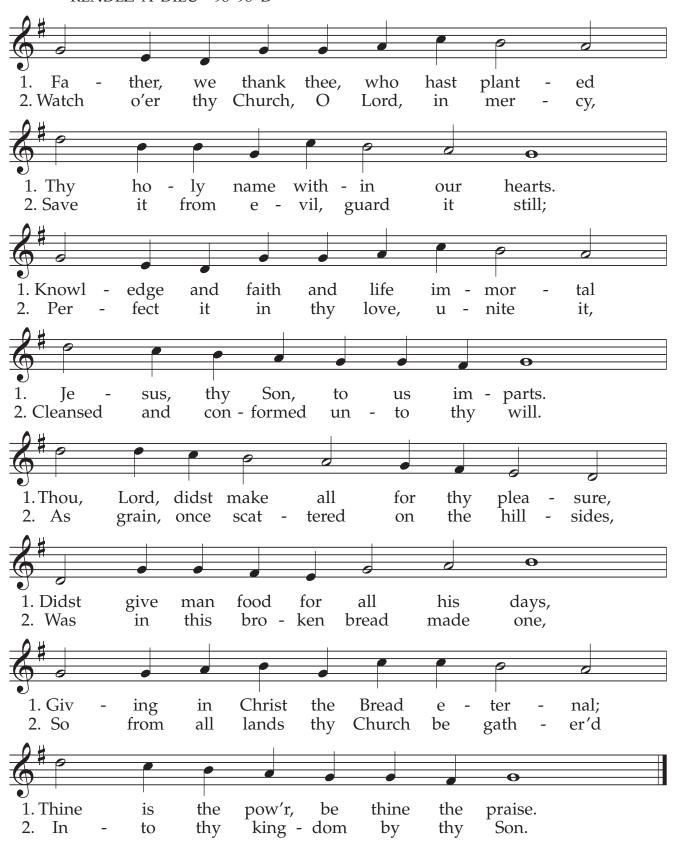
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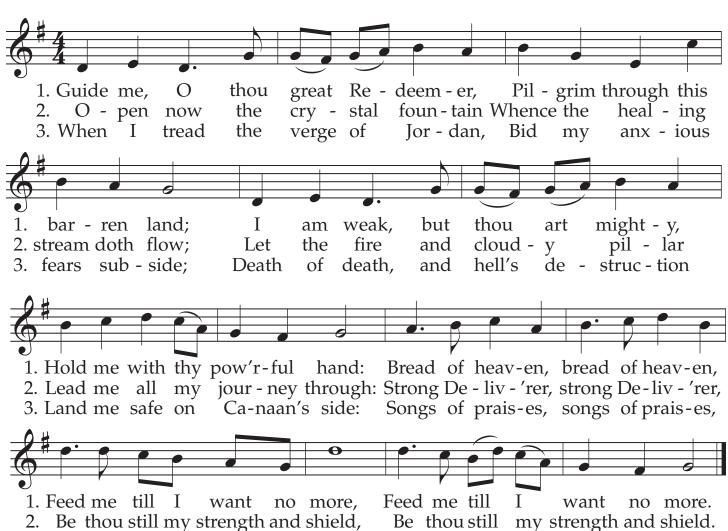
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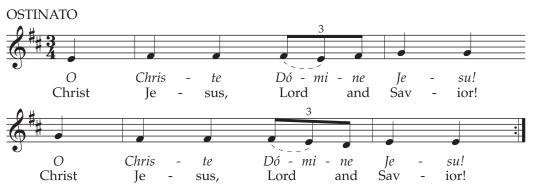


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Jesus, Son of God

You came down from heavens throne This earth You formed was not Your home A love like this the world had never known

A crown of thorns to mock Your Name Forgiveness fell upon Your face A love like this the world had never known

On the altar of our praise Let there be no higher name Jesus son of God You laid down Your perfect life You are the sacrifice Jesus Son of God You are Jesus Son of God

You took our sin, You bore our shame You rose to life, You defeated the grave A love like this the world has never known (Repeat verse)

Above All

Above all powers above all kings Above all nature and all created things Above all wisdom and all the ways of man You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms above all thrones Above all wonders the world has ever known Above all wealth and treasures of the earth There's no way to measure What You're worth

Crucified laid behind the stone You lived to die rejected and alone Like a rose trampled on the ground You took the fall and thought of me Above all

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In Christ alone who took on flesh Fulness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died The Son of God was glorified For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live

No guilt in life no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

The Stand

You stood before creation Eternity in Your hand You spoke the earth into motion My soul now to stand

You stood before my failure And carried the Cross for my shame My sin weighed upon Your shoulders My soul now to stand

So what can I say? What can I do? But offer this heart O God, Completely to You

So I'll walk upon salvation Your Spirit alive in me This life to declare Your promise My soul now to stand

So I'll stand with arms high and heart abandoned
In awe, of the One who gave it all
I'll stand, my soul Lord, to You surrendered
All I am is Yours
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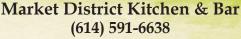
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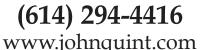


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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Holy Mass // 8:30am • 11:00am • 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration // 9:30am - 8:00pm in the Church

Bishop Robert Brennan has called upon the Diocese of Columbus to celebrate Jesus Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist in a special way this Lent. On Ash Wednesday the diocese launched **40 Days of Adoration**. Every day for 40 days, a different parish throughout the Diocese has hosted Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration throughout the day, and St. Catharine is closing out the 40 Days of Adoration on Palm Sunday from 9:30am-8:00pm.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Confessions // 4:00pm - 7:00pm

In a special way this Lent, the parishes of the Diocese of Columbus are celebrating the sacrament of Confession whereby Christ's forgiveness is extended to repentant sinners who confess their sins to a priest. On the Monday of Holy Week, March 29th, priests will be available in nearly every parish in the diocese between 4pm to 7pm for the sacrament of Confession, including right here at St. Catharine.

SPY WEDNESDAY

Tenebrae Service // 8:00pm

Tenebrae (meaning 'darkness' or 'shadows') is the morning prayer of the church on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday and dates back at least 1,000 years. Similar to the Lessons and Carols service at Christmas, Tenebrae consists of hymns and readings in a church lit only by 15 candles. These candles are then extinguished one by one until the church is left in darkness. At that point, a loud noise ("strepitus") is produced by the congregation symbolizing the earthquake after Christ's death.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday.

Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

HOLY THURSDAY

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper // 7:00pm

Adoration Vigil in the Chapel/Atrium until 12:00am midnight.

Confessions // Following Mass until all are heard

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Confessions // 12:00pm-2:30pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with Holy Communion // 3:00pm Confessions // Following the Liturgy until all are heard

Confessions // 6:00pm

Sorrowful Mother Devotion // 7:00pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Vigil Rehearsal // 10:00am Easter Vigil in the Holy Night // 8:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY • THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Holy Mass // 8:00am • 10:00am • 12:00pm noon

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CONFESSION SERVICE

Thursday, March 18th // 7:00pm

Whether it's been three months, three years, or 30 years since your last Confession, **you can always begin again** and receive the healing mercy of Jesus! We will be joined by guest priests from the Diocese of Columbus.

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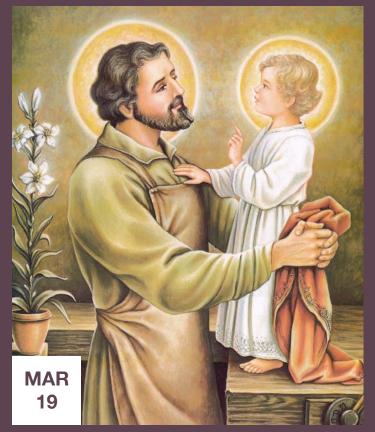
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FRIDAYS // 7:00PM Stations of the Cross

Confessions will be heard immediately following Stations.

No Stations on March 19th, St. Joseph's Day, or Good Friday.





THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH Friday, March 19th // 7:00pm Holy Mass

Did you know that it is the **Year of St. Joseph?** Pope Francis announced a Year of St. Joseph in December in honor of the 150th anniversary of the saint's proclamation as patron of the Universal Church so that "every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God's will." Strengthen your faith at this special Mass in which many of the faithful will be making a special consecration to St. Joseph.

Pope Francis said the coronavirus pandemic has heightened his desire to reflect on St. Joseph, as so many people during the pandemic have made hidden sacrifices to protect others, just as St. Joseph quietly protected and cared for Mary and Jesus. "Each of us can discover in Joseph -- the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and

hidden presence -- an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble," the pope wrote. He also said he wanted to highlight St. Joseph's role as a father who served his family with charity and humility, adding, "Our world today needs fathers."