

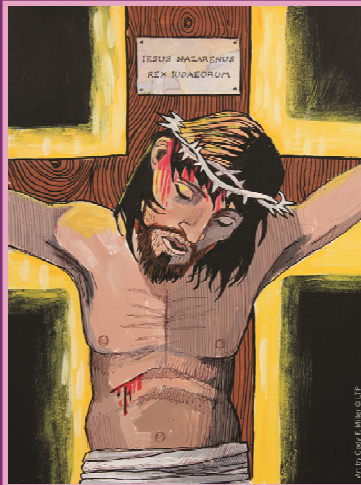
Fourth Sunday of LENT



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Sunday, March 15, 2015

The Cross of Christ

Today's Readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14–16, 19–23; Psalm 137:1–2, 3, 4–5, 6 (6ab); Ephesians 2:4–10; John 3:14–21. Some might be surprised at the uplifting tone of the prayers and readings in today's Mass. We pray in the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice, Jerusalem," and in the Prayer over the Offerings, note that it is "with joy" that we place the offerings. It may not be widely understood that Lent has a joyful aspect. Today, on Laetare Sunday, when rose-colored vestments may be worn, we look past the seriousness of Lent and acknowledge our joy in Christ.

The readings provide the reason for our rejoicing. In the First Reading, we see that the Lord has compassion on his people, and in the Second Reading, that God is "rich in mercy." St. Paul's words to the Ephesians underscore that all we have is a gift from God. "By grace you have been saved," he says. Our grace comes to us entirely without our merit. Just as the Lord sent messengers to his people while they were unfaithful, he provides us with grace even while we are in sin. That

grace has made us alive in Christ.

In John's account of the Gospel, we are told why God is compassionate and merciful to us. It is because he loves us. He "so loved the world that he gave his only Son" so that all who believe may have eternal life. With this knowledge, how could we live anything but joyful lives? How might you acknowledge your joy in Christ?

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Domingo, 15 de marzo del 2015

La cruz de Cristo

Lecturas del día: 2 Crónicas 36:14–16, 19–23; Salmo 137:1–2, 3, 4–5, 6 (6ab); Efesios 2:4–10; Juan 3:14–21. Alguien puede sorprenderse del tono exaltado de las plegarias y lecturas de la misa de hoy. La Antífona de entrada entona: "Regocíjate Jerusalén", y la Oración sobre las ofrendas las presenta "con alegría". Esta fecha la Cuaresma tiene un aspecto alegre. Es Domingo de Laetare; se pueden usar ornamentos color rosa, y aunque tomamos con seriedad la Cuaresma reconocemos nuestra alegría en Cristo.

Las lecturas dan la razón para alegrarnos. En la primera, vemos que el Señor tiene compasión de su pueblo; en la segunda, que Dios es "rico en misericordia". San Pablo subraya esto a los efesios diciendo que cuanto tenemos es don de Dios. "Por gracia han sido salvados", apunta. Nuestra gracia no deriva de mérito nuestro. Así como el Señor envía mensajeros a su pueblo infiel, ahora nos provee con su gracia, aun cuando estemos en pecado. Su gracia nos hace vivir en Cristo.

En el relato del evangelio de san Juan, se nos dice por qué Dios es compasivo y misericordioso con nosotros: nos ama. "Tanto amó al mundo que le dio a su único Hijo, para que todo el que cree tenga vida eterna". Sabiendo esto, ¡cómo no vamos a estar alegres! ¡Pongamos en Cristo nuestra alegría!

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What's happening in our neighborhood

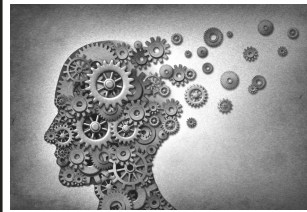


BLOOD DRIVE:

The Red Cross will be at St. Francis de Sales on Thursday, March 26 from noon til 6pm. We need blood donors, volunteers to greet donors, volunteers to help the Red Cross unload and load, and donors of baked goods. Please sign up for any of this in the gathering space after Masses on March 15 and 22.

DONACIÓN DE SANGRE

La Cruz Roja estará tomando donaciones de sangre en San Francisco de Sales el jueves 26 de marzo de las 12 del mediodía a las 6 pm. Necesitamos a personas que gusten donar su sangre, también a voluntarios para ayudar a bajar y subir varias cosas a los camiones de la Cruz Roja, y a voluntarios que quieran donar galletas o pastelillos. Puede apuntarse para cualquiera de estas opciones en el atrio de la iglesia después de las misas del 15 y el 22 de marzo.



Welcome the stranger? Mental illness can make us a *stranger* to ourselves and our families. That is why our parish hosts **Balanced Life**: a support group for families and friends of persons with a mental illness. With education and

mutual encouragement, we can turn an overwhelming challenge into an opportunity for love and new hope. Guests and newcomers and are welcome to our meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the St. Jane Room in the Ministry Center.

Our next meeting, March 17th will feature guests, Mark Bombara and Karen Ledford, therapists at Holland Hospital Behavior Health, who will discuss two important topics: (1) Communication between therapist and patient's family; and (2) balancing/managing care giving and stress.

Diocesan Women's Conference When's God Gonna Show Up? Spotting the Divine in Daily Life

March 21, 2015
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Cathedral Square Center,
360 Division Ave. S.
Grand Rapids.
Cost \$25

Speaker is Marge Fenelon, nationally known author, has written a number of books. Registration forms are available in the kiosk or Register online at dioceseofgrandrapids.org.

A Note about Sunday Readings During Lent

The next couple of weeks of Lent (2nd, 3rd, and 4th) we are celebrating the Scrutinies which is part of the RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults) process at the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays. Since the Scrutinies call for the Cycle A readings (there are three cycle of readings, A,B, and C which we are currently in the B cycle) for these rites, we will be using different readings at the 10:30 am Mass than the other weekend Masses we celebrate here at St. Francis de Sales. We want to make you aware of this to prevent confusion.

Scripture Readings for the Week

03/16 Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
03/17 Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16
03/18 Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30
03/19 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
03/20 Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
03/21 Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
03/22 B) Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33 (35)
03/22 A) Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45



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Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de Misa

Sunday/Domingo, March 15, 2015

8:30 am † For the People
10:30 am † Luc Huynh—*Huynh family*
12:30 pm † Cynthea Mireya Gonzales—*Loreda family*

Monday/Lunes, March 16, 2015

12:10 pm † Manuela Juarez—*Marissa Doshi & Shane Pinto*

Tuesday/Martes, March 17, 2015

9:00 am † John Gallagher—*Thomas Gallagher*

Wednesday/Miércoles, March 18, 2015

6:00 p.m. † Stefania Villacaña—*familia Manuel Torres*

Thursday/Jueves, March 19, 2015

12:10 pm Jacob Fickel—*the Fickel Family*

Saturday/Sábado, March 21, 2015

5:00 pm † Manuela G. Martinez—*Pete & Gloria Gomez*

Sunday/Domingo, March 22, 2015

8:30 am † Vincente Tho Le—*Le family*
10:30 am † For the People
12:30 pm † Virgen de Guadalupe—*familia Muñoz*

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

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03/21 Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
03/22 Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Outreach / Fe y Justicia

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CENTER: Through Feeding America in 2014 the Center distributed 14,547 pounds of food to the hungry. We need cooking oil, flour and sugar. We do NOT need canned corn or green beans.

CRS COLLECTION: See the insert from last week. If you are not participating in the Rice Bowl Project you might want to send a donation directly to CRS thru www/crs.org or by mail to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303.

MOVIE NIGHT: ADELANTE: This Friday, March 20, at 7 p.m., is this lively, uplifting and award winning documentary on a dying parish that again becomes a vibrant parish as Mexican immigrants are welcomed by the Irish Americans; together they preserve and celebrate both cultures. Much of it is like our parish story. Come enjoy it. Some discussion reflecting on our parish experience will follow. The film is bilingual and will be shown in the multi-purpose room.

RICE BOWLS: At the end of Lent these will be turned in and your money sent as a donation supporting Catholic Relief Services helping refugees around the world and the undocumented here.



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CENTRO SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL: En el 2014 a través de la organización Alimentando a América el Centro distribuyó 14,547 libras de comida para los necesitados. Esta semana necesitamos **aceite, harina y azúcar**. NO necesitamos maíz enlatado ni ejotes.

COLECTA CRS: Vea el folleto dentro del boletín. Si no está participando en el Proyecto Plato de Arroz quizás quiera mandar una donación directamente a CRS a través de www/crs.org o por email a Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303.

NOCHE DE PELÍCULA: ADELANTE es un documental ganador de premios que es dinámico y que inspira, y es acerca de una parroquia moribunda que se convierte nuevamente en una parroquia vibrante cuando los Irlandeses Americanos les dan la bienvenida y acogen a los inmigrantes Mexicanos, y juntos preservan y celebran ambas culturas. La película es bilingüe., cuando se habla en español los subtítulos son en inglés y vice-versa. Venga y vea como se vive el discipulado en las bendiciones y en los retos de esta parroquia. Después de la película habrá una conversación reflexionando en nuestra jornada de fe aquí en San Francisco de Sales. Si quiere ver un corto de la película vaya a la pagina web de la parroquia. **La película se exhibirá este viernes 20 de marzo a las 7 pm en el salón multiusos de la parroquia.**

PLATOS DE ARROZ: Al final de la Cuaresma el dinero colectado en las alcancías Platos de Arroz debe de ser entregado a la parroquia y su dinero será mandado como una donación para apoyar a la Campaña de Servicios Católicos para ayudar a los refugiados de todo el mundo y a los indocumentados aquí en nuestra área. Vea mas información en la pagina web de la parroquia. Enlace con crsricebowl.org para descargar su aplicación.



DONACIÓN DE SANGRE: La Cruz Roja estará en San Francisco de Sales el jueves 26 de marzo desde las 12 del mediodía hasta las 6 p.m. Necesitamos donadores de sangre, voluntarios que le den la bienvenida a los donadores, voluntarios que le ayuden a la Cruz Roja a cargar y descargar el equipo necesario y también necesitamos donaciones de galletas o pastelillos. Apúntese por favor en el atrio de la iglesia hoy después de la misa y también el 22 de marzo.

Lenten Recipes / Recetas de Cuaresma

Creamy Shrimp & Pasta

- 1/4 lb linguini, uncooked
- 1 cup medium shrimp, peeled, deveined, tails off.
- 2 chopped tomatoes
- 1/2 cup cream cheese (can use reduced-fat)
- 1/2 cup washed fresh baby spinach leaves



Cook pasta as directed, drain. While pasta cooks heat a large skillet on medium-high heat. Add shrimp, tomatoes and cream cheese. Cook and stir 3-4 minutes or until well blended. Place pasta in large bowl, add spinach and toss lightly. Stir in shrimp mixture and serve with crusty bread. Serves 2

www.cooks.com

Pasta con Camarones Cremosos

- 1/4 de pasta de linguini, sin cocinar
- 1 taza de camarones tamaño mediano, sin cola, pelados y desvainados
- 2 jitomates picados
- 1/2 taza de queso filadelfia (se puede usar el que tiene poca grasa)
- 1/2 taza de hojas de espinaca pequeña bien lavada

Cocine la pasta, escurra el agua. Mientras se cocina la pasta, caliente una cazuela grande a flama media. Añádale los camarones, los jitomates y el queso filadelfia. Cocínelos de 3 a 4 minutos mientras los mezcla bien. Ponga la pasta en un tazón grande, añádale la espinaca y mézclela un poco. Incorpore la mezcla de camarones y sirva con pan duro. Es suficiente para 2 platos.

Family & Adult Faith Formation

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. and from 6 to 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, March 18 from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, March 25 from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m.
 Thursday, March 26 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
 Friday, March 27 from Noon to 1 p.m.
 Saturday, March 28 from 11 a.m. to Noon

Sacramento de Reconciliación

Sábados a las 4:00 p.m. y 6:00 a 6:30 p.m.
 Miércoles, 18 de marzo de 6:45 a 8:30 p.m.
 Miércoles, 25 de marzo de 6:45 a 8:30 p.m.
 Jueves, 26 de marzo de 3:00 a 4:30 p.m.
 Viernes, 27 de marzo de 12:00 a 1:00 p.m.
 Sábado 28 de marzo de 11:00 a.m. a 12:00 p.m.



Pope Francis visits America 2015 World Meeting of Families Love is our Mission: The Family Fully Alive Sept. 21-28 Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Visit www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org or www.worldmeeting2015.org for complete detail on attending this event.

Online Registration: Registration is available through the World Meeting of Families website at:
<http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/plan-your-visit/register/>.

Online registration is now open for the World Meeting of Families Congress in Philadelphia Sept. 22-27, 2015. Held every three years since its inception by Saint John Paul II in 1994, the World Meeting of Families (WMF) has grown to be the largest Catholic gathering of families in the world. The 2015 Congress will be hosted by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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Protecting Our Children

Protecting God's Children for Parents and Volunteers (who work with children)

Our parish will be hosting the training "Protecting God's Children" Saturday, March 28 (Spanish session and English session) from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. here at St. Francis de Sales. This training is for adults who volunteer with children and youth through our parish ministries. All parents are encouraged to participate in this training as it informs and trains adults about how to prevent and protect children from situations that could lead to abuse and how to detect and handle situation of abuse.

Register today by going online to: www.virtus.org

- On the left side of the page, in the green column, click on the word "Registration" (in yellow font)
- Click on "View a list of sessions"
- Click in the box stating "Select your organization"
- Scroll down to "Grand Rapids, MI (Diocese)" and click on it
- Click "Select"
- Scroll down the page to see the locations
- Go to the top of the page and click the "Start Registration" box
- Complete each step for the registration

Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios—para Padres de Familia y Voluntarios (los que trabajan con niños)

Nuestra parroquia tendrá el entrenamiento "Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios" el sábado 28 de marzo en español de la 1:30 a las 4:30 pm. aquí en la parroquia de San Francisco de Sales. Este entrenamiento es para adultos que son voluntarios y tienen contacto con niños y jóvenes en los ministerios de nuestra parroquia. Todos los padres de familia están invitados a participar en este entrenamiento porque es informativo y entrena a los adultos a como prevenir y proteger a los niños de situaciones que podrían llevar al abuso y les entrena a detectar y saber manejar situaciones de abuso.

Regístrese hoy en línea yendo a www.virtus.org

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Bi-lingual)
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Masses

Monday 12:10 p.m.
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
 Wednesday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)
 Thursday 12:10 p.m.

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Monday - Thursdays
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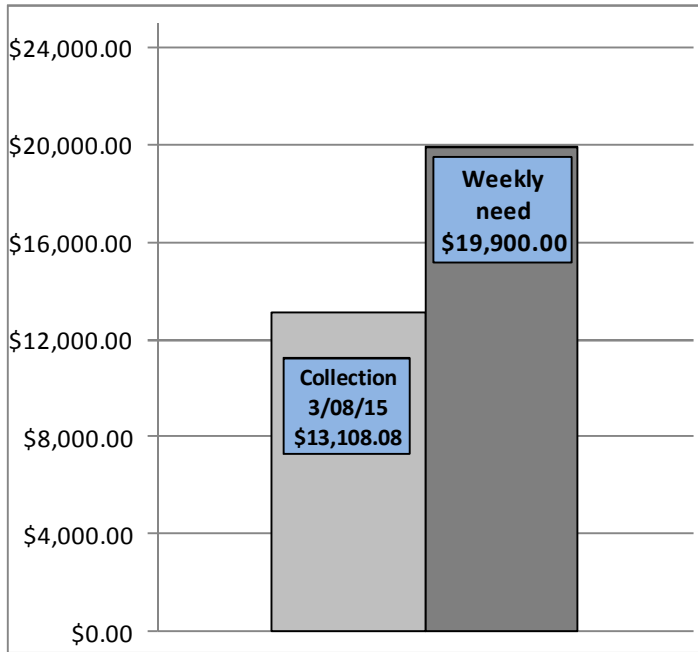
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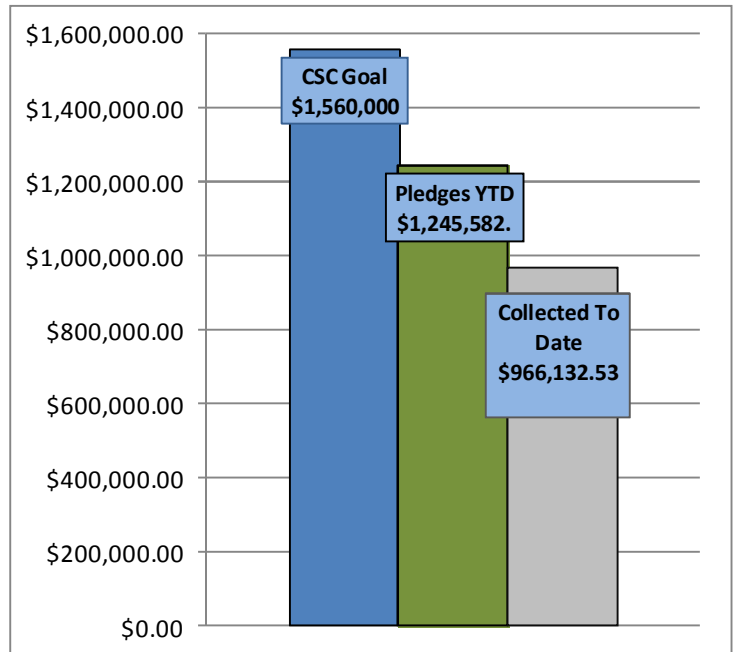
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