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MARCH 26, 2023
5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m.,
10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.,
& 6:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
(unless noted in bulletin)

Devotions

First Friday

Adoration/Benediction
at 6:30 a.m.

First Saturday

Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass
(unless noted in bulletin)

PARISH OFFICE

MONDAY through FRIDAY
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed on holidays

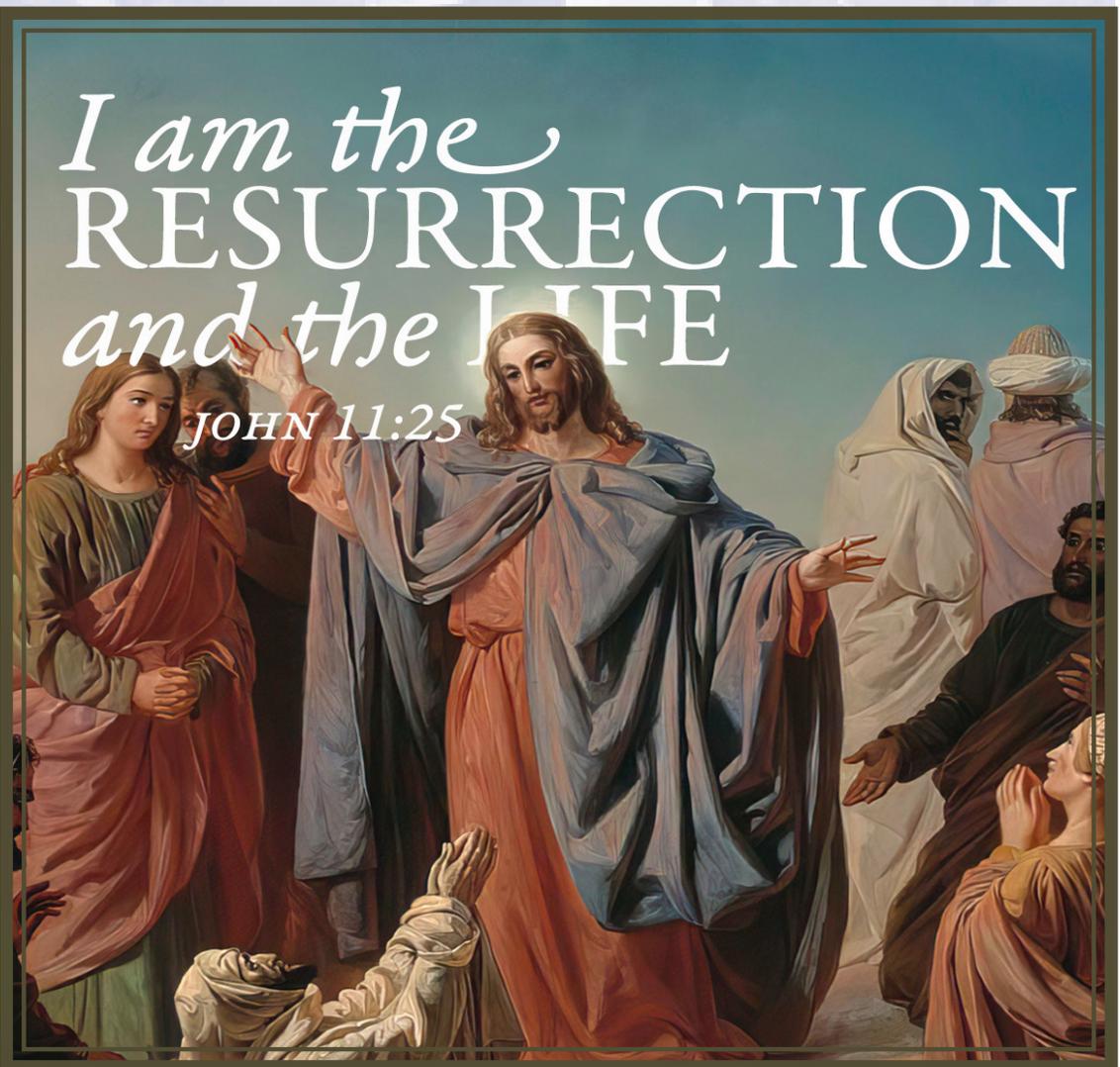
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This week's Readings: Exodus 37:12-14; Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;
Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45 or John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Next week's Readings: Matthew 21:1-11; Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Philippians 2:6-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

“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.” (JOHN 11: 25-26)

Dear Cathedral Basilica Ohana,

Greetings of peace, love and joy!

We heard or read the story of Jesus, the conversion of the Samaritan woman, and the curing of the man born blind in these past two Sundays. These remarkable stories showed the power of Jesus, the Son of God, bringing new life to both. One with a new heart focused intently on Jesus, and one with a new sight gazing clearly at Jesus.

This fifth Sunday of Lent, we hear one more story that brings more light to all of us readers or listeners of the power vested in Jesus. This story is about the raising of Lazarus, who had died and was buried in the tomb for four long days. In that period, we can imagine that Lazarus could already be decomposing. Jesus showed the depth of His love for Lazarus and His sisters, Martha and Mary, by raising him from the dead. Jesus brought a new heart and eyesight for this man and a new life that will be given to all. As Jesus said, “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.”

When someone close to us dies, we feel the pain of loss and sadness. We are affected to a level that brings uncertainties about what comes after. Death reminds us that we are finite and fragile beings. But things are made clearer to us that death is not the end of life. Jesus brings back the life of Lazarus. And most of it all, Jesus rose from the dead to give new life to anyone and everyone. In as much as we may think of our death, Jesus will bring us new life in Him after this life, and our life here and now can find meaning if we embrace Him as the source of life.

When I speak of Jesus as the source of life, I mean that He sustains us in every way whenever trials and tribulations come. He empowers us to be better people and to live in peace and joy. And more so, He purifies our souls when we are dead in sin. The life that Jesus is offering us is life after death, even

here and now.

As we enter the Holy Week, let this be a moment to ponder deeper into the mysteries of our faith in Jesus. We journey with Him through His Passion and Death. We rise with Him with a renewed, resurrected life in grace and truth. Let Him take hold of our lives and live up to our call as faithful disciples.

Your friend in Jesus,

F. P. Abaya IV



Reverend Pascual Abaya IV
Rector

I am the
**RESURRECTION
& THE LIFE**
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 26
Fifth Sunday of Lent
2nd Collection for Repairs & Maintenance
Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m..

Monday, March 27
Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, March 28
Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, March 29
Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, March 30
Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, March 31
Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm
Stations of the Cross at 10:00am & 5:30pm

Saturday, April 1
Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am
Masses at 7:00am & 12:00pm
Adoration/Benediction following 7:00am
Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, April 2
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

March 26, 2023

Ezekiel delivers a message of hope and life to the Israelites, reminding them to stay faithful as God's people. Though bound in exile, they must remember that God will set them free. The Spirit of God can even cross the boundary of the grave! The psalm also echoes a cry from the depths for God's kindness and redemption. It is a powerful prayer for Lent and a statement of faith that we can make our own. No matter what chains restrict us, what illness or worry consumes us, or what bondage we endure, we can trust the Lord to walk with us and free us.

In the Gospel passage, we hear the story of Lazarus and the power of Jesus. Despite those who do not believe or cannot imagine the potential of his authority, Jesus raises Lazarus from beyond the control of death. There are no restrictions to God's power, no bindings, no chains, and no injustice that God cannot transcend. In the shadow of the Messiah's suffering and death, Lent is drawing to a close and we are asked if we believe.

SHARING FAITH

What chains or bindings does God offer to free you from, if you allow him to act?

The psalm response says, "With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption" (Psalm 130:7). What does full redemption mean to you?

What image from Lent do you want to carry into Holy Week?

LIVING THE LITURGY

With a group, share some of your thoughts about Christ's death and Resurrection: the Paschal Mystery of our faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "The Paschal mystery of Christ's cross and Resurrection stands at the center of the Good News that the apostles, and the Church following them, are to proclaim to the world. God's saving plan was accomplished 'once for all' (Heb 9:26) by the redemptive death of his Son Jesus Christ" (571). How does that shed light on the meaning of the Good News that we are called to proclaim?

When has being involved in a ministry or helping others given you a chance for new life? What new or continuing service might God be inviting you to consider? Is there somewhere in your church or neighborhood you might offer your gifts and time?

Take time this week to remember someone who has died. How has this person shown you the way to live more fully?

REFLECTION

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? (John 11:25-26).



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

March 13 - 19, 2023

Offertory Collection

Sunday Offering + Easter	\$ 6,258.00
Weekday + Coffers	\$ 1,815.57
Other Feast & Solemnities	\$ 390.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,491.50
Total Offertory	\$ 9,955.07

Other Collection

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 43.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 1,990.75
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 2,732.76
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 210.00
Total	\$ 14,931.59

MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL IS TO FOSTER AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH STEWARDSHIP IS UNDERSTOOD, ACCEPTED AND PRACTICED THROUGHOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

God of Mercy,

You have given us this special time to reflect on our lives, embrace the Good News and draw us closer to you.

During this season of Lent, help us use this time to fast and pray, be more generous and show others how to live in Christ.

Let us see each day of this season as a new opportunity to renew our lives and gain a deeper appreciation of Your active presence in our hearts and our community of faith.

Give us the grace to see Your face in others, especially the poor and those who suffer.

And through your Spirit, enkindle in us the fire of Your love so that we may be better stewards of Your redeeming work throughout the world.

We ask this through Jesus, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen.



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MAHALO FROM COUNCIL 5000!

Hope you enjoyed the Bingo at the February Paris Social!

- **Mahalo** to WDGK John Fielding and his lovely wife Rose!

March Parish Social:

- Mar 26 (Sun) from 9am to Noon on the Plaza outside the Gift Shop
- Bring your **donations** (canned/dry goods, clothing, bags, etc) for our Social Outreach Ministry! During Lent, we asked to give so others may have. **Please be generous!**
- Paint Your Own Cookie; Easter themed cookies that are fun to paint with edible "paint" (\$10.00/cookie suggested donation) **While supply last!**
- Looking forward to seeing you there!

C5000 Membership:

- We've added **10 New Members** and are looking for **more** faithful Catholic men to join us!
- **Join the Knights of Columbus Today!**

THE POWER OF SACRIFICE

Lent can feel like a long time. Sometimes we'd like to skip right to Easter! But through prayer and sacrifices, we share in Christ's suffering and prepare for the joy of his resurrection. This Lent, we've learned how people in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya made sacrifices so their families and communities can thrive. How have your Lenten sacrifices helped your family and community and communities around the world?

Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

A servant of the Lord stands bodily before men, but mentally he is knocking at the gates of heaven with prayer.

St. John Climacus (579 - 649) Author of Ladder of Divine Ascent, Feast Day, March 30.