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THE BREASTPLATE

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SINS OF OMISSION



In the General Confession in the Morning and Evening Prayer, we are directed to beg forgiveness because “we have left undone those things we ought to have done.” We tend to think of sin as doing something terrible, something we should not do. But this sentence



in the confession makes it clear that not doing something we should do is equally grievous. We Christians are roundly criticized for being negative. We always tell people you can't do this or can't do that. Eight of the Ten Commandments tell us not to do something. To approach our faith this way also makes it very easy for us to get into a comfortable, self-righteous rut. We convince ourselves we are good Christians because we never do any of that nasty stuff. But remember the story of the man who had an unclean spirit driven out of him. (*Matt. 12:43*) The spirit returned to the man and found him clean, swept, and put in order, but empty. The man had nothing to fill the space left by the evil. So the spirit found seven of his friends who were more evil than he and they all moved into the man. Not to fill the space left by repented evil is a great sin of omission. What then should we do?

The Bible is filled with things we ought to be doing. This is covered in the Summary of the Law we read in the Sunday service. “Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.” That one sentence gives us more than we could do for all the rest of our lives. Let's start with the simple things. It has been a long time since I have been hungry, cold, or

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REGULAR WEEKLY

SCHEDULE

Sunday - 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, 8:30 am
Men's Breakfast

Sunny Street Café
6021 Walker Blvd,
North Richland Hills, 76180

Wednesday, 6:30 pm
Evening Prayer & Bible Study

Thursday, 10:00 am
Morning Prayer

Friday 10:00 am
Morning Prayer



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even sick. I am blessed! God is always telling us to take care of those folks who are. Could you donate to the food bank? How about cleaning your closet and taking the extra coats and blankets to Goodwill? You can visit those who are sick, give them a call, or send a card. "Of course," you say, "I will take care of that first thing in the morning."

Our biggest lie is, "I will do that tomorrow." That takes care of it. We didn't say we were not going to do it. We promised ourselves and others that we would do it, but not now. There may not be a tomorrow. Some sick friend may die tonight. Someone is starving under a bridge tonight. Even if there is a tomorrow, tomorrow races by at a fantastic speed and can never be recovered.

When we talk ourselves out of channeling God's love, that is a sin of omission. If we can help and do not, that is a sin of omission. Can you ease someone's burden? Can you reduce the loneliness? Can you send some money or spare the time? When you do, you are reflecting the love Christ has shown you. Love is a verb.

*Love 4'all,
Don Jim*



There is only one way to celebrate life, and the early Christians knew it.

FIXED HOLY DAYS IN MARCH

The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

March 25
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The Feast of the Annunciation commemorates how God made known to a young Jewish woman that she was to be the mother of his Son and how Mary accepted this with perfect conformity of will. It has been said, "God made us without us, and redeemed us without us, but cannot save us without us." Mary's assent to Gabriel's message opened the way for God to accomplish the salvation of the world. It is for this reason that all generations are to call her "blessed."



(This article is based on information from The Oxford Companion to the Bible, Reese's Dictionary of Philosophy & Religion, Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2003, The New Oxford Annotated Bible, RSV, the 1928 Book of Common Prayer, and other reliable sources.)





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MARCH PARISH HAPPENINGS

Sundays	10:00 AM	Mass and Holy Eucharist
	11:05 AM	Fun, Fellowship, and Tasty Treats
Wednesdays	8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast, Sunny Street Café,
	6:30 PM	Evening Prayer with Mass
Thursdays	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer
Maunday Thursday	6:30 PM	Vigil following services
Fridays	10:00 AM	Celebrate the Rosary, Morning Prayer

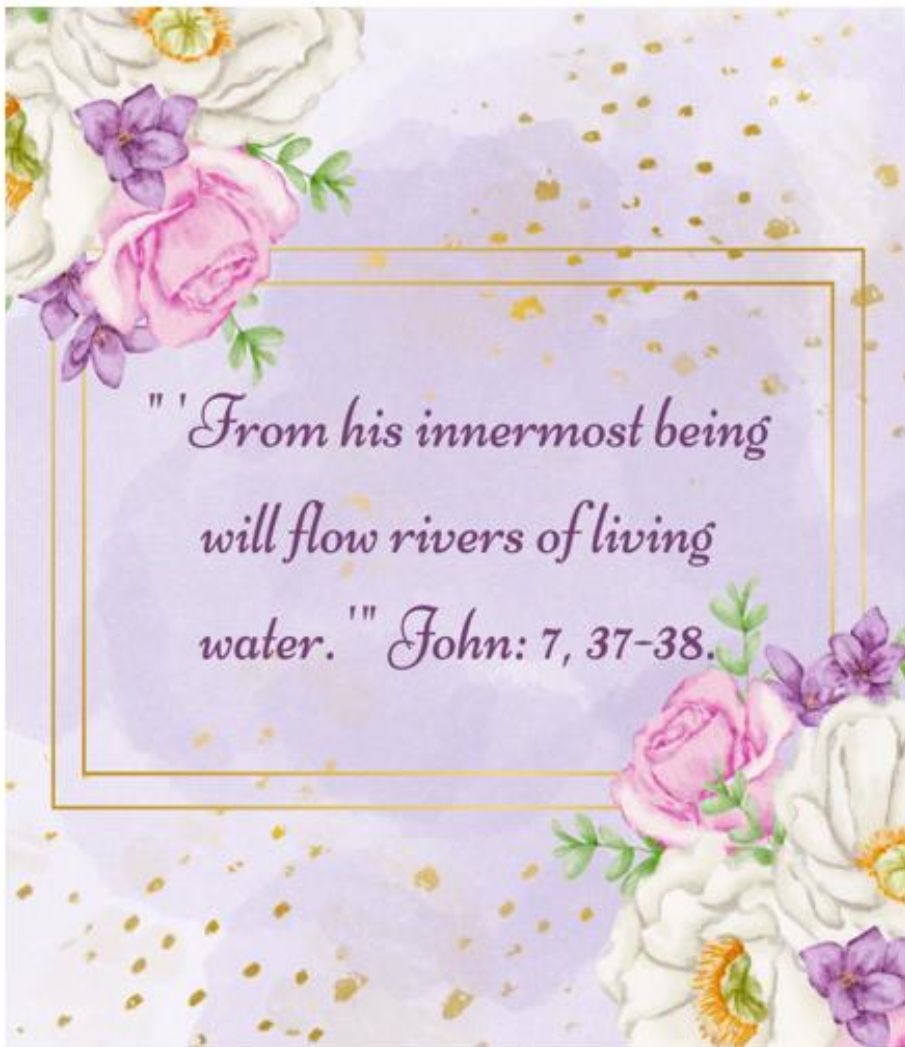
The Lenten season is a busy time at Saint Patrick! On Tuesday mornings, we will observe The Stations of the Cross, and on Wednesday evenings we will have Evening prayer and a Eucharist. We will have Morning Prayer on Thursday, and Thursday night we're adding the Stations of the Cross. Friday mornings we will Celebrate the Rosary. Please join us when you are able during this special time before Easter.

All morning services begin at 10:00 AM and evening services at 6:30 PM

MARCH BLESSINGS

We pray that our Lord watches over you and blesses you on your Special Day.

March 9	MARY MONK	Birthday
March 12	CHRIS MILLER	Birthday
March 14	KEITH DYKES	Birthday
March 20	STEPHANIE & KEITH DYKES	Anniversary
March 22	JEANINE WITTMAYER	Birthday



*We most humbly beseech thee, of thy
goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all
those, who in this transitory life, are in trouble,
sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.*

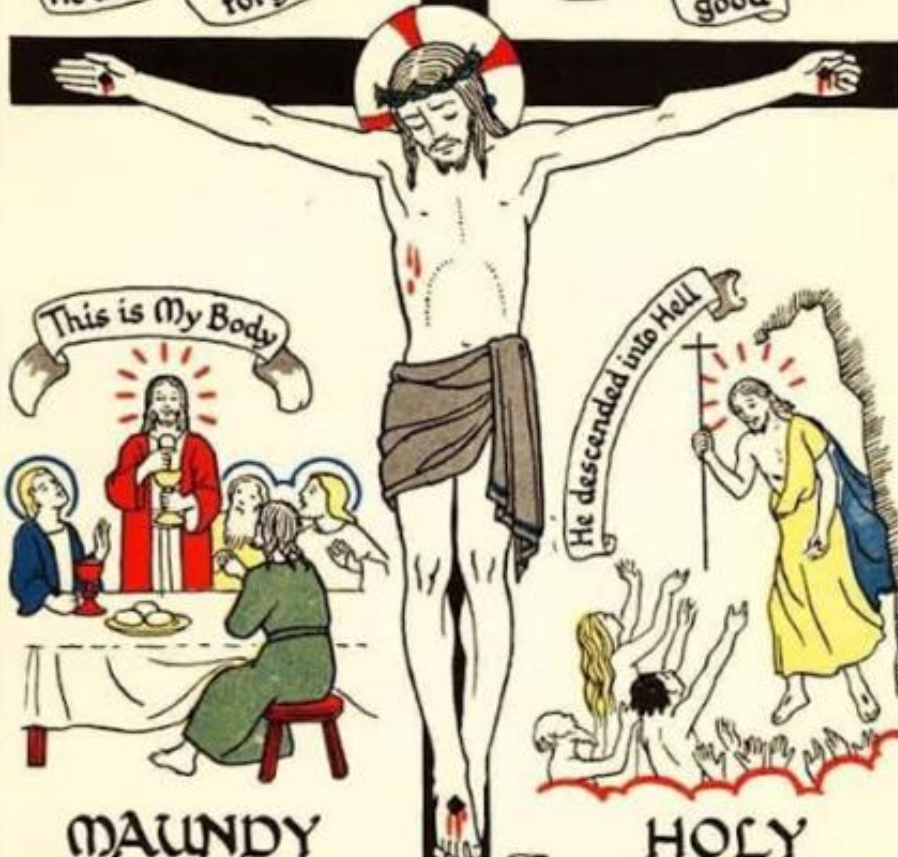


HOLY WEEK

He died that we might be forgiven

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He died to make us good



MAUNDY THURSDAY






HOLY SATURDAY

GOOD FRIDAY

DUTIES FOR MARCH 2024

DATE	DEACON	LAY MINISTER	FLOWERS	COFFEE
MAR 3	JONES	WHITE	No Flowers	CLIFT
MAR 10	WHITE	MONK	No Flowers	WARNKY
MAR 17	JONES	WHITE	No Flowers	CUSTOR
MAR 24	WHITE	JONES	No Flowers	WHITE
MAR 31	JONES	WARNKY	EASTER LILIES	COPE

READINGS FOR MARCH 2024

MAR 3	3 rd SUNDAY IN LENT	MAR 10	4 th SUNDAY IN LENT
	Deuteronomy 6: 1-9, 20-25 Psalms 25 (Page 369) Ephesians 5:1 St. Luke 11:14		Ezekial 39:21 Psalms 18:1-20 (Page 359) Galatians 4:21 St. John 6:1
MAR 17	PASSION SUNDAY	MAR 24	PALM SUNDAY
	Isaiah 1:10-20 Psalms 51 (Page 408) Hebrews 9:11 St. John 8:48		Zecharia 9:9-11 Psalms 24, 97 Philippians 2:5 St. Matthew 27:1
MAR 31	EASTER DAY	<p><i>We pray O Lord, that you would grant us a season of peace at this time of Easter gladness: Easter Blessings upon you</i></p>	
	Isaiah 25:1-9 Psalms 98, 111 Colossians 3:1 St. John 20:1		