

MARCH 22nd 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



LIFE FROM GOD

As we approach Holy Week, our readings speak of a God who, in the midst of death, brings new life to the people. In Ezekiel, we hear that God will open the graves of the people of Israel, who faced near extinction. In the Gospel of John, Jesus gives new life to Lazarus in a manner that prefigures the resurrection of Jesus. Paul tells the Romans that in Christ, God will not only give life to our bodies after death, but God offers us abundant life here and now. We observe that the external conditions for the people described in these readings did not radically change. Israel was still in exile. Lazarus would eventually face death again. But now God's presence and power are revealed. Even when our situation in life is difficult and perhaps not likely to change soon, we remember that the Spirit dwells within us.

Our new Deacon is planning a class on Tuesdays at eleven am if you are interested in attending please let the office know so he could know those interested

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer Before a Crucifix

Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus while before your face I humbly kneel, and with burning soul pray and beseech you to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity; true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment. While I contemplate with great love and pity, your five most precious wounds, pondering over them within me, I call to mind the words which David, your prophet, said of you, my good Jesus: They have pierced my hands and my feet, they have numbered all my bones."

Penance Service

Wednesday March 25th Mass at 5:pm and penance service at 5:30 pm

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — The Lord is kind and saves us (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30,33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23: G John 8:1-11

Tuesday: Numbers 21:4-9 : Ps 102; G John 8:21-30

Wednesday: Isaiah 7:1-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38; G John1:14ab

Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5,6-7,8-9; G John 8:51-59

Friday: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a; G John 10:31-42

Saturday: Ezekiel 37:21-28; Ps Jer 31:10; G John 11:45-56

Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11; Isaiah 50:4-7; Phlm 2:6-11; Mt

OPEN OUR GRAVES

Open our graves, Lord, remove us from the prison of death. Place your Spirit in us so that we may live

SUNDAY COLLECTION

3/15/2026

Sunday

\$503.00

Catholic relief

\$126

Flowers

\$90.00

B&M

\$430.00

MARCH 1ST-----

LECTOR MARY

SERVER MAX

EUCHRISTIC JIM BEVERLY, JOY

COUNTER

MARCH 8TH-----

LECTOR MARK

SERVER CARLOS

EUCHARISTIC JIM FLORENCIA, ANN F.

COUNTER

MARCH 15 th -----

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVER MAX

EUCHARISTIC JIM ANN C ANITA

COUNTER

MARCH 22ND -----

LECTOR MARY

SERVER CARLOS

EUCHARISTIC. JOY, F LORENCIA, BEVERLY

COUNTER

MARCH 29TH -----

LECTOR MARK

SERVER MAX

EUCHARISTIC ANITA, ANN C JIM

COUNTER

WEDNESDAY LECTORS

MARCH 4TH CHERI

MARCH 11TH MARY

MARCH 18 th BEVERLY

MARCH 25th CHERI

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Holy Land

April 3, 2026

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