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Questions: Leanne Collier leannecollier21@gmail.com



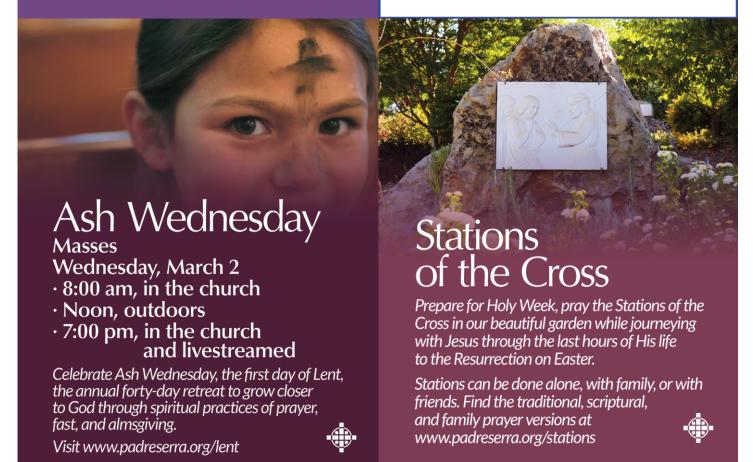


The University Series This week

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 7:00 PM, IN PERSON Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ, Extravagant Tenderness St. Maximilian Kolbe, Westlake Village

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 12:15 PM, VIRTUAL Dr. Christopher Kaczor, Women & the Church

Catalogs are available in the church lobby and office for the 2022 hybrid season. Pre-registration required; available until day prior. \$5/session. Register at www.theuniversityseries.org



GATHERING

Our God Is Here Chris Muglia

Here in this time, here in this place, here we are standing face to face. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.

Here for the broken, here for the strong, here in this temple we belong. Here in our hearts, here in our lives,

And we cry...

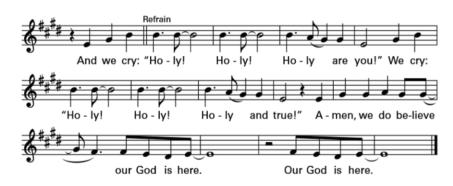
our God is here.

Here in the word, God is revealed, here where the wounded can be healed. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.

Here we become what we receive, here in this Eucharistic feast.

We are his body, living as one; our God is here.

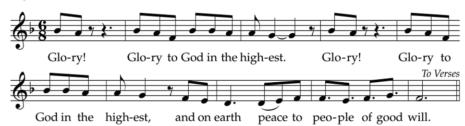
And we cry...



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Ed Bolduc

Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)



Text © 2010, ICEL Ed Bolduc Music © 2011, WLP We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Reading 1

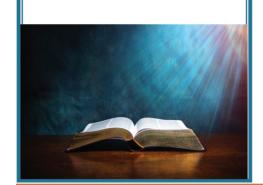
Sirach 27:4-7

Reading 2

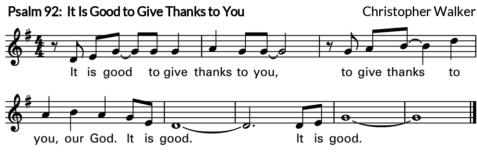
1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:39-45



RESPONSORIAL PSALM



It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning light, and your truth in the watches of the night.

And the just like the palm tree will grow, they will flourish like a Labanon cedar, and planted deep in the house of God, they will thrive in the temple of our God.

They bear fruit even when they are old; in old age they will stay fresh and green to proclaim to all that our God is just. In our Rock no injustice can be found.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

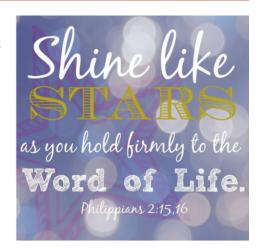
"Mass of a Joyful Heart"

Steve Angrisano & Tom Tomaszek



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Go in peace to hear the word of God.
Go in peace to meet the risen Lord,
the One who speaks to us in the Gospel.
Go in peace, go in peace.

INTERCESSION RESPONSE

What Wondrous Love Is This

A Celtic Rune

Liam Lawton

Gather #642



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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ. his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried: he descended into hell: on the third day he rose again from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty: from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

1. What won-drous love is this, 0 soul, 0 my my To God and to the Lamb will sing, will 3. And when from death I'm free, ľШ sing I'IIsing on. **1**. soul? What won-drous love this, 0 my soul? What is and will sing; To 2. sing; To God to the Lamb, when from death I'm ľII And 3. on; And free. sing on; caused the won-drous love that of is this Lord God and the Lamb, who is the great to 1 when from death ľm free, I'IIful sing and joy bear the dread-ful curse soul, 1. bliss To my for my 2. AM, While mil - lions join the theme, will will sing, sing I'll sing 3. be, And through e - ter - ni ľII on. 1. soul, Tο bear the dread-ful for mν soul? curse 2. sing; While mil-lions join the theme, will sing. And through e - ter - ni ľШ 3. on! sing on.

Text: 12 9 12 12 9; anon.; first appeared in A General Selection of the Newest and Most Admired Hymns and Spiritual Songs, 1811, adapt. Music: William Walker's The Southern Harmony, 1835.

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May the Lord accept
the sacrifice at
your hands,
for the
praise and glory of
His Name,
for our good
and the good of all
His holy Church.

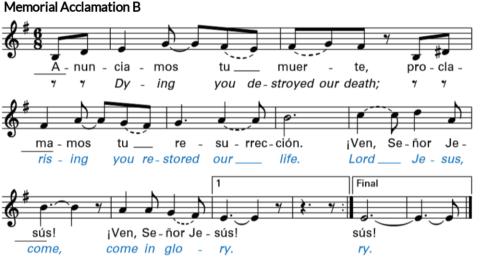
EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

Ben - di - to el que

7 Bless'd is he who comes __

"Misa del Pueblo Immigrante" **Bob Hurd** Santo/Holy (Bilingual) San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to es el (English) Ho - Iy, ho - Iy, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly Lord, Heav - ni - ver - so. en and earth God of pow'r and might. of your glo-ry. Но in the san na est. Ho - san en el cie lo. na in the high Ho - san na est.

vie - ne



of the Lord.

en el nom-bre del Se - ñor.

in the name __

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Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION SONGS

Blessed Are the Poor (Reioice, Be Glad)

Adam M. L. Tice & Kate Williams

- 1. Blessed are the poor the people who live in God's holy reign. Blessed are the sad, for comfort is yours through sorrow and pain. Blessed are the meek for you will inherit what long was denied. Hungry, thirsty ones, your longing for justice will be satisfied.
- 2. Blessed are the kind the merciful ones shall mercy receive. Blessed are the good your heart shall see God because you believe. Blessed children, come: grow peace for a planet still choking with hate. Persecuted ones, for you all the blessings of heaven await.
- 3. You are salt and light let earth taste and see God's glory revealed. Let your goodness shine: the lost are restored, the broken are healed. All will be fulfilled — the law and the prophets have shown us the way. Heaven comes to earth; rejoice and be glad for creation's new day.



Text: Adam M. L. Tice, b.1979 Tune: Kate Williams, b.1986 © 2021, GIA Publications, Inc



Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: Come before His presence with singing. For the Lord is good; His mercy s everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.



SENDING FORTH

Alleluia! Give the Glory

Ken Canedo & Bob Hurd, Gather #844



Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them; there I'll be.

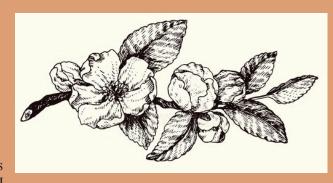
I am the vine and you are the branches. Abide in me and bear much fruit.

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Blooming (and bearing fruit)

I have a new tree in my backyard. It has multiple fruits grafted onto it, including plums, apricots, peaches and one other stone fruit that I have forgotten, perhaps nectarines, all selected for their ability to self-pollinate and grow in our warmer climate. We'll see if this works. I was told that if the major trunk comes to dominate on the tree, the other varieties will die off, so I have to prune it carefully. After it was planted, it was clear that two of the varieties had begun to dominate in growth already. I have no idea, which ones yet, as the tree came without leaf or fruit on it. So, I read everything I



could find on the internet on pruning this tree correctly, and watched YouTube videos on the subject, both done in Australia, curiously. With trepidation, I took pruners in hand and did my best to restore some balance, and prepare the tree for spring growth. I admit that I am fearful that I cut off too much.

Within just the last couple of days of my writing this, though, the first white blossoms have opened on some of the branches. I'm getting hopeful that there might be fruit in my future. Again, we'll see, but it's hopeful.

And that is the point of my story. You do your best, and then you hope.

You try, and try hard, and then you hope.

You fail, even, and you pick yourself back up, and you continue to hope.

You've all made the best health choices you could in these last two difficult years. We've all had our hopes disappointed with ongoing waves and total and partial shutdowns. And yet there are signs, early and yet still hopeful signs, with falling infections rates, easier symptoms, fewer hospitalizations, etc. Perhaps this time things will work out.

Might there be reason to hope?

Even if we were to recycle right back into a new wave of infections, perhaps *pi*, or *rho*, or *sigma*? Both Delta and Omicron were surprises. It could happen, dear Lord forfend! What would we do? We'd hope for the future, and carry on.

On the other hand, this could be the beginning of something better, even if not entirely as things were before, but much more open and less constrained. Truth to tell, none of us know. *But* we have dealt with hard times, and we have endured. We have had losses, real and painful, but we have survived. In essence, like my fruit tree, we've been pruned. There could be hard times ahead, but we are hardened. We aren't weak.

We can do this. We can hope.

I encourage you, in light of today's Gospel, that we need to bear fruit under both good and bad circumstances. Whatever happens, please do not become disheartened. Be a person of faith and hope. As 1 Peter 1:6-7 says, "In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

Siempre adelante!

to Patrick

Fr. Patrick Pastor

Children

12 months to Grade 8.

Little Church ~ February 27

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Welcome back! We are once again gathering in person for the 9:00 am, and 11:00 am Mass times. Because of the pandemic, only registered children may attend sessions; spaces are still available. For more information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

Spark! ~ February 28 and March 2

Grades 1 - 5. Spark! returns to in-person sessions this week. This week kids will learn about receiving strength from Scripture. For more information please contact jennifer@padreserra.org or christine@padreserra.org

Three:Sixteen ~ February 23

Grades 6 - 8. Welcome back! Our Middle School Ministry returns to in-person sessions this Wednesday. Kids will learn about receiving strength from Scripture. For links and more information, please get in touch with youth@padreserra.org

Living Faith

Please share how you live out your faith at home with your kids. Send your pics to photo@padreserra.org

High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! youth@padreserra.org

Confirmation Y1

Teens are doing weekly ministry; if you have not yet signed up for a ministry, contact youth@padreserra.org for ministry assignments.

Confirmation Y2 ~ February 6

Please keep teens in your prayers while on retreat to prepare them for their sacrament this spring. For more information, contact youth@padreserra.org

4:12

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on most Wednesday nights. Teens make connections, share insights and concerns, and grow in faith. Ask brett@padreserra.org or follow us on Instagram.

Adults

Living Liturgy Bible Study ~ March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

We're back in person for Dr. Paul Ford's weekly reflection and study of the Sunday scriptures, which helps us better understand the good news message of Jesus Christ and how He is present in our lives. Resource books are available for purchase or bring your Bible or smart device. Tuesdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am. Masks required. Visit www.padreserra.org/bible-study

Divorce Support ~ March 1, 15

Our healing from divorce support group offers a welcoming environment for people dealing with divorce, whether in the earliest stages of grief, the initial stages of coping with severe changes, or through the worst of it and now looking to move forward, grow, and serve. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Zoom. Contact Cynthia cjonescampbell@yahoo.com, visit www.padreserra.org/divorce

Senior Exercise ~ **March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

All adults are invited to a weekly adaptive exercise class from 8:45 - 9:30 am, San Miguel room. Marg (805) 405-9901. Visit www.padreserra.org/seniors

Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Join us for prayer and devotion to our Mother Mary. March 2, due to Ash Wednesday, prayer will be at 6:00 pm in the San Fernando room. The following Wednesdays will be 6:30 - 7:30 pm, in the church. Contact: Madel omphnovenapsp@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/olph

Bereavement Support Group ~ March 3, 17

Are you seeking a place of support in a time of loss or grief? Our bereavement support group offers mutual support to those who have lost a loved one through death. 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Contact Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 407·3000, bettybright41@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/bereavement

Lenten Friday Adoration ~ Begins March 4

Come spend 10, 30, 60 minutes with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 2:00 - 7:00 pm on the Fridays of Lent (March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8). teresa@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/lent

Becoming Catholic

Dismissal of the Catechumens

Every Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass a group of children, teens, and adults are called forward to the priest's chair after the homily. These are our catechumens, those preparing for Baptism. They are sent forth from the assembly, following the Book of the Gospels, to meeting rooms (one for the adults, another for the children) to reflect more deeply on the scripture readings they have just heard. They discuss the relevance of the readings, especially the Gospel, to their own lives and the challenges they present. It is an encounter with Jesus through which the catechumens strengthen their resolve to live as his disciples. Please pray for our 6 catechumens as they prepare for the Sacraments. If you would like to know more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Catherine Shadduck at (805) 482·6427 x331 or catherine@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/rcia

In the Courtyard

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CROP Walk ~ February 26, 27 See page 12.

Girl Scout Cookies ~ February 26, 27



Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table Lk 6:39-45 ~ Our words reveal what is in our hearts.

Jesus says that our words reveal what is in our hearts. How do your words and actions reveal what is truly in your heart? We, humans, are vulnerable to sin. But we see the sins of others more easily than we recognize our own sins. Why does Jesus warn us not to judge others?

Giving

Together in Mission ~ As One We Believe

We pray together, sing together, volunteer together, and believe together. Christ sends us on a mission to evangelize and be holy examples of generosity in the world. Together we turn to Christ and



gather as one family of faith and support parishes and schools that face great challenges. In 2022, please help us renew our sense of unity and make a generous gift today! Your support gives our struggling parishes and schools much-needed hope. Envelopes are in the church lobby or visit www.padreserra.org/tim

"The gift of the Holy Spirit has been bestowed in abundance so that we may live lives of genuine faith and active charity." – Pope Francis



In the Community

Requiem Mass for the Unborn ~ March 1

40 Days for Life begins the spring campaign with a bilingual Mass at 5:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima, Simi Valley. 40 Days for Life hosts forty prayer campaigns aimed to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. Are you being called this Lent to help the unborn and their mothers and fathers with your loving witness? You can help by praying for life for at least one hour (7:00 am - 7:00 pm) this Lent at Planned Parenthood. Questions:

Lenten Concert ~ March 13

San Buenaventura Mission invites you to a Lenten musical meditation presented by Seraphour, an all-female quartet dedicated to the preservation and proliferation of the sacred canon. The 3:00 pm classical concert program, in church Latin, features the works of Palestrina, Brahms, and Victoria coupled with inspiring contemporary sacred compositions. The ethereal sounds of Seraphour coupled with the historic setting of the San Buenaventura Mission is sure to inspire your Lenten journey.

www.sanbuenaventuramission.org

Prayer Life

Weekend Schedule

- Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass on the grass
- Sunday, 7:30 am Mass in the church
- Sunday, 9:00 am Mass on the grass
- Sunday, 11:00 am Mass in the church and livestreamed

Reconciliation

 Saturday, 2:30 to 3:30 pm or by appointment: barbara@padreserra.org (805) 482·6417 x324

Weekday Mass

• Monday to Friday, 8:00 am in the church

Pray for Our Sick

Mia Aceves, Mary Ahearn, Manny Alandy, Patti Andrus, Sean Badon, Fe Balaoing, Michele Burger, Irene Cameron, Eva Chun, Joe Cicciari, Thomas Collins, Paul Davis, Wyatt Davis, Jeanne Gaffney, Frances Garcia, Sharon Garcia, Jess Gonzalez, Tim Graf, Sally Harrington, Domingo Hipolito, Eric Hipolito, Hermi Hipolito, Rodel Hipolito, Virgil Hipolito, Salvador Jimenez, Edna Jost, Therese Kaiser, Shirley Koval, Evelyn Mainelli, Sadie Mainelli, Sheila Montgomery, Margie Perry, Abby Pizzo, Tracy Reason-Kerkhoff, Lourdes Reyes-Felipe, Fred Sedillos, Josseline Thomas, Filomeno White, Kylie Wilson and Taka Yamashita. (Names are refreshed monthly.)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently. May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: bible.usccb.org

Parish Book of Intentions: www.padreserra.org/intentions

Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime

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or visit www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests

Stations of the Cross: www.padreserra.org/stations
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: www.padreserra.org/news/olph

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: www.padreserra.org/prayer

Safeguard the Children

How to Help Children Cope with School Shootings in the News School shootings are in the news often, and children can understandably develop major fears about them. Keep up with what your children are talking about — if they seem to be focused on school shootings, it can be helpful to talk about these types of violence in a balanced context. For more ideas about how to discuss this with your children, read the VIRTUS article at lacatholics.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/DYK.Feb_.-12-13.Helping-Young-People-Cope.pdf

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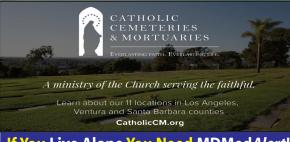


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CROP Walk Sunday, March 13

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Walk or jog anywhere, any day or time in March

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Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as many as six miles a day to get food, water, and fuel and take their goods to market. We walk to be in solidarity with their struggle for existence. Together we raise awareness and funds.

Register/Donate:

February 20 and 27 in the courtyard or visit www.padreserra.org/crop-walk

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CROP HUNGER WALK

Open Our Hearts this Lent

Weekly Community Groups

VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, March 8 - April 12, 11:30 am Wednesdays, March 9 - April 13, 7:00 pm

Take time this Lent to engage with scripture and reflect on different aspects of your spiritual life. Connect at a deeper level with the Sunday gospels and take time every day to reflect and pray. Each weekly one-hour small-group session includes scripture, prayer, and reflections along with concrete ways to live out our faith.

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