

Focusing the gospel

In the Fifth Sunday of Lent, John's gospel brings us the story of the woman accused of adultery. Religious leaders bring a woman to Jesus challenging him: "Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women." Jesus responded only, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." The crowd quietly dispersed. Jesus seeing there is no one left to accuse the woman says gently, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

For Masses using Cycle A readings for the RCIA, John's Gospel will offer the story of the raising of Lazarus. (For more information, see Praying the Gospels of Weeks 3, 4 and 5.)

Saturday is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The first readings this week prepare for the gospels. We begin with the long, but well worth reading, story of Susanna, which ends in "blessing God who saves those who hope in him." The bronze serpent on a pole reminds us of Jesus' saving cross. Three young men refuse to commit idolatry and show us how God protects "the servants who trusted in him." God entered a covenant with Abraham. In the midst of his persecution, Jeremiah praises God, "For he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!" God promises to unite the people in an everlasting covenant.

Our gospels are again from the John, the Fourth Gospel. Jesus continues to challenge the Pharisees, who plot his arrest. Jesus challenges those who do not believe in him: "I know where I came from and where I am going." Reminding us of the bronze serpent and his death, Jesus says, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I AM." To the children of Abraham and to us Jesus declares, "If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." "Whoever keeps my word will never see death. ... Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM." They heard what they thought was blasphemy and tried to stone him. Jesus simply told the truth, because, "the Father is in me and I am in the Father." After the raising of Lazarus, the plans were set to destroy Jesus. The high priest says the prophetic words, "it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish."

Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's Online Ministries Website: <http://www.creighton.edu/collaborativeministry/prayer>. Used with permission.



He Is Waiting. Will You Come?

"Come to me all you who labor and are overburdened and I will give you rest (Mt 11:28)". There are 12 open hours in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. Please consider spending one hour with our Lord in His gentle oasis. For more information, call Jana Schoen at 945-5379.

Sunday - 2 a.m. & 5 a.m.

Monday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Friday - 2 a.m., 8 a.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m. & 9 p.m..

Saturday - 1 a.m. & 2 a.m.

Please Remember In Prayer:

Sr. Lucille Kerschen
 Juanita Mans
 Jim Ridder
 Sue Warren
 Regina Gaytan
 Jeanne Sullivan
 Nancee Scheffer
 Kadie McDonough
 Deannie Little
 Andy Little
 Ray Rancuret
 Beverly Rancuret
 Jim Monroe
 Leroy Nedeau
 Charles T. Morton
 Gail Alcares



Robie Campbell
 Evelyn Monty
 Sarah Skidd
 Clair Vanzelfden
 Eldon Freund
 Ruth Freund
 Duane Wilson
 Vernie Bloch
 Joan Kandt
 Jim Flanigan
 Peggy Bowan
 Marci Limon

Doug Howell
 Betty Sherlock
 Dorothy Dotterer
 Jane Bell
 Betty Monroe
 Chuck Heimerman
 John Jansen
 +Cheryl Burke Julian
 +Matilda Puetz
 +Robert Larkin
 +Kent Mans
 +LeRoy Orth



Weekly Readings

- Mon. 3/14: Dn 13:1-62, Ps 23:1-6, Jn 8:12-20
- Tues. 3/15: Nm 21:4-9, Ps 102:2-21, Jn 8:21-30
- Wed. 3/16: Dn 3:14-95, Dn 3:52-56, Jn 8:31-42
- Thur. 3/17 Gn 17:3-9, Ps 105:4-9, Jn 8:51-59
- Fri. 3/18: Jer 20:10-13, Ps 18:2-7, Jn 10:31-42
- Sat. 3/19: 2Sm 7:4-16, Ps 89:2-29, Rom 4:13-22, Mt 1:16-24
- Sun. 3/20: Is 50:4-7, Ps 22:8-24, Phil 2:6-11, Lk 22:14-56

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Monday, March 14
8:15 a.m. Mass +Joseph Quang Nguyen
- Tuesday, March 15
6:00 p.m. Mass +Paul Shideler
- Wednesday, March 16
8:15 a.m. Mass +Frank Darland
- Thursday, March 17
St. Patrick
8:15 a.m. Mass +Andrew Gerstenkorn
- Friday, March 18
St. Cyril
8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. Kim Carlyle
- Saturday, March 19
8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. Adorers Living & Deceased
4:00 p.m. Mass S.I. People of St. Joseph
- Sunday, March 20
Palm Sunday
8:15 a.m. Mass +Cathy Mitchell
10:00 a.m. Mass +Mike Orth

Thank you for your gift of treasure! July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016

Weekly Collection 3/06/2016	\$16,637.60
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$12,960.77
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	\$2,265.51

The Lord has done great things for us! Throughout salvation history the Lord's intervention in human affairs shaped our world. The first reading today recalls the flight of the Israelites from Egypt and the destruction of Pharaoh's army. The powerful right arm of God showed no mercy to the Egyptians. In the Gospel Jesus shows mercy to the woman caught in adultery and uses it as a lesson to the scribes and Pharisees that each of us can become trapped in sin. May we turn to our Lord and seek his mercy and show mercy to each other.

Ministry Schedule March 19th & 20th

- 4:00 PM**
 - (S) Mike McDaneld (Rosary) Beverly Rancuret
 - (L1) JoAnn Morton (M. Server) Matthew Reddick
 - (L2) Katie Gruver (Candle 1) Zach Stickney
 - (H) John Bolster (Candle 2) Matthew Probst
 - (C1) Johnnie Bell (GB) Christina & Paige Hallacy
 - (C2) Linda Bolster
- 8:15 AM**
 - (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) Alice Mertens
 - (L1) Tomas Voboril (M. Server) Connor Ahlstedt
 - (L2) Michael Morch (Candle 1) Nick Wagner
 - (H) Gabby Shideler (Candle 2) Minnie Schreffler
 - (C1) Bill Babich (GB) LeFevre Family
 - (C2) Judy Shideler
- 10:00 AM**
 - (S) Alice Johnson (Rosary) Florence Marx
 - (L1) Jacque McLain (M. Server) Jeremiah Epps
 - (L2) Jack Johnson (Candle 1) Adam Orth
 - (H) Kristen Allen (Candle 2) Mercedes Sanders
 - (C1) Cheryl Gulick (GB) Jacque McLain
 - (C2) Doug Sublett



Parish Dinner is finally here!!! Don't want to wait long to eat? The shortest wait is from 2 - 4 p.m.

Thank you to these Parish Dinner Sponsors:

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Prayers for Our Military

Please pray for all members of the military, especially our parishioners:

- Jay Schoen Tony Jeffress Jonathan Burke
- Sam Francis Matt Mork Timothy Collier
- Justin Light Jeff Cranor

St. Anthony's All Class Reunion

This unique event will be held April 16, 2016. Whether you attended all eight grades, or just one or two, you are invited to come share memories, food, and a tour of the old school. The school closed in the spring of 1968, which means that most of us alums are getting into our 'wise' age. Now would be the time to get together! Mass will be at 4:00 PM, followed by some social time, a tour, and some sort of eating experience in the school! Please help us get the word out to siblings and fellow classmates. If you have questions or if you have a class list you can share, contact us at janinedebacker@msn.com or phone Rita DeBacker Price at 503.896.0832. You can also join us on Facebook at St. Anthony's Wichita All Class Reunion. Mark your calendars —more information to follow. We hope to see you there!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is composed of men and women who strive to grow spiritually and witness God's love by embracing works of charity and serving persons in need. The Ozanam Orientation is a program of the National Council to introduce new members to who we are and what we are about and re-acquaint current members with our spirituality and heritage. Participants will have opportunity to interact with each other throughout the course of the program. An in-depth home visit segment is included. Open to new, prospective and current members. The program is FREE with complimentary refreshments and lunch, Sat, March 19, 2016, from 9am-3pm. Registration is 8:30am-9am. Mass is at 12pm, St. Mary's Cathedral, Parish Hall, 430 N. Broadway. To register, call 316.706.7862 or email 6elpers@sbcglobal.net.

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalms 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

Docentium: Proclaiming Christ in a Secular Age Thursday, Mar 17; 6:15-8:30 p.m. Joshua Bitting of the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation gives this month's Docentium presentation. The program weaves Catholicism and Culture together. Join us for dinner, a presentation, and discussion. \$15 (Advance registration required)

Palm Sunday Retreat: By His Stripes, We Were Healed Friday, Mar 18 at 7:30 p.m. to Sunday, Mar 20 at 1 p.m. This year we welcome Bishop Emeritus Ronald Gilmore of the Dodge Diocese and Jacqueline Loh of Grace that Reigns USA for a weekend focused on exploring redemption and leading us into a celebration of Holy Week during this Year of Mercy. Early bird rates end Monday, March 7th: Single: \$145, Double: \$120, Commuter: \$100

Stations of the Cross by Torchlight Saturday, Mar 19 at 8:30 p.m. Join us for this moving way to celebrate the Stations of the Cross by processing by Torchlight around the SLC's beautiful outdoor stations. A perfect way to welcome Holy Week! Bring a flashlight. No charge. We will gather in the foyer at 8:15 p.m.

Shadows & Reality: A Typological Approach to Scripture & History Tuesdays, Apr. 5 and Apr. 12; 7-8:30 p.m. Dusty Gates leads this 2-week series bringing participants to a greater understanding of biblical typology, a practice used by the Church in which hidden meanings of the Old Testament are revealed by the manifestation of God in Jesus Christ. \$20

Date Night: A Night Out for Catholic Couples Thursday, Apr. 7; 6:15-9 p.m. Our popular Date Night program returns in April! Bring your spouse or significant other to enjoy a banquet dinner, program, social, and prayer time. This month Jake and Ramie Samour will give a talk called "Table to Table" comparing the dining room table to the altar of the Lord. \$30 per couple.

Advance registration requested. For more info and to register, visit www.slcwichita.org or call 316.744.0167.