Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019

Ezekiel 37:12-24 Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Romans 8:8-11 John 11:25a, 26

"I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die."



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Mass Intentions

Sun	04/07	 7:30 am (T) People of the Parish 9:00 am (D) Benjamin Esposo 10:45 am (D) Betty Tan 12:30 pm (D) Sarah Hickey 5:00 pm (D) Ralph Taitano
Mon	04/08	6:45 am (D) Ross Rondinelli 8:15 am (T) Basilio Kwon & Family
Tues	04/09	6:45 am (D) John L. Hayes 8:15 am (D) Maria Cadiente
Wed	04/10	6:45 am (D) Long Vo 8:15 am (D) Brenda Navarro
Thurs	04/11	6:45 am (D) Alice Rondinelli 8:15 am (D) Leo de Joya
Fri	04/12	.,
Sat	04/13	8:15 am (D) Michael F. O'Neil 5:00 pm (D) Brian Kelly
Sun	04/14	7:30 am (B) Robyn Hu 9:00 am (H) John Henry 10:45 am (D) Benjamin Esposo 12:30 pm (H) Harris Ingle, Jr. 5:00 pm (T) People of the Parish

Legend: (D) Deceased (H) Health (A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

In Observation of Lent No Altar Flowers



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RCIA Catechumens and Candidates Please Continue to Pray for Them





Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

In my homily this week, I will be preaching on the perfect and infinite love God has for us. His children, and how some people reject this divine gift. While there may be many reasons for this rejection, my own personal faith life and priestly ministry has shown me how unconfessed sin can separate us from the love of God. When we sin and do not own our actions, we will try to protect ourselves with justifications and excuses for our actions. Like Adam in the Garden, we can see God as the problem and not the solution. Thus, our sin pushes us farther and farther away from God and His love for us.

However, God never stops loving us. God wants to be in a loving relationship with us. He wants His love to enlighten every aspect of our lives. Last week, in his homily, Fr. Brad spoke about the need to have the light of Christ in our lives, especially in the sacrament of reconciliation or penance. I know some people mistakenly believe they do not need to go to confession. If you believe this, ask the person closest to you to list your sins for you and they will gladly do so. I know some other people mistakenly believe they can just take their sins directly to God. I would ask you to reread John 20:19-23.

On Monday, the parish will have our Lenten penance services at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. Let us all take this opportunity to allow God to remove our sins so that the light and love of Jesus Christ can enter into our lives.

Holy Lent!

Fr. Jerome



you!

A Heartfelt Thank You !

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Vilarrasa Council #7268 thanks all of you for your \$1005.93 support of People With Intellectual Disabilities, and for the \$465 from the parish breakfast for our Dominican Student Brother support. May the Good Lord bless and protect

Schedule of Masses

Monday - Friday 6:45 am and 8:15 am Daily

> Saturday 8:15 am Daily 5:00 pm Vigil

Sunday 7:30 am. 9:00 am. 10:45 am 12:30 pm Spanish / English 5:00 pm Youth

1st Sunday of Month 3:00 pm Vietnamese

Weekly Confession

Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm In the Church Or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Open to the public 7:00 am - 8:00 pm daily In the Adoration Chapel

> Tuesday 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm In the Church



Popcorn Sales

This Weekend!! After all Masses (No ordering required)



Seder Meal Tickets On Sale Now! Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 pm doors open at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Tickets may be purchased as a table of 8 only. They are \$10 each seat plus a potluck contribution for the table, which may be salad, white rice, colored boiled eggs, cookies, red wine or \$3 extra for table service, as specified on the tickets.

Tickets are now available in the parish office.

Upcoming Events

Opening the Word Lent Through Easter Mondays, March 11th - June 10th at 9:15 am In the Ministry Center Siena Room

Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper Fridays, March 8th - April 12th 6:30 pm In the Church Soup Supper following in the Parish Hall

Parish Reconciliation Monday, April 8th at 9:00 am & 7:00 pm In the Church

Diocese of Sacramento Chrism Mass Thursday, April 11th at 6:00 pm At the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacramento

> **Seder Meal** Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 pm In the Parish Hall

> > Holy Triduum & Easter See Ad to the right

Arguments for the Existence of God with Br. Patrick Rooney, O.P. Tuesday, April 30th 9:15 am & 7:00 pm in Parish Hall

All Hands on Deck for Easter!

Help is needed Saturday, April 20th 9:00 am in the Church

Please join us in setting up the church environment for Easter. All are welcome!



Have you thought about becoming Catholic?

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Join us for Inquiry Meetings First Wednesday of the Month Next Meeting

May 1st at 7:00 pm In the Ministry Center Siena Room

For more information please contact Shannon Carter email: RCIA@stdombenicia.org



Friday, April 12th at 6:30 pm In the Church Soup Supper to follow In the Parish Hall Hosted By: RCIA Alumni



Holy Triduum Liturgies

<u>April 18, 2019~Holy Thursday</u> In the Church

Tenebrae 8:15 am Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm Reposition to follow in the Parish Hall Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until The Farewell Discourses of Jesus Christ at 11:30 pm

April 19, 2019~Good Friday

In the Church Tenebrae 8:15 am Seven Last Words of Christ 12:00 pm Veneration of the Cross & Communion 2:00 pm Bilingual Veneration of the Cross & Communion 4:00 pm Veneration of the Cross & Communion 7:00 pm

April 20, 2019~Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil

In the Church Tenebrae 8:15 am Service of Light (Courtyard) & Easter Vigil Mass 8:15 pm Reception to follow in the Ministry Center

<u> April 21, 2019~Easter Sunday Mass Times</u>

Sunrise Mass at St. Dominic's Cemetery 6:30 am (If Inclement weather Mass will be in the Parish Hall at 7:00 am) 7:00 am In the Church 9:00 am & 11:00 am In the Church and the Parish Hall 12:30 pm (Bilingual) In the Church

Examination of Conscience

Often we approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation as if it fixes aspects of our lives that we're not willing to fix ourselves. We go, time after time, confessing the same sins, never really rising above them. This happens because we confess only our surface actions, and never get to the underlying motivations within us that lead us to choose sin. An *Examination of Conscience* invites us to go deeper. **To do an** *Examination*: 1) set aside some time in prayer; 2) if possible, read the Bible passage the *Examination* is based on; 3) read through each question in the *Examination*, pausing to ask them of yourself; 4) stay with the questions that speak to you the most (usually only one or two will really resonate); 5) spend some extra time in prayer with those questions (reflect on your motivation); and 6) bring the results of your *Examination* into Confession or a prayer of resolve. You can create your own *Examination* from many different types of Bible passages.

Based On The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)

The Prodigal Son

- Have I said, "thank you," for all that I have received?
- Have I done or said things that I now regret?
- Have I used others for my pleasure?
- Have I covered my pain with food, alcohol, work, or anything allowing me to forget?
- Have I been too quick to create justification for my actions?
- Have I taken the time to recognize my own shortcomings?
- Have I squandered any gifts that have been given me?
- Have I blamed my misfortunes on others?
- Have I been slow to admit my failings and to ask for forgiveness?
- Have I viewed myself as worthless and undeserving of forgiveness?
- Have I refused to recognize my dependence on others?
- Have I taken the easy way out?
- Have I learned from my mistakes?

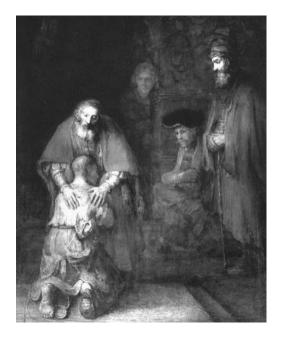
The Father

- Have I been willing to share my many gifts with others?
- Have I been quick to forgive others, and to restore them to my good graces?
- Have I run to meet others who desire to return to God?
- Have I been the face and hands of God for others?
- Have I been willing to trust others?
- Have I celebrated the great moments in life?
- Have I been sensitive to the pain and fear of others?
- Have I fully appreciated those around me?
- Have I been a peacemaker?

The Older Son

- Have I spoken poorly of others?
- Have I refused to reconcile with others?
- Have I held on to anger and resentment?
- Have I been quick to point out the flaws of others?
- Have I failed to celebrate the good fortune of others?
- Have I been jealous of the recognition others receive?
- Have I approached the world with a sense of entitlement?
- Have I tried to manipulate others into doing what I want?
- Have I valued other's opinions of myself over God's?
- Have I looked to others to affirm me?

Have I been demanding of the time, energy, or attention of others? Have I taken the time to recognize the gifts that have always been mine?



Based on Paul's Image of Love (1 Corinithians 13:4-8)



Love is patient; love is kind.

Have I been impatient with another, with myself or with God? Have I been patient with other's growth, or do I demand more of others than of myself? Have I been patient with my growth? Do I follow the prompting of God for my growth? Have I caused others to suffer? Have I been insensitive to the pain of family or friends?

Is kindness my way of life?

Can I say that I have been a blessing to others?

Love is not rude; it does not seek its own interests.

Have I failed to treat others with respect? Have I denied another's dignity by speaking ill of them, lying to them or stealing from them?

Do I tear others down by my words or speech? Do I demean God and Church by my language or by my silence? Do I place my interests before others? Have I used others for my own pleasure? Do I seek my own pleasure by misusing sex, drugs, or alcohol? Can I say that I have put others first, as Christ has put me first?

Love is not jealous, it does not put on airs, and it is not snobbish.

Have I been possessive? Have I tried to control people, especially those whom I say I love? Do I act as if I am better than others? Do I really see others as my real sisters and brothers? Have I been envious of others while ignoring my own gifts and talents? Do I give myself enough credit? Can I say that I truly work to build others up in Christ?

Love is not quick-tempered; it does not brood over injury

Have I allowed anger to get the best of me? Am I as quick to apologize? Do I get stuck blaming myself or others rather than working things out and moving on? Do I hold on to grudges and build up resentment? Do I blame God for the misfortunes of my life? Have I been as generous in forgiving others as Christ has been with me?

Love does not rejoice in what is wrong, but rejoices with the truth.

Do I take delight in another's misfortune?

Do I act against what I believe is right?

Am I afraid to let myself know how I truly feel?

Am I afraid to speak up for the truth?

Do I study my faith or ponder the Scriptures? Do I give my faith time?

Can I say that Jesus is my way, my truth, my life?

There is no limit to love's forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure. Love never fails.

Have I refused to forgive to have I given up on family or friends? Is there any other way that I have cut myself off from being loved or from loving others? Do I give others the benefit of the doubt?

Have I ignored the gifts of truth, beauty or goodness found in the people or events that God has given me? Do I take time to notice the gifts God daily gives me?

Important Dates Religious Education Classes (K-7th)

Easter Break April 16/17: No Class April 23/24: No Class

First Eucharist Rehearsals (TBA) April 30th & May 2nd In the Church

First Eucharist Rite May 4th 10:00 am, 12:30 pm (Bilingual) & 5:00 pm May 5th 9:00 am, 10:45 am, 12:30 pm (Bilingual) & 5:00 pm All in the Church

> Last Days of Rel Ed May 21st/22nd



Youth Ministry

A big thank you to Symantha Telepak-Compton for leading last Sunday's awesome *Hot Topic* presentation on teen pressure and stress.

In anticipation of Palm Sunday, there will be a Pizza & Palms service project on Thursday, April 11th. To register, please email Lisa at Itoomey@stdombenicia.org.



The last YR I Confirmation gathering of the school year will take place this Tuesday and Wednesday, April 9th & 10th from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall. This meeting is for <u>parent and teen</u>. Last names A-L will gather on April 9th and last names M-Z will gather on April 10th.

Prayer Request:

Please keep the YR I Confirmation teens, parents, and sponsors in your prayers as they continue on their confirmation journey and participate in the Entrance Ritual this evening.



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours: Daily Hours: Open to the public 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM Scheduled Adorer Hours Only: 8:00 PM – 7:00 AM

CURRENT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION NEEDS

Please prayerfully consider spending an hour with Jesus.

MONDAY 7:00 am (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call John Elizalde @ 602-318-3235

<u>MONDAY 10:00 am</u> (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Siane Peters 707-771-0549

TUESDAY 3:00 am (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Euly Le Gro @ 707-315-2338

<u>TUESDAY 6:00 am</u> (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Valerie Bechelli @ 707-319-5993

WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Antonio Gomez @ 707-567-0568

TUESDAY 7:00 am (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call John Elizalde @ 602-318-3235

FRIDAY 1:00 am (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Ed Miller @ 707-853-5910

SATURDAY 10:00 am (Once a month - 4th Week) Call Siane Peters 707-771-0549

<u>SATURDAY 5:00 pm</u> (Once every 6th week) Call Marie Earp @ 707-745-0899

<u>SUNDAY 7:00 am</u> (Once a month – 1st Week) Call John Elizalde @ 602-318-3235

<u>SUNDAY 2:00 pm</u> (Once every 6th week) Call Joji Holzwarth @ 707-704-8779

SUNDAY 5:00 pm (Once every 5th week) Call Maria Lau @ 707-515-5814

<u>SUNDAY 7:00 pm</u> (Weekly or alternating weeks) Call Antonia Gomez @ 707-567-0568

If you have questions about Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Shirley Cortez (707) 208-2004 or Joji Holzwarth (707) 704-8779.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Tuesday-Friday Closed for lunch (T-F) Saturday Sunday

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8:30 am - 1:00 pm

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

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Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:



Colleen Haight Tommy Thompson Gladys Haddad Malcolm Duvall

Rosendo Lara Dorothy Szabo Peter Szabo, Sr.

Please remember the following recently deceased (and their families) in your prayers:

Don Thurin, Rosan Sullivan Staubach, Socorro "Corrine" Basilio, Dennis Garvey, Geneva Chiabotti, Br. Fredrick Narberese, OP, **Bernice Clark** Sick or remembrances will be listed for a period of 3 months

Guadalupana Association

The Guadalupana Association promotes devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe and encourages community spirit among our parishioners. The Guadalupana Association meets at the Church the first Saturday of the month at 6:45 pm to pray the rosary in Spanish.



For more information, please contact us at guadalupana@stdombenicia.org

Interested in Joining St. Vincent de Paul?

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the ministry center. To learn more about our ministry and get involved contact svdp@stdombenicia.org.

Please help us stock our pantry. We are in need of mayo, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soups, beef stew, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, fruit cups, etc.

If you know anyone who could use St. Vincent de Paul's help, please have them call 707-746-1773



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