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4th Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41 *Jesus Heals a Blind Man*

True Recovery of Sight

In today's Gospel, we encounter Jesus healing a man who was born blind. In all of the Bible, this is the only healing of a man blind since birth, whereas other healings were of temporary blindness. The uniqueness of this great mystery offers us the ability to richly reflect on what it means to be good stewards of Christ.

Firstly, while the man was healed of his physical sight, the more remarkable miracle was his ability to grasp Jesus' true identity. When Jesus reveals to him that He is the Son of Man, the blind man boldly responds, "Lord, I believe." The blind man did not come to this realization on his own, but it was the Lord's working in his life that led him to this chance of heart.



So too, in all of us, it is the **Lord and His grace** that brings about our interior conversion. We must **never** fall into the temptation that our faith and charity is the result of our own strength or abilities. After the blind man's encounter, it says "he worshipped Him." As good stewards, we should seek to imitate his example, falling down in thanksgiving and adoration for all of the grace and gifts the Lord has poured into our lives. Let us take a moment today to praise God most especially for the gifts of our Catholic faith and the Church.

With all the things happening, persevere in faith. Pray together with your family, read the scripture, share faith stories, sing Praise and Worship songs together.

RESERVATIONS

CHURCH

Mon	Mar 23	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Mar 24	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	Mar 25	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Mar 26	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Sat	Mar 28	Confirmation Reconciliation & Retreat

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Mar 23	EDGE 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Mar 24	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-4:00pm
Tue	Mar 24	Bible Study: Bible Timeline 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Mar 25	Christian Initiation of Children 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Mar 25	New Beginnings 7:00-9:00pm
Fri	Mar 27	LIFETEEN 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Mar 28	Confirmation Retreat 9:00am-2:00pm
Sat	Mar 28	MOVIE Night 6:00-9:00pm

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Mar 23	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Mar 25	Prime Time Crafts 1:00-4:00pm
Wed	Mar 25	Sacramental Preparation 6:30-7:30pm
Sat	Mar 28	CFCFFL 6:30-10:30pm

How can you "Live the Gospel" when life is so busy?

Many people help those in need by volunteering at a local organization. But if your schedule doesn't allow for it, you can still make a huge impact in your community by supporting ShareLife-funded agencies. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, please reflect on your ability to "Live the Gospel" by making a sacrificial gift to our parish ShareLife campaign.

March 29 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.



Feel free to drop off your donation envelope in the Parish Office. Thank you!

Easter Novena Mass Cards are now available (while supplies last) in the Parish Office at \$3 each.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 23 9am	1. For the soul of Joseph Pinto, requested by Marilyn Bansod 2. For the Ernest Ambrose, requested by Christine & Dominic Robson
Tue	Mar 24 9am	For the 92nd birthday of Ida Lewis, requested by Nicholson Family
Wed	Mar 25 7pm	1. For the special intentions of the Fernandes Family, requested by Victor & Gloria 2. For the healing of Nadine and Adrian Kenny, requested by Anne Kenny
Thurs	Mar 26 9am	1. For the soul of Bridget D'Souza, requested by Arthur Rodrigues 2. For the birthday thanksgiving of Juliet Uzo, requested by the family
Fri	Mar 27 9am	For the living intention of Terna Kange, requested by the family
Sat	Mar 28 9am 5pm	1. For thanksgiving intention of Dustin DeSouza, requested by the family 2. For the deceased members and friends of Marina and Zeno Perera, requested by Zeno For the soul of Jack Carvalho, requested by Judy DeSouza
Sun	Mar 29 10am 12noon 4pm	1. For the soul of Roque Soares, requested by Rolinda D'Almeida 2. For the soul of Stan Smidth, requested by Mrs. Hodonsky 3. For the soul of Frank Hodonsky, requested by Mrs. Hodonsky For Knights of Columbus Founder's Day, requested by the Knights of Columbus 1. For the soul of Neil Dissanaike, requested by Anthony Dissanaike 2. For the soul of Walter Sequeira, requested by John, Cavita, and Danielle

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	March 23	Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54
Tue	March 24	Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16
Wed	March 25	Isaiah 7:10-14;8,10d; Heb 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38
Thurs	March 26	Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:18, 31-47++
Fri	March 27	Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat	March 28	Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53
Sun	March 29	Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45

The Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment is only a phone call away. Call the Parish Office, 905.821.1331.



STATIONS of the CROSS

The community Stations of the Cross on Fridays are on hold until further notice. You can do your private prayers and Stations of the Cross at anytime that the church is open.

REPENT. PRAISE. GIVE THANKS.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY**
 April 4 Saturday 5:00pm
 April 5 Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm
- HOLY THURSDAY**
 April 9 Mass of the Lord's Supper **8:00pm**
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **9:00-11:30pm**
- GOOD FRIDAY**
 April 10 Stations of the Cross by our Youth **10:00am**
 Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion **3:00pm, 7:00pm**
- HOLY SATURDAY**
 April 11 No Holy Mass during the day
 Solemn Easter Vigil at **8:00pm**
- EASTER SUNDAY**
 April 12 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm
- DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**
 April 19 By SJOC Parish Prayer Group



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