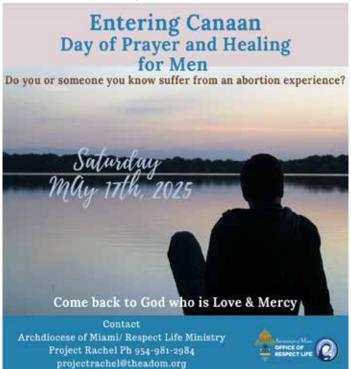


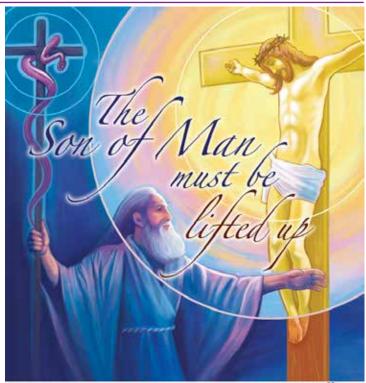
# ST. BARTHOLOMEW CATHOLIC PARISH CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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# Fourth Sunday in Lent - Year C

(Darch 30, 2025







Lenten Missions provide an opportunity as individuals and as parish to deepen our faith, take up the call to conversion and renew our commitment to Christ and His Church. The renewal from such a time of prayer and reflection should invigorate us.

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

Priests Rev. Andrew Chan-A-Sue Pastor Rev. Youry Jules Parochial Vicar

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**Music Ministry** 

Mrs. Betty Bunnell Mrs. Monique Abraham Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko Mr. Michael Martinez Mr. Jonathan Gaus

#### MATRIMONY

Please contact the Rectory at least six months prior to the proposed date.

#### BAPTISMS

Please contact the Rectory at least three months before anticipated date to make arrangements. Baptisms in English are on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:30 AM.

## HOLY EUCHARIST (MASS)

Saturday:	5:00 PM (English)
	6:30 PM (Spanish)
Sunday:	7:30, 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM
<b>French/Créole</b>	1:00 PM

Weekday:	7:00, 8:30 AM ( <b>7 PM - during Lent only</b> )
Saturday:	8:30 AM
First Friday	French/Créole - 7:30 PM

## **RECONCILIGITION** (Confessions)

## Saturday: 11:00 - 11:30 AM 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Weekdays: When priests are available. Anytime by appointment

#### ROSARY

Weekdays at 7:30 AM (after the 7:00 AM Mass)

### **CHARISMATIC PRAYER**

English Wednesday, 7:30 PM - Sacred Heart Center French/Créole Friday, 7:30 PM, School Rm B

**LEGION OF MARY** Sunday 11:30 AM, School Rm A (English)



#### PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to our parish family. Pick up a registration form at the rectory or print one from the website; later you will be invited to learn more about our parish and our many ministries.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

(In the Rectory Chapel) Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30 AM to 7:30 PM



### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday - 9 AM to 5:00 PM Sunday - CLOSED

### Pastoral Hispana

Misa en Español - Los Sabados - 6:30 PM El Santo Rosario los Sabados a las 6:00 PM

Confesiones - Los Sábados, 11-11:30 AM; 4:30-5 PM

**Bautismos** - Para el curso pre-bautismal, llame con TRES MESES de anticipación a la Rectoría. Los Bautismos en Español son los 4° Domingos del mes.

**Matrimonio** - Llame a la Rectoría lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

**Legión De María** - Se reunen en Salón B en la escuela los sábados a las 4:30 PM. Julia Cisneros 305-928-9097

**Coro Hispano** - Ensayo los Sabados a las 4:00 PM en la escuela (salón de música) con el Director Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko 305-505-1451



### AVIS pour les Membres de la Communauté Haitienne

Messe en Créole / Français

- 1:00 PM chaque dimanche
  7:30 PM chaque premier vendredi du mois avec Bénédiction du Très Saint Sacrement
- **Confession:** Samedi 11-11:30 AM, 4:30-5 PM
- Visite des malades: Contactez Père Youry au presbytère de l'église.
- Baptême: 2è dimanche du mois à 11:30 AM. Contactez le Père Youry trois mois avant la date prévue.

Mariage: Contactez le Père Youry, six mois avant la date prévue.

Prière Charismatique: Vendredi de 7:30 PM à 10:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

Légion De Marie: Jeudi, de 6:00 à 7:00 PM (à l'école) Samedi à partir de 4:00 PM (à l'école)

Répétition de Chorale: Samedi de 5:30 à 7:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

La Sainte Famille: Dimanche à 3:00 PM (à l'école)



# EUCHARIST

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 30 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Sat) 5:00 PM Ligia Perez Martinez (T)

( <b>Out</b> ) 5.00 111	
	Lowinda & Abighail Mary (T
6:30 PM	Marisol Mora (T)
( <b>Sun)</b> 7:30 AM	+ Manuel Peña
10:00 AM	Ketia Dormevil (L)
	Andy Fortune (T) (Birthday)
	+ Matthew London
	+ Pilar Carbonel
1:00 PM	Herby Dorval & family (T)
	James Daniel (T)
	Farah Saint Vil (T)
	Christel Joseph (L)
5:00 PM	Patricia Klohn (T)

## Monday, March 31 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM + Sheila Silva 8:30 AM Jeanine Cherubin (L) + Yvon Colon 7:00 PM Judith Elizabeth Daphinis (L)

### Tuesday, April 1 - Lenten Weekday

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7:00 AM	Sulette Gabriel (T)
	Souls in Purgatory
8:30 AM	Rous Durosca (T)
	Rodolfo Vargas (L)
	+ Gervacio Torres
7:00 PM	Oliver & Jr. Hugues (T)
	+ Sal Grilli

+ Titus Akos Akezel

## Wednesday, April 2 - St Francis of Paola, Hermit

7:00 AM	Eva Bonny Antoine (T)	
	+ Freddy Tavarez	
8:30 AM	Randolph Joseph Henriquez (T)	
	David Michael Torres (L)	
	+ Micheline & Justin Piquion	
7:00 PM	Sick of the Parish (L)	
	Peace in the world	<b>A</b>

## Thursday, April 3 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM	William Carter (T)
8:30 AM	Joseph Dorismond (T)
	+ Donald Dodge

- 7:00 PM + Jean Hervé Jovin
  - + Victor Narcisse + Nicolas Abellard
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Friday, April 4 - St Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church			
7:00 AM	+ Sheila Silva		
8:30 AM	Alexandra Bingue (T)		
	Marie Yolaine Destin (L)		
	+ Butler Jean-Louis		
7:00 PM	Judithe Hercule Daphinis (T)		
	Abell Duprat (T)		
	+ Fritz Duprat		
8:00 PM	Claudia Fleurantin (T)		
	Jean-Max & Katiana Rodney (T)		
	+Sylvia Theolus		
	+ André Theolus		
Saturday, April 5 - Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest			
8:30 AM	Aria Garcia (L)		
	Anne Marie Decimus (L)		
	+ Gaetgens Joseph		
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## SUNDAY, APRIL 6 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(Sat) 5:00 PM	Peace in the World
6:30 PM	+ Maria Aquino
	+ Gustavo Aguirre
<b>(Sun)</b> 7:30 AM	Adrien Louisy (T)
	+ Ana Rebecca Gonzalez
10:00 AM	Esperanza Abinsay (T)
	+ Terry Prince
	+ Dylan Flathman
1:00 PM	Jean-Max & Katiana Rodney (T)
	James Daniel (T)
	Michel Auguste (L)
	Fabiola Remy (T)
	Patrick Cassagnol (T)
5:00 PM	Patricia Klohn (T)



Mass weekday	7 PM
Stations of the Cross	6
Fridays	at 7:30 PM
Fish Fry in the Parish	n Hall
Fridays from 5 PM	to 7:45 PM
Spanish Mission	March 31

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Haitian Mission	April 2-4
English	April 7-8

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday 3/30: Jos 5: 9a. 10-12/ Ps 34: 2-7		
	2 Cor 5: 17-21/ Lk 15: 1-3.11-32	
Monday:	Is 65: 17-21/ Ps 30: 2 and 4. 5-6.	
	11-12a and 13b/ Jn 4: 43-54.	
Tuesday:	Ez 47: 1-9. 12/ Ps 46: 2-3. 5-6. 8-9	
	Jn 5: 1-16	
Wednesday:	Is 49: 8-15/ Ps 145: 8-9. 13cd-14.	
	17-18/ Jn 5: 17-30	
Thursday:	Ex 32: 7-14/ Ps 106: 19-23	
	Jn 5: 31-47	
Friday:	Wis 2: 1a. 12-22/ Ps 34: 17-21	
	and 23/ Jn 7: 1-2. 10. 25-30	
Saturday:	Jer 11: 18-20/ Ps 7: 2-3. 9bc-12	
	Jn 7: 40-53	
Sunday 4/6:	Is 43: 16-21/ Ps 126: 1-6	
	Phil 3: 8-14/ Jn 8: 1-11	





Thomas Sanon Jules Marie Abraham Auguste Emmanuelle Nelson

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**First Reading --** The people celebrate the first Passover in the promised land. Joshua 5:9a, 10–12

**Responsorial Psalm --** "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord." Psalm 34

Second Reading -- Jesus reconciles us to his Father. 2 Corinthians 5:17–21 Gospel Reading -- Forgiveness and

reconciliation are reasons for celebration. Luke 15:1–3, 11–32

Please pray for healing & comfort for the sick and for strength and endurance for all caregivers



Gifford Silva Madelynn Garcia-Cruz Pierre St Vil Cherry-Ann Edwards Andrew Dina Jean-Baptiste Adriana & Jenny Rodriguez Juan Darmanin **Ryan Rodriguez** Maria Walker Margarita Rosado Fave Silvera Beth Palmison Claudia DeLorenzo Jeanine Pierrot Christina Fortune Margarita Cano Kamal Mohammed O'neil Mohammed Marie Excellent Lynn Dunne Candy Larsen Jessi Menendez Chris Dalheim

Bernadette Projecki Devon (Tony) Shaw Marilyn Constantine-Lane Quincie G. Cajuste Jennifer Evans Gloria Beason Paulo Mendonça Ashley & Kimar Baker Mary-Ann Printy André Paes Cardoso Jairo Frota **Busgith Vida** Marie Georges Louis Abiah Tiday Lorraine Fuller Patricia Khlon Johnston family Cynthia Horvath Andy Fortune Kaitlyn Lottie Erin Bacon Paulette Scuotto Rain Pierre Jared Def-Moreau

# Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Three and a half weeks into this forty-day journey through Lent, we may have become lost. Perhaps we have returned to our normal habits, chafing under the disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Perhaps we've slipped and found ourselves rationalizing our failures. The story of the prodigal son, which we hear today, reminds us that no matter what we have done or failed to do, God stands always ready to welcome us back. No matter how far we have strayed, rejoice! for we are never too far gone to return to God.

On the plains of Jericho, the Chosen People finally reach a fertile land that can produce food for them to eat. Paul extols God's goodness, for God reconciled the world through Christ. In the Gospel story of the prodigal son, the father is so overjoyed at his wayward son's return that he throws a huge feast, serving the choicest food and insisting his son wear the household's finest clothes. From beginning to end, we can, as we sing in the responsorial psalm, "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

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# If you are new...

Stop by the Rectory Office to fill out a registration form if you are new to the area or the parish. It only takes a few minutes, then use your parishioner number when making a donation to support your parish community. Remember your donations are tax deductible and will be fully credited to your account. You can also donate online at our website: stbartholomew.com or by texting your amount to (954) 280-0901





Collection on: 3/23/25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass	Attendance	Collection
Sat. 5:00 PM	75	\$894.00
Sat. 6:30 PM	34	\$283.00
Sun. 7:30 AM		\$983.00
Sun. 10:00 AM	166	\$1,435.00
Sun. 1:00 PM	324	\$2,135.00
Sun. 5:00 PM	40	\$437.00
Loose Coins		\$17.00
Office		\$970.77
Maintenance	5	\$75.00
Offertory Online	19	\$725.00
SVDP online	8	\$77.00
Main Collection		\$8,126.77
Candles		\$206.00
Special Collection		\$266.00
		\$0.00
Total	671	\$8,598.77

# Fourth Sunday in Lent Arm the Photon Torpedoes

Usually the first reading is picked to go with the Gospel. This week the connection appears to be a feast. The book of Joshua tells of the Israelites coming into the Promised Land, where they no longer needed to be fed with manna as in the desert. They had been wandering much longer than expected because of their unfaithfulness. But now they are forgiven, and so celebrate the Passover with food from the land. Then we hear the Gospel parable about another feast. This one is also a celebration of forgiveness, for the prodigal son has returned to his father, and the father's forgiveness shows us how willing God is to forgive us. That's where we end the parable, right?

Wrong. The parable continues with the older son's complaint about a feast for his brother. Did you notice the words of the father that "everything I have is yours" (Luke 15:31)? He's not just being sentimental because they are family. The younger brother had already taken his inheritance, so whatever was left will one day go to the older one. That son cannot forgive his brother and is angry at the father for welcoming the prodigal back. This is where we come in.

Most of us have no trouble asking God's forgiveness. But we may have trouble forgiving others. We are so used to thinking in terms of justice that we are not satisfied with forgiveness. When I have been hurt, I feel like hitting back. When you see an action movie, you don't want the bad guy to give up and say he's sorry—you expect him to be destroyed by the good guy, hopefully in a big fight or a spectacular explosion. (Superheroes, however, almost never kill the bad guy.)

So we have to ask ourselves whose idea of justice we live by. Is it the human expectation of an eye for an eye? Or is it God's justice, which is mercy and forgiveness? When someone cuts you off in traffic, do you feel like firing the photon torpedoes, or offering forgiveness? The Golden Rule could be "Forgive others as you would be forgiven." Jesus gave his life for the sins of the world. Do we have the right to ask for more.

Tom Schmidt

# **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Today, "Laetare Sunday," breaks the somberness of Lent for a little rejoicing, and the readings all summon us to an awareness of reconciliation. One of the best-loved stories of our tradition is today's Gospel story of the runaway son and the prodigal father. Prodigal, of course, is an adjective meaning "spendthrift or extravagant to a degree bordering on recklessness," and although the boy maxes out the credit cards, it is really the father who is prodigal with forgiveness.

Part of the excitement of this Laetare Sunday is rooted in the ancient catechumenate. Long ago, midway through Lent, the "elect" were focusing more and more on the gift of reconciliation accomplished for them by Christ and about to be realized in the Easter sacraments they were preparing to celebrate. In some places, the elect were even bedecked with roses on this day. A person bedecked with roses sticks out in a crowd; a person formed by the Eucharist and committed to living a life of reconciliation does, too. That's you!

-James Field



at 7:30 PM after the 7 PM Mass

"Journeying with Jesus on the path of hope"

In Spanish



In English



March 31 April 2-4 April 7-8 Thursday of Holy Week 8 PM (TRILINGUAL)

# Mass of the Lord's Supper

Washing of the Feet, Eucharist and Procession with the Blessed Sacrament

In Creole

Adoration in church until midnight Night Prayer – 11:45 PM

# **Good Friday** - Stations of the Cross Chemin de Croix/Français-Créole 10 AM Via Crucis/Siete Palabras - Español 12:30 PM Stations of the Cross/English 3:00 PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Scriptures, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion

# Français-Créole 5:00 PM Español 6:30 PM English 8:00 PM

# Holy Saturday

No morning Masses - No Confessions No afternoon Masses on Saturday

# Easter Vigil ~ 8 PM (TRILINGUAL)

Tri-lingual Candlelight Service, Scriptures, Christian Initiation, Holy Communion

English 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM French/Créole 1:00 PM Español 5:00 PM









Brothers and sisters, please join us in praying for these Candidates and Catechumens who are currently going through the RCIA program and will become fully initiated Catholics at the Easter Vigil on April 19, 2025

# CATECHUMENS

Aria Lugo Joe-Hanna Lundi Mikaela Sanon Harmony Thomas

# CANDIDATES

Raquel Elizabeth Cluzet Gabrielle Georges Giorvan Jean-Baptiste Yajaira Lugo

# **RCIA Prayer**

Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on fire for the Kingdom of God. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen

# **2025 JUBILEE LOGO**

The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith which this lead figure embraces, but also of hope which can never be abandoned, because we are alway



hope, which can never be abandoned, because we are always in need of hope, especially in our moments of greatest need. There are the rough waves under the figures, symbolising the fact that life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly in calm waters. Often the circumstances of daily life and events in the wider world require a greater call to hope. That's why we should pay special attention to the lower part of the cross which has been elongated and turned into the shape of an anchor which is let down into the waves. The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. In maritime jargon the 'anchor of hope' refers to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the ship during storms. It is worth noting that the image illustrates the pilgrim's journey not as an individual undertaking, but rather as something communal, marked by an increasing dynamism leading one ever closer to the cross. The cross in the logo is by no means static, but it is also dynamic. It bends down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope. At the bottom of the logo is the motto of the 2025 Jubilee Year: Peregrinantes in Spem (Pilgrims in hope), represented in green letters.

# Lent and the purification of memory

The On December 20, 2002, I was at lunch in the papal department when the wide-ranging conversation John Paul II always encouraged took an unexpected turn, with the pope asking me how President Ronald Reagan was doing. As it happened, I had recently run into Reagan's former attorney general, Edwin Meese, and had asked the same question. The answer was a sad one.

Meese had been to the christening of the USS Ronald Reagan, a Nimitz-class aircraft carrier, and had brought one of the traditional baseball caps with the

ship's name on it back to the former president. Reagan, ever the gentleman, thanked Meese and then said, "But Ed, why would anyone name a ship after me?" The Alzheimer's that would kill him a few years later had obliterated his memory to the point where Ronald Reagan had no recollection of having been president of the United States for eight years. When I related this story, John Paul, sitting directly across from me, looked utterly stricken, and what seemed a full minute's silence ensued. The pope was in tough physical shape from Parkinson's disease. But it was as if he now imagined a worse fate than being locked in an increasingly frozen body: a life in which he had lost the capacity to reflect on his life. The silence was broken by John Paul quietly asking me to "please let Mrs. Reagan know that I am praying for her husband" – a message I conveyed through Ed Meese on my return home.

That vignette puts a prayer once familiar to many Catholics, the Suscipe of St. Ignatius Loyola, into striking relief: Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess You have given to me: I surrender it all to You to be disposed of according to Your will. Give me only Your love and Your grace; with these, I will be rich enough and will desire nothing more.

I learned the Suscipe as a boy, and I must confess that, for a half-century, I balked at the idea of offering the Lord my memory. It seemed a bridge too far, a self-immolation of an almost suicidal character. What would be left of me if I lost my memory? I could lose my liberty and still be me. I could lose what little understanding of things I had gained and still be me, for I could always understand better. As for losing my willfulness, well, it would surely be a blessing if the divine will took over in my life, unreservedly. But my memory? On the surface, John Paul II's reaction to my telling him of President Reagan's loss of memory suggests that he, too, choked, at least metaphorically, at the idea of losing his memory in addition to his mobility.

The coming of Lent, however, suggests that the gift of one's memory to God involves the constant purification of memory over a lifetime, as a saint like John Paul surely knew. The annual forty-day pilgrimage through the desert of Lent, patterned on the Lord's forty days in the Judaean wilderness in preparation for his public ministry, is the preeminent moment in the Church's year of grace for the purification of memory" especially our memories of the successes and failures of living missionary discipleship since Pentecost 2024 closed last year's season of paschal celebration. As I note in Roman Pilgrimage: The Station Churches, Lent, as presently constituted in the sacred liturgy, divides into two periods. The first two and a half weeks ask us to conduct an extensive examination of conscience: What in me needs purification if I am to become more effectively the missionary disciple I was baptized to be? What is the dross in my soul that must be incinerated to make me as transparent a witness to the love of Christ as I ought to be?

Lent's second half has a baptismal character. As we prepare to receive the blessing of Easter water, which is baptismal water, at the Easter Vigil or on Easter Sunday, our purified memories enable us to encounter anew, and in greater depth, Christ's thirst for us (as in the Lenten Gospel story of the woman at the well), Christ's enlightenment of us (as in the Lenten Gospel story of the man born blind), and Christ's power over death (as in the Lenten Gospel story of Lazarus).

The Lord purifies our memory so that we can, in due course, "see his face... and...reign forever and ever" (Revelation 22:4–5).