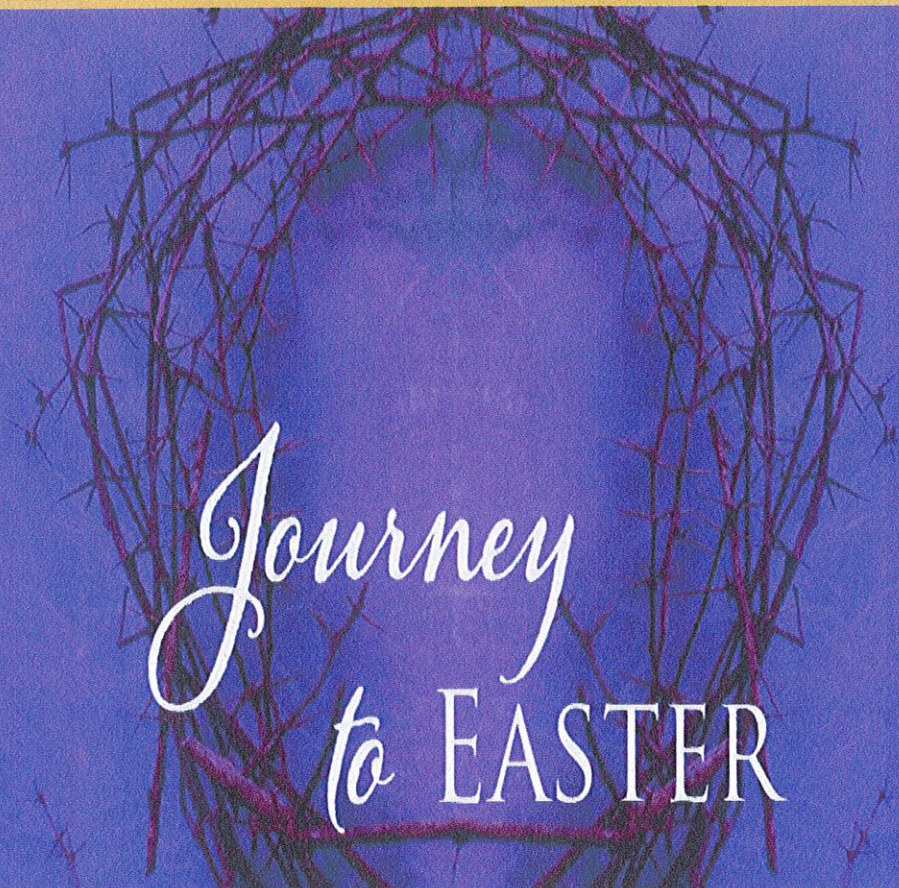


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#### *Mass Times*

Note: All weekend Masses are held outside.  
Please bring your chair and face covering.  
Weekday Masses at 7:30am are live-streamed  
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No public masses are being offered during the week.

Sunday Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday 8:30am English 10:30am Spanish

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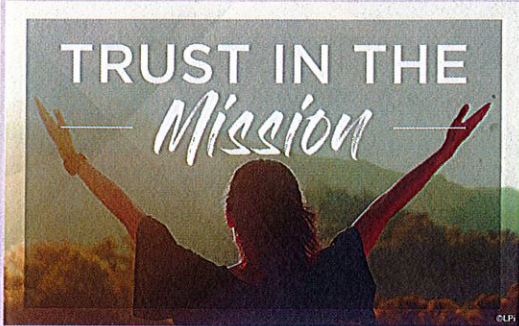
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# Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, “You are absolutely beaming!” The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn’t mean their heart and soul come with them. Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily trip to McDonald’s and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new “digs,” received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that day. How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you’re really “into it” this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it’s only the stuff on the outside that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God’s call. Then, there is God’s request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen. ©LPi

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### *When Sacrifice Becomes Mundane*

*It seems to happen every year, like clockwork: we drag a bit, as we enter into the second week of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we feel a bit like soldiers banging our shields, rushing into battle. “We’re ready, God!” our hearts cry out. “Transform us through sacrifice! Your will be done!” But by now, these Lenten resolutions are no longer novelties — they’ve joined the ranks of everyday inconveniences, which somehow are the hardest to bear. Because transformation, in real life, happens in inches, just as a battle is won slowly in the crash of one sword against another. It’s not always a dramatic thing, to the naked eye. It’s the perseverance in prayer despite weariness, or the continual denial of some pleasure even though there’s that nagging voice in our minds saying: go ahead, God doesn’t really mind. It’s a week when we all need a shock to the system — and wouldn’t you know it, this Sunday God gives us a double-whammy of dramatic sacrificial scenes. We picture Abraham, who also cried “Ready!” when God called, never imagining what He would ask: the surrender of his long-awaited son. We see Christ himself transfigured, as God shows us what He is ready to give up for love of us. We must remain committed, persevering daily in acknowledging that everything belongs to God. What we sacrifice, we simply give back to Him. If God is for us, who can be against us? Can we still reply, Ready!” when we hear the call of God?*

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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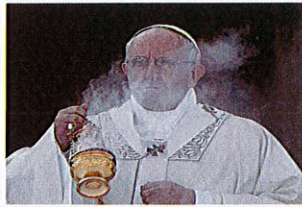
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**ADORATION THURSDAYS**  
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**WHY DO WE DO THAT?**

**Question:** Why do we use incense at Mass?



**Answer:** The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today. Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives. The use of incense in the Church’s liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, “Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering” (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant. Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it’s because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass).

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**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - WE INVITE YOU TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

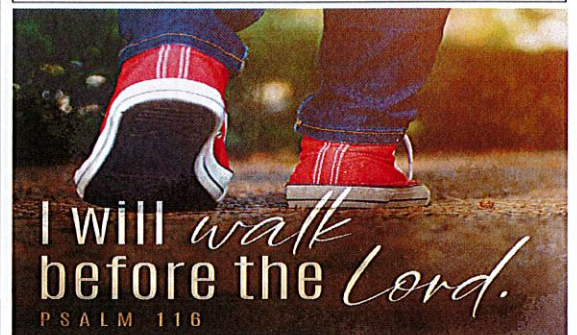
**First Reading:** God’s request of Abraham to sacrifice his beloved son Isaac seems cruel from our modern perspective. Yet Abraham’s obedience rendered divine blessings. Do you think you have such depth of faith?

**Second Reading:** Paul tries to reassure the Christians in Rome of God’s divine providence in our lives. As we continue the Lenten journey, can you recall when have you felt God’s protection and comfort?

**Gospel:** We hear Mark’s account of the apostles’ witness of the transfiguration of Jesus. How difficult do you think it was for them not to share this event with anyone until after Jesus rose from the dead?

**LIVE THE LITURGY  
INSPIRATION FOR THE  
WEEK**

How is your Lent going so far? In changing the circumstances and order of our lives a bit, perhaps we can hear God’s voice more clearly and drink more deeply of graced moments we experience. Having God as a friend always involves several things. First, there is God’s call. We become attuned to the echo of God’s voice in the depth of our souls calling and beckoning us to listen. Second, there is a request. We begin to see that God asks us to do certain things, to order our lives a particular way, and become more intentional in the choices we make. Third, there is trust. Do we trust this call and request? Trust commits us to the relationship and makes a claim on who we are. Finally, we are asked to act. We find ourselves acting, not in the way we used to, but in a transformed, more enlightened way. Things seem clearer and all that is around us shines with the brilliance of God’s presence. God’s call came through a cloud, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him,” This is the call and the request. Can we give God our trust and do as God asks? @LPi





# FEBRUARY 28, 2021 || SUNDAY OF LENT

## Outdoor/Indoor Mass Guidelines

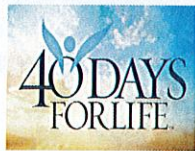
Per Bishop McElroy, under NO condition are we to violate the following procedures:

- Everyone over 2 years old will be required to wear a mask.
- Parishioners will be expected to use hand sanitizer provided on the entrance/exit table.
- Practice social distance of 6 feet between family groups.
- No Handshakes at the Sign of Peace.
- Holy Communion will be distributed only in the hand and the usual time.
- The Most Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Bulletins will be placed on the entrance/exit table for parishioners to pick up.
- Sunday offertory may be dropped in the basket on the entrance/exit table.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is by appointment only.
- Mass will continue to live-streamed.

All Catholics in the Diocese continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.

We ask for your patience and support as we continue to help our tiny church with a big heart follow all these guidelines and requirements in order to succeed in our Spiritual Journey.

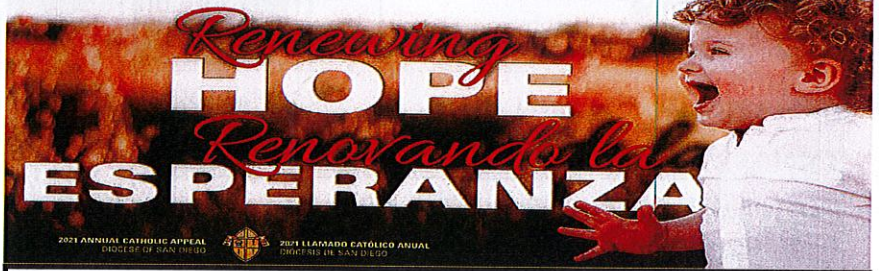
Join over 1 million prayer warriors from **Feb 17 - Mar 28** who have saved over 17,000 lives from abortion through



their participation in **40 Days for Life**, a 40-Day campaign devoted to prayer and fasting with the hopes to end abortion. We welcome you to join our 24-hour vigil at the San Diego College Avenue location, Sarah Weddington Planned Parenthood, 4575 College Ave. Sign-up at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/sandiegocollegeavenue> or contact Jacqueline Osborne (619) 892-4131, [collegeavenue40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:collegeavenue40daysforlife@gmail.com)

**KICKOFF WEEKEND**  
February 13 & 14

**FIN DE SEMANA DE APERTURA**  
Febrero 13 & 14



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- You have a pre-existing condition
- You are feeling sick
- You suspect you may have been exposed to COVID-19
- You have a sick family member at home
- You are in the risk population

#### REMEMBER TO:

- Wear a face mask
- Practice social distance
- Listen to all instructions

#### NO HAND SHAKING AT THE SIGN OF PEACE

- Sit only in designated areas
- Minimize the touching of any areas

WEEKLY STEWARSHIP	
February 21, 2021	
Envelope Giving	\$1,465.00
Plate Giving	\$1,117.50
Online Giving	\$903.39
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**Feeling Sick?**

Stay home when you are sick!



**RESOURCES FOR LENT**

Prayer, sacrifice, and reflection are recommended practices during lent. Here are two practical options of reflections that you can do at home: 40 Reflections on the Care of Creation and Reflections on Fratelli Tutti (Brothers & Sisters All). These documents are also available in Spanish.

**WITH A FATHER'S HEART: REFLECTION ON ST. JOSEPH**

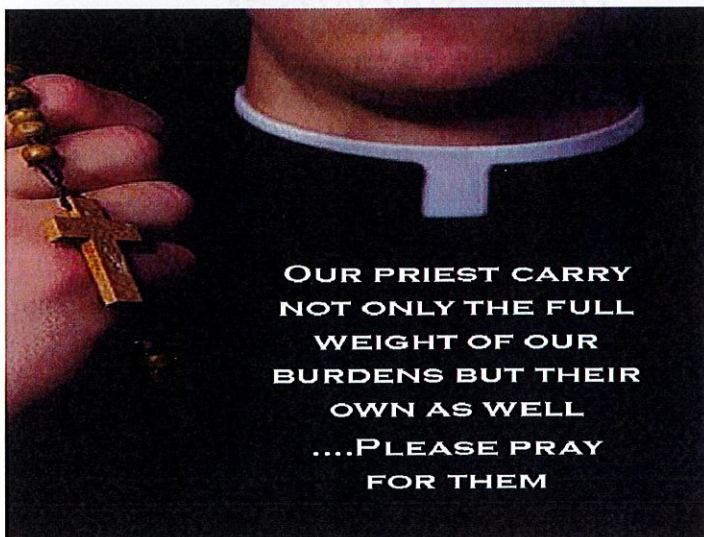
Come celebrate the Year of St. Joseph! In preparation for the Solemnity of St. Joseph, all are invited to a reflection offered by Auxiliary Bishop Ramón Bejarano on **Tuesday, March 16th from 10 – 11 am** via Zoom. Call 858-490-8234 for more information.

**LITURGICAL MINISTER WORKSHOPS**

Liturgical minister formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (in English) is scheduled for Thursday, March 11th and Thursday, March 18th. Both sessions will be presented via Zoom videoconference. Please visit [sdcatholic.org/worksho...](http://sdcatholic.org/worksho...) for further details and to register online. For more information, please contact Noreen McInnes at the Office for Liturgy and Spirituality at [nmcinnes@sdcatholic.or...](mailto:nmcinnes@sdcatholic.or...) or 858-490-8291.

**COVID-19 Symptoms**

Fever	Cough	Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Chills	Repeated shaking with chills	Muscle pain
Headache	Sore throat	New loss of taste or smell



**NOTICE**

**MASKS MUST**


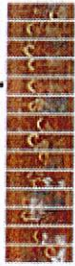


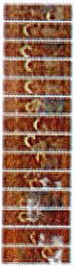




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# February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 The presentation of the Lord 	3	4  Adoration 8:50am - 5:00pm	5  Fasting and Abstinence	6 First Saturday Mass 9:00am St Vincent de Paul Collection Men's Fellowship Group 7:00am 7:50 am
7  St Vincent de Paul Collection	8	9	10	11  Adoration 8:50 am - 5:00pm	12  Virtual Stations of the Cross 5:00pm 	13
14 	15	16	17  Ash Wednesday 7:30AM & 7:00PM	18  Adoration 8:50 am - 5:00pm	19  Virtual Stations of the Cross 5:00pm 	20
21 	22	23	24  VIA CRUCIS Virtual 6:30pm	25  Adoration 8:50 am - 5:00pm	26  Virtual Stations of the Cross 5:00pm 	27
28  Hispanic Breakfast After all Masses						

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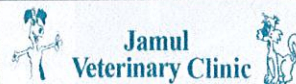
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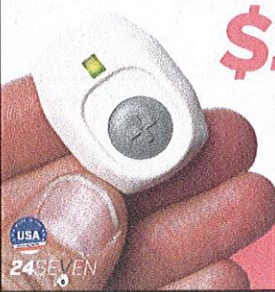
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