



Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 14th, 2021

**Fourth Sunday
of Lent**

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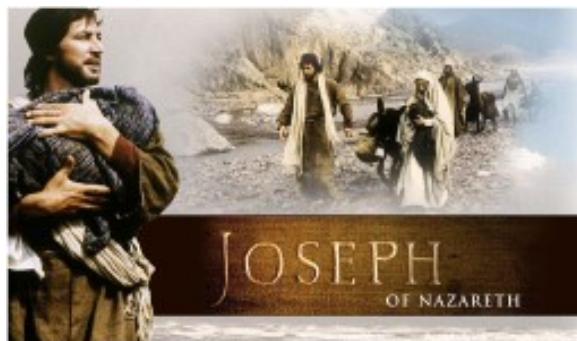
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PICK OF THE WEEK

WATCH



JOSEPH OF NAZARETH: THE STORY OF THE MAN CLOSEST TO CHRIST

With this year being consecrated to St. Joseph, we celebrate the feast day of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 13th

4:00 p.m. *Our Lady of the Assumption*
req. Mr. & Mrs. Rona

Sunday, March 14th

9:00 a.m. **(Live Stream)** † Deceased
Grandparents req. da Costa family

11:30 a.m. *Missa Pro Populo*

8:00 p.m. † Sophie Kornberger
req. Kornberger family

Readings: 2 Chron 36.14-17a, 19-23++ /
Eph 2.4-10 / Jn 3.14-21

Tuesday, March 16th

11:30 a.m. **(Live Stream)** † Marjorie Tait
req. Marcia Tait

Readings: Ezek 47.1-9, 12 / Jn 5.1-16

Thursday, March 18th

11:30 a.m. **(Live Stream)** † Msgr. Patrick
Morand req. Bryan

Readings: Ex 32.7-14 / Jn 5.18, 31-47++

Friday, March 19th

11:30 a.m. **(Live Stream)** Int. of Vocations

Readings: 2 Sam 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4.13,
16-18, 22 / Mt 1.16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2.41-51a

Parish News

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Reflecting on the Readings and Gospel

GOOD NEWS

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:14-17,19-23; Psalm 137; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

We applaud the successes of the strong and accomplishments of the fit, but how do we react to the failures of the weak and unfit? Today's readings reveal a God who chooses to identify with the weak -- a God who refuses to make success the ultimate criterion for election.

The first reading paints a dismal picture of the events surrounding the destruction of Jerusalem in 586 B.C. and the subsequent exile. God's people rejected the prophets in spite of God's divine compassion. Destruction, however, is not the final word. The return to Jerusalem is an example of God's relentless relationship with the people of Israel.

The author of Ephesians begins this chapter by mentioning sinfulness, which he regards as a form of death. In the face of these weaknesses, the author notes God's reaction is mercy. He refers to participation in the mystery of Christ. Christ brings people to life together, raises them up together, and enthrones them together. Such compassion is God's gift.

The gospel passage is part of Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus (John 3:1-21). Jesus' words point out that for us to be begotten of the Spirit we depend on Jesus' passion-death-resurrection experience. John's gospel also accentuates compassion. Just as Abraham did, God too was willing to sacrifice his only son. Such giving makes eternal life possible for the believer.

It's easy for us to refer those less fortunate to some government or charitable organization. The gospel suggests that we give of ourselves and share the problems of the poor. Such giving links us to the Trinity. Be compassionate -- it's a family trait.

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