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"He who refreshes others will be refreshed" Proverbs 11:25

# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT AND JESUS WEPT

Today the gospel contains a phrase that is famous for being the shortest sentence in the gospels. Do you know what it is? Three words—"And Jesus wept." But it's a hard topic to preach on! We all know tears are still mostly associated with women; some of you men were probably told by your fathers, "Real men don't cry," because it used to be seen as weakness instead of a healthy response to grief or joy.

A study at the University of Minnesota found that men cry an average of 1.4 times per month, versus women crying over 5 times per month. Is it embarrassing, then, that the Saviour of the World would be found crying?

Do we find it hard to believe that Jesus would have experienced such deep human emotion? If he's God, maybe we think he should somehow be "above it all," unmoved by what happens on earth?

Jesus not only cried, but was "deeply troubled in spirit, moved by the deepest emotions." Jesus had come face to face with the Enemy—he personally experienced the terrible despair of Mary and Martha's grief, the loss, sadness, and anguish that the evil of illness and physical death causes. And he wept.

But even in the midst of his tears, Jesus did what he had come to do: kept his focus on God's will for him. Jesus says, "Untie Lazarus, and let him go." We are bound by our own small deaths which accumulate in our lives; if we fail to reach out as Christ to others, we become the walking dead... with no life to give ourselves or anyone else.

Let us move towards the Resurrection by feeling Jesus' Passion through the love he has poured out for us in his tears.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. each Friday evening followed by Mass

# Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, March 18 8:0a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 19 12:00 noon +Yuk Sau Chan & Cheshan Lam req. Family

Wednesday, March 20 7:00p.m. +Michael Kerr req. Josie Kerr & Family +Julia Dominguez req. Canlas Family

Thursday, March 21 8:00a.m. +Deceased Members of the Schindler Family req. Johanna VanKempen

Friday, March 22 7:00p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 23 9:30a.m. 5:00p.m. +Martin Anthony D'Souza req. D'Souza Family

Sunday, March 24 9:00a.m. +Lourdes Joseph req. Jean Benedict 10:45 a.m. Missa Pro Populo 12:30 p.m. Special Intention Jae Kyoung Jenner Bae

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Kevin Dark, Lurdes Afonso, Debbie Loughlin, John Darosa and Rocco Dellino.

#### WE REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Mary Ranieri, Matilde Pellico, Beula Murphy, Doris Chaisson, Vincenza Fiore, Juan Chaves, Kay Morin, Julia Dominguez, Joan Morle and Elena Ciano.



For more information contact Michael Hryniuk, Coordinator of Youth Ministry at mhryniuk@yahoo.com or 647-834-6825.

#### **EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP**

For the month of March, you are invited to join us <u>Friday</u> <u>March 15 and 22 at 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in the parish</u> <u>hall</u> with WARM-UP <u>EXERCISES, TAI-CHI AND</u> <u>LINE DANCING!</u>

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# Extra Confessions will take place as follows:

Saturday, March 23, 2013 -Monday, March 25<sup>,</sup> 2013 Tuesday, March 26, 2013 Wednesday, March 27, 2013 - 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

10-11a.m. After 8:00 a.m. Mass - After noon Mass

# 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAYS OF LENT

We will be using the following readings for Year "A" for Christian Initiation as suggested by the Bishops:

March 16/17, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: Third Scrutiny – Pg. 231 in your Green Missal

During the Mass on those three Sundays, our Elect will go through a minor "ritual" designed to help them in their preparations and we ask the parish to be united with them as we hear the same readings.



Again, the elect will be prayed over with the laying of hands for healing and strength in Christ. They will also be presented with the Lord's Prayer. The Lord's Prayer fills the elect with a deeper realization of the new spirit of adoption by which they will call God their Father, especially in the midst of the Eucharistic assembly.

We pray that through God's life-giving Spirit, they may be filled with faith, hope and charity in order that may always live in the glory of Christ's resurrection.

# **BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP** MINISTRY

Join in our faith journey as we discover the Word of God through the study on Exodus every Tuesday night from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Please bring your own Bible. For Mar. 19, we study and reflect on Chapters 6-10

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—Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

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# YEAR OF FAITH

The National Catholic Mission 2013, "The Year of Faith," will be broadcast on VISIONTV on Monday, March 25th (Part 1) and Tuesday March 26<sup>th</sup> (Part 2) at 6 p.m. and repeated at 10 p.m. It will feature Fr. Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I. and Fr. Anthony Gittins, C.S.Sp. . They will address what Jesus meant by TRUST and the importance of **Remembering** ~ what we must remember about that first Holy Week. Fr. Pat Fitzpatrick, C.S.Sp. will host.

# **DISCOVERING THE NICENE CREED:** A LENTEN RETREAT SERIES

All members of the parish are invited to attend a series of evening mini-retreats this Lent, focusing on the meaning of the Nicene Creed. As we continue our journey through this special Year of Faith, we will take time this year to explore the mysteries contained in the articles of this ancient Creed that guides us as Catholic Christian believers. Our last session of this series runs Thursday - March 21 from 7:30-9:30 pm in the parish hall. Contact Dr. Michael Hryniuk at mhryniuk@yahoo.com or 647-834-6825 for more details.

