

LENTEN SCHEDULE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday evening, beginning March 24 at 6:30pm in the Church

ALTARATION: THE MYSTERY OF THE MASS REVEALED

A five-part study featuring powerful videos, great presenters, and small groups that allow you to talk about what you are seeing and ask your own questions about the Mass and the Catholic Faith.

Presented by: Jennifer Corbitt

When: Begins Monday, March 6 and continues each Monday through Monday, April 3.

Times: 4:30pm-5:30pm and again from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Fellowship Hall

HORARIO DE CUARESMA

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ - Todos los viernes por la noche, a partir del 24 de marzo a las 6:30 p. m. en la Iglesia

ALTARACIÓN: EL MISTERIO DE LA MISA REVELADO

Un estudio de cinco partes que presenta videos poderosos, excelentes presentadores y grupos pequeños que le permiten hablar sobre lo que está viendo y hacer sus propias preguntas sobre la Misa y la fe católica.

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Cuándo: Comienza el lunes 6 de marzo y continúa cada lunes hasta el lunes 3 de abril.

Horario: 4:30pm-6:30pm y nuevamente de 6:30pm-7:30pm

Lugar: Salón de la Hermandad

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

SERVICIOS DE PENITENCIA DE CUARESMA

Tuesday, March 21 / Martes, 21 de Marzo – 7:00pm at Sacred Heart / Sagrado Corazón, 150 Brian Berg Drive, Brevard, NC

Monday, March 27 / Lunes, 27 de Marzo – 7:00pm at St. Eugene / San Eugenio, 72 Culvern Street, Asheville, NC



Discussion Questions / 4th Sunday of Lent, March 19, 2023

First Reading / 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

1. “Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the hearts.” Explain how this applies to the choice of David, who was the youngest and least likely son, as king.

2. Does the right grace come along with the call? What in this reading tells you that? When you feel you have been summoned to perform some task for God, what do you do? Assume that God will give you what you need to get the job done? Or back down at the thought of obstacles?

Second Reading / Ephesians 5:8-14

1. Define personal and national “darkness” as it exists in the world today. St. Paul says that you are light. If you could, what darkness in the world would you dispel? Is there some way you could do this on a small scale where you are right now?

2. Is the Church present in every dark place that you think Christ would be if he were physically present in the world today? In which of those dark places can you find your parish working to bring light?

Gospel / John 9:1-41

1. In the beginning of the Gospel, the blind man was simply a man on the street. By the end of the Gospel he was thrown out of the synagogue for defending Jesus. What changed him into a disciple? Which of these titles fits you: passer-by, believer, confessor, challenger or disciple?

2. Below, Pope Francis tracks the blind man’s path from spiritual blindness to light. Can you relate to your own spiritual blindness slowly turning to sight in your life? Is it enough to receive the light? What are you supposed to do with it?

The Gospel (cf. Jn 9:1-41) recounts the episode of the man blind from birth, to whom Jesus gives sight. He operates illumination on two levels: a physical level and a spiritual level: the blind person first receives the sight of the eyes and then is led to faith in the “Son of Man” (cf. Jn 9:35), that is, in Jesus. It is all a journey. ... He takes a route that leads him to gradually discover the identity of the One who opened his eyes and to confess his faith in him. At first he considers him a prophet (cf. Jn 9:17); then he recognizes him as one Who comes from God (cf. Jn 9:33); finally he welcomes him as the Messiah and prostrates himself before him (cf. Jn 9:36-38). ... He is no longer a beggar marginalized by the community; he is no longer a slave to blindness and prejudice. His path of enlightenment is a metaphor for the path of liberation from sin to which we are called. ... The healed blind man, who now sees both with the eyes of the body and with those of the soul, is the image of every baptized person. ... But it is not enough to receive the light, one must become light. Each one of us is called to receive the divine light and manifest it with our whole life. Pope Francis, Angelus, 4th Sun of Lent March 22, 2020

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