



Corpus Christi Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Laetare Sunday

March 30, 2025

Pastor

Fr. Leo J Edgerly Jr

In Residence

Fr. Basil De Pinto

Visiting Celebrant

Fr. Paul R Vassar

Gathering Song *Beyond the Days* by Ricky Manalo

Beyond the days_ of hope and myst'ry
we see a light_ of faith renewed,
And in our long-ing, we thirst for gui-dance,
to walk with you day by day.

1. In your hands, O God, we feel the touch of your guidance.
Keep_ us_ safe in your care, may your gentleness be there.

2. On our Lenten path, we see the dawn of a new day.
Be_ our_ vision of hope; be the promise of our lives.

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Penitential Act

Mass of Remembrance by Marty Haugen

Kyrie, e-leison, Christe, e-leison, Kyrie, e-lei-son

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Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

*The LORD said to Joshua,
“Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you.”*

*While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal
on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover
on the evening of the fourteenth of the month.
On the day after the Passover,
they ate of the produce of the land
in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain.
On that same day after the Passover,
on which they ate of the produce of the land,
the manna ceased.
No longer was there manna for the Israelites,
who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.*

Psalm 34



The good-ness of the Lord: come, taste and see.

Verses



...come, taste and see.

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2 Corinthians 5:17-21

*Brothers and sisters:
Whoever is in Christ is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come.
And all this is from God,
who has reconciled us to himself through Christ
and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely,
God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ,
not counting their trespasses against them
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.*

*So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were
appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of
Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him-
self to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might
become the righteousness of God in him.*

Lent Gospel Acclamation

O Word of God by Ricky Manalo

O Word of God_ come into this space,
O Word of God_ come send us your grace.
Open our minds, show us your truth,
trans-form our lives a-new.

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Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

*Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to
listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to
complain, saying,
“This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”
So to them Jesus addressed this parable:
“A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his
father, ‘Father give me the share of your estate that
should come to me.’
So the father divided the property between them.
After a few days, the younger son collected all his
belongings and set off to a distant country
where he squandered his inheritance on a life of
dissipation. When he had freely spent everything,
a severe famine struck that country,
and he found himself in dire need.
So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens
who sent him to his farm to tend the swine.
And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the
swine fed, but nobody gave him any.
‘How many of my father’s hired workers
have more than enough food to eat,
but here am I, dying from hunger.*

continued

Continued, Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him,
"Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
I no longer deserve to be called your son;
treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."

So he got up and went back to his father.
While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight
of him, and was filled with compassion.
He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him.
His son said to him,
'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you;
I no longer deserve to be called your son.'
But his father ordered his servants,
'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him;
put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.
Take the fattened calf and slaughter it.
Then let us celebrate with a feast,
because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life
again; he was lost, and has been found.'

Then the celebration began.
Now the older son had been out in the field
and, on his way back, as he neared the house,
he heard the sound of music and dancing.
He called one of the servants and asked what this might
mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned
and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf
because he has him back safe and sound.'
He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house,
his father came out and pleaded with him.
He said to his father in reply,
'Look, all these years I served you
and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave
me even a young goat to feast on with my friends.
But when your son returns
who swallowed up your property with prostitutes,
for him you slaughter the fattened calf.'
He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always;
everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate
and rejoice, because your brother was dead
and has come to life again;
he was lost and has been found.'

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty; from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.

Preparation of the Gifts



I Offer My Life by Claire D. Cloninger and Don Moen

1. All that I am, all that I have,
I lay them down_ before you_ O Lord.
All my regrets, all my acclaim, the joy and the pain,
I'm making them Yours_ ref

Lord, I offer my life to You,
Everything I've_ been through, use it for Your glo-ry,
Lord, I_ offer my days to you, lifting my praise_ to You,
as a pleasing sac-rifice. Lord, I offer You my life.

2. Things in the past, things yet unseen,
Wishes and dreams that are yet_ to come true.
All of my hopes, all of my plans,
my heart and my hands_ are lifted to You. ref

Bridge What can we give, that you have not giv-en;
And what do we have, that is not already Yours?
All we possess, are these lives_ we're living,
and that's what we give_ to You, Lord.

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Eucharistic Acclamations

Mass of the Incarnate Word - by Bob Hurd

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Lord_ God of Hosts
Hea-ven and earth, are full_ of your glo-ry
Hosan-na, Hosan-na, in the high-est!
Blest is he, Blest is he, who comes_ in the name_ of the Lord.
Hosan-na, Hosan-na, in the high-est!

Mystery of Faith

We proclaim_ your death O Lord And profess_ your
resurrection, Until you come_ a-gain.

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Communion

Take Up Your Cross by Jaime Cortez

Take up your cross, take up your cross, take up your cross and follow me.

Whoever wishes to come af-ter me, must de-ny him-self.

Whoever wishes to come af-ter me, must take up his cross, and fol-low me.

Whoever wishes, to save his life will lose it.

Whoever loses his life for my sake will find_ it.

Why_ gain_ the whole world_ but lose your soul?

Why_ gain_ the whole world_ but lose_ your_ soul?

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Benediction by Curtis Stephan



May the love of God, be with you.

May your faithful trust in him, never fail.

May he shower you with grace, may you feel his warm embrace.

May the love of God_ be yours.

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