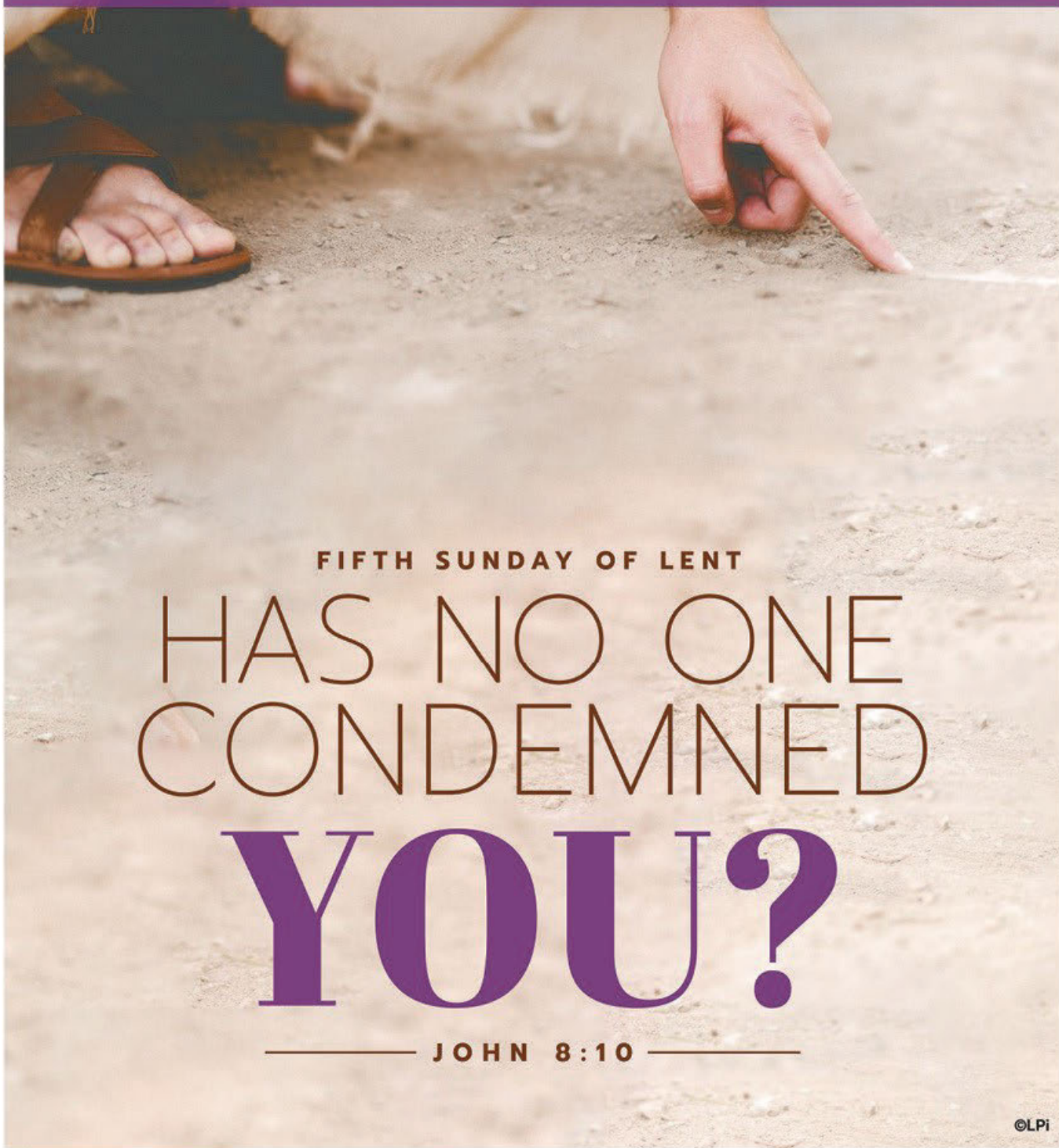


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SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HAS NO ONE
CONDEMNED

YOU?

— JOHN 8:10 —

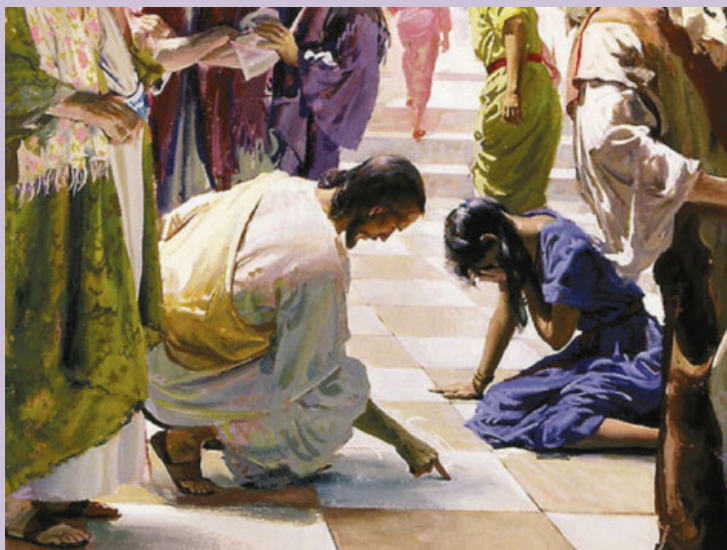
Like the Gospel last Sunday, Jesus brings us closer to the heart of the mystery of His Divine Mercy. He shows mercy to the woman caught in adultery. When the elders were ready to condemn the woman, Jesus showed mercy and did not condemn her. *Neither do I CONDEMN you.* Rather than condemnation, the Lord showed her unconditional love and forgiveness. We can all be confident of God's mercy no matter how unworthy we are! - *With the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus tried to win their hearts and minds to extend mercy to the woman, but pride kept them from doing so.*

The scribes and the Pharisees expose the woman with malice in their hearts so that they can find fault in the judgment of Jesus. Their ultimate goal is to trap Jesus and find errors in His teachings to indict Him. But unlike the elders, Jesus uplifts the dignity and spirit of the woman. Jesus knew their motives and their conscience and did not want to expose the woman to further humiliation. As He stoops down and writes on the ground, the accusers hear the words of Jesus in their conscience. *He who has no sin, cast the first stone. They all left, starting from the elders,* because the truth of the matter is they had bigger sins than her. Let us not be too quick in accusing and condemning others. Instead, like Jesus, let us be more compassionate, understanding, and forgiving when others fall or sin.

Alone with Jesus, the woman discovers the wonders of God's mercy in LOVE and TRUTH. The woman received something no one ever (extended) to her: MERCY for her sins and LOVE. Her life suddenly changed; she experienced conversion: *The past is history, the future is a mystery, but the present moment is a gift, a GRACE from God.* - None of her past sins mattered now, before Jesus. His words liberated her: *I do not condemn you; Go and sin no more.* In the eyes of the people and the Jewish leaders, she is a hopeless case; the only thing that could save her from further embarrassment is the punishment of death. Instead, she experiences LOVE.

We can all associate ourselves with the woman. We are all sinners, perhaps even worse. We are fortunate that no one exposes our sins before public scrutiny and that our God is slow to anger and rich in mercy; He is also gentle. Perhaps a visit to our conscience or a good examination of conscience would help us feel the sorrow for our sins. Like the younger son in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, the more distant we are from God, the heavier our guilt. Remember, when everyone has abandoned us, like the woman, our only hope is to remain with JESUS, experience his divine mercy, and receive His assurance: *Neither do I condemn you.* Jesus does not condone sin but purifies it. He wants to bring out the best in us, especially those persecuted and maligned by society.

It is true that the woman was caught in adultery and humiliated publicly. But Jesus exposes the hypocrisy of her accusers; it is not about her - those who condemned her had bigger sins. No one cast the first stone because everyone realizes they are as guilty as her. Mercy starts when we *stop judging and accusing others. Instead, be more compassionate, understanding, and forgiving towards all.* Our past is in God's mercy and love, but our future is in His hand. What matters most, in the end, is that we did not give up on God, we did not give up on others, and we did not give up on ourselves.





Sunday April 6, 2025

- 9:00 am RE Class Grades 1 –5
- 2:00 Youth Middle/High School Class
- 5:00 pm Stations Rehearsal

Monday, April 7, 2025

- 6:00 pm Lenten Penance Service
- 7:00 pm Troop 432 Meeting

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

- 8:30 am Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

- 8:30 am Spirituality Comm. Meeting
- 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/OLPH
- 4:30 pm RE Classes Grades 1– 5
- 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday, April 10, 2025

- 5:00 pm La Pieta Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm Catholic Daughters Meeting

Friday, April 11, 2025

- 5:30 am Men’s Ministry
- 5:00 pm KOC Fish Fry
- 5:00 pm Vespers
- 5:30 pm Mass
- 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 12, 2025

- 9:00 am Confirmation/Euchar Retreat
- 4:00 pm CDA Raffle Sales

FASTING

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are recommended days of abstinence.

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday	7:30 am
Monday, Tues., Thurs., Fri.	12:15 pm
Wednesday Evening	6:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday	7:00 am - 7:25 am
Wednesday	5:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Saturday	2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Monday - Saturday	6:55 am
Sunday	6:25 am, 8:25 am, 10:25 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed 1st and 3rd Monday of the month 2 pm - 3 pm for Staff Meetings

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PASTOR, Fr. Bing Colasito
PAROCHIAL VICAR, Fr. Charles Ouemenga
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Music & Media Director, Matt Ficarra	Ext. 106
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MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

WEEKEND MASS

Sunday 9:00 am

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Sunday 8:30 am

ADORATION - Thursdays

7:00 am

*This Week's
Worship Aide*



LENT



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE
Monday, April 7th at 6pm

Confession is a Sacrament of the Church, and all the Sacraments are an experience of God's LOVE in a very real and personal way. Confession is a personal encounter with God through the Priest. God takes on human flesh so that you can see in the face of the Priest, the compassion of God. Join us for your encounter with forgiveness!!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

APRIL 11TH - YOUTH MINISTRY

FRIDAY'S AT 6:00 PM

GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION

FRIDAYS : MARCH 7TH - APRIL 11TH
AT 7:00 PM



FRIDAY NIGHT LENT **SCHEDULE**

5:00 pm Vespers
Benediction
5:30 pm Mass
6:00 pm Stations of the
Cross



RSVP for Fr. Joy's Celebration

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

*Please join us for dinner as we
celebrate Fr. Joy!*

Friday, April 25th at 6:00 PM
Parish Office

RSVP within the Flocknote

Kindly RSVP by **Friday, April 11th**

A Note on Gifts

We are accepting **monetary gifts** for Fr. Joy's upcoming trip home.

If you would like to contribute, please bring your gift to the **Parish Office** and leave it with **Cheyenne**.

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4pm - Mass
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Please Join us for a special Lenten Event
with **MARK HART!**

Sunday April 13th

At Saint Rose Catholic Church 4pm—6pm

Enjoy a spiritually enlightening night like no other!

Easter Flower Memorials

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in all our Easter Masses.

Names will be inscribed and placed in a
basket that is put at the foot of the Altar,
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Name of person requesting the memorial:



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9 or 11 Mass for your child's free Easter treat!**

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 6th

7:00 am All Parishioners
9:00 am G † Mary Caffarella
9:00 am Suzanne Michel (Healing)
11:00 am † Benjamin & Lourdes Manzano
4:00 pm † Mike Carstensen

Monday, April 7th

7:30 am Greg Brown (Healing)
12:15 pm † Mike Terry

Tuesday, April 8th

7:30 am Gerry Kovar (Special Intention)
12:15 pm † Bob Ottaviani

Wednesday, April 9th

7:30 am † Donald Von Raesfeld Sr.
6:00 pm † Bob Barlow Sr.

Thursday, April 10th

7:30 am † Jim Cromer
12:15 pm † Thomas Bonvicini

Friday, April 11th

7:30 am Angel & Micha Garci (Thanksgiving)
5:30 pm † Paul Sisoler

Saturday, April 12th

7:30am † Mary Caffarella
4:00 pm For those we serve & the Parishioners that support us (Special Intention)

St. Vincent de Paul Open House

Please join us after Mass the weekend of April 5th & 6th. We would like to show you our beautiful Pantry that your financial contributions help to support. There will be Vincencians on hand to explain all the ways we assist Neighbors in our community. For an added bonus, we will be serving cookies!
Thank you for your continued support.

Holy Week Mass



Holy Thursday 6:00 pm
Good Friday 3:00 pm
Holy Saturday 8:00 pm

Easter

EASTER SUNDAY MASS TIMES

7:00 am
9:00 am
11:00 am

Good Shepherd Mission

9:00 am



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