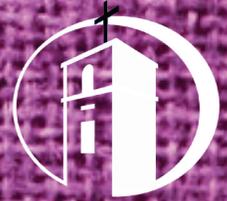


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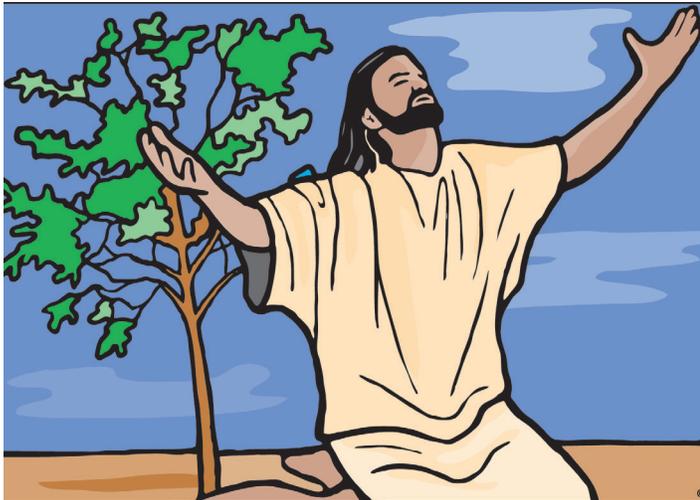
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Third Sunday in Lent



And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?'" - Lk 13:6-7

## Reflect & Respond to Scripture

### First Reading

In his call and commission of Moses, God reveals his name as "I AM" - our God lives in the eternal present moment. When have you experienced God's spirit in the here and now of your life?

### Second Reading

Paul instructs the Corinthians that the desert journey of ancient Israel serves as an example for all future generations of believers. During this Lenten journey, what do you do to make sure you do not fall?

### Gospel Reading

Jesus repeatedly warns against the dangers of not repenting. How do you keep the need for repentance part of your spiritual exercises?

this week . . .

March 23 - March 31

<b>SAT 23</b>	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Third Sunday in Lent</b>		
	5:00 p.m.	Mass: Christopher Foianini
<b>SUN 24</b>	8:30 a.m.	Mass: Joseph W. Spaeth
	9:30 a.m.	Diving Deep
	11:00 p.m.	Mass: Elly Kozlowski/1st Scrutiny
	2:00 p.m.	Misa En Español
	5:00 p.m.	St. Paul's Newman Center
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Supper
<b>MON 25</b>	12:00 p.m.	Meditation
	2:00 p.m.	Staff Check-in
	4:00 p.m.	Family Faith Formation
	5:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
	6:00 p.m.	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
<b>TUE 26</b>	1:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting/Offices are Closed
	5:00 p.m.	Mass:
	5:45 p.m.	Music Rehearsal
	6:00 p.m.	Family Faith Formation
	7:30 p.m.	SEARCH Team Meeting
<b>WED 27</b>	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5:00 p.m.	Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Middle School Youth Ministry
	7:30 p.m.	High School Youth Ministry
	8:00 p.m.	Cowboy Catholic
<b>THURS 28</b>	11:00 a.m.	Staff Check-in
	12:25 p.m.	Mass on Campus
	3:30 p.m.	<b>Staff Webinar Conference Begins</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Mass
	5:45 p.m.	Bereavement Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	1st Eucharist Family Session
<b>FRI 29</b>	1-3:00 pm.	<b>Staff Webinar Conference 9am - 6pm</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Food Bank Distribution
	5:30 p.m.	Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Ladles
	6:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
<b>SAT 30</b>	9:00 a.m.	Martha & Mary Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Lenten Day of Retreat: Reconciliation
	2:00 p.m.	Environment Committee
	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>		
	5:00 p.m.	Mass:
<b>SUN 31</b>	8:30 a.m.	Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Diving Deep
	11:00 a.m.	Mass: 2nd Scrutiny
	2:00 p.m.	Misa En Español:
	5:00 p.m.	Mass: St. Paul's Newman Center
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Supper/Hunger Banquet

## eucharist times & sacramental preparation info

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

8:30, 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday

5:00 p.m.

Thursday Mass on Campus

UW Union Rm 202 at 12:25

Sunday-Misa En Español

2:00 p.m.

## reconciliation

Wednesdays & Saturdays

4:00 p.m.

(or by appointment)

## RCIA

Are you interested in exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic? RCIA meets Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Call Anthony Allen for more information.

## new to our parish? would you like to become a member?

Whether you are new to Laramie or new to our community, we welcome and invite you to stop by the office weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. for membership information or contact us at [newman@newmancenter.org](mailto:newman@newmancenter.org)

## sacrament of anointing

The Sacrament of Anointing is offered to bring spiritual and physical strength during an illness and celebrated on the second Saturday of every other month following the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Liturgy.

## infant baptism

Anyone interested in having their baby baptized needs to attend preparation sessions that explore the meaning of the Sacrament, explain the Rite, and support parents and godparents in the Christian role of sharing faith with their children. Email Anthony for information.

## Campus Ministry

### Hunger Banquet

Join us Sunday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. to learn what it would be like to live at a different economic level. A hunger banquet helps bring awareness to the issue of the availability and access to food for people around the world. It is an interactive event that brings hunger and poverty issues to life. All are welcome! This banquet will happen in the place of Sunday Supper.

HUNGER BANQUET  
a taste of world hunger



### Catholic Relief Services Appeal- March 30, 2019

Next week we recognize victims of persecution, natural disasters, and the poor and marginalized. When you support this appeal you support six Catholic agencies bringing Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. A donation will be made from our 10% tithe. Individual donations are welcome by noting Catholic Relief on the memo line of your check. Thank you for your generosity.



### Where is Everybody?

The Staff will be taking part in a web conference, March 28 & 29. A schedule will be posted on the office door if you need to connect with one of the staff during those two days.

## Thank You

Last Sunday, March 17, Gift Offerings **\$5,464** including our tithe (**\$546**) for our Lenten Project Sustainable Harvest

*"Zacchaeus said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor.'"*  
Luke 19-8

As Catholic Christians, we are called to a preferential option for the poor and vulnerable. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, the Gospel instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first. To this end, did you know that the Newman Center tithes 10% of every Sunday Gift Offering to help support the hungry, homeless, grieving and hurting in our local community, state, country and world.

### upcoming events

- **Lenten Reconciliation Day of Retreat**  
Saturday, March 30
- **Hunger Banquet**  
Sunday, March 31
- **Communal Reconciliation**  
Sunday, April 7
- **Triduum**  
Thursday - Saturday April 18-20
- **Easter**  
Saturday & Sunday April 20 & 21

### Lenten Project

**Sustainable Harvest International (SHI).** SHI understands the importance of educating individuals and providing them with the tools and training necessary to become community leaders in sustainability. Their work in Central America has five areas of impact:



Please prayerfully consider the ways you can support our Lenten Project, Sustainable Harvest International.

## Diocesan Events

### Employment Opportunity

#### Director of Faith Formation, Sheridan WY

Holy Name Catholic Church is seeking a Director of Faith Formation to help foster a deeper spiritual life for all members of the parish. For a list of qualifications or to apply, please visit the website: <https://holynamesheridan.org/staff-1> or mail a resume to the parish office: 9 S Connor St. Sheridan, WY 82801



#### Chrism Mass

You are invited to join the Diocese of Cheyenne in celebrating the Chrism Mass on Thursday, April 11 at 5:30 pm at St. Patrick's Church in Casper. During this celebration, three holy oils are blessed that are used for the sacraments then sent back to individuals parishes. There will be no 5:00 p.m. Liturgy celebrated at the Newman Center on that day.

### Lenten Day of Retreat:

#### A Reconciling Community

The sacraments are supposed to be encounters with the love of Christ. Sadly, that is not what many of us experienced growing up and "going to confession." Come spend a few hours with your fellow sinners exploring what the Sacrament of Reconciliation can and should be. In just four hours, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 30, Fr. Rob will guide

us in looking at the historical development of this sacrament and ways it can help us encounter the healing love of Christ in our own lives. Please bring a pot-luck item to share for lunch.

"Confessing our sins may be difficult for us, but it brings us peace. We are sinners, and we need God's forgiveness!"

- Pope Francis, Twitter, 11/18/13

Thank you for your generous response to the "40 Cans for 40 Days" Project. Baskets to collect items have been overflowing each weekend.

You are asked to continue to bring donated items of nonperishables forward at the preparation of gifts throughout Lent as a sign of almsgiving to help those in need.



### Lenten Opportunities

- **Friday Lenten Ladles** - A community simple meal and time to build community following daily liturgy on Fridays during Lent.
- **Stations of the Cross** - Walk the path of Jesus commemorating His Passion - Fridays following Lenten Ladles at 6:00 p.m.
- **Lenten Day of Retreat: Reconciliation** - Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### Martha & Mary Fellowship Breakfast

The Martha & Mary Women's Group invites all women of the parish to a Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, March 30 at 9:00 a.m. at the Emmaus House. We'll enjoy coffee, tea and a hearty breakfast, then walk to the church as a group to take part in the parish Lenten Day of Retreat: Reconciliation from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Check the Martha & Mary Bulletin Board in Bishop Newell Hall for more information and a schedule of upcoming events.



### Observances for the week of March 24, 2019

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent  
Monday: The Annunciation of the Lord  
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

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"Cor ad Cor loquitur."

"Heart Speaks to Heart"

## Our Mission

As a Catholic community of Christian disciples filled with gratitude and the Holy Spirit, St. Paul's Newman Center celebrates and lives the Sacraments. We bring the Gospel to the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Wyoming through vibrant liturgies, hospitality, authentic stewardship, education, formation, empowerment, and support.

### Hispanic Ministry



## Misa en español Domingos

de Cuaresma a 2:00 p.m.

**Gracias por su generosa respuesta el proyecto "40 Latas por 40 días".** Las cestas para recoger los artículos se han desbordado cada fin de semana. Se le solicita que continúe trayendo artículos donados de productos no perecederos para la preparación de los obsequios a lo largo de todo el tiempo prestado como un signo de dar limosna para ayudar a los necesitados.



### Via Crucis- Stations of the Cross

Acompáñenos a rezar esta devoción para reflexionar sobre la Pasión y las formas en que experimentamos sufrimiento en nuestro mundo hoy. Todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 6:00 p.m.

### Día de retiro de la Cuaresma.

## Una Comunidad Reconciliadora

Sábado 30 de marzo de 10 a.m. a 2 p.m.

Venga a pasar unas horas con sus compañeros pecadores explorando qué puede y debe ser el sacramento de la reconciliación. Traer un plato para compartir para el almuerzo.

### Live the Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week

If salvation history teaches us anything, it's that God is very patient. Time and time again, people have wandered away from Him and He has sent prophet after prophet to lead them back. To show us just how much He does love us, He sent us His Son who revealed this unconditional love in all that he said and did. This Lenten season is an opportunity to repent and turn back. The mystery of God's presence is revealed in and through the ordinary events of life as the birth of Christ reminds us. God told Moses through the burning bush, "I am who am". And so he reminds us today. Let us turn away no more and turn back to truth.

### Vivir la Liturgia - Inspiración de la Semana

Si la historia de la salvación nos enseña algo, es que Dios es muy paciente. Una y otra vez, las personas se han alejado de Él y Él ha enviado profeta tras profeta para guiarlos de regreso. Para mostrarnos cuánto nos ama, nos envió a Su Hijo, quien reveló este amor incondicional en todo lo que dijo e hizo. Esta temporada de Cuaresma es una oportunidad para arrepentirse y regresar. El misterio de la presencia de Dios se revela en y a través de los eventos ordinarios de la vida, como nos lo recuerda el nacimiento de Cristo. Dios le dijo a Moisés a través de la zarza ardiente: "Yo soy el que soy". Y así nos lo recuerda hoy. No nos alejemos más y volvamos a la verdad.

### Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 24 de marzo

Domingo: 3er Domingo de Cuaresma

Lunes: La Anunciación del Señor

Domingo siguiente: 4o Domingo de Cuaresma © LPI

### Liturgical Ministry Schedule

March 30-31	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Lector	C. Bennett/B. Rice	M. Belser/C. Rohde	L. Guadagno/M. Goetz	J. Harlow/E. Winnop
Altar Server	J. Devine	D. Villaseñor	C. Krueger	Needed
EMoHC	C. Bath	T. Strube	S. Kidwiler	A. Miller
	S. Gaddis	J. Murray	W. Woodward	J. Tibbets
	D. Gaddis	T. Leathers	J. Navarro	N. Thiele
	C. Davis	N. Pajak	J. Sheaffer	B. Bentz
	A. Berry	J. Roznowski	A. Meyer	L. Kirk
Hospitality	S. Root Elledge/C. Vaske	Ballard Family	S. Nordquist/R. Sprinkle	Breggenti Family
Eucharistic Bread:	J & J French			



# Are We There Yet?

By Kathryn Begnaud

We've taken umpteen road trips with our five boys when they were young. The question most heard on those trips is the title of this article. They just wanted to get there.

That sentiment best describes my attitude toward Lent; my eagerness to jump ahead to Holy Week often results in wearing blinders for six weeks as my eyes constantly search over the next hill for Jerusalem. I'm resistant to the wearing of purple and often want to eat dessert first.

## On the Road

I imagine Jesus and his followers drawing nearer to Jerusalem—taking turns walking next to him, getting better acquainted, reminiscing, and sharing food. I suspect that, as they lifted their eyes when crossing each hilltop, some pointed to the horizon: “I see Jerusalem, our destiny!”

As they approached the city, they were undoubtedly filled with anticipation. Was there also foreboding? Did they ask plaintively, “Are we there yet?” When some complained of exhaustion, did Jesus place his hand upon their backs and whisper, “I will give you rest. Trust me. I have called you and I love you?”

I heard those very words whispered

to my battered soul when I first “visited Jerusalem”—a trip taken to deal with my father's alcoholism, but one that, instead, taught me all of life is Lenten. For months I prepared for the “journey” by planning a family intervention. I drew near through prayer, by reading about alcoholism, and by talking with experts I believed knew the only fail-proof route.

I fantasized that my experience would mirror others' success. There's the rub! Expecting to encounter God precisely as others have is a trap. We must each walk the journey with our own feet.

Haven't there been times in our lives that we've listened so intently to others' experiences of God that we've become disappointed in our own? Have we allowed the joyful stories of others to become a condition by which we measure the validity of God's presence? Though we are communal, we also walk individually with Jesus. While side-by-side, we are all still approaching, still drawing near.

## Broken and Mended

My own family intervention was a disaster, partly because I had so closely studied others' tales of Jerusalem that, confident of the route, I raced ahead of Jesus. My family hadn't the chance yet to draw near. They hadn't even known there was a map. They were being yanked through the city gates, and I was doing the yanking, not God.

At the time, I turned to Jesus and said, “If I'd known it would be this painful, I wouldn't have followed you here.” Many times I wanted to turn back, but I couldn't remember the return path. I couldn't unsee what I had seen. I couldn't unlearn new wisdom.

Exhausted, I decided to start over and, instead of hurling blame on my poor father, I began loving him—pure love: nothing more, nothing less. In short, I followed Jesus. I secretly reasoned that things couldn't get much worse anyway, and even with that attitude, the Lord still took me along.

## Drawing Near

It has been nearly thirty years since my first true Lenten experience, and today my family is healthy and whole. My father, whose sobriety is regarded as a gift, has become our spiritual leader.

Drawing near to Lent is always a journey of truth, and the truth is always about us. It's the most grueling journey of our lifetimes, but it's also the most exhilarating. My only advice is to enter in. Draw near. God is calling. +



*Lord, you desire to be with me and walk with me along life's journey. Awaken in my heart a desire and commitment to be with you in prayer.*

—From *Mindful Meditations for Every Day of Lent and Easter*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

## WEEKDAY READINGS

March 18-23

**Monday**, Lenten Weekday:  
Dn 9:4b–10 / Lk 6:36–38

**Tuesday**, St. Joseph: 2 Sm 7:4–5a, 12–14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16–18, 22 / Mt 1:16, 18–21, 24a or Lk 2:41–51a

**Wednesday**, Lenten Weekday:  
Jer 18:18–20 / Mt 20:17–28

**Thursday**, Lenten Weekday:  
Jer 17:5–10 / Lk 16:19–31

**Friday**, Lenten Weekday: Gn 37:3–4, 12–13a, 7b–28a / Mt 21:33–43, 45–46

**Saturday**, Lenten Weekday:  
Mi 7:14–15, 18–20 / Lk 15:1–3, 11–32



# Bringing Home the Word

Third Sunday of Lent  
March 24, 2019

## Finding Humility

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Now that I'm older, I can look back on my life and clearly remember times when I took great pride in my accomplishments, the breadth of my knowledge, and my insight into human dynamics. The problem was that my pride bordered on, and occasionally slipped into, a sense of superiority and hubris. At such times I was not fun to be around. The advantage of maturity is that we become more aware of our shortcomings and, hopefully, develop a humility that appreciates the gifts that everyone brings to the table, recognizes that we always have more to learn, and

grows grateful, rather than prideful, at the gifts we have been given.

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges the sense of pride that the Israelites feel from God's choosing them and the sense that they are, therefore, better than the people of the surrounding nations. He also questions their habit of judging those on whom misfortune fell as more sinful than they were. In a way, he was asking them to grow up and find the humility that comes from age, holding them to the same standard with which they held others. He challenged them to spend less time judging others and more time recognizing their sins and need for repentance.

That's a hard lesson for us all, but a necessary one. If we are to accompany one another on this journey through Lent and life, we need to know we are all the same in God's eyes and all in need of God's grace to make it through. +

## Sunday Readings

### Exodus 3:1–8a, 13–15

God replied to Moses:....This is what you will tell the Israelites: I AM has sent me to you.

### 1 Corinthians 10:1–6, 10–12

These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us.

### Luke 13:1–9

"Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future."

*My pride bordered on  
a sense of superiority  
and hubris. At such times  
I was not fun to be around.*

## A Word from Pope Francis

Gathered before Jesus crucified, we hear his words ring out also for us: "I thirst" (John 19:28)...What does the Lord thirst for? Certainly for water, that element essential for life. But above all for love....He thirsts to give us the living waters of his love, but also to receive our love.

—Visit to Assisi,  
September 20, 2016



## REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- When blessed by good fortune, do I give credit where it is due—on God's grace?
- Rather than feeling superior for my earthly blessings, am I mindful that we're all the same in God's eyes?