

THE CHURCH OF SAINT PASCAL BAYLON



APRIL 02, 2017 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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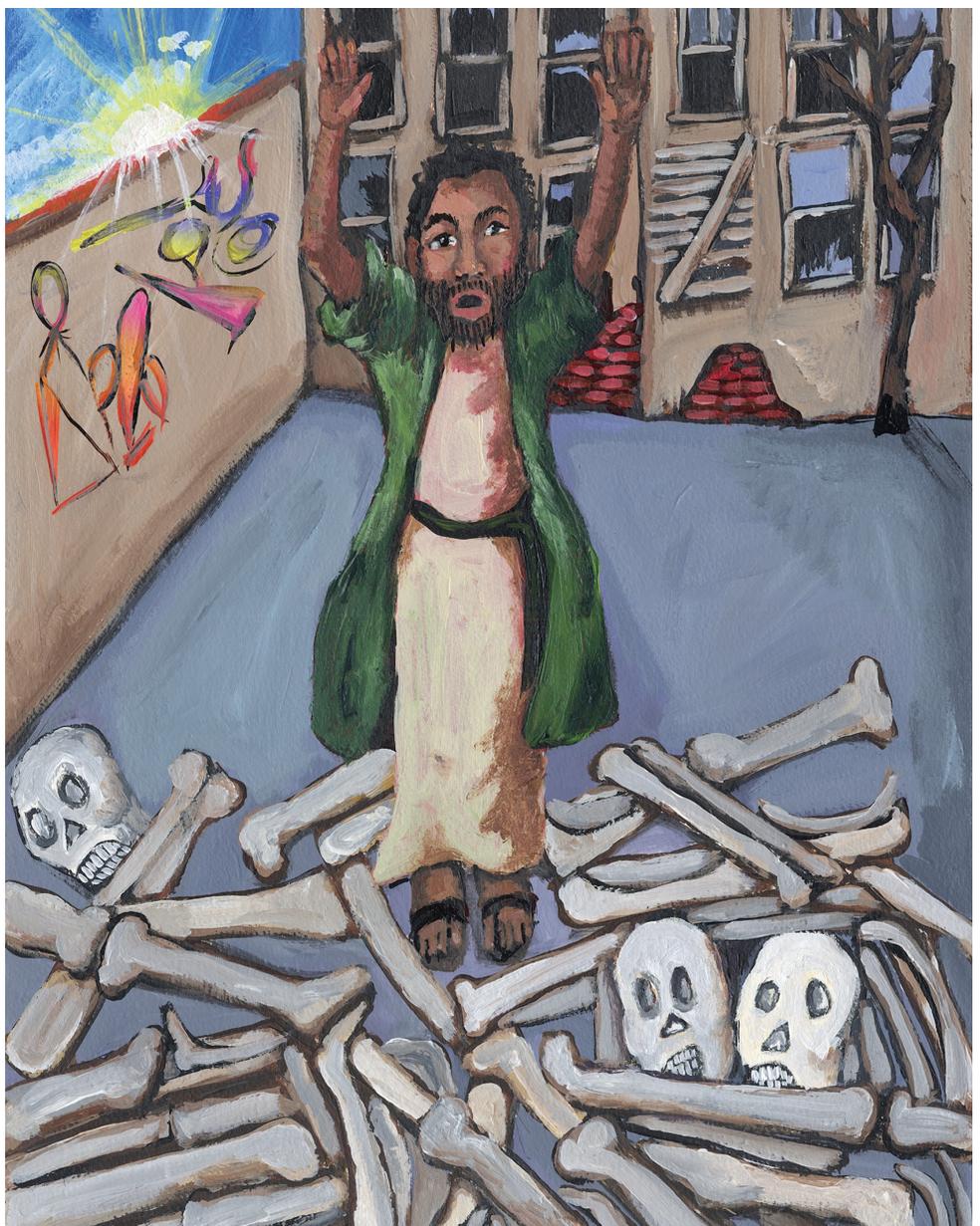
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MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:30 pm
Sunday - 8:45 & 10:30 am (ASL)
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 7:30 am
Wednesday - 9:30 am



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Dear Friends:

Recently I read an adage that said, "Remember that every person you meet is engaged in a struggle of which you have no idea." I believe that to be true, and it's why a Christian community, and its ministers, absolutely has to be so generous in extending charity and mercy. I offer three stories from the beginning, middle, and end of life. First, just in the past few days I was made aware of a long-time friend and her husband whose little baby boy died in the womb unexpectedly, about half way through the pregnancy. They are devastated, and rightly so. I shared with Grandma that my own mother lost a child in the womb fifty-five years ago, and I never came to know about it until after Mom died. It just wasn't discussed, and I guess the expectation was that you were supposed to suffer in private. I fault nobody for that, but it saddens me to know it. And I am aware that losing an unborn child spontaneously is very distressingly common. Someone you know is enduring it now or has recently.

Second, when I was in graduate school I came to know a well-respected professor, a Jesuit priest with a national reputation for his brilliance. He was also suffering from a neurological disorder that occasionally affected his motor skills. Few people knew that, but he shared it with me. He once told me that it was so embarrassing for him to be in a classroom and to drop the chalk on the floor while he was trying to lecture, because of some freakish blip in his brain. It made him feel inadequate, which was not true, of course. That was another "private" struggle.

And then there is Angie Dahlen, whose story deserves to be known by us. She was part of our St. Pascal's community until her death last week at age 91. I was referred to her by a social worker at Cerenity-Marian Center about three years ago. Angie then lived alone in Maplewood in her home, but was participating in some adult day care activities at Cerenity. At the time she had just lost her driver's license because of deteriorating eyesight and was feeling particularly isolated. The first time I visited her I learned many things. She was an ardent feminist who was among the first to put up a sign on her lawn endorsing Hillary Clinton for President. And she was an inveterate reader of books and magazines and newspapers. And she had had a tumultuous relationship with some family and with the Catholic church long ago, with the result that she hadn't been to mass since before Vatican II. That all began to change when I asked Marlene and Phil Kachelmyer, her neighbors but who didn't know her, to visit her once in a while. They did. And eventually they began bringing Angie to the 4:30 mass, and Angie was thrilled. I encouraged Angie to come forward for communion, but she wouldn't do it until she had made a "good confession" to me, which she also eventually did. She was with us for several months, together with Marlene and Phil, until her trouble with memory got the better of her, and she returned to Cerenity as a resident.

I last saw Angie about a year ago. She was so anxious and confused. I reminded her who I was, and she had some vague recollection that I was somebody who had once been kind to her, but she couldn't connect the dots. Another silent struggle. When she died last week she was buried from a funeral home because none of her family had a relationship with us, and I suspect never thought to contact us for a church funeral. I wasn't aware of her death until after the fact, and that thanks to the Kachelmyers.

We all move among those who are engaged in silent struggles, whatever our state in life. Let us be reverent in knowing that.

Fr. Mike Byron

Bowl Tenders for Holy Thursday

April 13 at 7:00 PM

One of the most prominent ritual actions for this night is the Washing of Feet. As in past years, everyone in the pews will be invited to participate. We need 10 individuals to assist those coming forward. When we commit ourselves to be involved in this action we, we begin to understand more readily what it means to serve one another. *There is a scheduled rehearsal on **Sunday, April 9 at noon.*** Please call Sharon in the parish office if you are willing and able to help!

Parish and School Lenten Service Project Caring Hearts for the Homeless

Through Wednesday, April 12

We are collecting men's and women's items for the Catholic Charities In-Kind Warehouse including: deodorant, lotion, body wash, shampoo and toothpaste. Please drop your items off in the red donation boxes located in the foyer. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Friends & Family Dinner: Off to the Races

Saturday, April 22 at 5:30 PM in Brioschi Hall
Tickets on sale after all Masses for only \$25 per person (ages 21+). Don't miss one of the funnest fundraisers of the year! Fine dining, entertainment, basket raffle, games, laughter and more.

Friends & Family Volunteer Meeting

Monday, April 3 from 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Would you like to help with this year's Friends & Family Dinner? We need help making this event a huge success. Please come to the meeting in the Staff Lounge to help us fill in any gaps and volunteer to help. Questions call Mike Aeling at 307.8237.

Women's Book Club

Monday, April 10 at 7:00 PM

Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's Book Club? Do it this month! We meet in the Founders Room on the second Monday of each month. Join us as often as your schedule allows. This month we will discuss John Taymann's The Colony and next month, May 8, we'll share thoughts about Please Look After Mom by Kyungsook Shin.

Welcome Event for New Parishioners

April 29-30, following all Masses

The Hospitality Committee is hosting welcome receptions for those who have joined our parish since October 21, 2016. Please stop by Brioschi Hall to greet the newest members of our faith community and enjoy some refreshments. Let's make it a great turn-out!

ST. PASCAL'S SCHOOL NEWS

Please join me in giving thanks to our school board members who have worked hard to maintain accessible, high quality Catholic education for children on the East Side of St. Paul and surrounding areas. I am pleased to announce that all of our board members have renewed their commitment to continue to serve additional terms on the board.

St. Pascal Baylon School Board Members are: Steve Karel, Anne Weyandt, Susan Hommes, Liz Matakis, Rob Malec, Connie Walsh, Mike O'Keefe, Mary Partington and Mike Rowan. The pastor is an ex officio, voting member of the board. The principal, business administrator, and development director are ex officio, non-voting members.

Board members are responsible for the following:

- strategic planning, including creating vision and purpose statements
- financial oversight of the school
- marketing for recruitment and retention
- development and fundraising
- principal search committee/selection/evaluation

The board does not deal with the following (these are the responsibility of the parish school principal):

- review of administrative decisions
- the day-to day operation of the school
- student discipline issues
- personnel issues concerning students, faculty or staff members
- hiring or firing of staff
- school curriculum

We are blessed to have a strong leadership team leading our parish school.

Blessings,
Laurie Jennrich, Principal

Save the Date Preschool – Kindergarten Open House

Saturday, April 22 from 9:00-10:30 AM

Children may come dressed as a favorite super hero or princess and engage in a fun Earth Day craft or activity while parents meet teachers, tour classrooms, and ask questions.

St. Pascal's Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry—Friday, April 7

4:30 to 7:00 PM in Brioschi Hall (Please use the Flandreau St. entrance)

Don't miss the last "All-You-Can-Eat" Fish Fry of 2017! Our classic menu offers fried and baked cod, au gratin and seasoned fried potatoes, coleslaw, mixed steamed vegetables, mac and cheese, dinner roll, coffee/water, and dessert. Milk, pop, bottled water and take-out will be available.

Adults (12 and up): \$12.00 | Children (6-11): \$5.00 | Children 5 and under: FREE

Proceeds purchase equipment, uniforms, and supplies for St. Pascal's K-8 Grade School Phy Ed program and extracurricular sports activities plus other parish/school events.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Vacation Bible School 2017

Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose

DATE: June 19-23
TIME: 9:00 AM –12 Noon
PLACE: St. Pascal Baylon Church

Watch the bulletin for details and registration information soon! Interested in helping with VBS? Contact Kim Roering at 774.1585 or kim.roering@stpascals.org.

Baptism for Older Children

According to the guidelines of the Church, once a child has reached the age of reason (generally considered age 7), s/he then follows the preparation process for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This process involves you and your child walking with other children and adults over a period of time to grow into what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. If you have a child over the age of 7 who is not yet baptized, or has been baptized in another faith tradition and would like to become Catholic, please contact Kim Roering in the parish office to begin a conversation.

Leadership Nomination Process

Please take time during the next few days to consider prayerfully those you feel possess the gifts to serve as leaders in our parish, including yourself. Representatives from Pastoral Council and the Finance Council will be available after Masses the weekend of April 23 to speak with you about their experiences and answer any questions you might have about serving our parish as part of these groups. Nomination cards will be available in the church, gathering space and parish office, beginning April 23. Further information is also available from Ann Karner, Parish Council Chairperson 330-0024.

Easter Bulletin Deadline

Please have your notices to the parish office by 3:00 PM Wednesday, April 05.

Parish Contact Information

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Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 8:00 - 4:30 PM
Holidays as announced

After Hours Emergency Number

For death, dying or anointing of the sick
651.280.9239

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School Office Hours

September - May
Mon - Fri 8:00 - 4:00 PM
June - August
Tue & Wed 9:00 - 2:00 PM
Summer hours also by appointment

Parish Councils

Parish Pastoral Council

Ann Karner, Chair
Meetings - 1ST Tuesday at 6:30 PM

Parish Finance Council

John Knoll, Chair
Meetings - 4TH Thursday at 6:30 PM

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 *and by appointment*

Baptism

Pre-baptismal classes are required. To register for classes or to schedule a celebration, call the parish office.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least six months in advance of the desired date.

Parish Prayer Line

8:00 - 10:00 AM 651.735.0004
Mary Butler-Levine
4:00 - 6:00 PM 651.774.3248
Pat Kackman

Parish Communication

Bulletin Notices

Please email notices to the parish office by 3:00 PM Monday—*hard copy notices must be in by 2:00 PM.* Email to thea.munoz@stpascals.org.

Bulletin inserts for St. Pascal parish and school events only are limited to 3 inserts per weekend

Mass Announcements

Direct to the parish office by 3:00 PM on Wednesday.

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, April 04

7:30 AM + Bill Muetzel

Wednesday, April 05

9:30 AM The People of the Parish

Thursday, April 06

7:30 AM + Al Olson

Friday, April 07

7:30 AM Men's Club

Saturday, April 08

4:30 PM The People of the Parish

Sunday, April 09

Palm Sunday

8:45 AM + Jack Henninger

10:30 AM + Noe & Annette Bibeau

Inaugural Tegeder Talk

Friday, April 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM

St. Frances Cabrini

1500 Franklin Ave SE, Mpls.

"Women in the Church"

by Sister Sandra Schneiders, IHM
Since Fr. Mike Tegeder's death, Council members, staff and volunteers have met to establish an ongoing legacy based on Fr. Mike's desire to encourage adult conversations about vital topics. Free to attend but registration required. Register at www.cabrinimn.org/tegeder-talks.

Readings for the Week

April 02, 2017

Sunday:

Ez 37:12-14

Ps 130:1-8

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

Monday:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17,

19-30, 33-62

Ps 23:1-6

Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday:

Nm 21:4-9

Ps 102:2-3, 16-21

Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

(Ps) Dn 3:52-56

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday:

Gn 17:3-9

Ps 105:4-9

Jn 8:51-59

Friday:

Jer 20:10-13

Ps 18:2-7

Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

Ez 37:21-28

(Ps) Jer 31:10-13

Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday:

Palm Sunday

Mt 21:1-11

Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14--27:66

The Week Ahead

Visit us at www.stpascals.org for more information on upcoming events.

Sunday, April 2—5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

After Masses Friends & Family ticket sales: CM

Monday April 3-Friday, April 7—NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)

Monday, April 3

6:30pm Friends & Family volunteer meeting: SL

7:00pm SJCC Sub Committee: FR

Tuesday, April 4

8:15am Bible Study: PC

6:30pm Pastoral Council: SL

6:30pm Grace Within women's group: Room 107

7:00pm Bible Study: PC

Wednesday, April 5

1:00pm Marian Ctr Mass & Dessert: Marian Ctr of St Paul

6:30pm Faith Formation: LB, OC, 101, 105

7:00pm Choir: CR

Thursday, April 6

9:30am Bible Study: PC

5:00pm Merrick Awards Dinner: BH, Kit

7:00pm SJCC Meeting: FR

Friday, April 7

4:30pm Fish Fry & Bake Sale: BH, Kit

7:00pm Stations of the Cross: CH

Saturday, April 8

8:30am Fish Fry shed takedown

9:30am Good Friday Rehearsal: CH

10:30am Easter Vigil Rehearsal: CH

After Mass Women's Club Bake Sale: BH

Friends & Family ticket sales: CM

Sunday, April 9—PALM SUNDAY

After Masses New Member Registration: BH

Friends & Family ticket sales: CM

Women's Club Bake Sale: BH

12:00pm Holy Thursday Rehearsal: CH

2:00pm Girl Scouts: CF

MEETING LOCATION KEY:

BH: Brioschi Hall, CF: Cafeteria, CH: Church, CM: Commons, CR: Choir Room, FR: Founders Room, LB: Library, OC: Old Church, PC: Parish Conference Room, SL: Staff Lounge

Stewardship of Treasure

Financial Gifts – Week of March 26, 2017

For fiscal year July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

For the Week:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Received</u>
Sunday Stewardship	\$	7,971
Mortgage Campaign	\$	2,150
Other	\$	722

Year to Date:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
(July 1 – June 30)			
Sunday Stewardship	\$ 677,083	\$ 663,000	\$ 14,083
Mortgage Campaign	\$ 251,869	\$ 214,500	\$ 37,369

Please note: Automatic (electronic) contributions are made on the 1st and 15th of each month and will be recorded with the following Sunday's collection. Each week our budget requires \$17,000 in Sunday stewardship collections and \$5,500 in Mortgage (capital campaign) contributions.

Thank you for your generous support!

Easter Flowers

Help enhance our worship space during the Easter Season and remember a family member, loved one or someone who is ill or homebound with a plant or donation (any amount). Please complete the form below and return it with payment to the parish office or place it in the collection basket at Mass. \$10 donation suggested. Thank you for your gift!

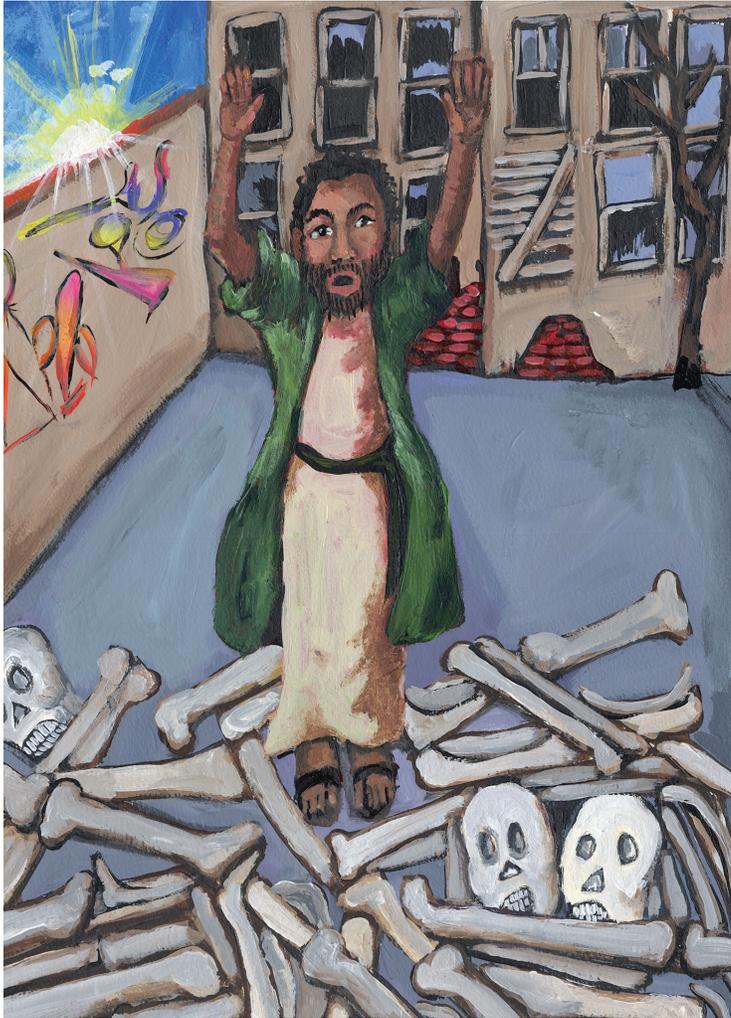
I would like to purchase an Easter plant in (circle one)

Honor of / Memory of:

Donated by:

Please make checks payable to St. Pascal's.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Release Us by Your Spirit

God of all life,
who raised Lazarus from the dead,
and released the poor from their suffering;
you who lead us in the land of the living:
bless us and give us your Spirit,
your Spirit of generosity and holiness,
of life and of creative energy.

Lift us from our graves of sinfulness
and raise us from our dry and
wasteful ways.

May our sins be left behind
and our life in your Spirit bring us joy.
We ask this through Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

April 2, 2017

Spirit Dwelling Within



Today's Readings: Ezekiel 37:12–14; Psalm 130:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 7–8; Romans 8:8–11; John 11:1–45. The Spirit of God gives life. The Spirit, given by God, is all about life. Today's readings emphasize the role of the Spirit in those apparently dead. Ezekiel emphasizes this quite vividly: graves will be opened and we will rise from them. That is only the beginning, though. God will settle us in our land by putting his Spirit within us.

Have you already died, buried in a grave of apathy or disillusionment or sinfulness? Have you allowed a negative attitude or an overly judgmental nature to cut you off from God? If so, you have dug your own grave. If the Spirit of God is within you, now is the time to release that Spirit, for it is the spirit of life. The First Reading reminds us that God's Spirit is in us that we might live; and we are not just to live, but live and "settle" in the land of the living.

We who have been baptized carry within us the Spirit of Christ, as St. Paul reminds us in the Second Reading, and therefore have life—Christ's life—dwelling in us. That is not just a calling, but a reminder that we are sustained by our baptismal graces throughout our ups and downs, our joys and our failings. We do not need to remain in the graves we have dug. We must settle in the land of the living.

Belief in Jesus as the Resurrection and the Life is at the heart of today's Gospel passage about the raising of Lazarus. In the dialogue between Jesus and Martha, Jesus states clearly, "Whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." Martha, Mary, and Lazarus had lived the life of the Spirit of God. They not only believed that Jesus was the Messiah, they lived that daily. Jesus' raising Lazarus from the dead, then, is an affirmation that the grave had no power over a life lived in the Spirit.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 3

In the Dark Valley I Fear No Evil

Today, both readings from the Old and New Testaments speak to ancient punishments for women, but they also speak of Daniel and Jesus going beyond first-glance assumptions, and finding justice that is built on faith and truth, not first impressions. If anything, we often need to look two, three, four, or more times at people and situations before deciding where God is in the experience or relationship. *Today's Readings: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; John 8:1-11.*

Tuesday, April 4

St. Isidore of Seville

Isidore was from a family that had many bishops. He was known for his vast knowledge and his use of that knowledge to guide the priests under his charge in Seville, Spain, in the early seventh century. He wrote the first complete compilation of knowledge, and is now patron of the Internet. His gift was the ability to use what he knew to guide laity and clergy alike in how they were to live their faith devoutly. *Today's Readings: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; John 8:21-30.*

Wednesday, April 5

St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

A Dominican priest, Vincent Ferrer was a gifted preacher. Living in the late fourteenth century, he was caught up in the Great Schism of the Church, a time when disagreements were so volatile that more than one pope reigned at the same time. St. Vincent, however, preached Christ, and evangelized throughout Europe, drawing people to the faith through the Paschal Mystery and not politics. *Today's Readings: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; John 8:31-42.*

Thursday, April 6

Abraham's Covenant

The use of the word covenant in today's readings might seem ancient and impractical to some. Yet our Baptism is a type of covenant. Each year during Easter Time, we renew our baptismal promises, saying I do to our commitment to a life of faith to which we continually strive. During this Lent, take to time prepare for that renewal, thinking of the place of that covenant in your life. *Today's Readings: Genesis 17:3-9; Psalm 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; John 8:51-59.*

Friday, April 7

St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

Known for his tireless work educating the poor, St. John Baptist de la Salle built schools. He founded the Christian Brothers and the first school to train future teachers. He called his work an outpouring from God, who "guides all things with wisdom and serenity." He died on Good Friday 1719, in his native France. *Today's Readings: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; John 10:31-42.*

Saturday, April 8

I Will Be Their God

If we are not careful, the unity expressed in today's readings can elude us. The unity is of "the dispersed," of a land previously divided into two kingdoms. How do we work for unity among the wide diversity of peoples, neighborhoods, and faiths that we know? As we approach Holy Week, let us focus on the Cross as our symbol of unity among peoples, as well as between earth and heaven. *Today's Readings: Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; John 11:45-56.*





Women's Club Palm Sunday Bake Sale

April 8-9 After all Masses

We need bakers and buyers
Don't forget your money on Palm Sunday
We'll have the GOODIES!

