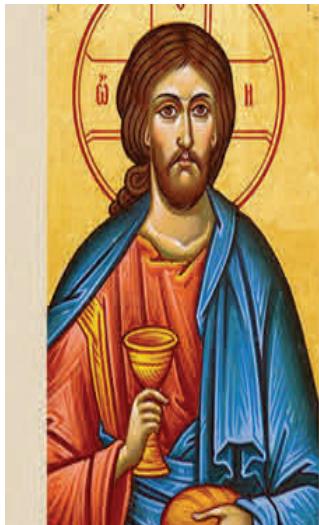


ST. JULIA PARISH



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

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MARCH 22, 2020

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All Masses and religious services in all Archdiocesan parishes, missions, and campus ministries are suspended until further notice. **This began at 4:00pm on Saturday afternoon, March 14. To be clear there are to be no vigil masses.** Baptism, Confirmations, weddings and funerals may proceed, but attendance should be limited to only immediate family. The Cardinal has issued a **dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass** during this time to the Catholics of the Archdiocese of Boston.

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COME AND WORSHIP THE LORD WITH US!

THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do. We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

OFFICE HOURS 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Mon. through Friday.

RECONCILIATION

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:15-3:45 PM

ANointing of the Sick

After the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass; or contact Parish Office.

Eucharist and Visits to the Sick

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, homebound or hospitalized.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Julia Church: Every Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

First Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

St. Joseph Church: Every First Friday, 9:30 to 10:30 AM.

Rosary in St Julia Church:

After daily Mass.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

BULLETIN NOTICES should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday **morning**.



4th Sunday of Lent

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"
- Jn 9:35

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Do you believe in the Son of Man?" Jesus wants to motivate each one of us to see the truth. After developing a relationship with Jesus, the blind man "sees" as someone very special. The Pharisees, due to the blindness caused by their ignorance, prejudice, and need for self-preservation, still remain blind. Presuppositions, prejudices, assumptions, and our needs can easily blind us to truth. We see what we want or need to see and not what is really there. In addition, our stubbornness continues to convince us that we are right and that our vision is perfect. Only God can complete the picture.

Look around at our world. So much of what is happening today is due to the reluctance of folks to allow themselves to be stretched and brought to see what is really there. Many react to what life presents to them more with the lenses of ignorance than lenses of clarity. The Gospel carries great transformative value. With it, God corrects our vision and replaces our limited sight with the fullness of his sight. God opens our eyes so that we can see that it is not about preserving what we have created but of living in the immensity and wonder of God's kingdom.

Through a simple, loving relationship with God, we can break through the tethers of prejudice, eradicate fear, dispel the darkness of hatred and sin, discover freedom, live in peace, work for justice, be effective stewards of creation, assist the migrant and the immigrant, and safeguard our economic systems and policies so that they truly serve all of God's children. What we see is often an artificial lie. Our truth is much bigger than what our limited sight believes it to be. Allow God to work in and through you. Do not be afraid. Be open and be humble enough to know that you need help. Many human beings are living with severe cataracts that produce sight that is at best blurred.

Are you one of them?

This Week

Masses as Scheduled

Wednesday, March 25

"The Light is On", 6:30PM,
St. Julia Church

Friday, March 27

Adoration, 12:00 Noon—1PM,
St. Julia Church

Saturday, March 28

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 3:15PM,
St. Julia Parish Center

All public Masses within the Archdiocese of Boston are suspended for the time being. Notification will be made by Cardinal Sean when Masses resume.

Dear Friends,

Saint Julia's Grand Annual Appeal represents \$300,000 of our Parish budget. Meeting our goal is essential to the parish's financial well-being. Presently, we are at \$225,319, which is almost \$75,000 short of our budgeted expenses.

I realize the support that many have already given and the requests of other charities, including now the Cardinal's Catholic Appeal. At the same time, it is necessary to highlight our own Parish needs.

Please consider assisting St. Julia's in meeting our financial obligations by the funding of our Parish Grand Annual Appeal.

With gratitude,
Fr. Mark



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 21/22, 2020



READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1;12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

MARCH 29

First Reading: You shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! (Ez 37:13)

Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading: But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. (Rom 8:10)

Gospel: Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." (Jn 11:25)

Currently all classes and events have been suspended until further notice. Emails will be sent out with the weekend's lesson, for parents to do at home with their child/children. Our Final Classes are still scheduled for April 5/6. Please view our website for any updates.



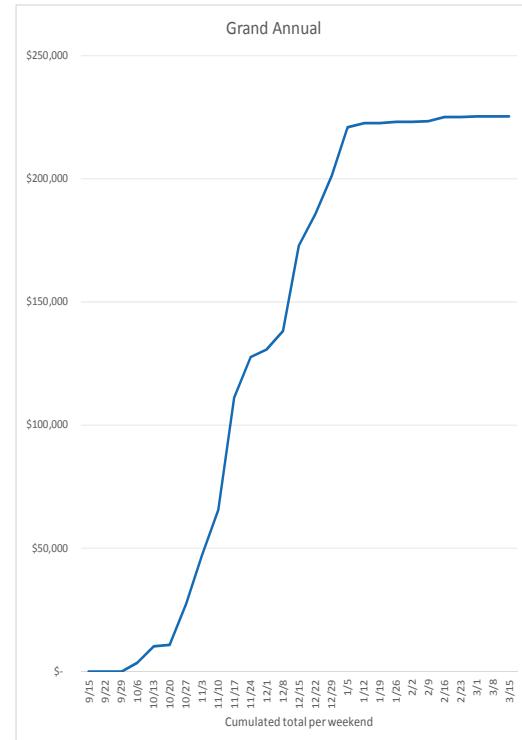
Did you know...that today, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is called "Laetare" Sunday? Laetare means light. We hear the Gospel of Jesus healing the Man Born Blind. His healing moves him from blindness to light. In the story, we also witness the previously blind man's own faith "coming to light". He first called Jesus his healer, then a prophet, and finally "Lord". He recognized that the miraculous healing could not be done by anyone but God.

Celebrating Laetare Sunday also reminds us that we are now halfway through Lent. It is a time to evaluate how we are doing in our Lenten Journey. Have we made better choices in our daily lives? Have we been Christ to others? In this strange time of the COVID 19 Virus and all of our needs to remain apart, keep the Lenten plans of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving alive. We need prayers for this virus to end, and for all who are sick to get well. We are unexpectedly fasting from Mass and from gathering in fun ways. God may be calling us to give Alms in an unique way—sharing what we have with our neighbors, especially our elderly neighbors. Make sure that everyone has the food they need, the medications they need, and the toilet paper they need!

Hopefully we will be able to gather together again very soon; meanwhile, everyone stay safe and healthy, and take care of one another! What will you do to bring light to others?

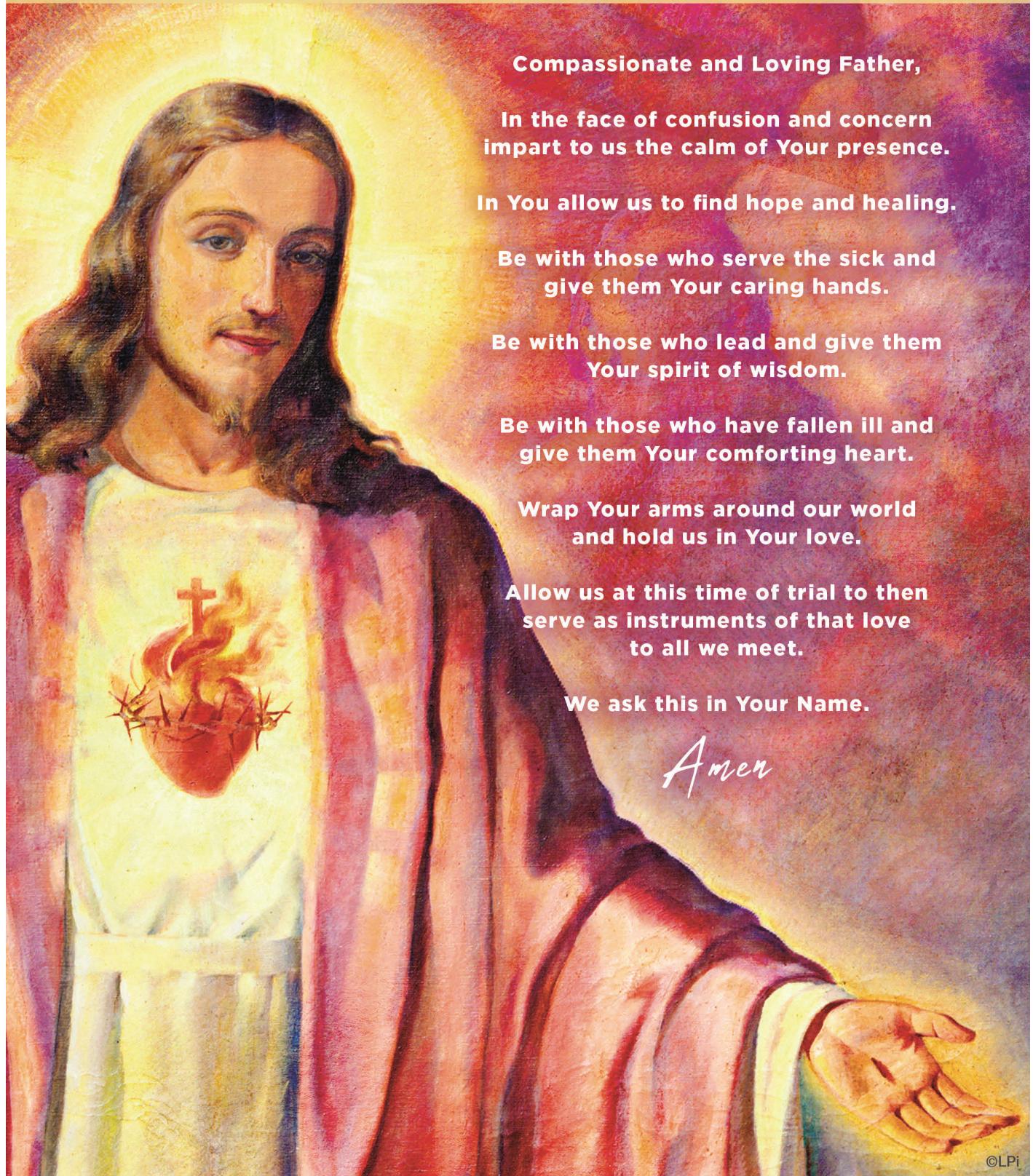
SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S MISSION

Weekend of March 14/15	\$1,639
Weekend of March 7/8 [\$1,525 in 42 Envelopes]	\$4,998
Weekend of Feb. 29/March 1 [\$2,056 in 51 Envelopes]	\$9,654
Weekend of Feb. 22/23 [\$2,541 in 59 Envelopes]	\$4,831
July 7—March 15 <i>Includes Mail-Ins</i>	\$205,772
Online Giving Total <i>July 7—March 15</i>	\$100,737
Grand Total	\$305,509
Y-T-D Offertory Avg	\$8,284
Budgeted Total for FY20	\$440,000
Budgeted Avg/Wk	\$8,300
Grand Annual Budget	\$300,000
Grand Annual Received to Date	\$225,469



Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD



Compassionate and Loving Father,

**In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.**

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

**Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.**

**Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.**

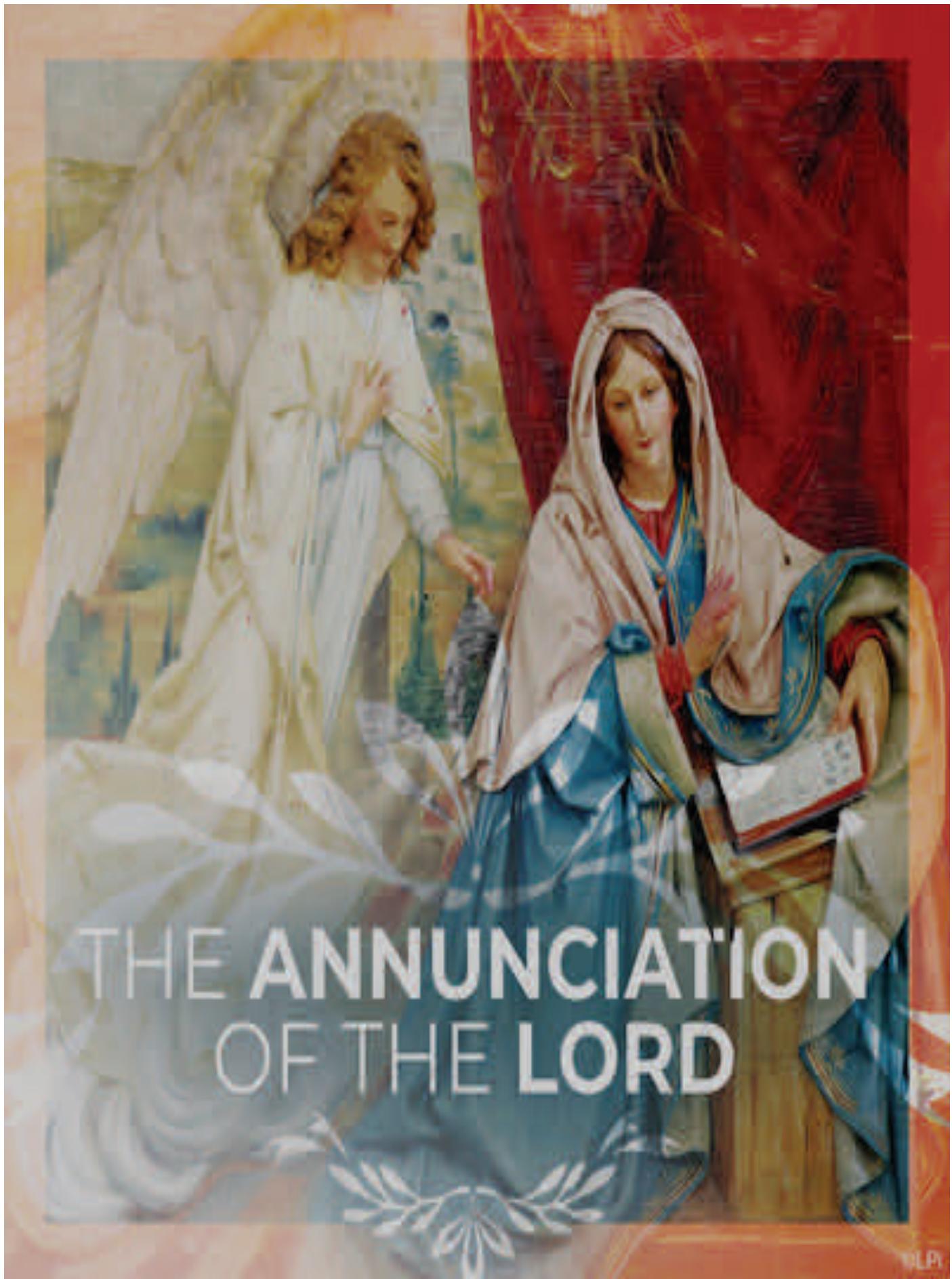
**Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.**

**Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.**

**Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.**

We ask this in Your Name.

Amen



THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

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