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“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert...”



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The Fourth Sunday of Lent ~ March 10, 2024

Gathering Hymn:

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.	I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to look at Jesus.	I want to be with Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness shine on my path,	When we have run with patience the race,
And show me the way to the Father. <i>Refrain</i>	We shall know the joy of Jesus. <i>Refrain</i>

First Reading:

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Responsorial Psalm:

"Let my tongue be silent, if I ever forget you."

Second Reading:**Ephesians 2:4-10**

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

Gospel Acclamation: **“Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!”**

Gospel:**John 3:14-21**

Jesus said to Nicodemus: “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things
visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again
on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Preparation of the Gifts: Psalm 130

Refrain: With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Communion Hymn: Take and Eat This Bread

Refrain: Take and eat this bread. Take and drink this cup.
 This is my body and my blood.
 When you eat this bread, when you drink this cup,
 You live in me and I in you.

1. This is the bread come down from heaven;
This is the cup of our salvation. *Refrain*

2. Gathered as one around one table,
Sent forth to witness salvation. *Refrain*

3. Within our hands we hold the myst'ry,
Dying and rising to salvation. *Refrain*

4. Come all who thirst for life eternal,
Come to the table of salvation. *Refrain*

Communion Meditation "Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
 Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life."

Closing Hymn: The Glory of These Forty Days

The glory of these forty days
We celebrate with song of praise;
For Christ, by whom all things were made,
Himself has fasted and has prayed.

Alone and fasting Moses saw
The loving God who gave the law;
And to Elijah, fasting, came
The steeds and chariots of flame.

So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
Delivered from the lion's might;
And John, the Bridegroom's friend, became
The herald of Messiah's name.

Then grant that we like them be true,
Consumed in fast and prayer with you;
Our spirits strengthen with your grace,
And give us joy to see your face.

*Thank you for
joining us in worship today!
Please see the Bulletin section in the following pages for events and
service opportunities, or go to our website: stjulia.org
We wish you a very blessed Season of Lent!*

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

RECONCILIATION

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM

ANointing of the Sick

By request after the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass;
or contact Parish Office.

Eucharistic Adoration

In St. Julia Church every Friday from 12:00 noon
to 1:00 pm, with the exception of Good Friday.

Eucharist and Visits to the Sick

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, home-bound or hospitalized.

Rosary on Zoom

After each daily Mass. Contact us at
stjulia.org/contactus for the Zoom link.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to
make arrangements.

BULLETIN NOTICES should be emailed to the
Parish Office by Friday afternoon:
parish@stjulia.org.

Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel: John 12:20-33

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm—St. Julia Church
Sunday: 8:00am—St. Joseph Church

9:30am—St. Julia Church
11:30am—St. Julia Church
5:00pm—St. Joseph Church

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday
8:00am—St. Julia Church

Wednesday
5:30pm—St. Joseph Church

All Masses taking place in St. Julia Church are
live streamed—www.stjulia.org

Supporting Our Parish's Mission

Weekend of 3/2 and 3/3 = \$8,954.00

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.

~ Parish Life ~

Mass Intentions for this Week:

Sun. 3/10	9:30AM	Estern & Frank DiDuca
Wed. 3/13	8:00AM	Natalie & Bob Duffy Sr.
Sat. 3/16	4:00PM	Louis P. "Dan" Valente
Sun. 3/17	8:00AM	Allan & Theresa Greaves
Sun. 3/17	9:30AM	Jerry, Dominic & Pasquale Franchi
Sun. 3/17	11:30AM	Ruth Mary Donahue



Eucharist Adoration

Every Friday, from Noon—1pm
in St. Julia Church
(with the exception of Good Friday)

Classes for Grades 1-6 meet on
March 10/11



High School will meet on March 10 at 6:30 pm
Middle School meets on March 17 at 6:30 pm

Schedule for Lent/Holy Week

Soup and Stations: Friday, March 22, 5:30 pm, Parish Center Hall and St. Julia Church,

Holy Week:

Palm Sunday Masses:		Saturday, March 23	4:00 pm, St. Julia Church
		Sunday, March 24	8:00 am, St. Joseph Church
			9:30 am, St. Julia Church
			11:30 am, St. Julia Church
			5:00 pm, St. Joseph Church
Holy Thursday Mass:		Thursday, March 28	7:30 pm, St. Julia Church (No 8:00am Mass)
Good Friday:		Stations of the Cross	12:00 noon, St. Joseph Church
		Stations of the Cross	3:00 pm, St. Julia Church
		Passion of the Lord Liturgy	7:30 pm, St. Julia Church
Holy Saturday Vigil Mass:			7:30 pm, St. Julia Church (No 4:00pm Mass)
Easter Sunday Masses:			8:00 am, St. Joseph Church
			9:30 am, St. Julia Church
			11:30 am, St. Julia Church (No 5:00pm Mass)

St. Julia Parish Celebrates Saint Patrick's Day!

Come join us this Saturday, March 16th at 5PM (following the 4PM Mass) for a meal (Potato Cheddar Soup, Reuben and Rachel Sandwiches, Salad, Dessert & Beverages) and music by Brian Moll, Mara Bonde, John Egan and John Wells in the Parish Center Hall. If you plan to attend, please email parish@stjulia.org or call the parish office at 781-899-2611. A donation of \$15 per adult is suggested (children are free).



It will be a fun event for the whole family! We hope to see you there!

SOUP & STATIONS



All ages are welcome to attend this Lenten meal and devotion.
Soup at 5:30PM followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM
Friday, March 22nd, Parish Hall and St. Julia Church
Sign-ups at the back of both churches.



~ Parish Life ~

5
Minutes
With
Deacon Phil



Have you checked out Deacon Phil's latest "5 Minutes" Video, "Ashes of Love". The ashes that mark the beginning of our Lent journey can be beautiful - there is God's Love in these ashes. The God of Love responds to our Lenten Practices with God's Grace and Blessing.

Join Deacon Phil as he offers some thoughts on ashes and God's love for us. It can be found at <https://stjulia.org/DeaconPhil5-060>.

The latest video can always be found at <http://stjulia.org/DeaconPhil5-latest>. Give them a try!

If you would like to know more about this video, or have questions about any video, feel free to email Deacon Phil through stjulia.org/contactus. He is *a/ways* happy to chat about your life of faith.

ST. JULIA PARISH – LENTEN SERIES THE BEAUTY OF THE CHURCH'S SOCIAL DOCTRINE

Msgr. William P Fay, Ph.D.

Monday Evenings, Mar. 11, 18, 7—8 PM in St. Julia Parish Center Hall

Mar. 11 – The Polis (City) – The Obligation to Grow as Community with Rights and Responsibilities

- A. The Need for Rules and Regulations in the Community. The Free Market and Gratuitousness
- B. Levels of Community, the Principle of Subsidiarity, and a World Government

Mar. 18 – The Environment – Our Home, and the Call to Communion

- A. The Obligation to Care for Creation, Our Home
- B. Integral Ecology – We Are a Part of Creation. How Do We Care for Ourselves?

We are working to provide live stream access to Msgr. Fay's talks. You may find that link at <https://stjulia.org/socialdoctrinemsgrfay>.

Eucharistic Ministry for the Homebound

If you or a family member are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office. Parishioners, who are Eucharistic Ministers, are available to bring Communion to those in need.

Catholic Appeal ~ *Forward in Faith*

We're very excited to launch the Catholic Appeal this weekend at St. Julia's. Thank you to those who have already responded generously to the Cardinal Seán's invitation! Because of your early support, we have reached 16% of our goal. As Catholics, each of us shares the responsibility of the Church community – both directly within our parish and to the greater Church. Thank you for responding in faith, hope, and charity by making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Appeal. We are stronger together and your generous participation is greatly appreciated!



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