

## Readings for March 1

*If you are the Son of God . . . (Matthew 4:3, 6)*

**I**What father would send his son on a starvation mission in the wilderness? That's the cunning strategy the devil used: sow doubt about God's goodness and love into Jesus' mind. If he could shake Jesus' trust in his Father, then maybe Jesus would feel less obligated to stay faithful. The temptations pile up until the final gambit: *God isn't helping you here; all he's left you with is hunger and humiliation. Is it worth all the pain? I can give you so much more, so why not bow down to me instead? Do we have a deal?*

This is the same strategy the serpent used against Adam and Eve in today's first reading: "Did God really say . . . ?" (Genesis 3:1). *God knows that if you eat that fruit, you'll be just like him. He's trying to keep you from becoming all that you can be because he doesn't want any rivals.*

But where our first parents failed, Jesus succeeded. And in succeeding, he opened the way for us to succeed as well. He beat back the devil's temptations by doing the one thing that even we can do when we are tempted: he exercised stubborn faith. Yes, Jesus was hungry and exhausted. Yes, he desperately wanted relief. But he knew what God had asked of him, and he held fast to God's will and God's promises.

In the end, Jesus won out. Where once he heard only the devil's words of harassment, now he heard angels singing songs of comfort and praise.

Make no mistake, you will be tempted this Lent, if you haven't been already. The devil will try to convince you that God doesn't care about you or that obeying the commandments will leave you unsatisfied. Don't believe it! Hold fast to your Lenten commitments. Stay faithful in prayer. And if you should fall short, remember that you are still a child of God. He loves you and he will always help you. He may even send an angel to comfort you!

*"Lord, strengthen me with your grace this Lent so that I can overcome any temptation."*

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## This Week's Readings

[View Mass readings \(USCCB\)](#)

[www.usccb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm)

### Sunday 1

*First Sunday of Lent*

Gn 2:7-9;3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12,17-19/

Mt 4:1-11

### Monday 2

Lv 19:1-2,11-18 / Mt 25:31-46

### Tuesday 3

Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

*St. Katharine Drexel*

Jon 3:1-10/ Lk 11:29-32

### Wednesday 4

*St. Casimir*

Est C:12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

### Thursday 5

Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

### Friday 6

Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

### Saturday 7

*Sts. Perpetua & Felicity*

Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9

*Second Sunday of Lent*

## News and Notes



**Congratulations and Prayers on Upcoming Diaconate Ordination** – Let us keep in our prayers **Br. Simon Teller, O.P.**, a Dominican seminarian serving St. Matthew's community who will be ordained to the diaconate shortly.

Br. Simon was born and raised in Cincinnati, OH. At the University of Dallas, he majored in English literature. After graduating he spent time as a street performer, playing and recording Irish and Americana music in Asheville, NC. In 2015, he entered religious life, joining the St. Joseph's Province of the Dominican Friars.

Br. Simon is studying for the priesthood at the Dominican House of Studies and will be ordained a deacon on Saturday, **March 14** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. He assists in a number of ministries at the Cathedral, including parents' catechism and marriage preparation. Br. Simon will serve as a deacon and preach at our 8:30am Mass on Sunday, **March 15**.

**First Friday and First Saturday** – All are welcome to First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **March 6** following the 12:10pm Mass until 5pm, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. On Saturday, **March 7** all are welcome to First Saturday Devotions after the 12:10pm Mass.

**Daylight Saving Time Starts March 8** – Turn your clocks forward one hour before bedtime on Saturday, **March 7**!

**Always God's Children** – Always God's Children, the Cathedral's ministry to gay and lesbian persons and their families and friends, invites you to their monthly meeting on Sunday, **March 8** at 3:30pm in the West Conference.

**Papal Prayer Intention** – Please pray for Pope Francis' March intention: that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

## Parish Calendar

March 1 – 8

**Sunday 1—First Sunday of Lent**

A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses.

Hospitality receptions are held after the 8:30am, 10am, and 11:30am Masses in the North Conference Room.

Children's Faith Formation classes meet at 9:45am in the N Street Building.

Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

**El Vía Crucis** se rezará (en español) a las 2:15 de la tarde.

RCIA is at the Basilica for the Rite of Election. Young Adult Coffeehouse meets in the North Conference Room after the 5:30pm Mass.

**Monday 2**—The Parish Council meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

**Tuesday 3**—El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Norte.

**Wednesday 4**—Confessions are heard from 6:30 to 8pm in English and Spanish.

RCIA Elect/Candidates meet at 7pm in the North Conference Room.

**Thursday 5**—Celebration of the Word meets at 7:30pm in the East Conference Room.

**Friday 6—First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held after the 12:10pm Mass till 5pm.

**Stations of the Cross** are prayed at 6pm, followed by a Simple Lenten Meal served in the North Conference Room.

**Saturday 7**—A study of the Gospel of John meets at 10:30am in the East Conference Room.

**First Saturday Devotions** are held after the 12:10pm Mass.

**Sunday 8—Second Sunday of Lent**

Children's Faith Formation classes meet at 9:45am in the N Street Building.

Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

**El Vía Crucis** se rezará (en español) a las 2:15 de la tarde.

Always God's Children meets in the West Conference Room at 3:30pm.

Little Rock Bible Study meets at 3:30pm in the East Conference Room.

RCIA dismisses at the 5:30pm Mass.

Young Adult Coffeehouse meets in the North Conference Room after the 5:30pm Mass.

## Social Justice

**Creation Care Corner – Join the Team!** – The Creation Care Team will meet on Thursday, **March 12** at 6:45pm in the North Conference Room to discuss present and future initiatives. All are welcome! Email Phil Downey at [stmattcreationcareteam@gmail.com](mailto:stmattcreationcareteam@gmail.com).

**Register for Social Justice Advocacy Retreat** – All are welcome to a Saturday, **March 7** retreat at the Franciscan Monastery. The retreat focuses on our call to advocacy on a range of social justice issues: respect life issues, human trafficking, environmental issues,

immigration, and homelessness. Gather with us for prayer and reflection on advocating for our brothers and sisters, and for God's creation. Visit <https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/advocacyretreat2020>. Contact Committee Chair, Phil Downey at [socialjusticestmatthew@gmail.com](mailto:socialjusticestmatthew@gmail.com) or Fr. John Benson or Norma Canedo at the rectory at 202-347-3215.

## Faith Formation

**RCIA Rite of Election and Continuing Conversion –**

This Sunday afternoon, the Catechumens (those preparing for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist) and the Candidates for Continuing Conversion journey with Theresa Prymuszewski to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, where she will present the signed Book of the Elect to **Archbishop Wilton Gregory**. Please remember our RCIA Catecumens and Candidates as they enter this final stage of their journey of faith toward the Easter Sacraments.



**Welcome, Returning Catholics!** – If you are a Catholic who has been away, or “used to be Catholic” we invite you to be an active part of us again. Landings offers “a safe place to land,” a place for listening and being heard, a place for asking questions and reconnecting with your faith as an adult. If you or someone you know may be interested, the next step is to contact Theresa Prymuszewski at [tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org) for a welcoming interview.

**Archdiocesan Compliance Checklist** – The

Archdiocese of Washington’s **Child Protection & Safe Environment Compliance Checklist** is available at <https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/compliancechecklist>. All St. Matthew’s employees, and volunteers who have contact with children and/or vulnerable adults, are asked to review and comply with these requirements.

## Living Lent

[View and share the Lenten brochure.](#)  
<https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/lent2020>

Before our Lenten sacrifices – great food & fellowship at the Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast with our Cathedral Young Adults!



### Catholic Relief Services – Pick up Your Rice Bowls –

Join our parish community and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's Rice Bowl, a paper piggy bank, this weekend to collect change throughout Lent and support our mission of helping those in need. Help change lives for our brothers and sisters in different parts of the world.

**Lenten Fast and Abstinence** – Ash Wednesday (**February 26**) and Good Friday (**April 10**) are days of fast and abstinence. All Catholics who have reached their 18th birthday and are less than 60 years old are bound to observe the fast, by which they are limited to a single full meal during the course of the day. All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday must observe days of abstinence, during which no meat may be eaten. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

**The Light Is ON** – This Lent all parishes in the Archdiocese of

Washington and the Diocese of Arlington offer confessions every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8pm. Confessions at St. Matthew's will be heard from 6:30 to 8pm on Wednesdays beginning **March 4** (6 - 7:15pm on April 8) in addition to our regular times (11am-Noon weekdays, Saturdays 4-5pm).

**Stations of the Cross** – The Via Crucis is a journey made in the Holy Spirit, that divine fire that burned in the heart of Jesus and brought him to Calvary. The [Stations of the Cross](#) in the form adopted by Pope John Paul II are prayed in English on Fridays of Lent at 6pm, followed by a [Simple Lenten Meal](#), and in Spanish on Sundays of Lent at 2:15pm. Join us for this beautiful devotion, so fitting for Lent.

**Choral Highlights** – Enjoy the Lenten inspirations in the Office of Music Ministries' [Choral Highlights](#) website feature. It describes the upcoming Sunday's choral works and their relationship to the readings and Mass prayers, with digital versions for your Lenten inspiration. Check the website front page.

**Study of the Gospel of John** – This study will consider the Gospels of John that we hear at Mass on the three Sundays preceding Palm Sunday. We meet on Saturday mornings, **March 7** (John 4:5-42, "The Samaritan Woman"), **March 21** (John 9:1-41, "The Man Born Blind), and **April 4**, (John 11:1-45, "The Raising of Lazarus"), in the East Conference Room from 10:30 to 11:45am.

**Cathedral Book Club Lenten Discussion** – All are welcome to a discussion of the Lenten selection, "The Mountain of Silence," by Kyriacos C. Markides on Monday,

**March 23**, 6:45 - 8pm, in the East Conference Room. Told in lively form, it is the story of a Greek Orthodox monk in Cyprus, presenting a fine overview of traditional Orthodox spiritual teachings, as on the role of the Holy Spirit.

**Celebration of the Word** – Come on Thursdays at 7:30pm to the East Conference Room for a simple liturgy of readings, a homily by Fr. Benson, and prayers.

### Cathedral † Young Adults

**Young Adult Coffeehouse** – All young adults (20s and 30s) are invited to Coffeehouse in the North Conference Room. Come for a meet-and-greet Sundays after the 5:30pm Mass.

[Email C†YA with questions.](#)

**Theology on Tap - Tuesday, March 10 - 6pm happy hour / 7pm talk - Public Bar Live (1214 18th Street, NW)** – Join young adults from around the city for food, drinks, fellowship, and speaker, [Fr. Robert Kilner](#).

### • POSITION OPENING •

**Janitor/Custodian – St. Matthew's** seeks a full-time, bilingual (English & Spanish) Janitor/Custodian with experience. Responsibilities include maintaining a high level of cleanliness within the Cathedral and rectory offices. Duties include vacuuming floors, cleaning restrooms, dusting, scrubbing and polishing floors, and trash removal. Applicants must have legal work documents and pass a background check. We offer a competitive benefits package including health insurance, paid leave, and retirement benefits. To apply, call Pam Erwin at 202-347-3215.



# Simple Lenten Meals

*Every Friday during Lent*  
**Following the 5:30pm Mass & the 6:00pm Stations of the Cross**  
**North Conference Room**

## **PRAYER**

The Social Justice Committee invites you for fellowship & reflection during this time of Lent.

Join us every Friday,  
following the Stations of the Cross.  
The Meal begins at about 6:30pm.

## **FASTING**

Different parish ministries will prepare and serve a simple meal of meatless soup, bread, and water.

## **ALMSGIVING**

Charitable organizations are invited to present on their mission and the services they provide to our neighbors in need. The donations collected during every meal will be offered to that evening's presenter.

**For more information on this year's participants, please visit:**

[www.stmatthewscathedral.org](http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org)

You may also contact  
[socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org).

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**SJCS**  
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## **February 28**

### **Horton's Kids**

*Provides academic programs and extracurricular activities for children living in Ward 8.*

Host: Knights of Columbus

## **March 6**

### **Brothers of Charity**

*Sharing God's love with the poor marginalized, by living in intentional communities with those they serve.*

Host: Social Justice Committee

## **March 13**

### **Kairos**

*Shares Christ's transformative love and forgiveness to impact the hearts and lives of those who are incarcerated.*

Host: Cathedral Young Adult Ministry

## **March 20**

### **Community Resources**

*Offers classes and support for Hispanic families and their children with special needs.*

Host: Hispanic Ministry

## **March 27**

### **Catholic Legal Immigration Network (CLINIC)**

*Responds to the Gospel message of welcoming the stranger, by protecting the dignity & rights of immigrants.*

Host: RCIA Catechumens

## **April 3**

### **Martha's Table**

*Supporting families through educational programs, healthy food, & other social services.*

Host: Parish Council



# Cenas Simples de Cuaresma

*Cada viernes durante la Cuaresma*  
**Después de la Misa de las 5:30 & el Vía Crucis de las 6:00 de la tarde**  
**Salón de Conferencias del Norte**

## **ORACIÓN**

El Comité de Justicia Social les invita a compartir y reflexionar durante este tiempo de Cuaresma. Únase a nosotros cada viernes, después del Vía Crucis.

La Cena comienza a las 6:30 de la tarde.

## **AYUNO**

Diferentes ministerios de la parroquia prepararán y servirán una cena simple de sopa sin carne, pan y agua.

## **DAR LIMOSNA**

Organizaciones caritativas serán invitadas a presentar sobre su misión y los servicios que proveen a nuestros vecinos en necesidad. Las contribuciones que se recogerán durante cada cena serán donadas a los presentadores de esa tarde.

**Para más información sobre los participantes de este año, por favor visite:**

[www.stmatthewscathedral.org](http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org)

También puede mandar un correo electrónico a  
[socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org).

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## **28 de febrero**

### ***Horton's Kids***

*Proveen programas académicos y actividades extracurriculares para niños que viven en la Zona 8 de DC.*  
Anfitrión: Caballeros de Colón

## **6 de marzo**

### ***Hermanos de Caridad***

*Compartiendo el amor de Dios con los pobres marginalizados, sirviéndoles y viviendo en comunidad con ellos.*  
Anfitrión: Comité de Justicia Social

## **13 de marzo**

### ***Kairos - Ministerio a Prisioneros***

*Compartiendo el amor y la misericordia transformadora de Cristo para impactar los corazones y las vidas de los encarcelados.*  
Anfitrión: Jóvenes Adultos de la Catedral

## **20 de marzo**

### ***Recursos de Comunidad***

*Ofrece clases y apoyo a familias hispanas de niños con necesidades especiales.*  
Anfitrión: Ministerio Hispano

## **27 de marzo**

### ***Red Católica legal de inmigración (CLINIC)***

*Responden al mensaje del Evangelio, dando la bienvenida al extranjero y protegiendo la dignidad y los derechos de los inmigrantes.*  
Anfitrión: Catecúmenos de RICA

## **3 de abril**

### ***Martha's Table***

*Apoyando a familia por programas educativos, comida saludable y otros servicios sociales.*  
Anfitrión: Consejo Parroquial



## CATEDRAL DE SAN MATEO APÓSTOL

Grupo de Oración “Dios con Nosotros”

Ciclo de Conferencias de Formación y Crecimiento Espiritual  
Cuaresma 2020



### *La Siete Palabras de Cristo: Esperanza para la Humanidad*



#### Horario de Conferencias

**Martes, 25 de febrero**

“La Cuaresma en Nuestras Vidas”

7pm, Salón del Oeste ~ P. John Benson

**Martes, 3 de marzo**

Charla con el Obispo Auxiliar Mario E. Dorsonville

7pm, Salón del Norte

**Martes, 10 de marzo**

Santa Misa & Charla

“Primera Palabra ~ ‘Padre, perdóналos porque no saben lo que hacen’ ”

7pm, Salón del Oeste ~ P. John Benson

Celebración del Cumpleaños del P. John

**Sábado, 14 de marzo**

Retiro Cuaresmal

9am a 4pm, Salón del Norte

P. John & líderes del Grupo Tira la Red

**Martes, 17 de marzo**

“Segunda & Tercera Palabra: ‘Hoy mismo estarás conmigo en el paraíso’ y ‘Mujer, ahí tienes a tu hijo’ ”

7pm, Salón del Oeste ~ P. John Benson

**Martes, 24 de marzo**

“Cuarta & Quinta Palabra: ‘Dios mío, porque me has abandonado?’ y ‘Tengo sed’ ”

7pm, Salón del Oeste ~ P. John Benson

**Martes, 31 de marzo**

“Sexta & Séptima Palabra: ‘Todo esta cumplido’ y ‘Padre, en tus manos encomiendo mi espíritu’ ”

7pm, Salón del Oeste ~ P. John Benson



Obispo Mario E. Dorsonville



Padre John Benson

# LENTEN FAITH FORMATION 2020

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**LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION:** "The Sanctification of Time: The Hymns of Lent and Holy Week"

**WHEN:**

Saturday, February 29, 2020

10:00am – 2:30pm

Mass at 12:10pm followed by a light lunch

**THREE REFLECTIONS:**

*Conference I: The Liturgy: Eternity in a Day*

*Conference II: For Forty Days the Circuit Runs: the Hymns of Lent*

*Conference III: Sing, My Tongue, in Exultation: the Hymns of Holy Week*

**DIRECTED BY:** Revered Luke Melcher, M. Div. MLM, SLL, SLD and, Director of Textual Resources for the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL).

**LENTEN LECTURE SERIES:**

This year, our series focuses on the three pivotal spiritual practices for our personal and communal.

**Lenten journey of faith:** Prayer-Fasting-Almsgiving

All lectures will be delivered in the North Conference Room from 7PM to 8PM.

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**Tuesday, March 10:**

**Awakening to the Presence of God: Prayer in Lent**

**Presented by:** L.J. Milone, Director of Faith Formation, St. John the Baptist Catholic Community, Doctoral Candidate in Preaching, Author: Nothing but God: The Everyday Mysticism of Meister Eckhart.

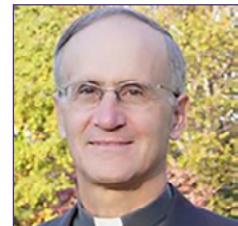


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**Tuesday, March 17:**

**Fasting: Taking a Fresh Look at a Lost Treasure**

**Presented by:** Rev. Thomas Ryan, C.S.P. (Community of St. Paul) Director: Paulist Office for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, international retreat leader, author of 18 books on holistic spirituality.



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**Tuesday, March 24:**

**Almsgiving: The Treasure You Share is the Treasure You Receive**

**Presented by:** Rev. Msgr. John Enzler, President and CEO Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington: Inspiring Hope, Building Futures.



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*All are invited to these events, free of charge. Donations are welcome!*

**WHERE:**

St. Matthew's Cathedral, 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20036  
(located near the Farragut North Red Line Metro Station)

*For more information, please contact Theresa Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation, at [tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org) or at 202-587-5139.*

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*(Note: The total amount will be determined by the number of Sundays in the month. Some months have 5 Sundays.)*

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## Lecturas del 1 de Marzo

**N**o solo de pan vive el hombre. (*Mateo 4, 4*)

En el Evangelio de hoy leemos que Jesús hizo ayuno durante 40 días y, al final, sintió hambre, pero el diablo lo tentó para hacerle dudar del amor y la protección de su Padre. Esta es la misma tentación que les puso a nuestros primeros padres (*Génesis 3, 1-6*), engañándolos hasta hacerles dudar del amor del Creador y de que Dios les da a sus criaturas todo lo que ellas necesitan.

Desde entonces el diablo ha estado usando este tipo de interpretación torcida y engañosa de las palabras de Dios para hacernos dudar del amor de nuestro Padre, especialmente cuando nos sentimos débiles, tenemos problemas familiares o financieros, sufrimos alguna enfermedad o tenemos heridas emocionales.

Lo que podemos hacer es reconocer las artimañas de Satanás y combatirlas con la verdad. Adán y Eva no se convencieron del amor de Dios y por eso sucumbieron ante las tentaciones del demonio. Es cierto que esta falta que ellos cometieron nos parece un error enorme y posiblemente imperdonable, porque en realidad tuvo consecuencias desastrosas para toda la humanidad, pero Dios jamás dejó de amarlos. Hoy, el Señor ama a todos sus hijos con la misma intensidad y decisión. De hecho, nadie ha existido jamás en la historia humana que no haya recibido de Dios el don de la misericordia y la reconciliación.

Satanás suele aprovecharse de la vergüenza que nos causan los hábitos de pecado y nos embota la conciencia, pero no debemos nunca dejar de reconocer que Dios nos ofrece su perdón y su amor. Hoy, querido lector, recuerda que el Señor te ama y repítelo tú mismo en voz alta: “¡Dios me ama!” En la oración, ruégale a Jesús que te permita percibir su amor; pídele fortaleza para mantenerte puro, para que el maligno no te engañe ni te atemorice. Pídele al Señor que venga a tu corazón y haga que este tiempo de Cuaresma sea una época bendita de renovación y gracia para tu vida y la de los tuyos.

*“Padre eterno, te doy gracias por tu amor inquebrantable, porque sé que me has amado desde el primer momento de la creación. Solo a ti te adoraré todos los días de mi vida.”*

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## Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo 1	Gén 2:7-9;3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 o 5:12,17-19 / Primer Domingo de Cuaresma	Mt 4:1-11
Lunes 2	Lev 19:1-2,11-18 / Mt 25:31-46	
Martes 3	Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15	
Santa Catalina Drexel	Jo 3:1-10 / Lc 11:29-32	
Miércoles 4 San Casimiro	Est C:12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12 Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26 Deut 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48	
Jueves 5		
Viernes 6		
Sábado 7 Santas Perpetua y Felicitas		
Domingo 8 Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma	Gé 12:1-4a / 2 Tim 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9	

## Intenciones de Misas

### Mass Intentions

March 1 - 8

#### Sunday, March 1

- 5:30pm Vigil (February 29) – All Parishioners
- 7am – Motie Family
- 8:30am – Dr. Lisa Grandinetti
- 10am – Mrs. Fennel
- 11:30am – David Blee
- 1pm – Benefactores de la Catedral de San Mateo vivos y difuntos

#### Monday, March 2

- 7am – Gloria Harrington (living)
- 8am – Anthony Garcia (living)
- 12:10pm – Jim Anthony
- 5:30pm – Diego Mauricio Cortez Escobar (living)

#### Tuesday, March 3

- 7am – David Hardison
- 8am – Ariano Family
- 12:10pm – Don Moen
- 5:30pm – Manuel Muñoz

#### Wednesday, March 4

- 7am – Daryoush Motie
- 8am – Ayanna Ventura (living)
- 12:10pm – Rose & Renee Toussaint
- 5:30pm – Kathryn S. Wallace

#### Thursday, March 5

- 7am – Tracey D. Marshall
- 8am – Carrie Winn-Johnson (living)
- 12:10pm – Lydia Salcedo
- 5:30pm – All Souls

#### Friday, March 6

- 7am – Ellma Rios
- 8am – The Mackin Family
- 12:10pm – Danellia Gallego
- 5:30pm – Victoriano Salcedo

#### Saturday, March 7

- 8am – Sofia Ledesma
- 12:10pm – Raymond Jacob (living)
- 5:30pm – Vivian Blevins

#### Sunday, March 8

- 7am – All Parishioners
- 8:30am – Janice Geiger
- 10am – Tony Petrucci
- 11:30am – Anthony V. Savinski
- 1pm – Dora Aguirre y Vilma de Argueta
- 5:30pm – Dr. Milton Dunsky

**Grupo de Oración** – El grupo de oración se reúne los martes a la 7:00 de la tarde. El objetivo del grupo es profundizar nuestra fe por medio de las Sagradas Escrituras. No se pierda la charla del **Obispo Mario Dorsonville** y presentación de los adolescentes de Confirmación con sus padrinos el martes **3 de marzo** en el salón de conferencias del Norte.



## Viviendo la Cuaresma

[Vea y comparta el folleto de Cuaresma en español](#)  
<https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/cuaresma2020>



Catholic Relief Services – Recoge su Plato de Arroz

**su Plato de Arroz** – Únase a nuestra comunidad parroquial y a casi 14,000 comunidades católicas en los Estados Unidos en una jornada de Cuaresma que cambia vidas con el programa Plato de Arroz de CRS. Consiga el Plato de Arroz, una alcancía de cartón, para su familia este fin de semana. Use la caja para recoger cambio durante la Cuaresma y aporte a nuestra misión en ayudar a los necesitados. Ayude a cambiar vidas para nuestros hermanos en diferentes partes del mundo.

**Confesiones los Miércoles de Cuaresma** – En este tiempo de Cuaresma, la Catedral de San Mateo tendrá confesiones en inglés y español disponibles los miércoles de Cuaresma de 6:30 a 8:00 de la noche comenzando el **4 de marzo**, Miércoles Santo de 6:00 a 7:15 de la tarde, además del horario regular de confesiones (lunes - viernes, 11-12; sábados 4-5 de la tarde; y domingos después de la misa de español (excepto los domingos **1 de marzo, 22 de marzo y 5 de abril**).

**Ayunar** – Miércoles de Ceniza (**26 de febrero**) y Viernes Santo (**10 de abril**) son días de ayuno y abstinencia. Los católicos que ya llegaron a los 18 años de edad, pero que son menores de 60 años, están obligados al ayuno, que consiste en una sola comida completa durante el día. Todos los católicos que han cumplido 14 años están obligados a los días de abstinencia en los cuales no se debe de comer carne. Miércoles de Ceniza, Viernes Santo y

todos los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia.

**Vía Crucis** – El Vía Crucis, revisado por el Papa Juan Pablo II, se rezará en inglés los vienes a las 6 de la tarde y en español los domingos a las 2:15 de la tarde durante la Cuaresma. Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros en esta devoción cuaresmal.

**Día de Retiro** – El sábado **14 de marzo**, tendremos un día de Retiro, todos están invitados. Tema: “*Origen de los siete pecados capitales.*” El retiro se ofrece en el salón de conferencias del Norte, 9:00 de la mañana a 4:00 de la tarde. Líderes el Grupo Tira la Red y padre John Benson.

## Noticias de la Parroquia

**Primer Viernes y Primer Sábado –** Primer viernes, Exposición y Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se celebrará después de la misa 12:10 del mediodía hasta 5:00 de la tarde el viernes **6 de marzo**. Todos son bienvenidos a venir y adorar a nuestro Señor. El sábado **7 de marzo** todos son bienvenidos a participar en las devociones del primer sábado después de la misa de 12:10 mediodía.

**Inscríbase para el Retiro de Justicia Social & Advocacía –** Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a nuestro retiro que se llevará a cabo el sábado, **7 de marzo** para advocar por el cambio en una variedad de temas de justicia social - temas de respeto a la vida, el tráfico humano, temas del medioambiente, inmigración y falta de vivienda. Únase a nosotros para orar y reflexionar sobre la importancia de advocar por nuestros hermanos y hermanas, y

por la creación de Dios. Visite: <https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/advocacyretreat2020>.

¡Inscríbase! Comuníquese con el padre John Benson o Norma Canedo al 202-347-3215 o [socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org).

**Cambio de Hora** – El domingo **8 de marzo**, es el día que se cambia la hora, recuerde de cambiar una hora hacia adelante la noche anterior o sea el sábado **7 de marzo**.

**Esquina del Cuidado de la Creación** – El equipo de Cuidado de la Creación se reunirá el jueves, **12 de marzo** a las 6:45 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Norte para discutir nuestras presentes y futuras iniciativas. Envíe un correo electrónico a Phil Downey [stmattparticipationteam@gmail.com](mailto:stmattparticipationteam@gmail.com) o llame al padre John Benson o Norma Canedo al 202-347-3215.

**Intenciones de Oración del Papa Francisco** – Por favor únase en oración en todo el mundo por las intenciones del Papa Francisco este mes: para que la Iglesia en China persevere en la fidelidad al Evangelio y crezca en unidad.

**Se Busca una Persona para Trabajar en Limpieza** – La Catedral de San Mateo busca un trabajador de limpieza a tiempo completo con experiencia. Los deberes de trabajo incluyen aspirar pisos, limpiar baños, desempolvar, fregar y pulir pisos, tirar la basura. Debe tener documentos de trabajo legal y pasar una verificación de antecedentes. Requisitos mínimos: experiencia de mantenimiento (en limpieza) que sea bilingüe, español/ingles. Este es un trabajo a tiempo completo, el cual ofrece beneficios, incluyendo seguro de salud, días de enfermedad pagados y retiro. Para aplicar, por favor llame a Pam Erwin al 202-347-3215.