

## Readings for March 8

**I**f you wish, I will make three tents. (*Matthew 17:4*)

"Three tents? There he goes again," we might think. "It's just Peter making another rash statement and getting it wrong." But did Peter get it wrong?

Not really. Remember that Jesus himself brought Peter to the mountaintop with James and John. Now there they were, watching Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus, who was bathed in his Father's glory. It might not have made perfect sense to Peter, but he knew it was something good. He was so delighted that of course he wanted to pitch some tents and stay.

This "mountaintop" experience must have shored up Peter's faith. He saw the glory of God! He heard God say that Jesus is his beloved Son and that he is worth listening to. All of these things were very good. Did Peter need to go back down the mountain and continue to follow Jesus to the cross? Yes, but that didn't take away his need to be on that mountain—his need to be strengthened and filled.

Jesus is calling you to come away with him to a high mountain too. He is asking you to make time for him every day. Pray. Go to Mass. Ponder his word. Sit in his presence, and be filled with awe and wonder at who he is. But don't stop there. God has a message for you today. He wants to touch your heart and speak to you. Just as Peter heard, "This is my beloved Son" (*Matthew 17:5*), you can listen for the Holy Spirit to say, "Behold the Lamb of God" when you receive Jesus in Communion. Or "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord" when it's time to come down from the mountain.

Remember, it's not selfish to set aside time to be with Jesus. You're not running away from problems when you take time to pray. It's always good to come away with him—as long as you are willing to follow him out into the world as well.

*"Lord, I love you and want to make time for you every day!"*

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## This Week's Readings

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

Sunday 8	Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9 <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>
Monday 9	Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38 <i>St. Frances of Rome</i>
Tuesday 10	Is 1:10,16-20 / Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday 11	Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28
Thursday 12	Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31
Friday 13	Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43,45-46
Saturday 14	Mt 7:14-15,18-20 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Sunday 15	Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2,5-8 / Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>

## News and Notes

**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 Room. [Read more about AGC.](#)



### Wednesday Lunchtime Organ Recital

– St. Matthew's Great Organ Inaugural Concert Series continues with a [recital](#) on

Wednesday, **March 18** at

12:45pm, featuring **Joy-Leilani**

**Garbutt**, Minister of Music at Christ Lutheran Church, Washington, DC, and Organist at Takoma Park Seventh-Day Adventist Church. The recital features the works of women composers including Jeanne Demessieux, Elsa Barraine, Josephine Boulay, Cécile Chaminade, and Florence B. Price. Join us as we continue the celebration of the completion of our Lively-Fulcher Great Organ. [View the 2019 - 2020 Great Organ Inaugural Concert Series brochure.](#)

### Volunteer Cantor Position Available

The Cathedral Music Ministry is looking for experienced cantors to be placed in occasional rotation for the 5:30pm Saturday evening Mass and the 8:30am Sunday Mass. If you have an interest and the requisite skills, please contact Tom Stehle at [tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org).

**Lent 2020** – Did you get our Lenten email update? Check out <https://conta.cc/3bZecDD>.

### • 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.

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### News and Notes cont'd

**Always God's Children** – [Always God's Children](#), the Cathedral's ministry to gay and lesbian persons and their families and friends, meets on Sunday, **March 8** at 3:30pm in the West Conference.

**Congratulations and Prayers on Diaconate Ordination** – Let us keep in our prayers Br. Simon



Teller, O.P., a Dominican seminarian serving at the Cathedral parish, soon to be ordained

a deacon. 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 several Cathedral ministries, including parents' catechism and marriage preparation. He will serve as a deacon and preach at our 8:30am Mass next Sunday, **March 15**. All are welcome.

### Social Justice

**Monthly Social Justice Prayer Group** – The Social Justice Ministry hosts a new series focusing on Catholic Social Teaching and prayer as the foundations of our service. All are welcome on Thursday, **March 12**, 6-6:45pm in the St. Francis Chapel (to your right as you enter the main doors) for [group](#)

#### [reflection and prayer](#)

using "A Concise Guide to Catholic Social Teaching" by Kevin E. McKenna to guide our reflection. Contacts: Phil Downey at [socialjusticestmatthew@gmail.com](mailto:socialjusticestmatthew@gmail.com) or Fr. Benson or Norma Canedo at 202-347-3215 or [socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org).



**Creation Care Corner – Join the Team!** – The Creation Care Team meets 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).

### Parish Calendar March 8 – 15

**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.

Padre John tendrá las confesiones después de la misa de 1:00 de la tarde.

**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.

The Young Adult "Living the Eucharist" series meets in the North Conference Room after the 5:30pm Mass.

**Monday 9**—Little Rock Bible Study meets at 7pm in the N Street Building.

**Tuesday 10**—A presentation on "Prayer in Lent" is given at 7pm in the North Conference Room.  
El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Norte.

**Wednesday 11**—Confessions are heard from 6:30 to 8pm.  
RCIA Elect and Candidates meet at 7pm in the North Conference Room.

**Thursday 12**—The Social Justice Prayer Group meets in the St. Francis Chapel at 6pm.  
The Creation Care team meets at 6:45pm in the North Conference Room.  
Celebration of the Word meets at 7:30pm in the East Conference Room.

**Friday 13—Stations of the Cross** are prayed at 6pm, followed by a Simple Lenten Meal served in the North Conference Room.

**Saturday 14**—A First Reconciliation Retreat meets at 10am in the West Conference Room.

**Sunday 15**—Third Sunday of Lent  
A second collection for the Church in the Developing World is taken at all Masses.

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Primer Escrutinio durante la misa de 1:00 de la tarde en español.

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## Living Lent ✝

[View and share the Lenten brochure.](#)

### Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

**Reflection** – Catholic Relief Services (CRS) invites us to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Sacredness and Dignity of the Human Person*, as we are reminded that our inherent dignity comes from our creation as children of God. Paper coin boxes or “Rice Bowls” are available in the Cathedral and will be collected at the end of Lent. If you have any questions, call the rectory or visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org).

**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).

**Celebration of the Word** – Come on Thursdays of Lent and throughout the year for a 7:30pm [simple liturgy](#) of readings, a homily by Fr. Benson, and prayers. We meet in the East Conference Room.

**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.

### Cathedral + Young Adults – “Living the Eucharist” Coffee-house Series

All young adults (20s and 30s) are invited to the Lenten series, “Living the Eucharist,” led by Paulist Brother Phil Catalanotto, right after the 5:30pm Mass in the North Conference Room. [Email C+YA with questions.](#)

**DC Theology on Tap** – C+YA co-hosts Theology on Tap this Tuesday, **March 10** at Public Bar Live (1214 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW). Come for a 6pm happy hour followed by a talk on “Praying Like the Saints” by Fr. Robert Kilner. [Link to Facebook event](#)

### Simple Lenten Meal for Kairos Prison Ministry

All are invited to Simple Lenten Meals, offered [every Friday](#) in the North Conference Room following the 6pm Stations of the Cross. On **March 13**, the **Cathedral Young Adults** prepare and serve the meal (email Dan Horning [dmhorning524@gmail.com](mailto:dmhorning524@gmail.com) to volunteer), as representatives of **Kairos Prison Ministry** speak on their mission to share Christ’s transforming love and forgiveness to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women and youth, as well as their families. All donations collected will benefit their good works.



### Study of the Gospel of John

Join Fr. John Hurley and friends for this study of the Gospel readings from John that are proclaimed at Mass on the three Sundays preceding Palm Sunday. On Saturday morning, **March 21**, we consider John 9:1-41, “The Man Born Blind,” and on **April 4**, John 11:1-45, “The Raising of Lazarus.” We meet in the East Conference Room from 10:30 to 11:45am.

### Solemn Gregorian Vespers

St. Matthew’s Schola Cantorum presents the Office of Vespers for Laetare Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, on **March 22** at 4pm. Sung entirely in Latin, in Gregorian chant and polyphony, the Office includes a *Magnificat* by Lassus, an *Ave Regina Caeli* by contemporary Polish composer Marek Raczynski, and renaissance motets by Andrea Gabrieli and Heinrich Isaac. Complete texts and translations will be provided. Laetare Vespers is one of the most beloved annual Cathedral events. Join us and deepen your Lenten experience with the timeless beauty of Gregorian chant! Contact: Tom Stehle, 202-587-5141 or [tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org).

### Cathedral Book Club Lenten Discussion

All are welcome to a discussion of “The Mountain of Silence,” by Kyriacos C. Markides on Monday, **March 23**, 6:45 - 8pm, in the East Conference Room. It is described as “a fascinating narrative that is ... dialogue and meditation, history and politics, theology and travelogue.” 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.

# 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.

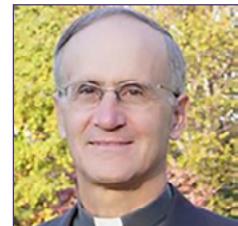


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**Tuesday, March 17:**

**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.*



# 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:**

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

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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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MINISTRIES

## **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

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<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Land	\$ _____	<i>March/April</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ _____	<i>December</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Flowers	\$ _____	<i>March/April</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Immaculate Conception	\$ _____	<i>December</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Sunday (In addition to regular Sunday gift)	\$ _____	<i>March/April</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Flowers	\$ _____	<i>December</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Church Missions within the US	\$ _____	<i>April</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas	\$ _____	<i>December</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Relief Services	\$ _____	<i>May</i>			

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## Lecturas del 8 de Marzo

**S**u rostro se puso resplandeciente como el sol. (Mateo 17, 2) Jesús unió el cielo y la tierra en su cuerpo glorioso al transfigurarse delante de sus tres discípulos más cercanos. Ellos vieron a Cristo en su gloria eterna a la derecha del Padre, acompañado de Moisés y Elías, los grandes representantes de la ley y los profetas del Antiguo Testamento. ¡Qué privilegio más extraordinario para estos tres discípulos!

Con todo, este acontecimiento se produjo entre dos declaraciones sumamente inquietantes. Días antes de la transfiguración, Jesús había dicho a sus discípulos "que tenía que ir a Jerusalén para padecer allí mucho... ser condenado a muerte y resucitar al tercer día" (Mateo 16, 21), y nuevamente, al bajar de la montaña, les repitió: "El Hijo del hombre va a ser entregado en manos de los hombres; lo van a matar, pero al tercer día va a resucitar" (Mateo 17, 22-23).

Con estas declaraciones, Jesús quería advertir a sus discípulos que tendría que sufrir su pasión, a fin de que ellos estuvieran preparados para la dura prueba que les aguardaba. Jesús sabía que la noticia de que en Jerusalén sería maltratado y ejecutado sería devastadora para ellos; por eso, cada vez que profetizaba acerca de sus padecimientos, también les anunciaba que posteriormente resucitaría.

En realidad, en la transfiguración les estaba mostrando cuál sería el glorioso resultado de todos estos hechos, para que, recordando sus palabras y el esplendor de su transfiguración, sus discípulos soportaran mejor el dolor de la cruz.

El Señor también desea prepararnos igualmente a nosotros. En realidad, el Evangelio lleva consigo una invitación a conocer la plenitud del amor del Padre, ese amor que nos purifica del pecado y que debemos compartir con los demás.

Si contemplamos a Jesús en toda su gloria, podremos mirar al futuro con esperanza, capaces de soportar las dificultades presentes, a fin de ganar el premio que recibirán todos los fieles seguidores de Cristo.

*"Amado Señor Jesús, concédeame la esperanza cierta y una fe segura en la gloria de tu resurrección."*

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## Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo 8	Gé 12:1-4a / 2 Tim 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9 <i>Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma</i>
Lunes 9 <i>Santa Francisca Romana</i>	Dn 9:4-10 / Lc 6:36-38
Martes 10	Is 1:10,16-20 / Mt 23:1-12
Miércoles 11	Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28
Jueves 12	Jer 17:5-10 / Lc 16:19-31
Viernes 13	Gé 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a / Mt 21:33-34,45-46
Sábado 14	Mi 7:14-15,18-20 / Lc 15:1-3,11-32
Domingo 15 <i>Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma</i>	Éx 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2,5-8 / Jn 4:5-42 o 4:5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42

## Intenciones de Misas

### Mass Intentions

March 8 - 15

#### Sunday, March 8

- 5:30pm Vigil (March 7) – Vivian Blevins
- 7am – All Parishioners
- 8:30am – Janice Geiger
- 10am – Tony Petruzzi
- 11:30am – Anthony V. Savinski
- 1pm – Dora Aguirre y Vilma de Argueta
- 5:30pm – Dr. Milton Dunsky

#### Monday, March 9

- 7am – Ludmilla Rodriguez
- 8am – Jim Sullivan (living)
- 12:10pm – John Comerford
- 5:30pm – Thanksgiving

#### Tuesday, March 10

- 7am – Raquel Castaños
- 8am – Yoko Sugiyawa
- 12:10pm – Fr. John Benson (living)
- 5:30pm – Anette Prado (living)

#### Wednesday, March 11

- 7am – Rev. Joseph Laracy (living)
- 8am – Rose & Renee Toussaint
- 12:10pm – 5 girls from Immaculate Group DC
- 5:30pm – Ariano Felice

#### Thursday, March 12

- 7am – David Rios
- 8am – Gerald Reto
- 12:10pm – Charlotte Kerns
- 5:30pm – Dan Konick

#### Friday, March 13

- 7am – Fausto & Ricardina Rios
- 8am – Carol Norman Nowack
- 12:10pm – Eugene Wolny
- 5:30pm – Special Intention

#### Saturday, March 14

- 8am – Tracey Marshall
- 12:10pm – Raymond Jacob (living)
- 5:30pm – Kenneth & Pam Quinn (living)

#### Sunday, March 15

- 7am – Daryous Motie (living)
- 8:30am – Therese Hoffman (living)
- 10am – All Parishioners
- 11:30am – Robert Robinson
- 1pm – Nestor & Teofila Palomino
- 5:30pm – Conrad Sabelino, Jr.

**Ayunar** – Miércoles de Ceniza 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.

## Viviendo la Cuaresma

[Vea y comparta  
el folleto de Cuaresma en español](#)

**Vía Crucis** – El Vía Crucis, revisado por el Papa Juan Pablo II, se rezará en inglés los viernes a las 6 de la tarde y en español los domingos a las 2:15 de la tarde durante la Cuaresma.



### Reflexión para el Plato de Arroz de CRS – Catholic

Relief Services nos invita a reflexionar sobre la enseñanza católica-social, *La Santidad y Dignidad del Ser Humano*, y se nos recuerda que nuestra dignidad inherente viene del ser creados como hijos de Dios. Recemos que podamos respetar y mantener la santidad de la vida y dignidad de cada persona. Cajas de cartón, o "Platos de Arroz," están disponibles en la Catedral y en la rectoría y serán recogidas al fin de la Cuaresma. Para más información: [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org).

**Confesiones los Miércoles de Cuaresma** – En este tiempo de Cuaresma, San Mateo tendrá confesiones en inglés y español disponibles los miércoles de Cuaresma de 6:30 a 8:00 de la noche, 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 **22 de marzo y 5 de abril**).

**Grupo de Oración** – El grupo de oración se reúne los martes a la 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste. El objetivo es profundizar nuestra fe por medio de las Sagradas Escrituras. El grupo de Oración tendrá charlas programadas a través del año.

Próxima charla será "La Primera Palabra – 'Padre, perdonalos porque no saben lo que hacen'" el martes **10 de marzo**. Para más información llame a Fatima Aybar al 202-347-3215 x541.

**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. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame al padre John Benson o Norma Canedo al 202-347-3215.

**Reunión Mensual del Grupo de Oración de Justicia Social** – El Ministerio de Justicia Social está organizando una nueva serie centrada en la enseñanza católica social y la oración como la base de nuestro servicio. Únase a nosotros el jueves **12 de marzo** de 6:00 a 6:45 de la tarde en la capilla de San Francisco de la Catedral para oración y reflexión. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a padre John Benson o Norma Canedo al 202-347-3215.

**Cena Simple para Kairos Ministerio para Prisioneros** – El comité de Justicia Social invita a feligreses y amigos a participar en las Cenas Simples de Cuaresma, [cada viernes](#) en el salón del Norte, después del Vía Crucis (en inglés) de las 6:00 de la tarde. El viernes **13 de marzo**, el **Ministerio de los Jóvenes Adultos** preparará y servirá la cena, también tendremos como invitados a voluntarios de **Kairos**, el ministerio para prisioneros quienes hablarán sobre su misión de compartir el amor y la misericordia de Cristo para impactar los corazones y las vidas de hombres, mujeres y jóvenes encarcelados, así como a sus familias. Todas las donaciones

recogidas esa noche beneficiarán sus buenas obras.

**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.

### Conozca sus Derechos – Sesión Informativa con Abogados de

#### CONOZCA SUS DERECHOS

#### Caridades Católicas – El

comité de Justicia Social y el Ministerio Hispano auspiciará a varios abogados de Caridades Católicas en una reunión sobre los derechos de los inmigrantes. Todos son invitados. Se llevará a cabo el domingo **22 de marzo** a las 11:00 de la mañana en el salón de conferencias del Norte. Para más información, comunicarse con padre John Benson o Norma Canedo a [socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org) o al 202-347-3215 x552. También comuníquese con Fatima Aybar al [faybar@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:faybar@stmatthewscathedral.org).

### 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/ inglés. 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.