

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## **Many are invited, but it is a privilege shared by a few to be with God**

**24/7/365.** A parishioner once told me that he failed to think of God all the time. I asked him, "Do you ever forget that you are a married man?"

"Of course not!" he quickly replied.

"Neither do you forget that you belong to the Lord. If He is not the center of your attention every moment as you file papers, and sign contracts, and do whatever you do for a living, you still know that you belong to the Lord through your Catholic faith and practice."

Our daily prayers and weekly or daily Masses, our sacraments and devotions, our scapulars, medals, and pocketed rosaries prevent us from wandering into sinful territory. They direct us toward things worthy of our attention. And when bringing our attention to matters of this world, we bring the Lord's presence with us. There is an old saying: "Words push, examples pull." Someone explained this short phrase in the following way: "Any good Christian is a walking Bible even though he has never quoted a verse. In fact, good Christian example may be the only Gospel illiterate people can read."

So the point is that we are always called to be, or to *do, something more, because we make a difference in the world by being different from the world. Certainly, it is a perplexingly difficult quality to secure, but Lent reminds us every day that it is possible to be with God 24/7 in good times and in bad, for someone recently told me, "My life is blessed with a loving family, loyal friends, and the occasional rough patch to keep it real, because every moment of my life is always at the same time, delightful and bewildering, ecstatic and unsettling, wonderful and excruciating, euphoric and painful. Sometimes it seems nothing less than purgatory on earth."*

So in light of this quote, we are reminded of this old truth: Sometimes we win, sometimes we lose. And for many of us, this is simply the cycle of our Christian life, and particularly right now (i.e., sometimes up, sometimes down), but keep in mind that honesty is still the best policy in this penitential time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

*Fr. Slawek*

# MARCH 15, 2026

**Pre-Authorized Giving Plan**—Pre-Authorized Giving is a very simple procedure. When you participate in Pre-Authorized Giving, your offering will be withdrawn from your account on or about the 20th of the month. This amount will then be deposited to the Parish's account.

This amount will be receipted at the end of the year for tax purposes.

Application forms are on the table at the back of the church.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday, March 17

9 a.m. **Intentions of thanksgiving** Isabel Catequista req. by the Catequista family.

### Wednesday, March 18

9 a.m. + **Rest of the soul of** David Emer req. by the Emer family.

### Thursday, March 19

9 a.m..

### Friday, March 20

9 a.m. + **Rest of the soul of** Steve & Merle Clayburn req. by the Noranho family.  
+ **Rest of the soul of** Alroy Jacob req. the Noranho family.  
+ **Rest of the soul of** Jude Anthony Ylaya Abelgas req. by Winne Cabalero.

### Saturday, March 21

4:30 p.m. **Intentions of thanksgiving** for Xavier Periera on his Birthday.

### Sunday, March 22

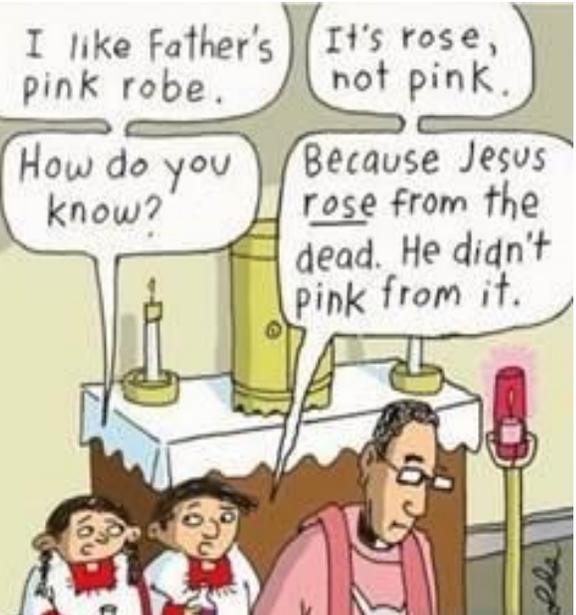
9 a.m. **Intentions of** all Parishioners.

11 a.m. + **Rest of the soul of** Luis San Jose Jr. req. by Christina Bugnot.

## Children's Liturgy:

Every Sunday

9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Masses.



## HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH 2026 SUMMER CAMP

Registration forms are available from Claudia Marzo.

Forms with payment must be returned  
no later than June 14 /15 to Claudia Marzo

**Maximum 60 children ages 4 – 13 years old  
per camp week**

Summer Camp days – Week 1  
June 28– July 3, (9 a.m. -3p.m.)

Cost  
\$100 per child • \$175 with 1 sibling

Summer Camp days – Week 2  
July 6– July 10 (9 a.m. -3p.m.)

Cost  
\$100 per child • \$175 with 1 sibling

Summer Camp days – Week 3  
July 13– July 17 (9 a.m.- 3 p.m.)

Cost  
\$100 per child • \$175 with 1 sibling



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul  
Holy Spirit Conference

*Turning concern into action*

We learn to help the needy from the love of God. Such concern not only provides the poor with material help but also represents an opportunity for the spiritual growth of the giver.

**St. John Paul 11**

Thank you for your ongoing love and generosity towards the poor. Your donations to the Poor Box go a long way to help many poor and unfortunate families.

## COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Everyone welcome

