



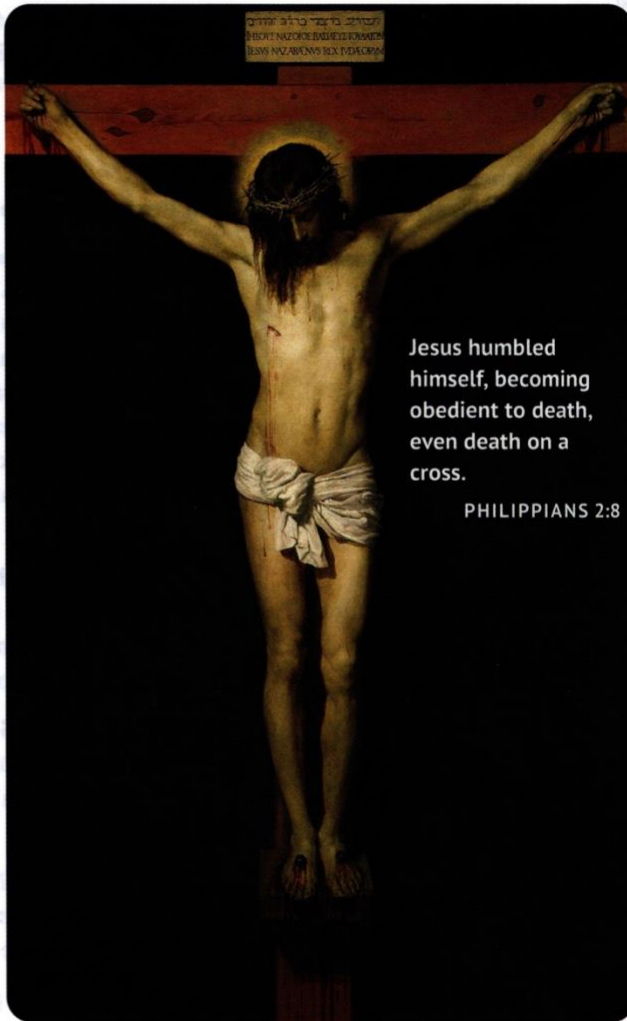
The Hungers with Which We Live

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Tenzin Kiyosaki is a former Buddhist nun who now works as an interfaith chaplain at a medical center in Los Angeles. There she tends to the spiritual needs of patients who have less than six months to live. When her brother asked her what it was that dying patients talk about, it led to her book *The Three Regrets: Inspirational Stories and Practical Advice for Love and Forgiveness at Life's End*. The three regrets she lists are: 1) I did not live the life of my dreams; 2) I did not share my love; and 3) I did not forgive. All too easily it seems we become preoccupied with what in the end becomes peripheral to what we really seek in life.

Today we tell the story of how Jesus' life of loving others came to its final conclusion, one of sacrificial love to the point of death. He came to reveal how such love is an essential dimension of the presence of God at the heart of every human life, and a cornerstone of the kingdom of God he proclaimed and to which he gave his life.

To the end, even on the cross, forgiveness was an essential aspect of his life of loving others. The very realities of what Jesus' life was all about are the same hungers we so often fail to recognize as we live our lives, though it is what he continually preached. Coming face to face with our own mortality seems to make his message most real. ●



Jesus humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross.

PHILIPPIANS 2:8

Reflect

Are you living the three values articulated by Tenzin Kiyosaki? Is there one you could do better?

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Parish Office Hours: 9:00am-3:00pm on Monday, Wednesday, Friday

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: As the Roman Catholic Mother Church of Greensboro, St. Benedict's Parish mission, responding faithfully to Christ's call, is to bring all people closer to God through liturgy, fellowship, service, outreach, and works of charity.

Rev. James Duong, Pastor

Lynne McGrath, Secretary & Faith Formation Coordinator

Weekend Mass

Sat. Miraculous Medal
Novena at 4:45pm

Mass at 5:00pm

Sun. 8am & 11am

Confessions

Weekday before 12:15pm

Saturday 4 - 4:30pm

and by appointment

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday

Rosary at 11:45am

No MASS on Thursday

Weekly bulletin requests

must be in the Parish

Office by 12:00pm on

Wednesday, ten (10) days in

advance of the weekend of

publication.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Welcome all new families and individuals. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion at St. Benedict, and for the parish to issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors. You must be a registered, contributing member for at least three (3) months before a certificate will be given. Registration forms are available in the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you are seriously ill, going in for surgery or weak from old age, you may receive the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Please contact Fr. Duong if you desire to receive this sacrament.

HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME & SHUT-IN VISITS: If you or any members of your family are sick and, in the hospital, or a nursing home, and you'd like Communion brought to them, please call the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION: All classes from Pre-K to High School are on Sundays from **9:15-10:30am** in the parish hall. For more information call Lynne McGrath.

RCIA: Please call the parish office for more information.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made with a priest/deacon at least six (6) months in advance. Call the parish office for more information.

PALM SUNDAY/THE PASSION OF OUR LORD
MARCH 24, 2024

May Christ give us the grace of loving self-sacrifice
as we cherish every person's life.

MASS SCHEDULE

3/23	Saturday	5:00 PM
3/24	Sunday	8:00 AM
		11:00 AM
3/25	Monday	12:15 PM
3/26	Tuesday	NO MASS
3/27	Wednesday	12:15 PM
3/28	HOLY THURSDAY	7:00 PM
3/29	GOOD FRIDAY	3:00 PM
3/30	EASTER VIGIL	8:00 PM
3/31	EASTER SUNDAY	8:00 AM
		11:00 AM

INTENTIONS

For the Parishioners
+ John P. Watterson II
+ Anthony Vazquez
+ Consuelo Buytrago Room at the Inn
In Thanksgiving for Life
*** Check our Holy Week Schedule
For the Parishioners
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Keeping Our Military in Our Prayers

Capt. John Brock	Mohammad Karim
Mark Bracich	Michael Knudsen
Cpl. Kevin Bryan	Danny McGranahan
Lt. Andrew Chess	Capt. Kyle Payne
Maj. Timothy Chess	Jose Rodriguez
Jason Davidson	Christopher Simmons, E3
Aaron Gaither	Sgt. Bryanna Spade
C. Grubey, PFC	Sgt. Kyle Spade
Sgt Tony Grant	Fred Todd
Maj. Russel	Kharll Skycer Villarin
Henderson	Sgt. W.R. Williams III
Richard Hughes	Stephen Zenbileski
	Maj. Russel Henderson

Sick and Shut-In

Please remember our brothers and sisters in your prayers and at Mass:

Richard Collings, Martha Eakes, Bill Kalbaugh, Angie Kuklinski, Bill McCutcheon, Bonnie McIntyre, Angela Miller, Dan Popik, Cam Reitzel, Manny & Laura Rodrigues, Anne Sopp, Vivian Speetjens, John & Bunny Stuart, Teresa Thu Tran, Beth Wilson, Brian Wilson, Deborah Wilson, Jean Wilson

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,679.00
Easter flowers	\$ 940.00

THANK YOU!

*** Next weekend, March 30 & 31, we will have the Spring Seminarian Education Collection.

MINISTER SCHEDULE: March 30 and 31, 2024

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>E.M.</u>	<u>CANTOR</u>
8 PM	Bob Nutt & VOLUNTEER	Cindy Nutt & VOLUNTEER	Choir
8 AM	Julia Ray	Ernest Layug	
11 AM	Bill McCutcheon	Khiem Villarin	Choir

REFLECTION



"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'"
– MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "Whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

LEAVE A LEGACY Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ – emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

In what ways can I show my love for others in a way that might seem extravagant to observers, but meaningful to them and for me?



PARISH NEWS

**DIOCESAN
SUPPORT
APPEAL 2024**

ONE *Body in* **CHRIST**

DIOCESAN SUPPORT (DSA) 2024 We are now eight weeks into the Diocesan Support Appeal campaign and, as of today, 23 of our families have contributed. We need each of you to help us reach our goal of \$28,753.

RICE BOWL 2024 Please return your Rice Bowls on Easter weekend. You may place them in the containers found at the back of the church. Thank you for your contributions.

PREPARING FOR EASTER We will clean and decorate the church at 10 a.m. next Saturday, March 30. All parishioners are welcome to come and help.

CHRISM MASS There will be no Mass on Tuesday, March 26. Priests serving in the diocese will attend the Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Charlotte. They will renew their priesthood vows and promises. Please keep all priests in your prayers.

FAITH FORMATION



There will be no Faith Formation classes Sunday, March 24, or Easter Sunday, March 31.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by our Confirmation class, will take place following the 11 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday. All children of the parish are invited to attend.

This week let us say **Happy Birthday** to:

Anna Bagnoli (3/23), Margaretta D'Avella (3/24), Michelle Garrison (3/24),
Suzanne Raymond (3/25), Laura Rosic (3/26), Mary Nunez (3/27),
Frances Oakes (3/28), Leonardo Garcia-Delgado (3/29), Christine Gnaster (3/29),
William Schwartz (3/30), Margie Walston (3/30), Veronica Higinson (3/30), William Estes (3/31)





Holy Week has as its purpose the remembrance of Christ's passion, beginning with his Messianic entrance into Jerusalem (General Norms, 31)

The Paschal fast is observed on Good Friday and continues, where possible, until the Easter Vigil itself. Only one full meal is permitted Good Friday for Catholics between 18 & 59. Two smaller meals are allowed, but they should not equal a second full meal. Drinking coffee, tea and water between meals is allowed, but eating snacks between meals is not. All Catholics who have reached the age of 14 must abstain from meat on Good Friday.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

- 3/26 HOLY TUESDAY 10:00 AM Chrism Mass in Charlotte**
No 12:15 PM Mass at St. Benedict's
- 3/28 HOLY THURSDAY 7:00 PM..... Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church)**
& Adoration in the Parish Hall until 9:30 PM
- 3/29 GOOD FRIDAY 3:00 PM Good Friday Service**
6:00 PM Stations of the Cross
- 3/30 HOLY SATURDAY 8:00 PM Easter Vigil (a reception to follow)**
- 3/31 EASTER SUNDAY 8:00 AM**
11:00 AM

NOTE: On the Second Sunday of Easter (April 7) we will have Divine Mercy Prayer Service at 2:30 PM.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION:

Why do we call it "Good Friday"?

In the English language the term "Good Friday" probably evolved from "God's Friday" in the same way that "Good-bye" evolved from "God be with you."



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The Lord GOD has
given me a well-
trained tongue,
that I might know
how to speak to the
weary a word that
will rouse them.

(Is 50:4)

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March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Is 50:4-7 | Phil 2:6-11 | Mk 14:1-15:47

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

“The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them.” This sentence from our first reading is taken from one of the four “Songs of the Suffering Servant” in Isaiah. The New Testament identifies this Servant as Jesus, and we know that Jesus accepted the suffering that was foretold in the verses that follow this one: “I gave my back to those who beat me ... my face I did not hide from insults and spitting.” As aspiring servants of God on this Palm Sunday, the most holy of days when we hear Mark’s account of Jesus’ passion, how does this sentence speak to us? What does it mean to have a well-trained tongue? To me it is a call to speak to the Lord in prayer as well as to speak the Good News of the Gospel whenever and wherever we can.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How can we gain the confidence to believe that our tongue is “well-trained”? We know we are all given the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and we must trust in that promise and invoke his presence often. Who knows? A kind word or gesture from us may just “speak” to a weary person who is struggling. Paul writes that in his passion, Jesus “emptied himself” in the hours before his death and “[became] obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” Paul’s next words give us the answer to our question above: “Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend ... and *every tongue confess* [emphasis added] that Jesus Christ is Lord.” The fullness of the kingdom will be realized only when Jesus comes again. But in the meantime, we have the Eucharist that Jesus instituted at the Last Supper to sustain us and give us strength for our task to confess Jesus Christ as Lord and spread the kingdom of God one day at a time.

PRAY “Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me, but not what I will but what you will.” These words from today’s passion narrative demonstrate Jesus’ complete, obedient surrender of his will to his Father’s divine will. As flawed human beings, we will never be able to perfectly emulate our Savior’s actions, but what better way to begin Holy Week than to try? Through prayer, strive to surrender yourself to God this week by trusting him completely, and striving to do his will with humility and Christ-like obedience.

Dear Padre,

I am the divorced mother of three young children. My daughter is making her first Communion and I want to go to Communion with her. But I haven't been to Mass in three years because of my divorce. I am nervous and embarrassed about returning to the Church. What can I do?



Sharing in your daughter's preparation for holy Communion is a lovely desire and a good chance to look closely at your own faith; it may be the "little push" you need. She needs to see in you someone who has faith and is committed to the Church. Taking your children to Mass each Sunday is a good start.

You mentioned that you haven't been to church in three years because of your divorce. You may be confused about the teachings of the Church concerning divorce. Divorced Catholics are still full members of the Church and can receive holy Communion. If you have remarried outside the Church, it is a more complicated issue, yet not hopeless.

Since you haven't been to Mass in three years, the first step is to talk to your pastor or another priest with whom you feel comfortable. Be honest. Explain why you have stayed away from the Church. Then set up a time to go to confession. And please don't be ashamed or embarrassed about coming back to church. No matter how long it has been, the Church welcomes you home. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

What is most amazing about the Lord and his Passover? It is the fact that he achieves glory through humiliation. He triumphs by accepting suffering and death, things that we, in our quest for admiration and success, would rather avoid. Jesus—as St. Paul tells us—"emptied himself... he humbled himself" (Philippians 2:7–8).

HOMILY, ROME,
MARCH 28, 2021

MONDAY

March 25
Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1–7
Jn 12:1–11

TUESDAY

March 26
Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1–6
Jn 13:21–33, 36–38

WEDNESDAY

March 27
Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4–9a
Mt 26:14–25

THURSDAY

March 28
Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)
Chrism Mass:
Is 61:1–3a, 6a, 8b–9
Rv 1:5–8
Lk 4:16–21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Ex 12:1–8, 11–14
1 Cor 11:23–26
Jn 13:1–15

FRIDAY

March 29
Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
Is 52:13–53:12
Heb 4:14–16; 5:7–9
Jn 18:1–19:42

SATURDAY

March 30
Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)
Gn 1:1–2:2 or 1:1, 26–31a
Gn 22:1–18 or 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18
Ex 14:15–15:1
Is 54:5–14
Is 55:1–11
Bar 3:9–15, 32–4:4
Ez 36:16–17a, 18–28
Rom 6:3–11
Mk 16:1–7

SUNDAY

March 31
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37–43
Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8
Jn 20:1–9 or Mk 16:1–7

