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Sunday Masses

Sunday Mass Schdule

5:00 PM Saturday; 8:30 AM (church) &

11:30 AM Sunday (chapel) – in English

10:00 AM - domingo en español;

11h30 AM - en créole – dans l'église

Weekday Masses: every day 8:30 AM

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - Mar. 8, 2026

From today's Gospel, John 4.5-42,

THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

“If you knew the Gift of God,

and Who is saying to you -

‘Give me a drink’,

you would have asked Him

and He would have given you

Living Water.”

The Living Water of Jesus

is the Holy Spirit -

Jesus, give us Living Water!



Masses and Services for the Week of Mar. 8th

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT, Mar. 8

(*Breaking Bread: p. 79*)

8:30 AM For the People of the Parish

10:00 AM *Misa en español*

1^{er} Escrutinio

1 † Las Almas del Purgatorio
por Ana Quintanilla

11:30 AM *Messe Haïtienne - église*

† Evelyn, Sandryn & Farrah Jean
par Kettely Tabertus

11:30 AM *English Mass - Chapel*
1st Scrutiny

Matthew Smith - Birthday
by his Family

7:30 PM *Via Crucis* en español

MONDAY, Mar. 9 - St. Frances of Rome

8:30 AM

TUESDAY, Mar. 10

8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, Mar. 11

8:30 AM

Readings for the Week of Mar. 8th, 2026

Sunday: Ex 17.3-7/Rm 5.1-8/Jn 4.5-42k 13:1-9

Monday: 2 Kgs 5.1-11/Lk 4.24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3.25,34-43/Mt 18.21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16.1-13/Eph 5.81-4/Jn 9.1-41

Please Remember our Deceased

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FRIDAY, MAR. 13th - 7:30 PM

and all the Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross in English in church

MONDAY to WEDNESDAY, Mar. 16-17-18

each night at 7:00 PM

Lenten Mission

Preacher: Fr. Hugh Logan (Grenada)

THURSDAY, Mar. 12

8:30 AM † Labbedoyère Barthelemy
by Alice Guercy

FRIDAY, Mar. 13

(*Fridays in Lent are Days of Abstinence from Meat*)

8:30 AM

7:30 PM *Stations in English - church*

7:30 PM *Chemin de la Croix - Haïtien - chapelle*

SATURDAY, Mar. 14

8:30 AM

5:00 PM † Marjorie Bermudez
by Marcelo Bermudez

**Bread & Wine for the Month of March
offered In Thanskgivin by Joycelyn Adrien**

**Candles the Month of February offered In
Thanksgiving by Ermita Peterson & Family**

PALM SUNDAY - MAR. 29th

[All Masses will begin outside for Palm Blessing]

Modification of schedule:

Saturday, Mar. 28th 5:00 PM as usual

Sunday, Mar. 29th

8:00 AM - English; 9:45 AM Spanish

11:45 AM - English & Creole

(At 11:45, both Masses will join in the Palm Blessing in the Parking Lot by the Garages. The procession will come around the block and the languages groups will separate to the church and the chapel.)

HOLY MONDAY, MARCH 30th

Reconciliation Monday - Confessions:

9:15 AM to 11:00 AM; 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2nd

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

7:30 PM **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

[Adoration in the chapel]

9:30 PM - 10:15 PM English Holy Hour

10:15 PM - 11:00 PM Haitian Holy Hour

11:00 PM - MIDNIGHT Spanish Holy Hour

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3rd

[Day of Fast and Abstinence]

8:30 AM Morning Prayer *in church*

9:00 AM Repository in the Chapel open for private prayer to 2:00 PM

12:00 PM SPANISH GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

3:00 PM ENGLISH GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE:

5:30 PM WAY OF THE CROSS in the Street

"Dramatized" [three languages]

7:30 PM HAITIAN SERVICE

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4th

8:30 PM THE EASTER VIGIL [3 languages]:

Light; the Word; Baptisms; Mass

THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Today, the Gospel is the fascinating story of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan Woman. In these three Sundays of Lent, March 8th, March 15th and March 22nd, we will have three Gospels where **Jesus is speaking to only one person**. In each of the Gospels - the Samaritan Woman, the Man born blind, and Lazarus - He reads what is in their hearts.

For this reason, the Gospels are used for the ceremonies called **Scrutinies**: Those preparing for Baptism stand before the Lord, and invite Him to *scrutinize their hearts - take a good look at them*. As Jesus does this, He will purify them, and invite them to open their hearts to Him. He still offers us what He offered to the three at that time - Living Water, Light and Eternal Life.



Let us examine some elements:

1. If you knew the gift of God...

It took the woman a long time to realize with Whom she was speaking and what He offered. Is it not so with us?

2. Living Water The "Living Water" is the Holy Spirit. To those who ask, Jesus gives His Spirit, flowing within their souls. As we go through Lent - a time of desert, of dryness - we long for the Easter waters of Baptism and we celebrate the gift of Jesus' life.

EASTER FLOWERS

We will accept **Flower Memorials** for the Easter Lilies. Donation: \$15.00 for a small one; \$20 for a large lily. You can give a lily in memory of a deceased relative, or for another intention.

The list will be published Sunday, April 12th

RICE BOWLS for LENT

*"Rice Bowls" - cardboard boxes
to put money in for Lent*

All the money will be sent to
Catholic Relief Services
for help in areas of disaster

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, March 30th

Confessions will be
9:15 AM to 11:00 AM
4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

3. You have had five husbands..

Jesus spoke to her, and knew all she had done. He did not reject her, but opened her heart to His sight. Jesus knows you too, and longs for the confession of your sin so that He can heal you.

4. "...worship God in Spirit and in Truth"

Jesus knew that with His coming to earth, the way to worship God changed radically. Temple worship came to an end with Him. True worship now is in the Body and Blood of Christ. As we gather for Mass, His Spirit gathers us into Him, and we worship God in the Truth of Jesus - the sacrifice of Calvary which every Mass re-presents.

5. Come meet a Man Who told me everything...

By her encounter with Jesus, and her experience of His healing love, the Samaritan woman became an effective **witness** to Him. So should we be!

6. I have food to eat..

Jesus rejoices when we do the work of evangelization. Let us satisfy His desire to bring in a harvest of believers!

7. We have heard for ourselves and we know...

As the Samaritans were converted by meeting Jesus, all you need to do is bring your family and neighbors to Him. By meeting Him, their lives will change

EASTER GIFT TO THE CHURCH

Once again, we would like to encourage all our parishioners to make a **special Gift to the Parish for Easter**, on the Sunday before Easter, **Palm Sunday, March 29th**. We suggest **\$100 per family**.

Feb. 22 nd , 1 st Sunday of Lent (Envs.)	\$ 7,455
Feb. 22 nd , 1 st Sunday of Lent (On Line)	\$ 865
Repairs	\$ 2,726
<u>N^o of Envelopes (in the 1st Collection)</u>	<u>313</u>
Mar. 1 st , 2 nd Sunday of Lent (Envs.)	\$ 9,218
Mar. 1 st , 2 nd Sunday of Lent (On Line)	\$ 677
Repairs	\$ 3,345
<u>N^o of Envelopes (in the 1st Collection)</u>	<u>482</u>

ANNUAL APPEAL 2026

NEW GOAL:

\$85,400

Number of Pledgers	9
Pledged to date.....	\$ 2,550
Paid to date.....	\$ 1,950

LA SAMARITAINE

Aujourd'hui, l'Évangile est l'histoire intéressante de la rencontre de Jésus avec la femme Samaritaine. Dans ces trois dimanches du Carême, 23 mars, 30 mars et 6 avril, nous aurons trois Évangiles où **Jésus ne parle qu'avec une seule personne**. Dans chaque Évangile - la femme Samaritaine, l'Aveugle-Né et Lazare - Il lit ce qu'il y a dans leurs cœurs. Pour cette raison, on utilise ces Évangiles pour les cérémonies qu'on appelle les **Scrutins**: Ceux qui se préparent pour le baptême sont invités à se présenter au Seigneur, afin qu'Il *scrutinise leurs cœurs - y fasse un regard profond*. Tandis que Jésus le fait, Il va les purifier, et les inviter à ouvrir leurs cœurs à Lui. Il nous offrit aussi ce qu'Il a offert à ces trois à ce moment - l'Eau Vivante, la Lumière et la Vie Éternelle. Allons examiner quelques éléments dans l'Évangile de la Samaritaine:

1. Si vous saviez le don de Dieu...

La femme tardait beaucoup en reconnaissant avec Qui elle parlait et quoi Il lui offrait. Est-ce que ce n'est pas le même avec nous.

2. L'Eau Vivante: "L'Eau Vivante" est l'Esprit-Saint.

À ceux qui demandent, Jésus donne Son Esprit, jaillissant au-dedans de leurs âmes. En traversant le Carême - temps de désert, temps de sécheresse - nous désirons les eaux Pascales de Baptême et nous célébrons le don de la vie de Jésus.



3. Vous avez eu cinq maris...

Jésus lui a parlé, et Il a su ce qu'elle avait fait. Il ne l'a pas rejetée, mais Il lui a ouvert le cœur à Son regard. Jésus vous connaît aussi, et Il desire la confession de vos péchés, afin qu'Il vous guérisse.

4. "...adorer Dieu en Esprit et Vérité"

Jésus savait que, avec Sa venue à la terre, la façon d'adorer Dieu changerait radicalement. Le culte du Temple arrivait à sa fin avec Lui. Le vrai culte maintenant est dans le Corps et le Sang du Christ. En nous rassemblant pour la Messe, Son Esprit nous rassemble en Lui, et nous adorons Dieu dans la Vérité - le sacrifice du Calvaire qui est présenté en chaque Messe.

5. Venez voir un Homme Qui m'a dit

tout... Par sa rencontre avec Jésus, et son expérience de Son amour guérissant, la Samaritaine est devenue un **témoin** effective à Lui. Il faut du même avec nous!

6. J'ai de manger..

Jésus se réjouit quand nous faisons l'œuvre de l'évangélisation. Allons satisfaire Son désir de Lui amener une récolte de croyants!

7. Nous avons entendu nous-mêmes...

Comme les Samaritains ont été convertis en rencontrant Jésus, vous-même, il ne faut qu'amener votre famille et vous voisins à Lui. En Le connaissant, leurs vies vont changer

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VENDREDI, 13 MARS
et tous les vendredis du Carême
Chemin de la Croix - pour la
communauté Haïtienne
7h30 PM - à la chapelle

JEUDI, 19 MARS - 8h00 PM
Messe Haïtienne en l'honneur de St-Joseph

MARDI, MERCREDI, JEUDI,
24-25-26 mars
Chaque soir à 7h00 PM = Retraite de Carême
Prédicateur: Père Jangill Maimé

CÉLÉBRATION DES RAMEAUX **DIMANCHE, 29 mars- 11h45 AM**

Les deux Messes - anglaise et haïtienne - commenceront ensemble dans la cours près des garages pour bénir les Rameaux. Pendant la Procession, les Haïtiens entreront dans l'église, et les anglophones dans l'a chapelle

LUNDI SAINT, 30 MARS

Lundi de la Réconciliation - Confessions:

9h15 AM à 11:00 AM; 4h00 PM à 9h00 PM

JEUDI SAINT, 2 AVRIL

7h30 PM Messe de la Cène du Seigneur

10h00 PM à 11h00 PM **Heure Sainte Haïtienne**

VENDREDI SAINT - 3 AVRIL

[Jour de Jeûne et d'Abstinence]

5h30 PM **CHEMIN de CROIX** dans la rue

"Dramatisé" [trois langues]

7h30 PM **Service Haïtien**

SÂMEDI de l'EAU BÉNITE, 4 AVRIL

8h:30 PM **La Veillée Pascale** [3 langues]

LA MUJER SAMARITANA

El Evangelio de hoy es la historia interesante del encuentro de Jesús con la mujer samaritana. En estos tres domingos de Cuaresma, 23 de marzo, 30 de marzo, 6 de abril tendremos tres Evangelios donde **Jesús habla con solamente una persona**. En cada Evangelio - la mujer samaritana, el ciego nacido y Lázaro - Él lee lo que hay en sus corazones. Por esta razón se utilizan estos Evangelios para las ceremonias que se llaman los **Escrutinios**: Los que se presentan para el bautismo son invitados a presentarse al Señor, de manera que **Él escrudiñe sus corazones - y hacerles una mirada profunda**. Al hacer esto, Jesús va a purificarlos, e invitarles a abrir sus corazones a Él. Nos ofrece a nosotros también lo que les ofreció en aquel momento - el Agua Viva, la Luz y la Vida Eterna. Él nos ofrece lo mismo.

Vamos a examinar algunos elementos en el Evangelio de la samaritana:

1. Si tú conocieras el don de Dios...

La mujer tardaba mucho en reconocer con Quién hablaba y qué Él le ofrecía. ¿No es lo mismo con nosotros?

2. El Agua Viva: "El Agua Viva" es el Espíritu Santo.

A los que se lo pidan, Jesús da Su Espíritu brotando desde dentro de sus almas. Al recorrer la Cuaresma - tiempo de desierto, tiempo de sequía - deseamos las aguas pascuales del Bautismo y celebramos el don



de la vida en Jesús.

3. Tu has tenido cinco maridos...

Jesús la ha hablado, y a sabido qué ha hecho. No la rechazó, pero le ha abierto su corazón a Su mirada. Jesús te conoce a ti también y Él desea la confesión de tus pecados, de manera que te cure.

4. "...adorar a Dios en Espíritu y en Verdad"

Jesús sabía que, con Su llegada a la tierra, la manera de adorar a Dios cambiaría radicalmente. El culto del Templo llegaba a su término con Él. El verdadero culto ahora se encuentra en el Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Al congregarnos para la Misa, Su Espíritu nos integra a Él, y adoramos a Dios en la Verdad - el sacrificio de Calvario que se hace presente en cada Misa.

5. Vengan a ver a un Hombre que me ha

dicho todo... Por su encuentro con Jesús, y su experiencia de Su amor sanador, la samaritana ha llegado a ser un **testigo** eficaz a

Él. ¡Lo mismo es necesario con nosotros!

6. Yo tengo de qué comer...

Jesús se goza cuando hacemos la obra de la evangelización. ¡Vamos a satisfacer Su deseo que Le traigamos una cosecha de creyentes!

7. Nosotros mismos hemos oído...

Como los samaritanos han sido convertidos al conocer a Jesús, Ud. también, so falta que lleve su familia y sus vecinos a Él. Al conocerle, sus vidas se van a cambiar

PRÓXIMA ASAMBLEA CARISMÁTICA

domingo, 8 de marzo - 2:30 PM a 7:00 PM

Santo Sacramento, Euclid Ave.

DOMINGO 8 de MARZO - 7:30 PM

Y TRES DOMINGOS MÁS

Vía Crucis en español

SÁBADO, 21 de marzo

10:00 AM a 3:30 PM

Retiro de Cuaresma en español

Predicador: Diácono José Lizama

DOMINGO de RAMOS -29 de MARZO

La Misa Hispana comenzará cerca de los
garajes para bendecir los Ramos

¡a las 9:45 AM!

LUNES SANTO, 30 de MARZO

Lunes de la Reconciliación - Confesiones:

9:45 AM a 11:00 AM; 4:00 PM a 9:00 PM

JUEVES SANTO, 2 de ABRIL

7:30 PM MISA DE LA CENA DEL SEÑOR

11:00 PM - medianoche Hora Santa en español

VIERNES SANTO - 3 de ABRIL

[Día de Ayuno y de Abstinencia]

12:00 PM SERVICIO EN ESPAÑOL

5:30 PM VIA CRUCIS en la Calle

"Dramatizado" [tres idiomas]

SÁBADO de GLORIA, 4 de ABRIL

8:30 PM LA VIGILIA PASCUAL [3 idiomas]




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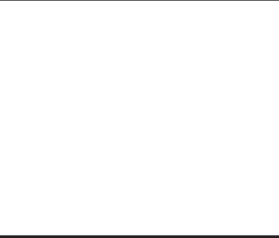


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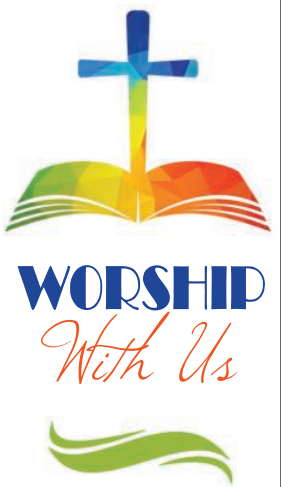
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