Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Lent **March 22, 2026**

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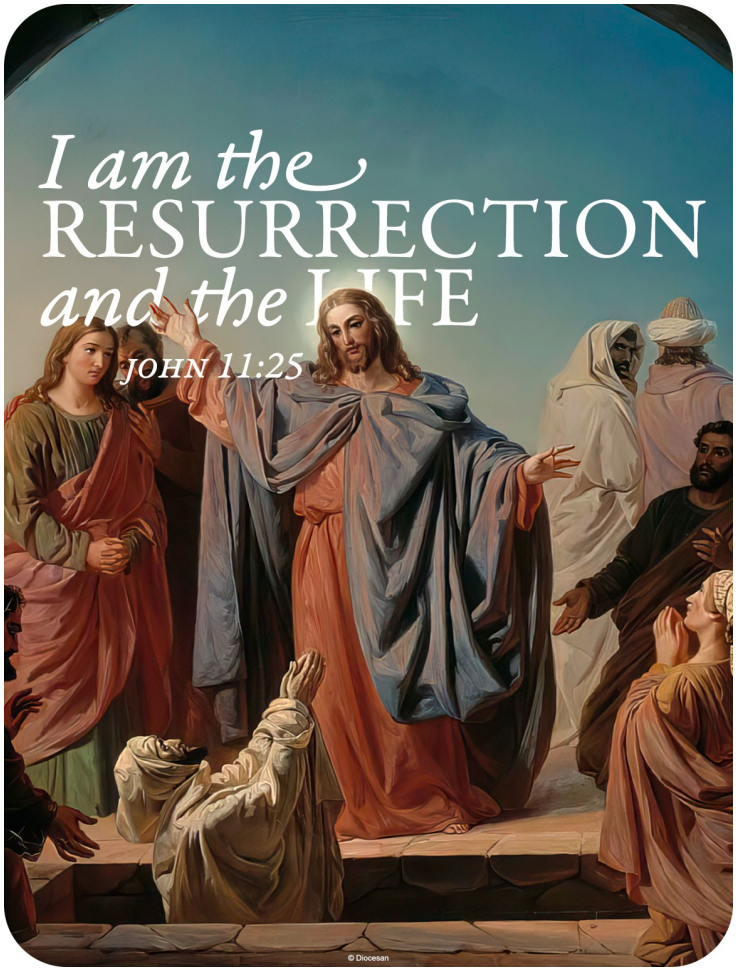

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday - Friday : 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION: 1/2 hr. before each weekend mass & 1 hr. before Friday morning mass

BAPTISM: Please call the office for baptism information. Forms can be downloaded from our website in advance.

MARRIAGE: Contact the office at least six months prior to the desired date. Confirmation of the wedding date must be made by the priest officiating the ceremony.

FUNERAL: Please contact the office after making arrangements with the funeral home.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: Available upon request.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND: If you cannot attend Mass and receive Communion, please contact the parish office.

PRAY THE ROSARY: First Tuesday of every month at 10:00 am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: First Wednesday of each month, following 8:00 am Mass until 7:00 pm.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION: Thursday after 8:00 am Mass.

PARISH HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every Friday at 7:00 am leading to 8:00 am Mass.

Mass Intentions

March 21, 2026– March 27, 2026

Saturday, **March 21**:

4:00 PM: **Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

Sunday, **March 22**:

9:00 AM **Herman & Ursula Repath Family; Arnold & Geraldine Davillier; Floyd Landry Family; Carolyn LeBlanc; Karley Draper**

11:00 AM **Steven & Celeste Turnbull; Mercedes & Daniel Caluda; Ken Dufour; Mike Ginart; Emile Evans, Sr.; Guy Guerra; Carolyn LeBlanc; Dennis Debate; Willie Evans**

Tuesday, March 24: **Penny Iemmola**

Wednesday, March 25: **Valentino Molero**

Thursday, March 26: **Msgr. Frank Lipps**

Friday, March 27: **Souls in Purgatory**

March 28, 2026– April 3, 2026

Saturday, March 28:

4:00 PM: **Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Robert & Miriam Daussat; Steven & Celeste Turnbull; Jeffery Spino; Penny Iemmola; Vita Lauga; Elizabeth & Philip Macaluso, Sr.; Camilla Macluso; Philip Macaluso, Jr.; Mary & Bill Heins; Eleonore Macaluso**

Sunday, March 29:

9:00 AM **Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

11:00 AM **Daniel & Mercedes Caluda; Mike Ginart; Guy Guerra; Carolyn LeBlanc; Dennis DeBate; Willie Evans; Earl Smith; Karley Draper**

Tuesday, March 31**:** **Timmy Alphonso, Sr.**

Wednesday, April 1: **William Toche**

Thursday, April 2: **Ken Dufour**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cancer Patients; Glen Lohfink; Susette Dufour; Tashera Horton; Dempsey Milton; Perron Dalbert; Eileen Schwartz; Glen Landry; Emmie Ramirez; Chester Vidacovich; Vera Nunez; Brenda Pollard; Danny Treadaway

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Natalia Baca; First Responders; Josie Landry; Roselyn Hansen; Gwen Cantrell; Cornelius Dennis, Joy Dennis; Chante Wright; Landry & Hovan Families; Belinda Ducote; Sydney Schifano; Opal Smith; Arnold Davillier, Jr.; Charles Reimonenq, Jr.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14)

Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130)

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11)

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45])

CANDLE INTENTIONS

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
SOULS IN PURGATORY

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
SOULS IN PURGATORY

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
SOULS IN PURGATORY

THE SACRED HEART CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
SOULS IN PURGATORY

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54

Prayer for Eternal Rest

(The Requiem Prayer)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent;
Monday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Religion Education Class Schedule

Kindergarten- 10th grade
Monday, March 23rd
6:00 - 7:30 pm

Confession

Available at all churches in the Archdiocese
5:00—6:30 PM
March 25th

SEAFOOD DINNERS

Friday, March 27th

Take a break and leaving the cooking to us.

Thank you for your support!

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday— **6:00 PM**

Good Friday

Solemn Service with Veneration of the Cross - **3:00 PM**

Easter Vigil—**8:00 PM**

Easter Sunday—**10:00 AM**

MAKE YOUR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS ONLINE!

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GETTING STARTED IS EASY—

just visit our website, www.olol-church.com, and click our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. And you won't have to remember to write a check or stop by the ATM on Sundays!

Bulletin Deadline: **noon, Wednesday *(one (1) week before scheduled bulletin date)***

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent (Except Good Friday)

After 8:00 AM mass

Congratulations to the OLOL students who made their First Reconciliation on March 9th

Timmy Alphonso, III
Benjamin Blum
Amelia Canepa
Maggie Felt
Aubrey Giroir
Connor Hood
Raniey Johnson
Cameron Kelone
Blake Latour
Julian Mapes
Kyle Potter
Colette Prior
Mila Samaniego
Andew Tran

Treasures From Our Tradition

Today, we know more about the beginnings of Lent than our ancestors did. We know that Lent is first of all about baptism, and secondly that it is about the desire of all the baptized to renew the power and potential of that sacrament at Easter. For centuries, this deep truth was largely obscured, but today documents have come to light to reshape the Church's thinking and practice.

One source, discovered in the 1880s, is the pilgrim diary of a Spanish nun, Egeria, writing her sisters a detailed travelogue of a fourth-century sojourn in Jerusalem during Holy Week. She describes in vivid detail her participation in liturgies that are close cousins of our own Holy Week prayer, from a festive procession with palms to a procession to the cross. Her greatest delight is in the huge number of elect: men, women, and children who experience a time of deep retreat and identification with Christ's cross, guided by the bishop and supported by their godparents' constant nurture. The discovery of Egeria's diary proved to be a moment of grace for the Church; after a long period of "ecclesial amnesia," we know at last that baptism is really the work of a whole community of faith, convened by God.

—Rev. James Field