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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor - Fr. P. John Nosan Associate Pastor - Fr. Ravi Tete Deacon - Joseph Murphy

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 noon

DAILY MASS & DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE:

Monday - 9:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday - 6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. Mass

Wednesday - 6:45 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour Cenacle

7:00 p.m. Mass

Friday - 9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Any other time by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

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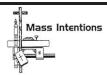
Must be registered in the parish for at least three months. A baptism date will be set after attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class.

COMMUNION & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:

The Parish Team and Pastoral Visitors are available to visit the sick in the home or hospital and to bring communion. A priest is available to give the anointing of the sick. Please contact the Rectory.

MARRIAGE:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. At least one of the parties must reside within the parish boundaries or be a registered member of the parish and attending weekly. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.



Saturday, April 2

9:00 a.m. - *(Still available)*

5:00 p.m. - MARINA DAVID R.I.P.

Sunday, April 3

9:00 a.m. - FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30 a.m.- EDDIE OBIDOWSKI R.I.P.

12:00 noon- NICKI RAO R.I.P.

Monday, April 4

9:00 a.m. - RODNEY FERNANDES R.I.P.

Tuesday, April 5

7:00 p.m. - (Still available)

Wednesday, April 6

7:00 p.m. - JUNIPERO LAGTAPON SR. R.I.P.

Thursday, April 7

7:00 p.m. - (Still available)

Friday, April 8

9:00 a.m. - (Still available)

Saturday, April 9

9:00 a.m. - **SOULS IN PURGATORY** 5:00 p.m. - **LIONEL BURTLES R.I.P.**

Sunday, April 10

8:30 a.m. - **MYRNA GUINA R.I.P.** 10:30 a.m.- **HANS NAUMANN R.I.P.**

12:00 p.m.- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Readings for April 3

Isaiah 43.16-21 Philippians 3.8-14 John 8.1-11

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 during Lent.





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office at 905-874-0607. Thank you and God bless

Why Confession?

Confession may be one of the most difficult parts of our faith for some. But for others, Confession is something they deeply look forward to.

It's very true that "God knows everything." We call that omniscience. So, yes, He knows everything you've done and He knows whether you are sorry for that or not. But there is a big difference between God "knowing" what you did and His act of forgiveness.

For example, if you sinned against a friend with whom you were very close and then you felt sorry for that, it's possible that your friend would realize, just by knowing you, that you were truly sorry. But that doesn't mean that you can just presume on your friend's goodness and forgiveness. The best thing to do, in this situation, is to actually sit down and tell your friend you are sorry and to have your friend tell you that you are forgiven. This very human exchange brings about reconciliation.

So it is with God. God is all merciful and wants to forgive use all our sins. But for true reconciliation to take place God wants you to actually say those words and then to hear the words, spoken by the priest, that you are forgiven. So Confession is not only about God forgiving us, it is also about reconciliation with God on a human level.

What's important to understand is that God offers us forgiveness in His way. He forgives us through a human being. Who is that human being? It's the Father's Son who became one of us. Jesus is the one who offers the forgiveness of God and Jesus is both fully God and human. But how does Jesus do that now that He has ascended back into Heaven? Well, before He ascended He gave His divine power of forgiveness to His first priests, the apostles. They, in turn, passed that power onto others who passed it on to others down through the ages all the way to our present age. Priests, despite the fact that they are imperfect themselves, have the spiritual power of Jesus to actually speak His words of forgiveness to others. Therefore, when a priest says. "I absolve you" we must hear Jesus Himself, as the human face of God, saying to us those same words.

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Palm Sunday is next weekend. Palms will be distributed and blessed at the beginning of each Mass. Please note the change in times for Masses on Sunday, April 10th. With the possibility of large crowds, Masses will be **8:30 a.m.**, 10:30 a.m. & **12:30 p.m**.

SCHEDULE FOR PALM SUNDAY, **HOLY WEEK & EASTER**

PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND

Saturday, April 9th at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, April 10th at **8:30** a.m., 10:30 a.m. & **12:30** p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY

April 14th at 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

April 15th at 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.

EASTER VIGIL

April 16th at 8:05 p.m. There are **no** confessions on April 16th. There will **not** be a 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass.

EASTER SUNDAY

April 17th at **8:30** a.m., 10:30 a.m., & **12:30** p.m.

Today's Gospel shares the Sa ShareLife parable of the woman accused of adultery. Jesus admonishes gathered scribes

Pharisees. They want her stoned and Jesus says "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

Our Lord's message is one of great love, forgiveness, and respect for all of God's people.

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BUNDLE UP WEEKEND ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The truck for the St. Vincent de Paul will be in the back parking lot April 23rd -24th to

accept donations of gently used clothing, shoes, and linens. Please see the bulletin board or website for acceptable items.



DAY OF CONFESSIONS APRIL 6TH

9:00 am - 12:00 noon 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God. a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation - this most powerful encounter with divine mercy - is essential." -Thomas Cardinal Collins.



Good Friday Outdoor Stations of the Cross

The Knights of Columbus, Council 9235 will be hosting its 25th Annual Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 15th at 9:00 am at the North West corner of

Wellington and Main Street (outside City Hall). This is an opportunity to reflect in prayer & music upon the sufferings within our community and in the world united with the Cross of Jesus. Rain, snow, or shine. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather conditions. We adore You, O Christ and Praise You because by Your Holy Cross You have set us free.



The annual March for Life will be held on Thursday, May 12th in Ottawa. There will be Mass at St. Leonard's at 6:00 in the morning and the bus will leave after Mass and return at approximately 9:30 p.m.

This event is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and St. Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus can be purchased at the parish office for a cost of \$35.00 per person. If you are interested, please contact the office at 905-846-5385. For more information, please call Eric: (416) 402-4091 or Joe: (647) 281-9212 or email: JoeResendes19@gmail.com

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