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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "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." - Jn 4:10

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GOSPEL MEDITATION – A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

During Lent, we have the opportunity for a deeper encounter with God through the Sacraments, especially Reconciliation. Parishes offer various reconciliation services at different times so that everyone can approach and be reconciled. Today, on this third Sunday of Lent, thirst is presented to us as a source of life. The dialogue between Jesus and the Samaritan woman demonstrates this: "If you knew the gift of God, if you knew who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him for living water and he would have given it to you" (John 4:10). Jesus' behavior in asking a woman for water was frowned upon and contradicted the customs of his time. However, this dialogue between them is invaluable: it was a perfect dialogue, to the point that the Samaritan woman becomes a missionary. This character, the Samaritan woman, is unnamed. Therefore, I can add my own name and engage in my own conversation with the Lord in prayer. To which well do I go for water? Where is Jesus, weary and thirsty? What does he ask me to do? Where should I proclaim him? Lord, like the Samaritan woman, make me a witness to your Gospel. To do this, let us remember that the Holy Spirit, since our Baptism, has been poured out upon us as a fountain of living water. There is no excuse for not participating as missionary disciples in our parishes, in our families, and in society. Lord, give me this water, and I will thirst no more! ©LPI

Sunday Mass- 9:30 AM English

Misa Dominical- 11:30 AM Español

Confessions/Confesiones: 30 min. before Mass

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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR MOMENTS

One of my earliest memories is of my mother weeping.

The last few months of her pregnancy with my little brother were tremendously painful for her, and more than once the pain brought her to tears. I have a hazy image of her in my mind, belly swollen with a 12-pound baby lying transverse in the womb, sitting on the edge of her bed, dabbing at her face with toilet paper.

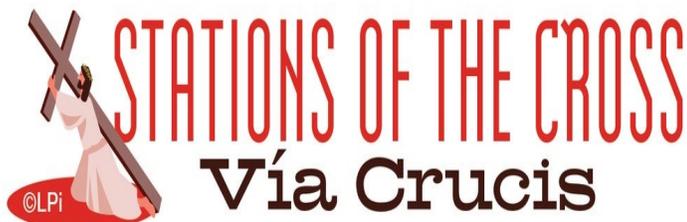
I had brought her the toilet paper. I would do that when I saw her crying, to wipe away her tears. I have a hazy memory of that, too — of the way my heart was wrenched by the sight of her suffering, of my desperation to do something to help, and of my immense satisfaction when she would take the toilet paper, smile and say, “Oh, thank you, sweetheart!” as if I had just airlifted her out of a war zone.

What a powerful gift to give to a child still learning the meaning of compassion and selflessness — the gift of being able to feel that she has, even in some small way, “rescued” a person she worships. Her smile of gratitude lives, immortal, in my mind, along with the swell of satisfaction it produced in the deepest corner of my heart. This was when I learned that it feels good to help people, and this memory is a perpetually replenished well of living water for me. I draw from it daily, three decades later.

This is a gift that Christ gives, over and over again, in the Gospels. He allows us to encounter him tired, afraid, sad and hungry. Omnipotent power subjected to the utter vulnerability of human form.

Before the Incarnation, God looked down from Heaven and said, “You are thirsty. Here is something to drink.”

After the Incarnation, God sits down beside us and says, “I’m thirsty. Give me something to drink.” ©LPi



Bilingual Every Friday at 6:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS-INTENCIONES DE MISA

Sunday, March 8th 2026—9:30 AM

† Rev. Conran N. Runnebaum (by Norma Darling)

† Raymond Martinez (by family)

† Pedro & Jennie Trujillo (by family)

Domingo 8 de marzo, 2026—11:30 AM

† Guadalupe y Maria Carrillo Barron (de familia)

† Natalia Carrillo Barron (de familia)

Tuesday, March 10th, 2026—8:00 AM

Bendiciones de cumpleaños para Karina Veleta (de SFX)

Wednesday, March 11th, 2026—8:00 AM

† Sandra & Rita Roberts (by Andrea Trujillo)

MARCH WEEKLY READINGS

Sun. 8th: Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7, Ps 95:1-2, 6-9, Rom 5:1-2, 5-8,

Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mon. 9th: St. Frances of Rome, Religious

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab, Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4, Lk 4:24-30

Tues. 10th: Lenten Weekday

Dn 3:25, 34-43, Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9,

Mt 18:21-35

Wed. 11th: Lenten Weekday

Dt 4:1, 5-9, Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20,

Mt 5:17-19

Thur. 12th: Lenten Weekday

Jer 7:23-28, Ps 95:1-2, 6-9, Lk 11:14-23

Fri. 13th: Lenten Weekday

Hos 14:2-10, Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17, Mk 12:28-34

Sat. 14th: Lenten Weekday

Hos 6:1-6, Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b, Lk 18:9-14

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR HEALING

Bobby Chavez, David Sanchez

BLESSING OF LIVING WATER

Lord, where there has been dryness in my life, bless me with Your living water! Where I fear to dream of new hope and growth, bless me with Your living water! Where I'm thirsty for new and abundant life, bless me with Your living water! Drench the parched earth with Your promise, bless me with Your living water! Amen.

DEANERY C PENANCE SERVICES

- March 9th, Holy Rosary Parish— 6:00pm
- March 10th, San Felipe De Neri Parish — 6:00pm
- March 21st, Immaculate Conception Parish — 11:00am