



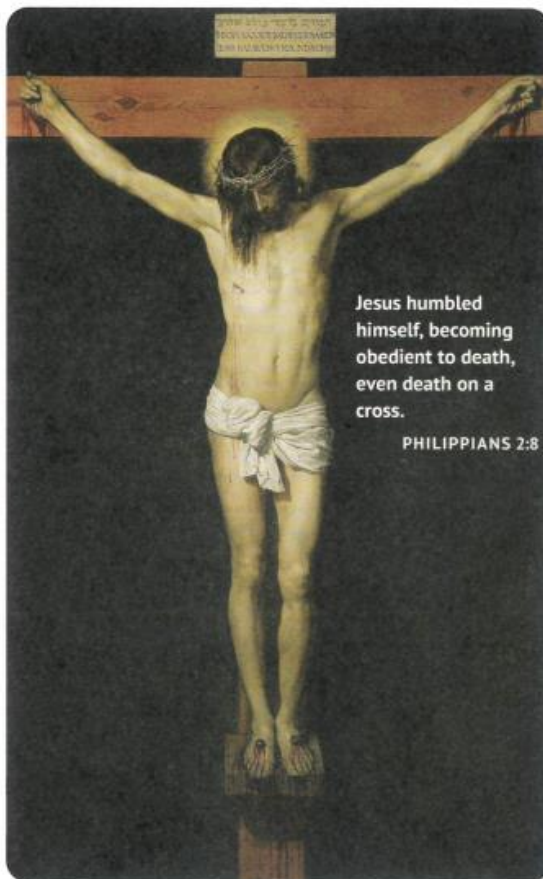
## The Hungers with Which We Live

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**T**enzin 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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### **Palm Sunday (8)**

**From Fr. Michael:** Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your home and heart? Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him - betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah. The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover. St. Augustine comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem: "The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus he does not lose his divinity when he teaches us humility. What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity? For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weapons and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is a condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power." Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory? Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!

### **Mass Schedule & Intentions For the week of March 25, 2024**

Mon.	Mar	25	7:00 AM	SJ	John Opela
Tues.	Mar	26	5:30 PM	SA	Davenport Family
Wed.	Mar	27	7:00 AM	SJ	Charles & Margaret Opela †
Thurs.	Mar	28	4:30 PM	SA	John Neal†
Thurs.	Mar	28	6:00 PM	SB	Marianne Ridder†
Thurs.	Mar	28	6:00 PM	SJ	Wally Allison Families†
Fri.	Mar	29	4:30 PM	SJ	Souls in Purgatory
Fri.	Mar	29	4:30 PM	SB	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Fri.	Mar	29	6:00 PM	SA	All Souls
Sat.	Mar	30	7:00 PM	SJ	Mark Kramer†
Sun.	Mar	31	8:00 AM	SJ	People of the Parish
Sun.	Mar	31	9:30 AM	SA	JoDee Davenport†
Sun.	Mar	31	11:00 AM	SB	MaryJane Pandorf

A graphic with the words "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" in a stylized, bubbly red font with white outlines. The letters are slightly irregular and have a 3D effect.

Bria Boeser March 26th  
Pam Long March 27th  
Cody Sierks March 28th  
Edie Kennedy March 28th  
Jennifer Johnston March 30th

## Ministry Schedule

Date: March 31st	<b>St. Agnes</b>	<b>St. Boniface</b>	<b>St. John's</b>
<b>Time</b>	<u>Sunday 9:30 AM</u>	<u>Sunday 11:00 AM</u>	<u>Saturday March 30 @7:00 PM</u>
<b>Hospitality</b>	Aleta & Conrad P.	Dan & Jo T.	Cole & Lacy K.
<b>Lector</b>	John B.	Molly P.	Tara B.
<b>Server</b>		Charli P. & Erin F.	Kelsey A.
<b>EMHC</b>	Evan B. & Gary M.	John R. & Rod B.	Rex & Kriste W.
<b>Communion to shut ins or Music</b>		Steve B.	Music: Adult Choir

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>St. Agnes</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our Gifts to God &amp; Church</b>  <b>March 17, 2024</b>  <b>Total Collection:</b>                      \$569.00 Pie Sales \$574.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diocesan Appeal</u></p> <p>Dollar Goal = \$4014/so far \$2700                      Donor Goal: 8 out of 16</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thrift Store                      Open April 5th from 9AM to 4PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>St. Boniface</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our Gifts to God &amp; Church</b>  <b>March 17, 2024</b>  <b>Total Collection:</b>                      \$806.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diocesan Appeal</u></p> <p>Dollar Goal = \$7306/ so far \$7305                      Donor Goal: 16 out of 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>St. John's</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our Gifts to God &amp; Church</b>  <b>March 17, 2024</b>  <b>Total Collection:</b>                      \$1362.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diocesan Appeal</u></p> <p>Dollar Goal=\$5001/so far \$5020                      Donor Goal: 15 out of 17  <b>The dollar goal is REACHED!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>This Week:</u></p> <p>Wed Mar 27th No Elementary CCD</p> <p>Holy Thursday Mar 28                      Adoration from 7-9 PM</p>
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### Easter Flowers in Memory and in Honor Of:

AG Miller Family, Mark Pandorf, Mary Jane Pandorf, Reta Kimball. Theresa Wildhagen, Carl & Barbara Wildhagen, Matt & Mary Smith, Ed Smith, Rick Hansen, Paul Ridder, Marianne Ridder, John Guynan, Grandchild, Joe Brogan, Jane Wilson, Josephine Amerin, Jack Brogan, Cherly Wilkinson, John & Norma Schacher, Vincent & Kaye Venhaus, Vernon Brosius, Luke James, WM. J Hickey, Gertrude Hickey, Bill Hickey, Mike Hickey, Mark Kramer, Joyce Bemise, Dean & Beverly Lehmkuhler, Louis & Edna Portz, Gene Langemeier, Leo & Charlene Walz



Come to St. Robert Bellamine in Omaha on **April 26 and 27, 2024** to hear friends from EWTN and Catholic Answers speak on **THE EUCHARIST: The Source and Summit of our Faith**. This 2-day symposium will feature: **Fr. Wade Menezes, Tim Staples, Coleen Kelly Mast, Joe Heschmeyer, and Stacy Trasancos**. Jack Williams, General Manager of EWTN Radio, will serve as our emcee as we explore the Eucharist. A bookstore will be open before, during, and after the symposium with a Saturday box lunch available for pre-purchase. *The symposium will be held from 7-9:30 pm Friday, April 26, and 9 am - 4:30 pm Saturday, April 27. Tickets are \$25 each. For more info and to purchase tickets, go to [spiritcatholicradio.com/april](http://spiritcatholicradio.com/april)*

# 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?*



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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. ●

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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://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

