Saint Anthony's Catholic Church

3rd Sunday in Lent

MESSAGE

Jesus tells us in today's Gospel : We worship what we understand because Salvation is from the Jews. This is certainly very true.

Our Salvation has been passed down from our predecessors. We can be thankful to all of our ancestors down the generations for the gift of Faith.

They had to be believe so that we might believe. Our Faith in God in turn provides us with the gift of Salvation. And we can understand Salvation in the widest sense of the term : to be healed and made whole. We are thus free from harm on a spiritual. emotional, psychological and physical level. As the saying goes : to be made safe and sound. Amazingly enough Jesus asks the Samaritan woman: Give me to drink. So it is not enough for us to receive the gift of Faith and the Salvation it produces.

He wants us to love Him!

For the circle to be complete, we are called to give our love back to Jesus so that all things would be consumed in Love.

That's the beauty of our God : He only wants from us what He gives to us - nothing more, nothing less. And yet nothing could be more complete than loving God with the love He has given us. May all things be consumed in Unity. May God bless you ! Fr Rob

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Daily 9am Saturday: 5:30 pm Sunday: 10am In Elk: Saturday at 4pm

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EVENTS

7@7 Prayer Group with Fr Rob Mondays at 7pm on Zoom

Bible Study Tuesdays at 10am

Mens Lunch at Patterson's Thursdays at Noon

Rosary in Church Weekdays at 8:30am

Knights of Columbus Meeting 1st Wednesday of the Month at 6:30pm

K of C Pancake Breakfast 2nd Sunday of the Month 8am - Noon

Monthly movie 3rd Sunday at 11:30am

Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent at 5:30pm

This last Wednesday Father Peter Reddy from Ukiah asked me to come over to hear Confessions in the evening. Often Parishes have special services for Confessions during Lent - so I just assumed that would be the occasion. Then he mentioned I would be hearing the Confessions of young people and during the evening a steady stream of youth passed through the confessional. I learned that I was hearing the Confessions of those preparing for Confirmation.

Fr Peter told me that 128 youth from Ukiah would be Confirmed on the following Saturday! In fact, there were so many that two services would be needed to handle everyone! I have started praying everyday for families and youth in our community and that they might be touched by the love of God. Let us pray that we might once again have Confirmations here at St Anthony's!



"Whoever drinks the water I shall give shall never thirst !" from this Sunday's reading

