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March 26, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 130: 1-8
Second Reading: Romans 8: 8-11
Gospel: John 11: 1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

MEDITATION

Close friendship with God brings lost life back to us. Many are those who have lost happiness. Some have lost an anointing to do certain things. Some people are in the grave of a particular life style that they don't know how to come out of it. Failure has put someone in the grave of "it cannot happen again." Some find themselves in the grave of "it is not possible" even though the fact remains that with God all things are possible.

The act of divine friendship is an initiative of God himself. This type of friendship we are talking about here is the one that brings dead beings in graves back to life. (cf. Ez. 37:12) In order to enjoy this divine friendship, one needs to cry for "the spirit of the living God"(cf. Ez. 37:14) This is because "anyone who does not have the spirit of Christ does not belong to him." When the spirit of Christ finds its way into you, Saint Paul in his letter to the Romans 8:10 tells us that, "although your bodies are dead because of sin, your spirits are alive because of righteousness." We need to make close friends with Jesus to enjoy the good things that come with it. But you may not become a friend to Jesus if you have not yet realized or understood that LIFE is about **being concerned with Spiritual Things**. It is important to note that the Spiritual Self controls the Corporeal, the bodily or the physical self. That is why we cannot but agree with St. Paul that, "the concern of the flesh is death, but the concern of the spirit us life and peace." (cf. Romans 8:6)

Lazarus is grateful to his sister Martha for her friendship with Jesus. It is because of which that he got the opportunity to come out of the premature death he went through to enjoy some more life. Remember that Martha had responded to the friendship of Jesus many years back. Her friendship with Jesus brought her siblings in contact with Jesus. It implies that my friendship with Jesus has a ripple effect on my family members and close associates.

In this period of Lent, **let us use what we have to make friends with Jesus**. According to Luke 10:38-42 Martha saw that Jesus needed to eat in order to continue his ministry so she decided to use her resources (money, cooking skills) to make friends with Jesus.



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MEDITATION (continued)

For instance, not everyone knows how to sing well. You know how to sing well. Jesus would love to be a friend to you as you use your voice to make singing at Mass a beautiful one. Remember Jesus says in Matthew 25: 40 that whatever you do for these brothers of mine you do for me. So, your acts of charity will create a good bond of friendship between you and Jesus.

The end product of it all is that Jesus will cause what we have lost and what is dead in our lives to come back to us like Martha who had her dead brother come back to life. In fact, God will bring us home in the Land of Israel: that is to say where we truly belong in life as the prophet Ezekiel has declared as a promise of God in the first reading of today (cf. Ez. 37: 12-14).

Use what you have to make friends with Jesus.

By Rev. Fr. Prince Agyeman



DAILY READINGS
FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Monday, March 27, 2023
First Reading: Daniel 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62
Gospel: John 8: 1-11

Tuesday, March 28, 2023
First Reading: Numbers 21: 4-9
Gospel: John 21-30

Wednesday, March 29, 2023
First Reading: Daniel 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95
Gospel: John 8: 31-42

Thursday, March 30, 2023
First Reading: Genesis 17: 3-9
Gospel: John 8: 51-59

Friday, March 31, 2023
First: Jeremiah 20: 10-13
Gospel: John 10: 31-42

Saturday, April 1, 2023
First Reading: Ezekiel 37: 21-28
Gospel: John 11: 45-56

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1 Thessalonians 5:17

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in all things and desire You in my soul. Since
I cannot now receive You in the Sacrament,
come spiritually into my heart. I embrace
You and unite myself wholly to You; do not
permit me ever to be separated from You.
Amen.
(St. Alphonsus de Liguori)

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Lord my God, give my heart to desire you; in desiring you, to seek you; in seeking you, to find you; in finding you, to love you; and in loving you, to redeem my faults; and once redeemed, to commit them no more. Lord my God, give my heart penance, my mind repentance, my eyes the source of tears, and my hands the largesse of alms. You who are my King, extinguish in me the desires of the flesh, and kindle the fire of your love. You who are my Redeemer, drive out of me the spirit of pride, and grant me the spirit of your humility. You who are my Savior, remove from me the fury of anger, and may your kindness grant me the shield of patience. You who are my Creator, uproot from my soul resentment, and pour into it the sweetness of spirit. Give me, Most Good Father, a solid faith, a sure hope and an unfailing charity. You who lead me, remove from me the vanity of the soul, the fickleness of the mind, the error of the heart, the flattery of the mouth, the pride of the eyes. O God of mercy, I ask you through your beloved Son, give me to live mercy, application to piety, compassion with the afflicted, and sharing with the poor. Amen

PASTORAL SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
Baptisms are generally held on the last Sunday of the month. Requests for a different date and time will be honored to the extent possible. Parents and sponsors who have not yet received the required baptismal instruction are expected to do so by attending our baptismal preparation program. Call the parish office well in advance so that class arrangements can be made.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Anyone wishing to have his or her wedding celebrated at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral must contact the parish office 9-12 months prior to the celebration and talk to a priest for pre-wedding counseling. Please visit our website www.cathedralvi.org or call us at 340-774-0201. The Sacrament of Marriage is generally celebrated on a Saturday between the hours of 11:00AM and 2:00PM. Please contact the parish priest if you would like a different time for your wedding. (Note that Saturday mornings are reserved for cleaning and decorating the cathedral.)

VISITING AND ANNOINTING THE SICK:
If anyone in your family is sick or shut-in, please inform the parish office so that we can pray for them and arrange to visit them. Please note that the hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!

FUNERAL MASSES:
Funeral Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral are held on the designated day at 9:30AM. Please make arrangements with the Church office before the funeral home to assure availability of the date requested. The Funeral Program should read “**Christian Burial**” on the cover. If you would like a different time, please contact the parish priest. Viewings will not take place inside the cathedral. Funerals generally are not held on weekends (Saturday or Sunday). Thank you for your cooperation.

PALM SUNDAY & HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE 2023

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Saturday, April 1, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 4:15 p.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Sunday, April 2, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 6:15 a.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 8:15 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 10:15 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 12:00 p.m.

Chrism Mass, Tuesday, April 4, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 11:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday of the Lord’s Supper, April 6, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 6:00 p.m. (Mass & Adoration)
Our Lady of Perpetual 6:30 p.m. (Mass & Adoration)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) April 7, 2023
Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 6:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross at Magen’s Bay
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 12:00 p.m. (Children’s Service)
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 2:00 p.m.
English Stations of the Cross
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 2:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 3:00 p.m.
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 3:00 p.m.
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 4:00 p.m. Spanish
Living Stations of the Cross Procession will begin at Hurley Funeral Home to Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral

Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023, Easter Vigil
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral -7:00 p.m. (Bilingual Mass)
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 5:30 a.m. (Sunrise Mass)
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 6:30 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral 8:30 a.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 9:00 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 10:30 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral - 12:15 p.m. (Spanish)

Divine Mercy Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 16, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral - 4:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 6:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16, 2023
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 6:30 a.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help – 6:30 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 8: 30 a.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 9:00 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral – 10:30 a.m.
Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral - 12:15 p.m. (Spanish)

Divine Mercy Celebration, Sunday, April 16, 2023
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, St. John, V.I. –
3:00 p.m. beginning with the Chaplet

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BISHOP’S APPEAL:
Your gift to the Bishop’s Appeal 2023 supports the soup kitchens that are part of the Catholic Charities program. Last year 124,800 meals and 10,920 nights of shelter for the homeless were provided to the poor through your generosity. For your convenience, you may choose to make a pledge now and spread your payments over several months. Donations may be made in the form of cash, check, credit card or direct online payments. Please fill out the form in the brochure and make your checks payable to “Diocese of St. Thomas”. Please see the brochure for further information. Thank You!

BAPTISM:
During the Easter Vigil on April 8, 2023, the adults will be baptized, and on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023, the baptism of babies will take place during the 8:30 a.m. mass.

BAPTISM CLASSES:
The next baptism preparation class will be on March 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Hospitality Lounge. Anyone interested in having their child baptized, please contact the church office.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
We invite everyone to join us for the Stations of the Cross every day at 6:00 a.m. and on Fridays at 4:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

LEGION OF MARY
The Cura Mary, Immaculate Conception invites you to their ACIES on March 26, 2023 at 2.00pm at St. Anne Parish in Frenchtown.

PALM SUNDAY:
Next Coming Sunday is Palm Sunday. All masses will begin **fifteen minutes** prior to the regular scheduled time with the blessing of the palms.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE
Our Easter confession will take place on Wednesday April 5, 2023 at 5:30pm for everybody. Many Priests will be available to hear your confession.

ALTAR SERVERS
Training is on Wednesday, April, 5, at 3:30pm.

EASTER SUNDAY LUNCHEON:
St. Joseph Workers and Holy Family Catholic Church will be having a Easter Sunday Luncheon honoring Mr. Allen Harrigan on Sunday, April 9, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the Columban Hall. Tickets are on sale for \$50.00, Children under 12 years of age \$25.00 at the door. Tickets are on sale at the church office.

SACRAMENTS:
The Sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated, on June 4th, 2023, and the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023
6:30AM - † Lionel Boschulte - Rb. his family
8:30AM – Mr. and Mrs. Casimir Jules -Anniversary Blessings Rb. their children
Maria Jules - Rb. her children

10:30AM- Carol Clinton Birthday Blessings - Rb. Ellen and John Kennedy
Phyllis Benjamin for healing - Rb. the Senior Choir
Lana Trotman - Birthday Blessings - Rb. Sara Connell and family
† Madeline (Addie) Moolenaar - Rb. her children

12:15PM -Holy Souls in Purgatory - Rb. Marcial LaPlace
† Ana Pastora Restrepo de Cossio - Rb. Jose L. Cossio

MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023
6:45AM- Elmirah and Lee-Troy - Rb. their mother

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023
6:45AM – Priests of the Diocese

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023
6:45AM – Avis Jules - Rb. her family
12:15PM- Lana Trotman - Rb her family

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023
6:45AM - † Beatrice Nsalaf - Rb. a friend

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2023
4:30PM- People of the Parish

SATURDAY, April 1, 2023
7:00AM - †Dorothy Elskoe - Rb her family
4:30PM- Holy Souls in Purgatory - Rb. Marcial LaPlace

JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER
In preparation for the 250th Anniversary of presence in this territory

Eternal Father, In this, the Jubilee Year of Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, we praise you for all blessings we have received over the past 250 years of our existence. We bless you for the lives of all those who, throughout the centuries, have helped build this vibrant community of love and service. May they rest eternally in Your divine and merciful presence. We give you thanks for all the people who gather in this Cathedral to worship you, striving to turn away from sin and follow the teachings of the faithful disciples of your Son Jesus- Christ. May Your Holy Spirit continue to lead us on the path of faith, hope, and charity, so that in every aspect of our lives, and inspired by the example of our patron saints Peter and Paul, we may always be joyous witnesses of Jesus Christ in the world. Amen

Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma

Primera lectura: Ezequiel 37:12-14
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 130: 1-8
Segunda lectura: Romanos 8:8-11
Evangelio: Juan 11: 1-45 o 11: 3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

MEDITACIÓN

La estrecha amistad con Dios nos devuelve la vida perdida. Muchos son los que han perdido la felicidad. Algunos han perdido una unción para hacer ciertas cosas. Algunas personas están en la tumba de un estilo de vida particular que no saben cómo salir de él. El fracaso ha puesto a alguien en la tumba de ‘no puede volver a suceder’. Algunos se encuentran en la tumba de “no es posible” a pesar de que el hecho es que con Dios todas las cosas son posibles.

El acto de amistad divina es una iniciativa de Dios mismo. Este tipo de amistad de la que estamos hablando aquí es la que devuelve a la vida a los seres muertos en las tumbas. (cf. Ez 37:12) Para disfrutar de esta amistad divina, es necesario clamar por “el espíritu del Dios vivo” (cf. Ez 37, 14). Cuando el espíritu de Cristo encuentra su camino en ti, San Pablo en su carta a los Romanos 8:10 nos dice que, “aunque tus cuerpos están muertos a causa del pecado, tus espíritus están vivos a causa de la justicia”. Necesitamos ser amigos cercanos de Jesús para disfrutar de las cosas buenas que vienen con él. Pero es posible que no te conviertas en un amigo de Jesús si aún no te has dado cuenta o entendido que la VIDA se trata de estar preocupado por las Cosas Espirituales. Es importante notar que el Ser Espiritual controla el yo corporal, corporal o físico. Es por eso que no podemos dejar de estar de acuerdo con San Pablo en que “la preocupación de la carne es la muerte, pero la preocupación del espíritu es la vida y la paz”. (cf. Romanos 8:6)

El hermano Lázaro está agradecido a su hermana Marta por su amistad con Jesús. Es por lo que tuvo la oportunidad de salir de la muerte prematura por la que pasó para disfrutar de un poco más de vida. Recuerde que Marta había respondido a la amistad de Jesús muchos años atrás. Su amistad con Jesús puso a sus hermanos en contacto con Jesús. Implica que mi amistad con Jesús tiene un efecto dominó en los miembros de mi familia y asociados cercanos.

En este período de Cuaresma, usemos lo que tenemos para hacernos amigos de Jesús. Según Lucas 10:38-42, Marta vio que Jesús necesitaba comer para continuar su ministerio, por lo que decidió usar sus recursos (dinero, habilidades culinarias) para hacerse amiga de Jesús.

NUESTRA IGLESIA Y NUESTRA ESCUELA SON AMBIENTES SEGUROS:

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MEDITACIÓN (continuado)

Por ejemplo, notodo el mundo sabe cantar bien. Sabes cantar bien. A Jesús le encantaría ser un amigo para ti mientras usas tu voz para hacer que cantar en Mass sea hermoso. Recuerda que Jesús dice en Mateo 25:40 que todo lo que hagas por estos hermanos míos lo haces por mí. Por lo tanto, sus actos de caridad crearán un buen vínculo de amistad entre usted y Jesús.

El producto final de todo esto es que Jesús hará que lo que tenemos lo que está muerto en nuestras vidas regrese a nosotros como Marta, que hizo que su hermano muerto volviera a la vida. De hecho, Dios nos llevará a casa en la Tierra de Israel: es decir, donde realmente pertenecemos en la vida, como el profeta Ezequiel ha declarado como promesa de Dios en la primera lectura de hoy (cf. Ez 37, 12-14).

Usa lo que tienes para hacerte amigo de Jesús.

Por Reverendo P. Prince Agyeman

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DOMINGO DE RAMOS:

El Domingo de Ramos todas las misas comenzarán quince minutos antes de la hora regular programada con la bendición de las palmas.

ALMUERZO DEL DOMINGO DE PASCUA:

Los trabajadores de St. Joseph y la Iglesia Católica Holy Family tendrán un almuerzo del Domingo de Pascua en honor al Sr. Allen Harrigan el domingo 9 de abril de 2023 a la 1:00 p.m. en el Columban Hall. Los boletos están a la venta por \$ 50.00, los niños menores de 12 años \$ 25.00 en la puerta. Los boletos están a la venta en la oficina de la iglesia.

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Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTION
WILL BE TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

March 26, 2023 - Youth Ministry
April 2, 2023 - Cathedral Maintenance & Enhancement
April 7, 2023 (Good Friday) - Holy Land

OFFERTORY / OFERTORIO

Last week's offertory amounted to:
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March 19, 2023		
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6:30AM	\$ 1,098.00	\$ 196.00
8:30AM	\$ 837.00	\$ 412.00
10:30AM	\$ 1,562.60	\$ 466.00
12:15PM	\$ 409.00	\$ 194.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,424.60	\$ 1,432.00

Wednesday, March 15, 2023: 6:45 a.m. \$ 64.00, 12:15 p.m. \$79.00
Friday, March 17, 2023: 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. \$140.00

Month of February Expenses

Income	Expenses
Collection \$13144.00	Parish Life \$13144.00
Other collection \$3580.50	Utilities(Wapa etc)
Donation \$ 915.00	\$2864.70
\$17,639.50	\$30,759.96

Income - Expense - (13, 120.16)

KEEP OUR SICK & SHUT-INS IN PRAYER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS:

HOME OR NURSING HOME

LENO ABRAHAM
JENVILLE ANDREWS
ORDETTE ANDREWS
EDWIN ARROYO
MONICA BIRKLEY
EDRIS CALLWOOD
DELITA DELAGARDE
PRISCA DAVIS
RITA DUNCAN
DARIEL EVANS
MICHAEL FARRINGTON
JOKATA GARCÍA
MERCEDES GARCÍA
WILFRED GARDIER
ALFREDO GASKIN
ETLA V. GASKIN
ERIC GRAF
ESONIA HASSELL
MILDRED HODGE
KEITH JAMES
ROSE MARIE JOSEPH
EDITH LEBLANC
BERECIA LEWIS
GRACIELA MILLIN
HUGO MOULON
JOSEPH MORRELL
ARACELY NICHOLSON
LEIDA PIZARRO
SONIA PIZARRO
WALTON RAVARIERE
PHYLLIS RODNEY
CYRUS SAMPSON
RAFAELA SANES
PETRONA STANISLAUS
CECILIA HILL-THOMAS
LESTEL TURBE
JOHN H. VENZEN
ULRICA VIALET
RUTH WALCOTT

ROY SCHNEIDER HOSPITAL

The hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!

OFF-ISLAND

BISHOP HERBERT A. BEVARD
FR. SIMON PETER OPIRA
FR. JOHN SOLOMON
JANET BENSON
RENEL BREDY
JOYCE CORREA
CELESTINE DAVIS
PRISCA DAVIS
ALBERTA FOY
LAVERNE FRANCIS
DELTA GEORGE
MAURITZER Y. GUMBS
JOSEPH HODGE
WINIFRED HODGE
RITA KING
STEPHANY LOUZAN
GWYNNETH MOOLEAAR
JOSEPHINE NOCH
FELIX O'NEAL
RAMÓN ORTIZ
MIRIAM GARCIA RIJO
ROSE ROBERTS
VENIA SAKHRANI
CARLOS SÁNCHEZ
CÉSAR JULIO TIRADO
LIAN VÁZQUEZ

CATECHESIS

Unanswered Prayer

Reflect

I have sat with many people of faith struggling to understand why a prayer went unanswered. Perhaps a loved one died from prolonged illness. Perhaps a loved one did not divert from a self-destructive path. Perhaps an undertaking ended in failure. In trying to discern the reasons for a prayer going unanswered, some are angry. Others judge their prayer as inadequate. Sadly, some even give up on prayer. Unanswered prayers challenge our beliefs about what prayer can do in our lives and challenge our understanding of God's will for us. For all of us, unanswered prayer is a part of the spiritual journey.

Pray

Lord, when my prayer does not lead to the outcome for which I hoped, help me to let go and trust that Your way is the way of wisdom and that we humans do not always discern what is best.

Act

Spend some time writing in your journal about how you have dealt with unanswered prayers.

By Rev. Fr. Modeste Digwou

E-GIVING:

Please fill out the E-Giving Enrollment Form at the parish office, if you prefer to send your offertory donations using automatic payments from:
* your Checking/Saving account. * your PayPal account.
* your Credit or Debit card. * a Bank-to-Bank transfer.

RECOMMENDED PRACTICES FOR THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Please be aware that during the COVID-19 pandemic, we recommend the following practices:

1. Wear a face covering in the cathedral.
2. Sanitize your hands.
3. Attempt to maintain a social distance of six feet.
4. Consider receiving Holy Communion in the hand.