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Mass Schedule

(Note: All Masses are at Guardian Angels until further notice)

Ω—indicates a live-streamed Mass which can be found at:
<https://gachaska.org/live-mass-and-mass-video-archive/>

Weekdays:

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.Ω
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.Ω
Friday: 8:00 a.m.Ω

Weekends:

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00 a.m. /
10:00 a.m.Ω
Sunday: 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)Ω

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 2:45—3:45 p.m.

Eucharistic

Adoration:

Thursday: 8:30-7:00pm

Today's Readings

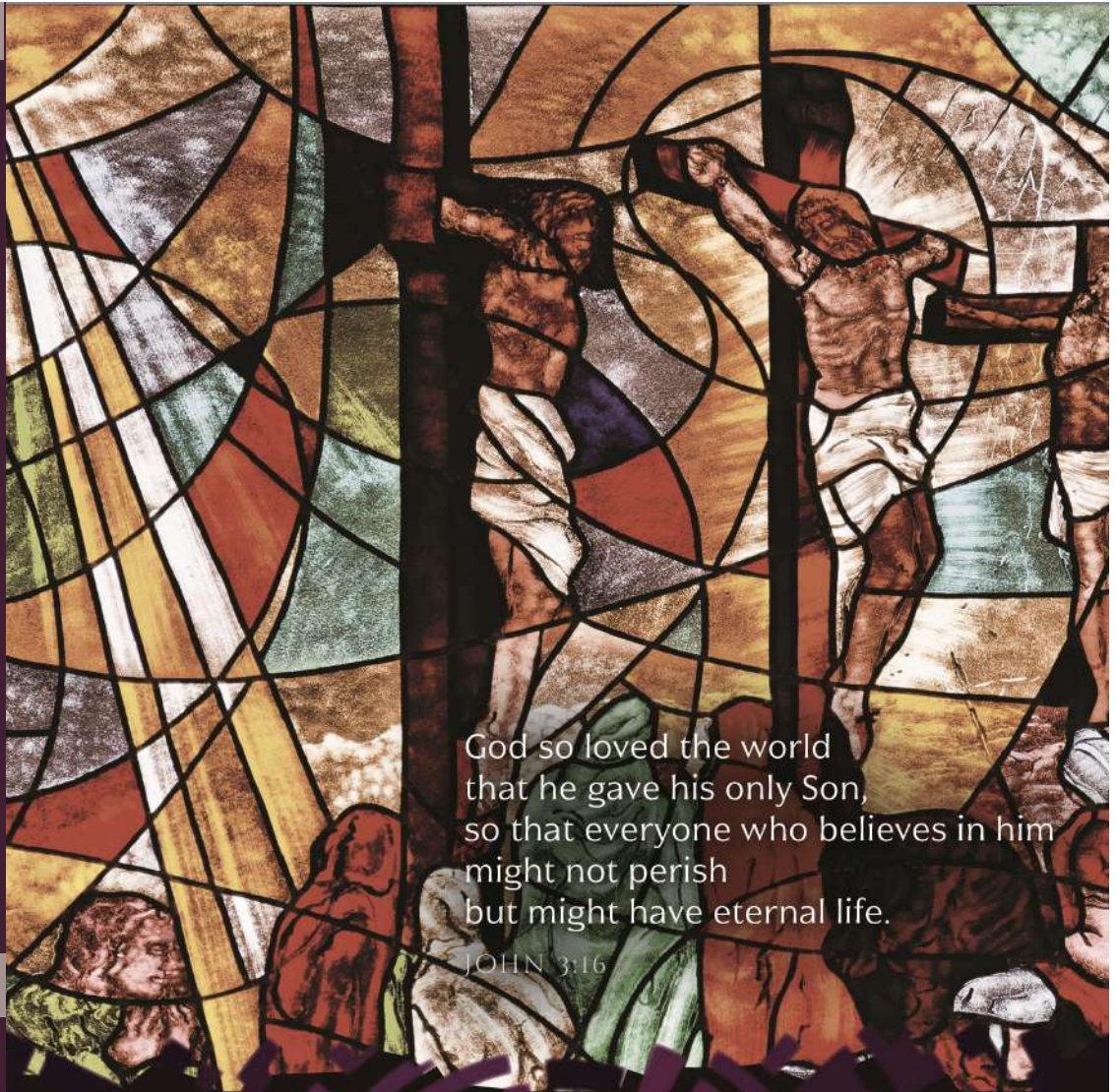
First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
might not perish
but might have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

FOURTH
SUNDAY OF
LENT

MARCH 14, 2021

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Mass Intentions: Mass intentions may be for the living and/or the departed, with a † designating in the bulletin a deceased person. There is a \$10 suggested donation per Mass intention. Permission from the sick person or his/her family must be granted before a name's inclusion in these prayers. To schedule a Mass intention, call the Parish Office.

Baptism: Our Baptism Belonging Class is required for all parents as a first step to Baptism of your child. We encouraged Godparents to attend. The Belonging Class is held once per month after the 10:00AM Mass. Please call the parish office to sign up for the class. Baptism dates will be given at the class. Special dates requested will be considered and accommodated depending on circumstances.

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 2:45—3:45 PM or by appointment.

Matrimony: Marriage preparation is required. Please call Father Tony VanDerLoop, Pastor, at 952-679-9415 at least eight months in advance.

Anointing: If you wish to receive an anointing please call the Parish Office: (952) 227-4000.

Communion for the Homebound: When we come together to pray at our Eucharistic liturgy, we do not forget the members of our community who are unable to be with us because of ill health. We remember them in our prayers, and we wish to include them in our Holy Communion. Members of our community bring the Blessed Sacrament to them to comfort them and to unite us in the Eucharist. We are not always aware of those who have this need. Please call the Parish Office to let us know if you or a member of your family would like to have Holy Communion brought to them. That way we can schedule a time for our ministers to visit and bring the Sacrament.

Hospital, Nursing Home, Homebound Visits: Churches are no longer notified by hospitals or nursing homes when a parishioner is admitted unless the family has requested it. If you or a family member are homebound, hospitalized or in a nursing home and would like a visit from a member of the ministry staff, please call the Parish Office.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen



Church Calendar

Monday, March. 15

7 p.m. Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting

Tuesday, March. 16

5:30 p.m. Mass at GA † Carol Olson

6:30 p.m. RCIA meeting

Wednesday, March. 17

8 a.m. Mass at GA † Arlene Jensen

6:15 p.m. Faith formation Lenten Reconciliation Service 2nd-10th Grade w/ Parents

Thursday, March. 18

8:00 a.m. Mass at GA † Marian Mahowald

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Altman) in Parish Office Conf. Room

Friday, March. 19

8 a.m. Mass at GA † Catherine Boyd

7 p.m. Servers Formation (Latino Community)

7 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Bilingual)

Saturday, March. 20

9 a.m. Hispanic Faith Formation

4 p.m. Mass at GA † Delora Meuleners

Sunday, March. 21

8 a.m. Mass at GA † David Lano

9:15 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

10 a.m. Mass at GA † Rose Rossen

12:30 p.m. Mass in Spanish at GA—Mass for the People

1:30 p.m. Confirmation NET Retreat

2:45 p.m. Easter Choir Rehearsal in Church

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



FROM THE PASTOR

A Nighttime Conversation

Many conversations can be carried on better at night when it is quiet. Then we can sometimes manage to put into words things that are really important and essential and go more deeply into things. Nicodemus, a member of the council, comes to Jesus with this sort of conversation one night.

In the first part of the conversation, before this passage, Jesus makes it quite clear that in order to attain life's goal, to enter the kingdom of heaven, we have to be born anew "from above". Nicodemus does not understand this. An adult cannot become a baby once more and still less an embryo. It is a matter of being born again – not so as to live for as long as possible on this earth, but so as to have the kind of life that no death can destroy.

This is where today's gospel begins. It is the second part of the conversation. How can we get out of the rut of our old lives and find new life, eternal life? Jesus expresses it with an image from the Bible. Once, during their forty years of wandering through the wilderness, the Jews had been quite rebellious against God. They were attacked by a plague of poisonous serpents. Many of the Jews died. Moses made a metal serpent and set it up on high. Anyone who looked up at it was healed. That is how we ought to act, Jesus advises Nicodemus. Once he is hanging on the Cross on high, then we ought to look up to him, and looking at him will make us whole again and give us new life.

I recall a cross in a field at Pacem in Terris Retreat Center in Isanti, MN that I would often walk to when I was there. It definitely set the tone for my walk knowing that Jesus understands all of my difficulties. How often when we have looked upon the Cross has peace stolen into our restless hearts, consolation into our despair, remorse, and readiness to stand up again, the desire to begin again, and to carry on!

In this nighttime conversation we also discover why it is that it helps so much to look up to the One who is crucified. In one of the loveliest sayings that Jesus ever uttered, he says that God so loved the world that he will do anything for it; he even gives up for us what is most precious to him, his Son. It becomes clear that God wants, not to judge people, but to save them. Let us pray that we and our neighbors will know this love so as to not fall victim to the darkness when everything is obscure and difficult. Jesus tells his nighttime visitor, "Believe in this love! It is stronger than anything else, even death!" Let us then make time during Lent and otherwise to have just this kind of "Nicodemus hour" in the silence of the night. God bless you all!

Father Tony

March Greetings from the Friends of St Nicholas Prayer Garden.

We are getting our first nice wave of spring weather, and soon it will be time for our hard working gardeners & precious volunteers to begin the process of removing the coat of leaves from the roses. We will be announcing the dates of our St Nicholas Campus clean-up weekend very soon. Look for the announcement in the Sunday bulletin. If you are available to join the team, or have any questions, please call the Friends of St Nicholas 952-913-4964. Please leave your name and phone number and we will call you back.

Now is a wonderful time to stop by and take a stroll through the prayer garden where everyone is welcome.

Sunday Readings

March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent

Reading 1

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Responsorial Psalm

137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

R. (6ab) Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion. On the aspens of that land we hung up our harps.

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

For there our captors asked of us the lyrics of our songs, And our despoilers urged us to be joyous: "Sing for us the songs of Zion!"

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

How could we sing a song of the LORD in a foreign land? If I forget you, Jerusalem, may my right hand be forgotten!

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

May my tongue cleave to my palate if I remember you not, If I place not Jerusalem ahead of my joy.

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Reading 2

Eph 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them

Gospel

Jn 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

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Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness
and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



GA Financial Updates

GA Pave the Way Debt Update (Mar. 1)

Owed to Catholic Finance Corp \$104,320.31

Reduced Amount from Feb 1. \$23,079.43

(Amount paid since Feb. 1st)

Stewardship Giving Update (Mar. 1)

YTD Given \$315,375.06

YTD Budget \$309,000.00

Knights of Columbus



Friday - March 26th, 2021
Serving from 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Dine-In or Drive-Up

Dine-In: With limited seating, Face Masks Required, with social distance guide lines

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More information can be found on the Chaska SnoHawks facebook page.



Deacon Discernment Day

March 20, 2021

A day set apart for men and their wives, if applicable, to learn more about the permanent diaconate vocation in this archdiocese. The day begins with Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer with current candidates in formation followed by four presentations, including lunch, and concludes with a 4 p.m. Vigil Mass with the Saint Paul Seminary Rector, Fr. Joseph Taphorn. Questions? Contact Deacon

Bob Bisciglia at bobbisciglia@stthomas.edu or 651.962.5782.

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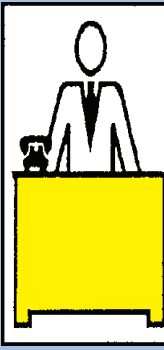
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Lecturas de Domingo
7 de Marzo de 2021
Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

Primera lectura

2 Cr 36, 14-16. 19-23

En aquellos días, todos los sumos sacerdotes y el pueblo multiplicaron sus infidelidades, practicando todas las abominables costumbres de los paganos, y mancharon la casa del Señor, que él se había consagrado en Jerusalén. El Señor, Dios de sus padres, los exhortó continuamente por medio de sus mensajeros, porque sentía compasión de su pueblo y quería preservar su santuario. Pero ellos se burlaron de los mensajeros de Dios, despreciaron sus advertencias y se mofaron de sus profetas, hasta que la ira del Señor contra su pueblo llegó a tal grado, que ya no hubo remedio.

Envío entonces contra ellos al rey de los caldeos. Incendiaron la casa de Dios y derribaron las murallas de Jerusalén, pegaron fuego a todos los palacios y destruyeron todos sus objetos preciosos. A los que escaparon de la espada, los llevaron cautivos a Babilonia, donde fueron esclavos del rey y de sus hijos, hasta que el reino pasó al dominio de los persas, para que se cumpliera lo que dijo Dios por boca del profeta Jeremías: Hasta que el país haya pagado sus sábados perdidos, descansará de la desolación, hasta que se cumplan setenta años.

En el año primero de Ciro, rey de Persia, en cumplimiento de las palabras que habló el Señor por boca de Jeremías, el Señor inspiró a Ciro, rey de los persas, el cual mandó proclamar de palabra y por escrito en todo su reino, lo siguiente: “Así habla Ciro, rey de Persia: El Señor, Dios de los cielos, me ha dado todos los reinos de la tierra y me ha mandado que le edifique una casa en Jerusalén de Judá. En consecuencia, todo aquel que pertenezca a este pueblo, que parta hacia allá, y que su Dios lo acompañe”.

Salmo Responsorial

Salmo 136, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6

R. (6a) **Te recuerdo, Señor, es mi alegría.**

Junto a los ríos de Babilonia nos sentábamos a llorar de nostalgia; de los sauces que estaban en la orilla colgamos nuestras arpas.

R. **Te recuerdo, Señor, es mi alegría.**

Aquello que cautivos nos tenían pidieron que cantáramos.

Decían los opresores: “Algún cantar de Sión, alegres, cántenos”.

R. **Te recuerdo, Señor, es mi alegría.**

Pero, ¿cómo podríamos cantar un himno al Señor en tierra extraña? ¡Que la mano derecha se me seque, si de ti, Jerusalén, yo me olvidara!

R. **Te recuerdo, Señor, es mi alegría.**

¡Que se me pegue al paladar la lengua Jerusalén, si no te recordara, o sí, fuera de ti, alguna otra alegría yo buscara!

R. **Te recuerdo, Señor, es mi alegría.**

Segunda lectura

Ef 2, 4-10

Hermanos: La misericordia y el amor de Dios son muy grandes; porque nosotros estábamos muertos por nuestros pecados, y él nos dio la vida con Cristo y en Cristo. Por pura generosidad suya, hemos sido salvados. Con Cristo y en Cristo nos ha resucitado y con él nos ha reservado un sitio en el cielo. Así, en todos los tiempos, Dios muestra, por medio de Jesús, la incomparable riqueza de su gracia y de su bondad para con nosotros. En efecto, ustedes han sido salvados por la gracia, mediante la fe; y esto no se debe a ustedes mismos, sino que es un don de Dios. Tampoco se debe a las obras, para que nadie pueda presumir, porque somos hechura de Dios, creados por medio de Cristo Jesús, para hacer el bien que Dios ha dispuesto que

hagamos.

Evangelio

Jn 3, 14-21

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a Nicodemo: “Así como Moisés levantó la serpiente en el desierto, así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna.

Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único, para que todo el que crea en él no perezca, sino que tenga vida eterna.

Porque Dios no envió a su Hijo para condenar al mundo, sino para que el mundo se salvara por él. El que cree en él no será condenado; pero el que no cree ya está condenado, por no haber creído en el Hijo único de Dios.

La causa de la condenación es ésta: habiendo venido la luz al mundo, los hombres prefirieron las tinieblas a la luz, porque sus obras eran malas. Todo aquel que hace el mal, aborrece la luz y no se acerca a ella, para que sus obras no se descubran. En cambio, el que obra el bien conforme a la verdad, se acerca a la luz, para que se vea que sus obras están hechas según Dios”.

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Martes: 5:30 p.m.
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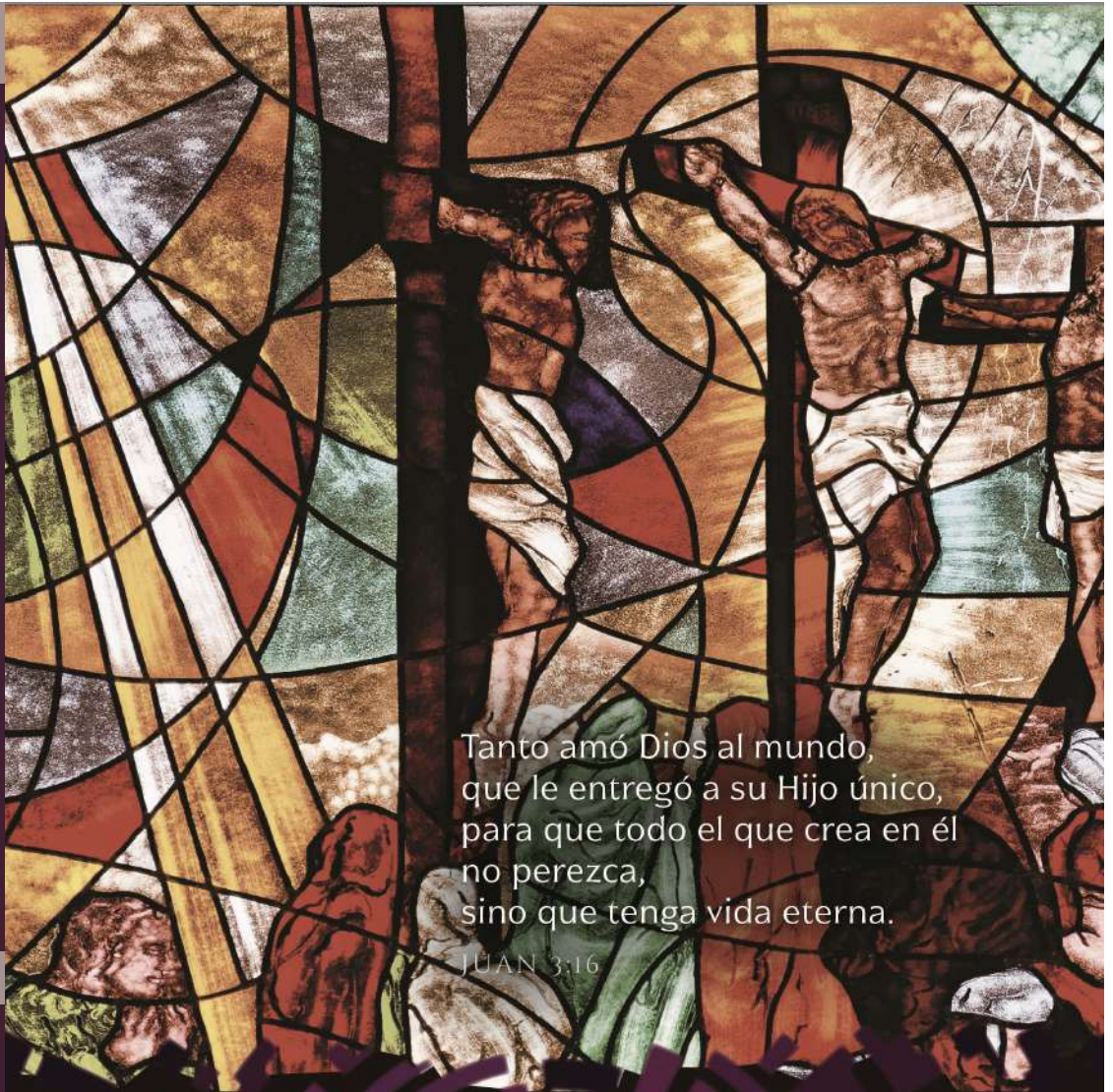
Primera lectura — Dios entrega los mandamientos al pueblo por medio de Moisés (Éxodo 20:1-7 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) o Éxodo 17:3-7.

Salmo — Señor, tú tienes palabras de vida eterna (Salmo 19 [18]) o Salmo 95 (94).

Segunda lectura — Pablo proclama a Cristo crucificado; Cristo es el poder y la sabiduría de Dios (1 Corintios 1:22-25) o Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8.

Evangelio — Jesús echa a los mercaderes del templo y predice su resurrección (Juan 2:13-25) o Juan 4:5-42[5-15, 19b-26, 40-42].

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Tanto amó Dios al mundo,
que le entregó a su Hijo único,
para que todo el que crea en él
no perezca,
sino que tenga vida eterna.

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