

April 2 & 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Lent



5th SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."
- Jn 8:6b-7

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m. *(Temporarily postponed)*

Tues—Fri 12:00 p.m.
Holy Days 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Fridays 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.



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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
~ The office does not close for lunch ~

Other Contacts

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Food outreach (Mondays at 4:00 p.m.)

Utility & Rent Assistance (2nd & 4th Saturdays)

Gospel Reflection

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and God-centered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love, God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow.

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Readings for the Week

April 3, 2022

Sunday:	Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/ Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/ Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17- 18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

Observances for the week of April 3, 2022

Sunday:	5 th Sunday of Lent
Monday:	St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday:	St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
Wednesday:	
Thursday:	
Friday:	
Saturday:	
Next Sunday:	Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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April: Month of the Holy Spirit

*Breathe into me Holy Spirit,
that all my thoughts may be holy.
Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my
work, too, may be holy.
Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that
I may love only what is holy.
Strengthen me, Holy Spirit,
that I may defend all that is holy.*



Mysteries of the Rosary

- Sunday—Glorious Mysteries
- Monday—Joyful Mysteries
- Tuesday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Wednesday—Glorious Mysteries
- Thursday—Luminous Mysteries
- Friday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Saturday—Joyful Mysteries

Mass Intentions

Please Note:

All Mass intentions must be requested at least one day prior to the day you want the intention read to ensure that it is included in the daily intentions.

For the week of April 4—10

Monday, April 4

12:00 P.M. — **NO NOON MASS**

Tuesday, April 5

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Wednesday, April 6

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Thursday, April 7

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Friday, April 8

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Saturday, April 9

5:00 P.M. — † Ernie Triviso, Jr. and Ricky Altamirano by Jenny Crist and Family
 † Albert & Belia Carbajal and Grandparents by the Joe Carbajal Family
 For God's protection over all our military by Sylvia Misquez
 For an end to abortion by Sylvia Misquez
 For healing for victims of sex trafficking by Sylvia Misquez
 For the President of the United States
 Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Sunday, April 10

8:00 A.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

10:00 A.M. — † Anna Chavez by Irene Alvarado
 Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Altar Bread & Wine for March

is for **Donisia & Nicho Silva**

By the Silva Family

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Ann & John Walsh
 Sam & Mando Medina
 Tommy Ogas
 Vicki Ogas
 Maggie Simpson
 Eddie Carbajal, Jr.
 Sam Silva
 Irene Alvarado
 Sam Montoya
 Pat & Barbara Lambert
 Nestor Placencia

Keegan Browning
 Travis Kirkland
 Mary Lou Ortega
 Elaine Haynik
 Gus Alatorre
 Martha Alatorre
 Gloria Aralica
 Louise Perez
 Delfina Diaz
 Matthew Leyba
 Sandy Irevales

Wanda Garcia
 Danny Sandoval
 Cesario C. Maldonado
 Freddie Polanco

Pray for our military
 serving around the world
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 for the President of the  
 United States

Please remember to notify the office if someone on the prayer list needs to be removed. Thank you~

## Liturgy Schedule

### April 9 & 10

#### Saturday, April 9—5:00 P.M.

Lectors— Janet Wallet-Ortiz and Gabriel Partido

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Jenny Crist

Cup— **(Temporarily Postponed)**

Music— Rosie & Friends

#### Sunday, April 10—8:00 A.M.

Lectors— Silvia Madrid and Jay Garard

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Mike Miller

Cup— **(Temporarily Postponed)**

Music— Lorraine & Friends

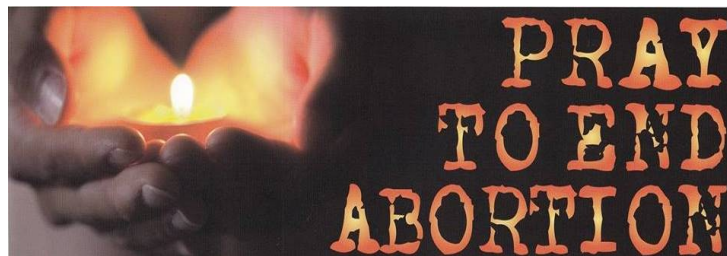
#### Sunday, April 10—10:00 A.M.

Lectors— Amadita Diaz and Dotty Pfeifer

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Trudy Sandoval

Cup— **(Temporarily Postponed)**

Music— TBD



## Dates to Remember

April 14—6:00 Baptism Class  
 (please call the church if you plan to attend)

May 6—12:00 First Friday Mass

Fridays—6:00 Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent

## On-Going Events to Remember

### Baptism Classes

Every second Thursday of the month  
 from 6:00—9:00 p.m.

Please call the office to have your name added to the list.

### REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

If you, or someone you know, has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel, contact the Victim's Assistance Coordinator at the Diocese of Las Cruces at (575) 523-7577, or vac@rcdlc.org.



## Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Stewardship

#### COLLECTIONS

March 24

\$ 7,111.21

\$ 1,432 (Associates)

\$ 314.00 (Office)

*Thank you for your continued generosity~*

#### ~ FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED ~

The pantry is in need of cold cereal, spaghetti sauce, ramen, milk, deodorant, detergent, shampoo, toothpaste, hygiene items, dish soap, Ziploc bags, empty egg cartons, and any "Just for You" items from Albertson's that you don't want.

They also need volunteers on Monday afternoons and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from. If you can help, please contact Dotty at (575) 313-2817

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Thank you for your continued generosity!
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#### United In Ministry...the Essential Service of Hope

Please remember to make your UIM contribution.

This year's commitment is \$30,000 and we have already collected almost 36% of our goal! If you need an envelope, there are some available in the office.

If you would like to donate online, visit [www.rcdlc.org/iamuim](http://www.rcdlc.org/iamuim).  
Thank you to everyone who has already contributed!



#### ~ Second Collections ~

April 15— Holy Land (Good Friday)

April 17—St. Francis Associates

April 24—Catholic Home Mission Appeal

May 1— Building Fund

April 3, 2022

### Other Parish Information

#### Mission Statement

Called in Baptism and rooted in our Catholic faith, we at St. Francis Newman Center Parish of the Diocese of Las Cruces are welcoming and compassionate people. We strive to be disciples of Christ with a special ministry to the Western New Mexico University community. The dynamic and diverse nature of our parish invites us to be open to spiritual formation and the values of charity. Nourished by the Word of God and the Holy Eucharist and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we reach out to all, encouraging active participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith within our families, our parish, our diocese and our world. (Approved: January 4, 2012)

#### Baptisms

Parents and Godparents must complete the Baptism Application (available in the office) and take the Baptism class prior to scheduling a Baptism. Godparents must have all sacraments to be able to serve as Godparents. Contact the Parish Office for complete details.

#### Marriages

Marriages must be arranged 6 months in advance.

#### Parish Membership

All parishioners 18 years or older are urged to register— as a member of the Catholic Church, registration is required.

As a registered member of our parish you are invited to participate as a volunteer in assisting the various ministries our parish offers.

#### Volunteer Ministries

St. Francis Newman Center has many ministry opportunities in which Parishioners can serve. Please call or stop by the office to inquire as to where you can best serve our Parish.

#### Parish Registration / Update Information

If you haven't registered in the parish or you would like to update your information, please fill out the following form and either drop in the collection basket or leave in the office at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ ANNIVERSARY \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ This is a new registration

☐ I am updating my information