

1st Sunday of Lent March 9, 2025

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,

12:00p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Other times: By appointment only

Marriages:

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:

Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.

Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:

Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo. Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

'We cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry.' (Dt 26:7)

Psalm:

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. (Ps 91) **Second Reading:**

For, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord

and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,

you will be saved. (Rom 10:9)

Gospel:

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan

and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days,

to be tempted by the devil. (Lk 4:1-2)

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Readings for the week of March 9, 2025

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13,

14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-

13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/

Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-

19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/

Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab,

2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a,

7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt

5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9,

13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk

9:28b-36



Knights of Columbus Council 9969 for the weekend of 3/8-3/9

A Novena for Life will be held on Wednesday, March 12th at 730PM, and all are invited to join the Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council 9969 at the Chapel. If you wish to attend the Novena for Life via Zoom, use this link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83335007567? pwd=YmdSVVRUS3oyL3I1RIJBZGIRbXNhUT09 Meeting ID: 833 3500 7567

Passcode: rosary

Why not join your Brother Knights for the March General Business Meeting on Thursday, March 13th at the Chapel? We will recite the Rosary @ 6:45PM and our Worthy Warden will make sure there is a scintillating pre-meeting meal before the 7:30PM start time. Please consider volunteering your time and effort on one (or more!) of the many charitable efforts your council supports. We need your help!

Come join the Knights and your fellow Holy Cross Parishioners at 5PM on Saturday, March 15th at the Cosgrove Center for the annual Council 9969 St. Patrick's Day party. Brother Knights are selling tickets in the vestibule after all Masses this weekend, or you can buy your tickets at the door at the event. Tickets for Adults are \$25, Teens and Seniors are \$20, kids 6 to 12 are \$10, and kids under 6 are free. You don't want to miss out on this fun-filled Holy Cross tradition!

August and the 2025 9969 Foundation Golf Tournament will be here before you know it. This is our Council's biggest fund-raising effort and a great opportunity for all Brother Knights to step up and help. Our next planning meeting is set for Thursday, March 20th at 7PM at the Chapel. With your help we can make the 2025 Tournament the best ever!

There will be a Unity Mass at 10AM on Sunday, March 23rd, in honor of PGK Gene Hatton. There will be a Chalice Presentation following the Mass in the Parish Business Office dining room. All Brother Knights, their families and members of the St. Joseph's Assembly are invited to attend.

Please consider joining the 9969 Foundation (a 501(c)3 organization) GEM program. Signing up through your bank's auto bill-pay service is simple and easy and offers a host of benefits to both you and the Foundation. You can choose a monthly amount that's comfortable, and every dollar donated above your annual dues amount is tax deductible and benefits local Moorpark charities. And since the 9969 Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization, your donations may be eligible for matching funds if your employer offers that benefit.

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Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations

Small jar of peanut butter Pasta Sauce

Jelly / jam Bagged beans 16oz. Canned mixed vegetables Jell-O

Canned fruit Mac n Cheese

Pasta

Penance Service Lent

Monday, March 10th at 7:00 PM

St. Jude, Westlake Village

March 12th at 7:00 PM

St. Julie Billiart, Newbury Park

Tuesday March 18th at 7:00 PM

St. Paschal Baylon, Thousand Oaks

Tuesday, April 1st at 7:00 PM

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Westlake Village

Monday, April 7th at 7:00 PM

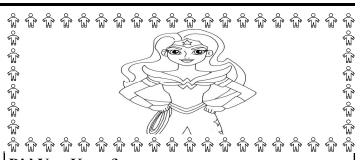
Holy Cross, Moorpark

Tuesday, April 8th at 7:00 PM

St. Peter Claver, Simi Valley

Wednesday, April 9th at 7:00 PM

Padre Serra, Camarillo



Did You Know? March 8-9

Safe adults have superpowers

If you are a safe adult in a child's life, you have the ability to provide a safe place for that child to disclose abuse, discomfort, or any other concerns. This gives safe adults the ability to work together to potentially stop abuse and change the course of a child's life. When children know that adults are willing to listen to them and advocate for them, they are more willing to share their problems and concerns. To learn more about how to use your "safe adult superpower," read the VIRTUS® article "Superpowers: Safe Adults Have Them" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

Los adultos de confianza tienen superpoderes

Si eres un adulto de confianza en la vida de un niño, usted tiene la capacidad de proporcionar un lugar seguro para que ese niño puede revelar abusos, malestar o cualquier otra preocupación. Esto da a los adultos de confianza la capacidad de trabajar juntos para prevenir los abusos y cambiar el curso de la vida de un niño. Cuando los niños saben que los adultos están dispuestos a escucharlos y defenderlos, están más dispuestos a compartir sus problemas y preocupaciones. Para saber más sobre cómo utilizar tu "superpoder de ser un adulto de confianza", lee el artículo de VIRTUS® "Superpoderes: los adultos de confianza los tienen" en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 9, 2025 First Sunday of Lent Luke 4:1-13

One of the most fascinating moments in American history is when George Washington could have become the king of the newly liberated United States and didn't. At the height of his power and fame, on Dec. 23, 1783, he resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief, and went home. The astonished King of England remarked that in doing so, Washington was "the greatest man in the world." Greatness is often defined by what we could do but don't. Greatness is measured by the temptations we overcome.

Jesus' greatness is revealed in his victory over temptations, too. The three offered him by the devil contain, we might say, all potential possible temptations: food, power and fame. They correspond to the triple human needs of body, soul and spirit. In overcoming these three, he says "no" in essence to every and even the greatest temptation. We see that every desire of his humanity — body, soul and spirit — is perfectly united to God, to love. This is a power available to each member of his body. It is the path to true greatness. How can we, who so easily fall into even small temptations, find the power to overcome large ones? By entering into the great dynamics of Jesus' temptations.

Lenten challenge: This first week of Lent, list some concrete ways you can overcome temptations that correspond with your desires. For example, you may give up snacks between meals, choose not to participate in an activity of which you are an expert, and decide to reduce social media posting by 50%. It may not seem like much, but by saying "no" to the tyranny of food, power, and fame (in this example), you'll discover true greatness.

— Father John Muir



Dear Parishioners of Holy Cross:

This past Thursday, after 20 years of service, Jenny Stevens retired from the position of our Business Manager.

She began her ministry here under the leadership of Msgr. Joseph Cosgrove+. Between 1992-1993, Jenny volunteered in our Preschool Religious Education program. Then she moved on to help in our First Communion classes. In May 2000, Jenny took the position of Confirmation Coordinator. Four years later, in late 2004, she became the Interim Director of our Religious Education program. That same year, she took the training needed to become the Virtus® Safeguard the Children Facilitator, providing service to the Archdiocese. In July 2005, Msgr. Albee invited Jenny to take the position as our Parish Business Manager.

Since my arrival as pastor, Jenny has been a critical aid in my responsibilities. Her professionalism has shown brightly in her administrative assignments. I depended on her awareness of the parishioners, history and culture of our parish. She is the friendly "face" of the Parish Office with vendors, staff, and volunteers. Valuing her skills, knowledge of the parish, and deep faith, I enjoyed and benefited from her presence on our administrative team. As she leaves employment, she reminded me that she is still a parishioner. She will continue to involve herself in service to our parish as a volunteer and in ministry. For which I am grateful.

Thank you Jenny for all you have given to Holy Cross parish.

In Christ Jesus, Msgr. Hernandez



MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

9 de marzo de 2025 1er Domingo de Cuaresma

Preparados o no preparados, la Cuaresma ha llegado a nuestra vida. Y, el Papa Francisco nos invita a reflexionar en lo siguiente: "Al comienzo de la Cuaresma nos hará bien a todos nosotros pedir la gracia de conservar la memoria de todo lo que el Señor ha hecho en mi vida: cómo me ha querido, cómo me ha amado. He aquí, pues, el significado de las expresiones: Mira hacia atrás - ¡que no es lo mismo que vuelve hacia atrás - el camino que has hecho. Y el bienestar, incluso espiritual, conlleva el peligro de caer en una cierta amnesia. Es precisamente en este momento cuando el corazón comienza a retroceder, porque no escucha la voz de su propio corazón: la memoria".

La Iglesia también nos ayuda a llevar este tiempo Santo de Cuaresma invitándonos a la penitencia, a la purificación y de compartir lo que tenemos y somos con los necesitados. Es por eso que el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días de ayuno y abstinencia. Los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia. Todos los viernes de Cuaresma, como todos los viernes del año, somos invitados a practicar nuestra fe con actos de penitencia. Tan sencillos como visitar algún enfermo, ayudarnos en familia, hacer oración y asistir a actos de piedad a la Iglesia local. (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, numeral 1438). Y lo principal, acercarnos a la Eucaristía dominical para refugiarnos en la Palabra de Dios, que es lo que nos da vida y nos hará llegar a la Pascua resucitados.



LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO

Primera lectura:

"Clamamos al Señor, el Dios de nuestros padres, y él escuchó nuestro clamor" (Dt 26,7)

Salmo:

Señor, quédate conmigo cuando esté en problemas. (Sal 91)

Segunda lectura:

Si confiesas con tu boca que Jesús es el Señor y crees en tu corazón que Dios lo resucitó de entre los muertos,

te salvarás. (Rm 10,9)

Evangelio:

Lleno del Espíritu Santo, Jesús regresó del Jordán y fue conducido por el Espíritu al desierto durante cuarenta días,

para ser tentado por el diablo. (Lc 4,1-2)

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Las lecturas de la semana del 9 de marzo de 2025

Domingo: Dt 26, 4-10/Sal 90, 1-2, 10-11, 12-13.

14-15 (ver 5)/Rom 10, 8-13/Lc 4, 1-

13

Lunes: Lv 19, 1-2. 11-18/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15/

Mt 25, 31-46

Martes: Is 55, 10-11/Sal 33, 4-5. 6-7. 16-17.

18-19/Mt 6, 7-15

Miércoles: Jon 3, 1-10/Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 18-19/

Lc 11, 29-32

Jueves: Est C, 12. 14-16. 23-25/Sal 137, 1-2.

2-3. 7-8/Mt 7, 7-12

Viernes: Ez 18, 21-28/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5-7. 7-

8/Mt 5, 20-26

Sábado: Dt 26, 16-19/Sal 118, 1-2. 4-5. 7-8/Mt

5, 43-48

Domingo siguiente: Gn 15, 5-12. 17-18/Sal 26, 1.

7-8. 8-9. 13-14/

Flp 3, 17—4, 1 o 3, 20—4, 1/

Lc 9, 28-36

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Faith Formation

Confirmation

Confirmation Year 1 meets this Sunday at 5:30P

The University Series 2025

During the season of Lent, The University Series offers a multitude of seminars connecting faith with real life in areas such as current events, contemporary moral issues, evangelization, faith and science, marriage and family, church history, scripture, prayer, young adult topics, and other priorities set by the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Synod. Sessions include multi-media presentations and always allow time for your questions. During Lent 2025, in-person presentations will be offered Monday-Thursday evenings and Friday lunchtimes. Registration is available on-line, or cash payment will be accepted at the door. Here are some important dates: Feb. 8-9 On-line registration begins. Purchase your Season Pass, or discounted single presentations at www.theuniversityseries.org Feb. 8-9 Catalogs will be available at all Masses March 3 (Midnight) Last date to purchase Season Pass or discounted single presentations March 6 -April 11 The University Series is in session, offering 81 in-person presentations View course descriptions and more information beginning Feb. 8-9 at www.theuniversityseries.org

Prayer of Identity

Dear God,

Claim me as Your own.

When I lose my way, remind me that I am Yours. When I'm plagued with doubt, fill me with Your love.

Amen.

Holy Cross Parishioners!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered the First Friday of every month. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am mass & continues until 6:00pm.

From 6:00pm -7:00pm, there is a Holy Hour in Spanish with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

We are currently in need of volunteers to commit to an hour of time with Our Lord. If you are available please contact: Kathy Johnston at

805-402-7856

Thank you!

A great way to donate to Holy Cross Church made easier!

Just scan the QR code and it will take you directly to our electronic giving with Faith Direct. Thank you for your support of Holy Cross Church.



Thank you to the Holy Cross Parish for all your support for the Faith Formation Program!

If you are a person who likes to supervise or "coach" children's games, the Faith Formation Program has a place for you! We are looking for Catechists to adapt lessons for kinesthetic learning. This Catechist would see three groups of children for 20 minutes at a time to play physical games adapted to the Catechetical theme for the week.

Please contact Marylee Nambu in the Faith Formation Office at 805-529-0283 or mnambu@holycross-moorpark.org.

The Faith Formation Office will assist with Finger Printing and Virtus.

Oración de Identidad

Querido Dios,

Reclámame como Tuyo.

Cuando pierda mi camino, recuérdame que soy Tuyo.

Cuando esté plagado de dudas, lléname de Tu amor. Amén.

Feligreses de la Santa Cruz!

La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento es ofrecida el primer viernes de cada mes. La Adoración comienza después de la misa de las 8:00am y continúa asta las 6:00pm.

De las 6:00pm - 7:00pm, hay una Hora Santa en español con La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento. Estamos necesitando voluntarios que se comprometan y enlisten para acompañar por una hora a Nuestro Señor. Si tú estás disponible y deseas hacerlo por favor contacta a:

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We always welcome new members to our Ministries

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Mass Intentions for the week 3/9

Sunday 7:30 am For Parshioners

10:00 am Claire Cipriano (RIP)

12:00 pm Rogelio & Guadalupe (RIP)

Monday 8:00 am Carmen Menchaca (RIP)

Tuesday 8:00 am Jose Guadalipe Valencia (RIP)

Wednesday 8:00 am Ed & Kathleen Brown (ILL)

Thursday 8:00 am Ryan Morris (RIP)

7:00 pm Juan Ramos Jr. (RIP)

Michael Ramos (RIP)

Friday 8:00 am Mike P. (RIP)

Saturday 4:00 pm Isabella Jaras (RIP)

