

Great Lent
2020

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Wedding at Cana

Date: Sunday, March 1st

Reading: John 2:1-11

Summary: This was the first miracle performed by Jesus. He transformed water into wine.

My Reflection: This was the first proof the Jesus was the son of man, by performing miracles no one else could.



Shubkhono

Date: Monday, March 2st (celebrated on Sunday, March 1st)

Prayer: Psalm 51

Significance: This is a day of reconciliation to start off the Great Lent.

My Reflection: This shows that Jesus truly is the man of God, for no mortal could accomplish such feats. This proves that our God is the one true God.

Sunday Of Lepers (Garbo)

Date: Sunday, March 8th

Reading: St. Luke 5:12-16, 4:40-41, St. Mark 1: 32-45, St. Mark 9: 14-29, Genesis 7: 6-24, II Kings 5: 1-14, Isaiah 33:2-9, Acts 9: 22-31, Romans 3: 27-4:5

Summary: Jesus cast out all the demons from the sick and possessed, healing them.

My Reflection: This miracle is very important and relatable to our current situation. If we repent and put faith in Jesus, he will protect us and heal us.



Sunday of the Paralytic (Mshario)

Date: Sunday, March 15th

Reading: St. Mark 2: 1-12, St. Luke 5: 17-26, St. John 5: 1-18, Ezekiel 33: 23-34:12, Exodus 4: 10-17, II Kings 2: 1-11, Isaiah 5: 20-25, Acts 5:12-16, 19: 8-12, Romans 5: 20-25

Summary: Jesus forgave a paralytic, but when many people were in disbelief he said to the paralytic to take his mat and walk home. The man did just that, shocking the disbelievers.

My Reflection: Despite the bleak situation we must have continuous faith in Jesus, for him to protect us.

Sunday of the Canaanite Woman

Date: Sunday, March 22nd

Reading: St. Mark 7: 24-37, St. Luke 7:10-17, I Samuel 7: 10-17, Numbers 17: 1-8, Isaiah 56: 1-7, Acts 4: 1-12, Romans 7: 14-25, Matthew 15: 21-28

Summary: A Canaanite Woman begs Jesus to heal her possessed daughter. Jesus said " It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs.". The woman stated that "Yes it is, Lord, even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table."

My Reflection: This represents spiritual blindness. We must listen to Jesus to become aware.



Mid Lent

Date: Wednesday March 18th

Readings: St. Matthew 17:22-27, St. John 3:13-21, Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 34: 1-9, Zechariah 12:6-14, Acts 15:22-33, II Corinthians 9: 1-15, St. John 3: 13-21

Significance: This is the only day where Qurbana is celebrated on a Wednesday. This is celebrated by a procession around the church.

Sunday of the Crippled Woman

Date: Sunday, March 29th

Reading: St. Luke 13:10-17, St. Luke 7: 11-17, Genesis 9: 1-7, Jeremiah 51: 1-9, Barazera 51: 13-30, I Peter 3:8-16, Romans 12: 1-15,

Summary: A crippled woman approached Jesus on Sabbath and was healed. The synagogue leader said that the woman could come on any other day except sabbath. Jesus was appalled by their actions at said that “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?” His opponents were put to shame while the people rejoiced.

My Reflection: I believe Jesus hears your prayers everyday.

Annunciation of St. Mary

Date: Wednesday, March 25th

Reading: St. Luke 8 : 16-21, St. Mark 3: 31-35, Deuteronomy 26: 16-27: 10, Judges 13: 2-14, Zechariah 2: 10-13, 4: 1-7, 8: 3, Isaiah 63: 15-64: 5, I John 3: 2-17, Hebrews 6: 13-7: 10

Summary: This is a feast celebrated twice a year. This was when Gabriel told St. Mary that she will have a son, by the power of the holy spirit, who's name is Jesus.



My Reflection: This is significant because this was this was when the holy spirit was vested in her.

Sunday of the Blind Man (Saymo)

Date: Sunday, April 5th

Reading: St. Mark 10: 46-52, St Matthew 9: 27-31, Deuteronomy 25: 13-16, 26:1-13, Job 42: 1-10, I Peter 4:12-19, II Corinthians 9: 6-15, Ephesians 5: 1- 14, St John 9: 1-41

Summary: Jesus told a man born blind to bathe in the pool of Siloam. The man returned seeing.

My Reflection: This is represents spiritual blindness. We must listen to Jesus to become aware.



Saturday of Lazarus

Date: Saturday, April 6th

Readings: St. Luke 10: 38-42, St. John 11: 1-8, 11-27, Leviticus 27: 30-33, Isaiah 61: 1-9, I Peter 2: 6-10, Ephesians 1: 15-2:7, St. John. 11: 28-46.

Summary: Jesus brought back Lazarus from the dead, defeating Death itself. This is also the Saturday before the 1st important day of the Holy Week.

My Reflection: This is important because Jesus faced and conquered what man fears most- Death. This also sets in motion Jesus' death.



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Holy Week

Palm Sunday

Date: Sunday, April 5th

Reading: Zechariah 9: 9-12, Isaiah 51: 9-11, I John 2: 7-14, Romans 11: 13-24, St. Mark 11: 1-11, Genesis 49: 8-15, I Samuel 2: 18 -26, 16 : 1, Daniel 1: 16 - 20, Micah 4: 1 -5, I Kings 3: 4 - 14, Zephaniah 3: 11 -20, Jeremiah 30: 18-22

Summary: A feast celebrating Jesus' triumphant return to Jerusalem.



My Reflection: This event shows the humility of Christ.

Passover

Date: Wednesday, April 8th

Reading

Summary: God passes through the land of Egypt and strikes down the firstborn of every household. But the Jews have been told to mark their doors with the blood of a lamb they've sacrificed – the Passover offering – and so God “passes over” their homes.



Passover and Maundy Thursday

Date: Wednesday, April 8th, Thursday, April 9th,

Reading: St. John 13: 1-20, Exodus 12:14

Summary: Maundy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles and Washing of the feet while Passover represents the feast the Israelites had, to protect their firstborns while God struck down the other children in Egypt.

My Reflection: This also shows how humble he is. When a follower of Christ, one must be humble.



Good Friday (Hasha)

Date: Friday, April 10th

Reading: Leviticus 4: 1-7, 16; 3 - 34, Numbers 19: 1-11, Acts 22: 30-23: 16, I Corinthians 1: 18-31, Hebrews 9: 11 -14, St. Matthew 27: 3 -10, St. Mark 15: 1-10, St. Luke 22: 66-71, St. Matthew 27: 12 - 31, St. Mark 15: 12 - 18, St. Luke 23: 26 -34, St. Matthew 27:34, St. John 19:23-24., St. Matthew 27: 36- 37, St. Luke 23: 39 -45, St. John 19: 25- 27, St. Matthew 27: 45-56, St. Mark 15: 33-41, St. Luke 23: 44-49, St. John 19: 23-30, Genesis 22: 1-14, Exodus 17: 8-14, Isaiah 52: 13-53: 8, I Peter 2: 19-25, Galatians 2: 20 - 3: 14, 6: 11-18, St. Luke 23: 55 - 5, St. John 19: 31 - 42

Summary: This is the day Jesus died on the cross for our sins

My Reflection: This was God's greatest sacrifice- his own son- for us and our sins.



Holy Saturday

Date: Saturday, April 11th

Reading: St. Matthew 27: 61, St. Luke 23: 50-24: 12, St. John 19: 31-42, St. Matthew 27:62-66, Genesis 8: 1-12, Zechariah 12: 11-13: 7, Jeremiah 38: 2-13, Micah 7 : 8 -13, I Peter 3: 13 -22, Romans 6: 1-14, St. Matthew 27: 62 - 66, I John 4: 11-21, I Corinthians 13: 4-10, St. Matthew 18: 12- 35

Summary: This is the day Jesus laid in his tomb.

My Reflection: This is the day Christianity's faith came to play. Christians still believed that Christ will rise.

Easter

Date : Sunday, April 12th

Reading: St. Mark 16: 1- 8, St. Luke 24: 1-12, St. John 20: 1-18, Isaiah 60: 17-22, I Peter 5: 5-14, Romans 16: 1-16, St. John 14: 27, 15: 11-15, 17-19, Leviticus 23: 26 - 32, Isaiah 60: 1-7, 11-16, 61: 10-62: ,Acts 2: 22 -36, I Corinthians 15: 1- 19, St. Matthew 28: 1-20

Summary: After 3 days, Jesus has risen from the dead and join God in Heaven

My reflection: This shows that Jesus truly is the man of God, for no mortal could accomplish such feats. This proves that our God is the one true God.