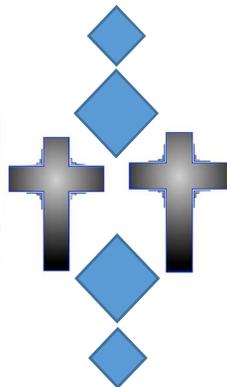


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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent: March 21&22, 2026**

GATHERING HYMN

**WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS**

WONDROUS LOVE



1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will  
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



1. soul? What won-drous love is this, O my soul? What  
2. sing; To God and to the Lamb, I will sing; To  
3. on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And



1. won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
2. God and to the Lamb, who is the great I  
3. when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



1. bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my  
2. AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
3. be, And through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



1. soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
2. sing; While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.  
3. on! And through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on.

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THE CONFITEOR:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:12-14 (34A)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 130:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8

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Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;  
LORD, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive  
to my voice in supplication. R

I trust in the LORD;  
my soul trusts in his word.  
More than sentinels wait for the dawn,  
let Israel wait for the LORD. R

If you, O LORD, mark iniquities,  
LORD, who can stand?  
But with you is forgiveness,  
that you may be revered. R

For with the LORD is kindness  
and with him is plenteous redemption;  
and he will redeem Israel  
from all their iniquities. R

SECOND READING

Romans 8:8-11

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [Please stand]

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Verse: I am the resurrection and the life, says the LORD;  
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die. R

GOSPEL

John 11:1-45

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS - PREPARATION HYMN

## The Love of the Lord

1. All that I count - ed as gain  
2. Rich - es and hon - ors will fade,  
3. Sil - ver and gold have I none,  
4. Faith is the wealth I pos - sess

now I con - sid - er as loss,  
earth - ly de - light dis - ap - pear,  
no land to count as my home, yet  
Find - ing its source in my God:

emp - ty and worth - less to me in the  
fade like the grass of the field in the  
wealth be - yond meas - ure I own in the  
faith in the prom - ise of Christ is my

1., 3. light of the love of the Lord.  
2., 4. light of the love of the Lord.  
light of the love of the Lord.  
life and my love of the Lord.

What more could bring us hope than to know the pow'r of his  
life? What more could bring us peace than to  
share in his suf-f'ring and death? What more could be our  
fi - nal wish than to live in the love of the Lord?

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## SANCTUS



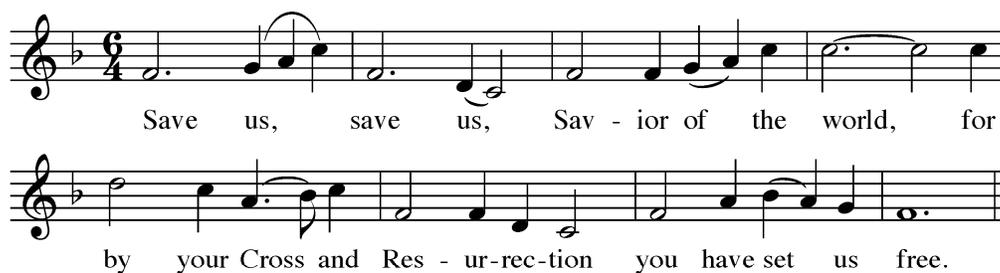
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## MYSTERY OF FAITH



Save us, save us, Sav - ior of the world, for  
by your Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

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## GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,  
have mer-cy on us. grant us peace.

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## ~COMMUNION RITE~

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- V.** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lord.
- R.** Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

(For the communion procession, we ask that you form two lines in the center aisle, starting from the front, one row at a time, and then return to your pew by the side aisles. All are welcome to join in the communion procession. If you are not Catholic, or for spiritual, medical, or other reasons receiving Communion is not the right choice for you today, you can still come forward for a blessing. Simply fold your arms across your chest as you approach the priest or deacon.)

COMMUNION HYMN

# Eat This Bread

Refrain

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

Verse 1

1. Christ is the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Fa - ther. D.C.

Verse 2

2. Our an - ces - tors ate man - na in the des - ert, but this is the bread come down from heav - en. D.C.

Verse 3

3. Eat his flesh and drink his blood, and Christ will raise you up on the last day. D.C.

Verse 4

4. An-y-one who eats this bread, will live for ev-er. D.C.

Verse 5

5. If we be-lieve and eat this bread, we will have e - ter-nal life. D.C.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

# THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS

ERHALT UNS, HERR



1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days We cel - e -
2. A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw The lov - ing
3. So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, De - liv - ered
4. Then grant that we like them be true, Con - sumed in
5. O Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest, To you be



1. brate with songs of praise; For Christ, by whom all
2. God who gave the law; And to E - li - jah,
3. from the li - ons' might; And John, the Bride - groom's
4. fast and pray'r with you; Our spir - its strength - en
5. ev - 'ry pray'r ad - dressed; Who are in three - fold



1. things were made, Him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
2. fast - ing, came The steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
3. friend, be - came The her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
4. with your grace, And give us joy to see your face.
5. Name a - dored, From age to age the on - ly Lord.

Text: LM; *Clarum decus jejunii*; St. Gregory the Great, ca. 540–604; tr. fr. the *English Hymnal*, 1906; Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt. Music: J. Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1543; adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, alt.

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### *The Prayer of Saint Michael the Archangel*

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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### *The Pope's prayer intention for March:*

**For disarmament and peace:** Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



## **Our Business Manager Left. Now What?**

Answered by: Father Jay

There has been a lot of worry about Dawn's departure. I understand that, but I want you all to know that this is part of a larger restructuring plan. While we all appreciate the hard work Dawn did for us, part of that hard work was setting us up to continue to succeed without her. We will not be hiring another network-level position at this time.

I have said this to our office volunteers, but now I say it to you all. Dawn did so much for us. If there was something Dawn did for you – orders, questions, or permissions that she handled – and we have not yet been in touch to let you know who to go to in future, please call the office at 518-943-3150. Don't assume that we know everything. None of us are perfect, but I believe by working together we can catch any missed details before we trip on them.

So – what are our plans, if not to replace Dawn? In the short term, we are making sure everything is in place for Holy Week. In the longer term, we are restructuring. Bishop Mark's new approach to pastoral planning may open new opportunities for us. He seems eager to give parishioners real and practical agency in determining the future of their parishes.

Our staff and clergy are agreed that more support is currently needed at the community level, not in the network office. In the coming months, we will be creating and recruiting for more volunteer roles for specific tasks. What's most needed now from the office, therefore, is support for our growing volunteer teams in the community.

In order to provide that support, we are looking at adapting the former network-level volunteer coordinator position into multiple smaller community-based roles. We are still evaluating the exact scope of these positions and whether they will be hired or volunteers themselves.

Changes are inevitable, and often uncomfortable. But they can also bring good. While I cannot see the future, I trust in God's care for us. I ask you all to walk forward with me, in faith and hope.