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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. **Spanish** (piano & cantor)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. **English** (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. **Spanish** (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. **English** (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. **Vietnamese** (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays	8:30 a.m. Spanish (Mon-Fri.)	12:10 p.m. English (Mon-Fri)
	7:45 a.m. Vietnamese (Thu & Sat)	

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grades Kindergarten - 8.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon open (12 pm - 1 pm closed)
1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open
SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

GOD'S ACTIONS NOW



When Jews celebrate the Passover, they always tell the story of the Exodus in present terms, as if they themselves experienced those events: when we were prisoners in Egypt; when God brought us out of slavery and through the waters of the sea. We would do well to follow their example and see the works of Jesus and his sacrifice as being in the present, as happening to us now. We believe that Christ's work, his teachings, and his sacrifice on the cross were not just for his followers in the past, but for all people at all times. When we think of this in our prayers, we become one in faith with that great cloud of witnesses, the saints.

We have been striving through Lent to repent of our sins and failings, and to follow Jesus more closely. Today in the story of the woman caught in adultery, we see Jesus forgiving the woman, saving her from a horrible death, and urging her not to sin any more. This is new, and brings out something for which the law had not allowed—forgiveness. Of course one can sin

no more if one is dead, caught in one's sins forever. But Jesus introduces the concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — See, I am doing something new! (Isaiah 43:16-21) *or* Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) *or* Psalm 130.

Second Reading — I have been taken possession of by Christ Jesus (Philippians 3:8-14) *or* Romans 8:8-11.

Gospel — Go, and from now on do not sin any more (John 8:1-11) *or* John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Next weekend, many churches provide palms to be carried in the opening moments of the liturgy, as we gratefully recall Jesus' entry into the holy city of Jerusalem. The children who greeted him on that day used what was both handy and traditional, since palms were carried to inaugurate the joyful harvest feast of Succoth. To this day, faithful Jews are directed to take a beautiful palm branch, green and straight as possible, called a *lulav*, and bind it with three myrtle branches fifteen inches long, and two longer willow branches. At the end of the temple service, everyone carries the *lulav*, circling the sanctuary in a dance called the *Hoshanot*, singing hymns of joy.

In other climates, Jews and Christians alike have had to make accommodations over the years. In Italy, everyone carries olive branches today, often brought from their own garden. In England, forsythia branches are preferred, a relative of the olive, sign of peace. Germans prefer pussywillows, and others look for flowering spring branches. In our part of the world, what do you think would be the best choice to express joy and welcome, and to remind us of the joy of Christ's victory even as we prepare to commemorate his passion?

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

Thursday

St. Stanislaus

Friday

Abstinence

Saturday

St. Martin I

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The Augustinian Volunteers are recent college graduates between the ages of 21-29 who feel called to spend a year in service to others while living in an intentional community. Volunteers serve with local community partners in social service, campus ministry, and education placements. By engaging in a way of life inspired by the Augustinian Friars, volunteers experience personal and spiritual development as they build relationships with fellow volunteers and those they serve. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2018-2019 volunteer year for our sites in Lawrence, MA, Philadelphia, PA, San Diego, CA, Ventura, CA and Chulucanas, Peru. If interested, please visit www.augustinianvolunteers.org or contact us at info@augustinianvolunteers.org

LECTORS SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Apr 7	Genevive Persaud David Le	Melissa Rivera-Jovel Josephine Nguyen
Apr 14	David Le Felisha Fabian	Josephine Nguyen Daisy Soler
Apr 21	Marilyn Torain Genevive Persaud	Camille Luke Andre Johnson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Apr 7	Bethzabe Vera Rosa Susana	Gregory Ender Pereta Rodriguez
Apr 14	Yvonne Ebea Bethzabe Vera	Ed Nolan Marilyn Martin
Apr 21	Rosa Susana Yvonne Ebea	Ed Nolan Pereta Rodriguez

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MARCH 24, 2019

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Children: \$2.00 Fuel: \$986.00
Total: \$7,238.42

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 8, 2019

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 8, 2019

Monday
8:30am Anderlis de Jesus (D)
12:10pm
Tuesday
8:30am Maria Josefa Parache (D)
12:10pm
Wednesday
8:30am Maria (D)
12:10pm
Thursday
7:45am Giuse Quang & Ine Huong (D)
8:30am
12:10pm
Friday
8:30am
12:10pm
Saturday
7:45am Giuse Gioi & Phêro Trieu (D)
7:00pm Felix Maria Rosario (D); Maria Lora de Anico & Maximo Anico (D); Elsa & Darlin (D)
Sunday
8:00am Jasper Kamara (D); Raquel & Pedro Penaherrera (D)
9:30am Accion de gracias por un año mas de vida-Hermenegina Gonzalez
11:30am Cornelia Garcia (D)
1:30pm Gioan Chat & Maria Nghi

We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.

We pray for the sick: Rosalia Saez Orta
We pray for the dead:

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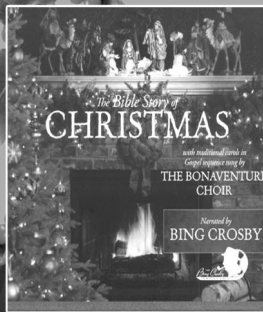
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