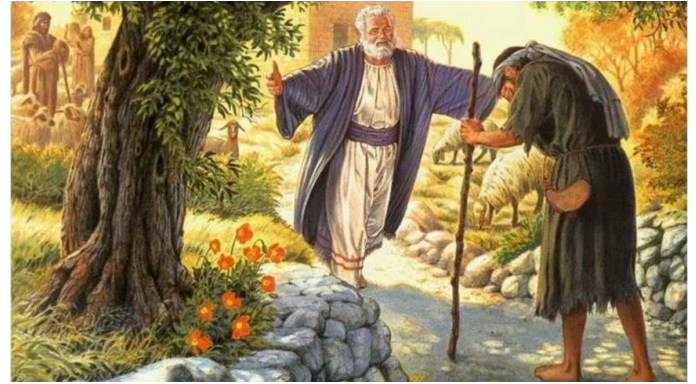


Iglesia La Sagrada Familia

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Cycle C – Liturgic color: Purple

March 29th & 30th of 2025



First Reading

God's people celebrated Easter as they entered the promised land.

Reading from the Book of Joshua (5, 9. 10-12)

Then the Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you.” So, the place has been called Gilgal to this day. On the evening of the fourteenth day of the month, while camped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, the Israelites celebrated the Passover. The day after the Passover, that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land: unleavened bread and roasted grain. The manna stopped the day after they ate this food from the land; there was no longer any manna for the Israelites, but that year they ate the produce of Canaan.

Word of God. We praise You, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 33

R. Do the test and you will see how good the Lord is.

I will bless the Lord at all hours, my mouth will not cease to praise Him. I am proud of the Lord, that his people rejoice in listening to him. **R.**

Let us proclaim the greatness of the Lord and praise his power together. When I went to the Lord, He listened to me and delivered me from all my fears. **R.**

Trust in the Lord and you will jump for pleasure, you will never feel disappointed, because the Lord hears the cry of the poor and frees them from all their anguish. **R.**

Second Reading

God reconciled us to Himself through Christ.

Reading From the Second Letter of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (5:17-21)

Brethren: He who lives according to Christ is a new creature; for him all the old has passed away. Everything is new. All this comes from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. For, in Christ, God reconciled the world to himself and renounced taking into account the sins of men, and he entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors of Christ, and through us, it is God Himself to exhort you. In the name of Christ, we ask you to let yourselves be reconciled with God. The one who never committed sin, God made it "sin" for us, so that, united with him, we may receive God's salvation and become just and holy.

Word of God. We praise You, Lord.

Holy Gospel

Your brother was dead and has come back to life.

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

(15, 1-3. 11-32)

Glory to you, Lord.

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Then Jesus told them this parable:

The Parable of the Lost Son

Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So, he divided his property between them. "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So, he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So, he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. "The son said to him, 'Father, I

have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So, they began to celebrate. “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So, he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’ “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So, his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’ ““My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

Word of the Lord *Glory to you, Lord Jesus.*