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All Are Welcome!

Sunday Liturgy—10:00 am Celebrant—Fr. Frank Jasper & Guest Celebrants

The weekday Liturgy schedule may change during the month. Please, check the daily schedule in the back of the Chapel. Or on our website at: www.franciscansistersofthepoor.org

Adoration: First Friday of the Month 10:30 am—12:00 pm

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The Fast Life

Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them. Fast from fear of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.

Fast from words that pollute; Feast on speech that purifies.

Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; Feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; Feast on hope.

Fast from negatives; Feast on encouragement.

Fast from bittemess; Feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion.

Fast from suspicion; Feast on truth.

Fast from gossip; Feast on purposeful silence.

 ${\it Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that sustains.}$

Fast from anxiety; Feast on faith.

- Author Unknown



Lenten Season ...

For us as 21^{st} Century Christians, Lent is a season of the "bittersweet". As we commemorate the Passion of Jesus, we fully understand the bitter injustice, suffering and death of our Lord. However, we have the advantage of knowing how this saga ends (no spoiler alert needed) with the sweetness of the miraculous resurrection and the glory of salvation. However, those nearest and dearest to the heart of Jesus at that time, knew not only the tragic and traumatic loss of Jesus but the loss of their dream of a new kingdom, a new world order. In the moment from their reality, it was a hopeless situation due to what was to happen was both unimaginable and impossible. But it does!

Isn't that reflective of our lives' perspective as well? During our lifetime, we experience losses that leave us not only broken but shattered. Loses that leave us inconsolable and hopeless when facing an unimaginable future. Like the Disciples, it feels like the bitterness of life is all that reality has to offer us in the present moment. And here is where being 21st Century Christians is to our great advantage. We can trust that God continues to be at work in mysterious ways in our lives; resurrecting our brokenness, holding us together with tenderness and returning us to the sweetness of his love and faithfulness. This is what God has done throughout history and will continue to do forever, which leads me to conclude that this "bittersweet" life with God is well worth the journey.

Catholic Sisters Week

Catholic Sisters Week began in 2015 as part of National Women's History Month. It is now an official component of Women's History Month.

Vowed religious women give public witness to Christ through serving in a diversity of ministerial works. They often work on the frontlines of global change, striving to improve aspects of society, especially for those on the margins of society. Prayer and communal life are integral parts of the lives of women religious as well as ministry.

CATHOLIC SISTERS WEEK

March 8 - 14, 2024

Each religious Congregation witnesses to the Gospel, they do so through their unique charism or gift of the Spirit of God. How the gift is lived can change as the world changes and the membership of the Congregation shifts. Today, many Congregations are living their charisms more broadly through the work and deeds of non-vowed women and men who make a formal commitment to these charisms as Associates, Oblates or Third Order covenants.

Let us thank God for the wondrous ways the Spirit of God continues to invite and call.



Join Us!

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, March 1st 10:30 AM-12:00 PM St. Clare Chapel

Station of the cross

Video presentations Fridays - 4:00 PM Peace Center—Schervier Hall

Wisdom Wednesday

March 13th 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Peace Center—Schervier Hall

Centering Prayer

Every Tuesdays 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Peace Center-Garden Room

Weekday Liturgy

Celebrant - Fr. Norm Langenbrunner **Tuesdays and Thurdays** 10:00 AM St. Clare Chapel

Communion Service or Daily TV Mass

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 10:00 AM St. Clare Chapel

Taize' Prayer

March 19th - 6:00 PM St. Clare Chapel



March 10th-11:00 AM **Peace Center**



St. Patric's Day

Wisdom

A Monthly Dose of Inspiration Every second Wednesday of the Month

Join us & Invite a Friend to explore

James Webb Telescope

Our Awesome God

Presenter: C.J. Willie, SC

March 13, 2024

6:30—8:00 pm

Schervier Hall & Zoom Zoom Meeting ID: 399-246-9387

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Pope Francis Message

"To the extent that this Lent becomes a time of Conversion, an anxious humanity will notice a burst of creativity, a flash of new Hope. Allow me to repeat what I told the young people whom I met in Lisbon last summer: "Keep seeking and be ready to take risks. At this moment in time, we face enormous risks; we hear the painful plea of so many people. Indeed, we are experiencing a third world war fought piecemeal. Yet let us find the courage to see our world, not as being in its death throes but in a process of giving birth, not as an end but beginning of a great new chapter of history.

We need Courage to think like this."

- Pope Francis Lenten Message, 2024

Theme: Through the Desert God Leads Us to Freedom



Holy Thursday

Liturgy 6:00 PM St. Clare Chapel

Good Friday

Station of the Cross - 1:00 PM Peace Center—Schervier Hall Communion Service 3:00 PM St. Clare Chapel

Holy Saturday

Communion Service 7:00 PM St. Clare Chapel

Easter Sanday

Liturgy 10:00 AM St. Clare Chapel

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