

Holy Redeemer Chapel

✠ ROMAN CATHOLIC ✠

PRE-VATICAN II - TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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Third Sunday of Lent

March 23rd, 2025

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Casting Out the Devil from the Dumb Man

“And when he had cast out the devil, the dumb spoke, and the multitudes were in admiration at it.” (Luke 11, 14)

* **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** *

Sunday, March 23 rd	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT ✠Michael J. Brumbaugh (<i>The Brumbaugh family</i>) 8:00 A.M. ✠Edmond Joseph Oberti -death anniv. (<i>Mrs. Diana Oberti</i>) 10:30 A.M.
Monday, March 24 th	St. Gabriel , Archangel 11:15 A.M. Conversion of my children (<i>Mrs. Lan Hoang</i>)
Tuesday, March 25 th	ANNUNCIATION OF THE BVM 11:15 A.M. ✠Katherine Dang -birthday (<i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i>)
Wednesday, March 26 th	Ferial Day 11:15 A.M. Conversion of my children (<i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i>)
Thursday, March 27 th	St. John Damascene , CD 11:15 A.M. Daniel F. Pablo -birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Wilfredo Pablo</i>)
Friday, March 28 th	St. John of Capistrano , C 11:15 A.M. All workers on kidney dialysis (<i>Mr. Mark Cash</i>)
Saturday, March 29 th	Ferial Day 9:00 A.M. ✠Michelle Christine Tibbetts (<i>Holy Redeemer Chapel</i>)
Sunday, March 30 th	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT ✠D. Lambert, children & grandchildren (<i>Mrs. V. Hunkeler</i>) 8:00 A.M. Special Intentions (<i>Mr. Richard Hevron</i>) 10:30 A.M.

* **ANNOUNCEMENTS** *

- **IN YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF MICHELLE TIBBETTS**, mother of Michael Tibbetts, who passed away last week. Her Funeral Mass will take place on Saturday, at 11:00 A.M.
- **PARISH BAKE SALE.** The *Altar & Rosary Society* is organizing a Parish Bake Sale for **March 30th**. All parishioners are invited to participate by baking & buying. Proceeds will be used for Easter flowers.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT:** every **Saturday after 9:00 A.M. Mass.** The Stations will conclude by a blessing with a relic of the true Cross (*Holy Redeemer Chapel*)
- **HOLY MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:** Sundays at 5:30 P.M. **Potluck** every 1st Sunday of the month after Mass.

SAYINGS OF THE SAINTS

Fasting

- "I say the same now: if your fast is without humility it is worth nothing and cannot be pleasing to the Lord! ... Now, according to the Apostle, all that is done without charity is not pleasing to God, so I say, in the same way with this great Saint, that if you fast without humility, your fast is of no value. For if you have not humility you have not charity and if you are without charity, you are also without humility. It is almost impossible to have charity without being humble and to be humble without having charity. These two virtues have such an affinity with one another that the one can never be without the other!." *St. Francis de Sales*

Hardness of heart as punishment from God. We are so stupid that God has to use symbols and signs to teach us. Thus, He punished the first sin of Adam with death so that we could see how dangerous sin is and what it does in the soul. In the same way, to show us what a terrible thing it would be if God abandoned the soul, allowing her to be hardened in her evil, He allowed the devils to possess the bodies of men, so that we could see how they are treated. Men do not sin so much by not knowing as by not willing. The truth is in the intellect shouting to be heard; it is a good thing to fast, to keep chaste... and from thence, naturally the same truth would like to pass to the will and then into action, and that is what the good people do...But the evil ones imprison that truth unjustly, closing it up in the mind, and refuse to let the will act on it. Then God allows them to continue in their vices and, although it is true that they find much pleasure in them, nevertheless, God's intention is, in leaving them alone in this life, to impose a terrible punishment on them later.

He removes grace and his special helps. God is the universal cause of that spiritual light which illuminates every man who comes into this world, not of necessity, but because He willed it freely, with infinite wisdom and counsel. Thus, when anyone maliciously refuses to take advantage of that light and closes the doors of his will, so God also withdraws that light, not sending His special favors, and he remains dark, not merely because he wills it but also because God has withdrawn His grace...this abandonment by God has three effects; blindness in the intellect, deafness in the ears and hardness of the will; and this is the very limit to which the evil of man can bring him and the most terrible punishment which God can inflict.

He does not rend his heart in sorrow. Alexander, in drink, killed his friend Clitus and then, on discovering what he had done, wished to kill himself. 'What must he feel who, drunk with his passions, has crucified with his sins the Christ of God?'

Is not softened by piety. He quotes St. Paul: or is it that thou art presuming on that abundant kindness of his, which bears with thee and waits for thee? Dost thou not know that God's kindness is inviting thee to repent? This kindness the hardened heart despises, made even worse by these delays of divine justice. Traitor, are you unaware of the fact that these delays of God's mercy are given you that you may satisfy his justice by penance?

Does not give way before threats. How many times he has heard the rigor of justice preached, the fear of its signs and the certainty of death...and having heard all this, he goes off to play and to laugh, he goes to his bed as if he were a saint. **Punishments harden him.** Under the troubles which heal others he grows more sick. In illness he rebels, at the loss of anything he blasphemes, in injustice done to him he curses, in poverty he steals, lies and deceives...It was not peace that you made, but a mere truce, in order to return once more to your cruel war. **Ungrateful.** He neither esteems them nor knows them and to all of them he is ungrateful. **Heedless of counsels.** Proud, fond only of his own opinion, he will not even listen to those of others, thus he falls and crashes. **Cruel in judgments.** Just as, for himself, he is slack and lax, in the case of others, he is without mercy...You will see some sinners who, in their lives and works, are nothing less than fiends incarnate; no sooner do they know of another's fault than they condemn him... **Shameless.** They flaunt their sins as did the inhabitants of Sodom. They fear neither God nor man. Let each one look into his heart and take the pulse of his life; and if there he finds any of these bad signs, let him apply the remedy while there is yet time, before he becomes hardened. Not all stones are equally hard although all are stones.

* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS *



Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE *

For Men: A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION *



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at (206) 299-1522. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at (586) 215-3251.

- **Confession Schedule:** Sundays & Holydays, 30 minutes before Mass. Saturdays after Mass.
- **Blessing of Religious Articles:** Every First Sunday of the month at the communion rail.
- **Mass Intentions:** For your Mass requests there are Mass Intention envelopes available in vestibule.
- **Building Fund:** A 2nd Collection is taken on the *First Sunday* of each month. This Special Collection will go toward remodeling and building expenses.
- **St. Lawrence Poor Box:** Donations will help the poor and needy. *“He who gives to the poor suffers no want, but he who ignores them shall suffer indigence.”* (Prov. 28:27)
- **Purgatory League:** Holy Mass & Prayers for our deceased parishioners are offered on the First Sunday of each month. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*
- **Registration at Holy Redeemer Chapel:** If you intend to attend Holy Redeemer Chapel regularly, please complete the Registration Card in the vestibule.