



ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD

JOSHUA 24:15

LENT 2021



Lord, let your mercy
be on us, as we place
our trust in you.

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Create in me a clean heart, O God!

- Psalm 51

As we have always done, we will offer opportunities this Lent for prayer, growth in the knowledge of the faith, and service. Unfortunately because of the pandemic, attendance may be limited. However, whenever possible, we will offer opportunities for others to participate via livestream. Please see the following three pages for our offerings this Lent.

Please note the following regarding codes seen on the following pages:

(R*) and (R**) = Registration on SignUpGenius is necessary to attend these Masses and other liturgical events

(LS) = These service will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/c/StPauloftheCrossChurch

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAYS OF LENT

Adoration	9:00 am	Upper Church	(R*) (LS)
Stations of the Cross	7:30 pm	Upper Church	(R**)

In order to attend Adoration, you must register to attend the 8:30 Mass on Friday and stay for Adoration.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSION

Wednesdays	3:00 to 4:00 pm	Upper Church	<i>(no confession on March 31)</i>
Saturdays	8:00 to 9:00 am	Upper Church	<i>(no confession on April 3)</i>
March 27	2:00 to 4:00 pm	Gym	
March 29, 30, and 31	6:00 to 7:00 pm	Gym	

DAY OF SUPPLICATION

March 13, 2021

Mass in Solidarity	10:00 am	Upper Church	(R**) (LS)
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As we celebrate the passion and death of the Lord during this Lenten season, let us unite in solidarity with all those who are suffering. All of us have suffered tremendously for over a year because of this virus. People's lives have been rudely disrupted. Families could not gather together and friends could not even hug each other. Some, struck by Covid, died alone. We will gather to offer a Mass for all those who have been adversely impacted by the pandemic: couples that could not celebrate their wedding with the usual festivities; families that could not celebrate a full funeral; people who lost jobs; individuals affected by the virus but recovered; doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals; seniors who spent their days in seclusion. We will pray for those who died from March 2020 to February 2021, especially those who passed away because of Covid. If you would like us to pray for your family member or friend who passed away stricken by the virus during the above-mentioned time period, go to our website and fill out a form or call our parish office at 847-825-7605.

FEAST OF ST JOSEPH

March 18, 2021

Prayer Service	7:30 pm	Upper Church	(R**) (LS)
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Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has declared a Year of St Joseph that will span from December 8th, 2020 until December 8th, 2021. As a parish we have received many graces and blessings through the intercession of the foster father of the Savior. In gratitude, we will gather to pray, to listen and to honor this humble saint. Our prayer time will conclude with a short period of adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

ANNUNCIATION

March 25, 2021

Candlelight Rosary	7:30 pm	Upper Church	(R**) (LS)
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Sponsored by the Respect Life Committee, we will pray to the Blessed Mother that she will intercede for the unborn and all life on the feast of Jesus' conception.

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FAITH EDUCATION

WHAT DO CATHOLICS BELIEVE?

Last year during Lent, we featured a presentation series on our Catholic Faith entitled, “What do Catholics believe?” Unfortunately, the arrival of the virus interrupted our talks. We are resuming those presentations along with an additional talk on “What does it mean ‘to believe’?” The number of attendees is limited to 70 persons but everyone can attend the talks by watching on our livestream. The recordings of the talks will be available on our website.

- Session 1** **WHAT DO CATHOLICS BELIEVE ABOUT THE EUCHARIST?** (R**) (LS)
March 1, 2021 Upper Church @ 7:30 pm
Presenter: Deacon Bob
- Session 2** **WHAT DO CATHOLICS BELIEVE ABOUT THE CHURCH?** (R**) (LS)
March 8, 2021 Upper Church @ 7:30 pm
Presenter: Dr Robert Berchmans
- Session 3** **WHAT IS FAITH? WHAT DOES IT MEAN “TO BELIEVE?”** (R**) (LS)
March 15, 2021 Upper Church @ 7:30 pm
Presenter: Fr Britto
- Session 4** **WHAT DO CATHOLICS BELIEVE ABOUT HEAVEN, HELL AND PURGATORY?** (R**) (LS)
March 22, 2021 Upper Church @ 7:30 pm
Presenter: Fr Britto



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SACRIFICE

LENTEN ALMSGIVING 2021

HELP THE PUREPECHA INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY IN MECCA, CA BUILD A CHURCH



The Diocese of San Bernardino, California claims one of the largest concentrations of immigrants in the country, many of whom settle in the area for farming work in the fertile Coachella Valley. This is a rich agricultural area where limes, dates, broccoli, and other crops are grown. The farmworkers in this area are mostly indigenous people called Purépechas. Purépecha community members would often attend Mass when Bishop Barnes was present.

Bishop Barnes once celebrated Easter Sunday Mass atop a flatbed truck that was translated from Spanish into Purépecha. "We are not living the lives they are living, but we understand their struggles. My presence here tells the larger community that these people are important. I want to tell them the way they are is OK and they need not feel ashamed," said Bishop Barnes during the Mass. COVID-19 cases continue to increase rapidly in the Coachella Valley, and infection rates are upwards of 40 percent. Father Francisco Valdovinos, pastor of this community, worked tirelessly this past year, hosting virtual events, distributing tens of thousands of masks, and providing more than a quarter million pounds of food to families in need since March.



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