

# The Fifth Sunday in Lent - March 21, 2021

## Gifts for God – March 14

### Immaculate Conception

General Collections - \$ 1,824.00  
Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

### Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 235.00  
Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

### Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 290.00  
Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00



## Stewardship Reflections

*"I will be their God and they shall be my people." - Jeremiah 31:33*

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we do not know, just as God cares for each of us.



### Mass Intentions:

### Immaculate Conception

#### **March 27**

*For the spiritual benefit of the People of God of Immaculate Conception, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Saint Joseph parishes.*

#### **March 28**

*For the spiritual benefit of Lydia Perpetua Jones, on her birthday; by Kim & David Jones.*

## **Confirmation classes finish Help Center facelift**

*The combined first and second-year classes of Confirmation completed their service work to the Immaculate Conception Parish on Saturday,*



*finishing the painting of the other half of the Helping Center area. Shown, front, left, are Moncie Martinez, Niomi Saldana; back, left, Britny Gavina, Cesar Almanza, Kevin Gavina and Lesley Correa. Not shown: Jeremy Ramirez and Diego Montelongo.*

## Only one week to Palm Sunday

Our Holy Week schedule is included as an insert in today's bulletin but here are the main points you need to know:

◆ Next Sunday, March 28, is Palm Sunday. Also, Vigil Mass on Saturday. Includes palm blessing and possibly a procession.

◆ Holy Thursday will be celebrated at 4 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and at 7:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception. (If you would like to volunteer for the foot washing, please let Father or David know.)

◆ Good Friday starts with confessions at IC from 9 to 11, followed by Stations of the Cross and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 12 noon. Confessions at St. Joseph at 2 p.m. with the observance of Christ's Passion at 3 p.m. IC will observe the Passion service at 6 p.m.

◆ Holy Saturday includes confession opportunities at IC (9-11 a.m.) and St. Elizabeth (1 p.m.) and St. Joseph at 3 p.m. Also, the Divine Mercy Chaplet at IC at 11 a.m. The celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at 8:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception.

◆ Easter Sunday Masses will be on the regular schedule.

## Old historic pews for sale

A limited number of the old pews are for sale and will be available as soon as our renovated church is reopened. Proceeds go to help pay for "Let Us Renew the House of the Lord" renovations. The price per pew is \$100 to parishioners and \$150 for non-parishioners (membership has its privileges). If interested, see Father Jim or David Jones.

## Prayers for Our Sick & Shut-ins

*"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well." (James 5:15)*

Let us pray for: Carlos Felipe, Agustina Ruiz, James Hearn, Anastacio Solis, Edith & Lazarus Girton, Matt Simonds, George Mansour, Josefina Estrada, Katie Malone, John Harris, Stan Floyd, Liz Lopez, Roger O'Hara, Beverly Mazikowski, Johnny & Josephine McMahan, Brandy Beane, John Worton, Chet & Paula Gorgas, Bill Burwell, Dorothea Willis, Barbara Morris, Marianne Young, Howard Bryant, Susie Hawkins, Nanette Johnson, Mary Smith, Rita Thompson, Susan King, Hilda Culver, Violet Ray, and all our hospitalized and shut-ins.

## Daily Mass Readings

**22** Monday of the Fifth Week in Lent (**P**) / Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 / John 8:1-11

**23** Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent (**P**) / Numbers 21:4-9 / Psalm 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 / John 8:21-30

**24** Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent (**P**) / Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / (Psalm) Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 / Luke 1:26-38

**25 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (W)** / Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 / Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 / Hebrews 10:4-10 / John 5:31-47

**26** Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent (**P**) / Jeremiah 20:10-13 / Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 / John 10:31-42

**27** Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent (**P**) / Ezekiel 37: 21-28 / (Psalm) Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 / John 11:45-56

**21 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (R)** / (Procession) Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 / Isaiah 50:4-7 / Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 / Philippians 2:6-11 / Mark 14:1 – 15:47

## Our Catholic Community Calendar

### Monday, March 22

No events scheduled.

### Tuesday, March 23

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass in the church (Parish Hall).
- 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open.
- 7 p.m. Spanish RCIA class in the Education building.

### Wednesday, March 24

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass in the church (Parish Hall).
- 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open.

### Thursday – March 25

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass & Rosary in the church (Parish Hall).
- 6 p.m. No Scripture Study tonight.

### Friday, March 26 *A Day of Abstinence from meat*

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass & Rosary in the IC Chapel.
- 6 p.m. Stations of the Cross at Immaculate Conception.

### Saturday, March 27

- 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Confessions are heard in Father Jim's office.
- 11:15 a.m. English RCIA class today.
- 3:30 to 4:30. Confessions before the vigil Mass at IC.
- 5 p.m. Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion.

### Sunday, March 28 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

- 9 a.m. Sunday Mass at I.C. in English
- 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday – No Religious Education classes
- 11 a.m. Sunday Spanish Mass at IC.
- 12:15 p.m. No Confirmation classes
- 1 p.m. Sunday Mass at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro
- 5 p.m. Sunday Mass at Saint Joseph, Stigler.

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## **Stations of the Cross Schedule**

At Immaculate Conception, Poteau – 6 p.m. Fridays in Lent.

At Saint Joseph Church, Stigler – 4:15 p.m. Sundays in Lent.

At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro – 6 p.m. Tuesdays in Lent.

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Renew the House current total: \$47,637