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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 27, 2023

(*Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church*)

6:00 p.m. + James "Jim" Connelly *and*
+ James H. Brown

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

8:00 a.m. + Kenneth A. Jones

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 (@ SJS)

8:00 a.m. + Katie Simon *and* Carlos Leo Smith, Jr.

Thursday, March 2, 2023

8:00 a.m. + Jason Johnston

Friday, March 3, 2023

(*Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin*)

8:00 a.m. + Tom Lynch

Saturday, March 4, 2023

(*Saint Casimir*)

8:00 a.m. + Deacon Joseph Chathaparampil *and*
+ Antonio Fargnoli

(The Second Sunday of Lent)

5:00 p.m. *Missa pro populo*

Sunday, March 5, 2023

(The Second Sunday of Lent)

8:00 a.m. + P. J. Hartlage
10:00 a.m. + Letty Klein O'Bryan
12:00 p.m. + Barbara & Ulrich Mair
3:00 p.m. + Alexander Esparra

+ Denotes deceased

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If Saint James Catholic School is **Closed**:

Mass and Eucharistic Adoration will be cancelled and the *Parish Office* will be closed.

If Saint James Catholic School is on a **Delay**:

Mass will be held as scheduled at Saint James Church and Eucharistic Adoration will follow the Mass schedule. If the delay is on a Wednesday, there will be no Mass, as there is no regularly scheduled Mass at the Church on Wednesday. The Parish Office will open at 10:00 a.m. (Afternoon and evening activity updates will be communicated by their leaders.) Every effort will be made to include Saint James Catholic Church on TV and radio cancellation announcements.

Please use an overabundance of caution when deciding to attend Mass during inclement weather conditions.

SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

Monday, February 27, 2023

3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*
4:30 p.m. Contagious Catholic, *RTR*
5:00 p.m. Confessions, *Church*
6:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
6:30 p.m. RCIA Class, *RTR*
6:45 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*
5:30 p.m. Hispanic Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
7:00 p.m. Young Adult Ministry, *RTR*

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

9:00 a.m. Rosary Guild, *POB*
9:00 a.m. CWOSJ, *Rodney Thomas Room*
9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
11:15 a.m. Pray and Walk (Ora et Ambulora), *BH*
3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*
6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, *BH*

Thursday, March 2, 2023

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*
6:00 p.m. Exodus 90 Group B Meeting, *Library*
6:30 p.m. Rosary Guild, *Parish Office Basement*
7:00 p.m. Catholic in Recovery, *Loretto Center*

Friday, March 3, 2023

8:00 a.m. Homeschool First Friday Mass, *Church*
8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross, *Church*

Saturday, March 4, 2023

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*
8:30 a.m. Fraternal Meeting, *PO Basement*
8:30 a.m. Clarity Solutions Bridge Training, *RTR*
3:00 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

Sunday, March 5, 2023

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Doughnuts, *BH*
10:00 a.m. RCIA 1st Scrutiny at Mass, *Church*
11:00 a.m. Coffee & Doughnuts, *BH*
4:00 p.m. "No Greater Love" Program, *RTR*

*A funeral Mass would alter this weekly schedule.

The Bulletin Deadline: Items for the bulletin need to be submitted by Noon on WEDNESDAY, a week and half prior to publication. Please email items to: dsears@stjames-etown.org

PARISH LIFE

Respect



"You Shall Be Like Gods"

This original temptation, outlined in the first reading, was a promise that what was right and what was wrong would be up to us; that we could write our own moral law. That's what the "tree of the knowledge of good and evil" meant, and why Adam and Eve couldn't eat from it. We are all called to know good from evil, but not to decide it. To think we decide it is the error of the "pro-choice" mindset. "It's all up to me and my choice, even if it means killing a baby." In the culture of life, on the other hand, we live in the freedom of the children of God, and pattern our lives on the obedience of Jesus that leads to life eternal.

...God is Lord of our choices, and that freedom is found in obedience. This strikes at the heart of the culture of death, which puts choice above life and holds that a choice is validated not so much by what is chosen as by the fact that it is being chosen.

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The obedience of Jesus Christ, exemplified in the Gospel passage and identified in the second reading as the source of our redemption, is the foundation for the culture of life and the pattern for each believer to live that culture. Obedience does not mean a slavish following of rules. It means a free embrace of what is true and good – free because one is no longer swayed to do what is wrong despite one's best intentions.

In that sense, the Church, and the pro-life movement, are the true promoters and defenders of "freedom of choice," because they provide the grace and the tools to do what is right. The majority of the efforts of the pro-life movement are directed to providing alternatives to abortion, concrete help to enable people to choose what is right. ~ *Priests for Life*

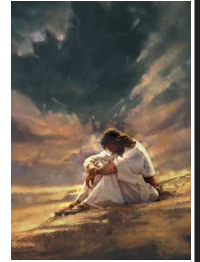
To provide alternatives and concrete help please visit: <https://supportclarity.org>

Right to Life of Louisville will host its 50th Celebration of Life on Thursday, March 16th at the KY Expo Center. The featured speaker will be Fox & Friends' Rachel Campos-Duffy and Mississippi AG Lynn Fitch will attend as a special guest at what will be the state's largest prolife gathering of its kind! Tickets and information can be found at rtlou.org/event/col or by calling (502) 897-LIFE.

I Domingo de Cuaresma

No sólo de pan vive el hombre, sino también de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios.

Al igual que Adán y Eva, Jesús también fue sometido a la tentación, con la gran diferencia que Él sí logró superar la prueba. Notemos que en ambos casos, el diablo vino a atacar en el punto más débil: tentó a Eva en lugar de Adán, y tentó a Jesús cuando estaba más débil, y en el momento en que el hambre regresa luego de un ayuno prolongado. Jesús nos dio el ejemplo de cómo podemos resistir la tentación: con la verdad, con la obediencia a Dios. Santiago lo expresa de la siguiente manera: (Santiago 4:7) Someteos, pues, a Dios; resistid al diablo, y huirá de vosotros. Resistir no es "reprender"; más bien, significa no ceder ante la tentación de hacer mi propia voluntad, sino decidirme a hacer la voluntad de Dios. Allí es donde fallaron Adán y Eva, y también nosotros podemos caer. No siempre podremos "evitar" la tentación, pero lo que sí podemos hacer es superarla. Si viene una tentación, debemos enfrentarla y superarla. (1 Corintios 10:12-13) Así que, el que piensa estar firme, mire que no caiga. No os ha sobrevenido ninguna tentación que no sea humana; pero fiel es Dios, que no os dejará ser tentados más de lo que podéis resistir, sino que dará también juntamente con la tentación la salida, para que podáis soportar. Dios no pone "tentaciones", pero si permite que pasemos por pruebas—o que Satanás nos tente. Pero, como dice Pablo, el Señor no nos pondrá en una posición en la que no podamos resistir. Siempre tendremos disponible la salida para superarla.



Testify Musical Lenten Program

"For God so loved the world ..." is such a familiar Bible verse. The Season of Lent pulls us back in to the reality of the love Jesus showed as he stretched out his arms between Heaven and Earth and gave his life for us. Testify invites you to spend an hour walking the path to Calvary with Jesus as they present the Stations of the Cross through music and reflections Sunday, March 19, 4:00 pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Potluck will follow in the Parish Hall.

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GIVE BLOOD

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The next Red Cross blood drive will be held on March 12, 2023 at Batchelder Hall from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There is an urgent need for blood in our region.

The American Red Cross greatly appreciates our donors who gave 37 units of blood in December. Please come out on March 12 and bring a friend.

For more information please contact Joyce Solar at joycesolar@yahoo.com.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Guild

All are invited to join in making rosaries for missions around the world. There is a \$2.00 membership fee. We meet in the parish office basement on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. as well as on the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. We also have beautiful rosaries for sale with prices starting at \$25. You can purchase these in the parish office. For additional information please call Ariana @ 254-291-4155.

Annual Stewardship Renewal Progress - In the first month of our annual stewardship renewal process, we have received renewal cards or had an online response from 278 of our parish families. There are 1311 families in our parish, so you can see we have many more families yet to respond.

It is not too late to return your stewardship intention card. Our Stewardship Renewal Committee will continue to track that information through the month of March. This information assists our Finance Council in developing the 2023/2024 budget, and our ministry leaders in knowing who is interested in remaining active or joining a particular ministry. Thank you for your active participation.

PARISH LIFE



Rev. Michael T. Wimsatt, Pastor
Rev. Loi D. Pham, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jean Gonzalez Romero, Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. William Clark, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Karl Drerup, Deacon
Scott Johnson, Business Manager
Sister Mary Grace, O.P., School Principal
Sister Augusta, O.P., Director of Faith Formation
Olivia Dvorjak, Associate Dir. of Faith Formation
Jennifer Moran, Director of Mission Advancement
Tim Watts, Director of Music Ministries
Fabiola Sanchez, Administrative Pastoral Assistant
Gail Hereford, Administrative Assistant
Deacon Dean Sears, Communications Coordinator
Andy Padgett, Facilities & Maintenance Manager
Dave Martin, Maintenance Assistant

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.;
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.;
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday Mass Times:

Monday: 6:00 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
& 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch 12 ~ 1 p.m.)

Phone numbers:

Parish Office - 270-765-6268
St. Vincent de Paul - 270-763-4249

Eucharistic Adoration Hours:

Mon: 6:30-8:00 p.m.,
Tues-Thurs: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.;
Saturday: 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Confession:

Monday: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. & 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

~ Pray for Vocations

During Eucharistic Adoration many pray for an increase in vocations and for an end to all abortion. If you want to learn more about Eucharistic Adoration or would like to schedule an hour of Adoration, please call 270-737-5213.



YEAR 2023 PTPA – ST. JAMES HAITI COMMITTEE * UPDATE *

Sister Parish, St. Marc, St. Marc, Haiti

For our new Parishioners: The city of St. Marc is on the Eastern coast, approx. 60 miles north of Port Au Prince. Our St James parish twinning activity with St. Marc Parish has endured since 1991. Through the love, compassion and generosity of our St. James Parishioners during these past years many basic needs have been met; a water purification system, bathrooms for the church, a large generator, renovations of both St. Marc Church and their 18th century Rectory. We have lent support to a primary School, two Home Ec. Classes and helped build a Tech School. In 2021 we participated in the Food For The Poor “Matching Funds Program” to benefit St. Marc Parish.

Other assistance of major importance are salaries for catechists who take the Word of God to the many chapels of St. Marc. We helped provide a radio station where the rosary is said daily and St. Marc Parish can stay in contact with those whom the clergy can not physically reach but once a month. We were able to assist in the building of Barbe Chapel from a dirt floor & leaking roof structure to a decent place of worship and in the past years assisted in the building of one other chapel.

All Parishioners: We are eternally grateful for your monthly donations. Without them we could not continue to do God’s work for our Haitian brothers and sisters, who are in dire need of our love and support now as much as ever, as the current situation in Haiti is grim. Fr. Venel, Pastor of St. Marc asks for our prayers. Father let us know of the need for serious roof repairs to the Tech. School. He is also in need of EDH clean energy batteries and solar panels, which will provide huge savings. The cost of fuel has increased 100%.

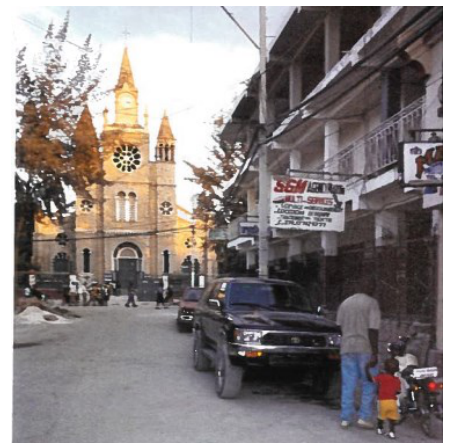
Note: Due to serious problems in Haiti and lack of a warehouse State side we were unable to ship the 103 boxes of items collected during our Lenten drive last year. Tragically, the situation in Haiti has not changed. PTPA has informed us, again, it is not safe to ship. Therefore, rather than accumulating more items to ship, at increasing cost, common sense tells us it is best to focus on Fr. Venel’s needs list of Tech School Roof repair, Batteries & Solar Panel for the Parish, and most important feeding those in dire need. Father tells us the number that come to his door are many.

Our 2023 Lenten Appeal will focus on monetary donations, to be sent for the above mentioned needs. One exception is sewing materials, because these items can be stored and shipped in 2024. (Items already on hand, not newly bought) **Contact Lois Shinkle 270-317-3277 with donations of sewing items.**

Our Lenten Drive is from Feb. 22 to April 5. Donations can be made throughout the year by using the **Green** envelope provided by St. James Parish. Make checks to St. James Church, marked Haiti. All donations are greatly appreciated. Annual donations allow us to meet our quarterly commitment to St. Marc Parish, which fill basic needs of both the Parish and St. Marc Tech School throughout the year.

Pastor of St. Marc Parish, Fr. Venel SUFFRARD often writes, via e-mail, his deep appreciation for the loving and compassionate support the people of St. James continue to show the people of St. Marc Parish and St. Marc Tech School. He continually asks God’s blessings for us, as he prays for his own people who struggle for the basics of life. He is a dedicated priest/Pastor who gives his all. We pray for his health and God’s blessings! He makes God smile.

You too **MAKE GOD SMILE!**



Health & Wellness Committee Article

Religious fasting has long been a part of our Judeo-Christian heritage. In the Old Testament, the discipline of fasting is mentioned over 70 times. Fasting was used to honor God, to show sorrow or remorse over sin or to pursue answers from God.

Down through the ages, the Church has promulgated the discipline of fasting and abstinence in both the East and the West. According to the more recent traditional rules of the Roman Catholic Church, the Law of Fasting forbade more than one full meal a day with a small amount of food in the morning and evening not equal to one meal for ages 21-59. The Law of Abstinence forbade the use of flesh meat and the juice thereof. Before 1966, Fast and abstinence days included all the weekdays of Lent, specifically the Wednesday of Holy Week and Holy Saturday before noon. (There were dispensations for the Labor classes and their families.) Throughout the year, fast and abstinence days included Ember days (Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday near the change of seasons 4 x year) as well as the vigils of Pentecost, Assumption, All Saints and Christmas. Additionally, there has been a Eucharistic fast in place since the third century, requiring fasting from midnight until reception of Holy Communion.

In 1966, Pope Paul VI issued a document, *Paenitemini*, which set new minimum requirements for fasting and abstinence for Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and abstinence for the Fridays of Lent and emphasized an inner spirit of conversion with voluntary acts of penance. The Eucharistic fast was also changed and subsequently reduced to one hour before reception of Holy Communion.

The concept of fasting is not unique to religion, though the reasoning for fasting may differ. As a medical practice, the ancient Greek physicians Hippocrates and Plutarch prescribed, "Instead of medicine, fast a day." Mark Twain proposed, "the average sick man can best be treated with total abstention from food for one or two days." Most have heard of the adage, "Feed a cold, starve a fever." Moreover, humans and other species have been designed to adapt to a limited food supply. However, our modern lifestyles have given us almost unlimited access to a food supply that would be astounding to our ancestors. It appears that along with that access, there has been an unfortunate rise in chronic diseases as well.

Though medical studies in the early 1900's showed fasting to be a viable treatment for disease, emerging science is taking a closer look at the benefits of fasting, more specifically, Intermittent Fasting (IF). There are several types of (IF) including Time Restricted Feeding (TRF) whereby fasting from calorie containing foods and drink is maintained for a certain number of hours and meals are taken in a specific window of time. 16 hours of fasting with an 8-hour window for eating is a popular choice (16:8). Alternate day fasting (ADF) usually involves a schedule of 5 days of regular caloric intake with 2 days of fasting (5:2). Alternate day modified fasting (ADMF) follows the 5:2 schedule with a light meal allowed (~25% of usual intake) on fasting days. The Church Law of Fast and Abstinence is most like the ADMF. The Eucharistic fast of old could be comparable to the TRF.

There are in vitro, animal and now some human studies that demonstrate improvements in weight, diabetes, cardiovascular health, blood pressure, autoimmune and neurological disease states and show the potential to enhance chemotherapy effect in cancer treatment when undertaking such (IF) regimens. (IF) triggers changes the biochemistry of the body to allow cells time to reset, clean house and adapt to stress. (IF) allows the circadian clock network to harmonize. (IF) appears to be easier to maintain than daily caloric restriction and comes with the benefit of preserving metabolic rate and lean muscle mass.

It is interesting to note that whether following the traditional Laws of Fast and Abstinence (religious) or the more recently proposed 5:2 schedule (scientific), approximately 28% of the total days of the year would be part of the fasting time period.

(IF) whether TRF or ADF/ADMF, is safe for most people but not indicated for children, pregnant women, underweight or malnourished or the very old. Though an ongoing fasting regimen may be suitable to enhance treatment for various disease states it should be initiated in consultation with the primary care provider.



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The First Sunday of Lent

FAITH FORMATION

What's Happening This Month



For Baptism Preparation Class:

Please contact **Olivia Dvorjak**.

Pre-registration is required.

(odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

Family Faith Formation (FFF):



This is our parish program for on-going formation and religious education of children pre-K thru grade 6, including preparation for 1st Communion. New families are always welcome! Contact Sr. Augusta to learn more.

(sranickel@stjames-etown.org).

Middle School Youth Ministry (7th & 8th grade)

Meets every other Wednesday night. For more information, contact Olivia Dvorjak.

(odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

High School Youth Ministry (9th - 12th grade)

Discipleship groups have started meeting at their various times. For more information, contact Olivia Dvorjak.

(odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

Pray for those in RCIA!

These men & women will take the next step on their journey to joining the Catholic Church on Feb. 26. They'll be "sent" from our parish during the Noon Mass to join Archbishop Shelton for the Rite of Election & Continuing Conversion in Louisville at 2:30pm!

Catechumen: *Keith Smith*

Candidates:

- *Stephanie Ames*
- *Paul Keys*
- *Noah Cruze*
- *Christian Montgomery*
- *John Elfrey*
- *Keith Gregory*
- *Adam Stricker*

Teaching Family Life

2 sessions to help parents understand & teach the dignity of human sexuality to 5th grade students!

Open to ALL 5th grade parents & guardians!

required for school families

Not a school family? RSVP to Sr. Augusta by March 1!
(sranickel@stjames-etown.org)

Parent Preview Night

Tues., March 7

PART 1: Parents only.

required for school families

6:30-8pm

in the SJS Cafeteria

Family Life Workshop

Tues., March 28

PART 2: Parents & Students

required for school families

Separate sessions for

boys/dads & girls/moms

6-8pm at SJS

"The human body includes right from the beginning...the capacity of expressing love, that love in which the person becomes a gift – and by means of this gift – fulfills the meaning of his being and existence." ~ Pope St. John Paul II



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JULY 7-9, 2023

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For more info, text or email Olivia Dvorjak at 270-312-9249 or odvorjak@stjames-etown.org

Please don't let the price prevent you from attending: Scholarships are available!

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28*

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THURSDAY 3.30 - SATURDAY 4.1

ADORATION | CONFESSION | PROCESSIONS

3.30

5pm - Opening Mass, followed by a Eucharistic Procession and Eucharistic Adoration until 12am

6:30 - Confession (until 8pm); Food & fellowship in BH!

3.31

4am - 12am - Eucharistic Adoration

3pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet

5pm - 8pm - Confession

4.1

4am - 4pm - Eucharistic Adoration

2pm - 3:30 - Confession

4pm - Closing Eucharistic Procession & Benediction

5pm - Mass (for Palm Sunday)

*All are
Welcome!*

Stewardship Story



What Stewardship means to me ~ Kevin Welp

By definition: Stewardship means the management or care of something, it is helping out. Stewardship is also a give and take. We take God's blessings and give something back to God and his people. We use our Time / Talent / Treasures to give some goodness to others from what we have taken or received. No matter where you are in your faith journey, the church offers many opportunities to become a good steward. Stewardship happens and continues from cradle to grave.

Stewardship literally changed my life. I met my wife through the Young Adult Group. We both became Eucharistic Ministers. Stewards helped us as Marriage Sponsors and become part of the St. James Church Family through the Welcome committee. At my beloved wife's death, Stewards from the Bereavement Ministry and Widowed Friends Group helped me adjust. Stewards helped my daughter through Baptism, First Communion, Faith Formation, Alter Server and Confirmation. In my faith journey, I am still an EMHC. I joined the Knights of Columbus. I sponsored a RCIA candidate. I became a Sacristan. I also volunteer a few hours a week at the St. Vincent de Paul Store.

Old or young, working, retired or in school, Stewardship has an opening, a place for you. Where is your faith journey taking you? Please get involved! Do what you can! In closing, What is Stewardship? Either directly or indirectly, Stewardship is simply people helping people. Stewardship is a life-long partnership with God.

THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

The First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19
Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

The Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Saint Vincent de Paul Outreach is requesting the following items for their food pantry: Canned carrots, Canned fruit, Canned peas, Crackers, Diapers (sizes 4 and 5) and Pull-Ups (any size). **Thank you!**

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of February 18/ 19

Amount Collected

This bulletin was submitted prior to the weekend collection.

NOTE: Collections that are paid through automatic withdrawals are drafted in the last week of the month.

To make a contribution to the Saint James Catholic Church Endowment, contact Jennifer Moran jmoran@stjames-etown.org or 270-765-7011 ext. 110.



Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through

the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love as you draw closer to Jesus than you ever have before.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Sessions (approximately 30 minutes of video followed by approximately 30 minutes of group discussion) will be held in the Rodney Thomas Room on the following Sundays, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm:

- February 26: Session One: The Prayer of the Agony
- March 5: Session Two: "Are You the Christ?"
- March 12: Session Three: The Trial Before Pilate
- March 19: Session Four: The Death of the Messiah
- March 26: no meeting
- April 2: Session Five: The Seven Last Words
- April 9: EASTER – no meeting
- April 16: Bonus Video: The Resurrection

There is no cost to attend and watch the videos. If you wish, you may purchase Edward Sri's companion book to this series entitled, "No Greater Love" at Ascension Press, Amazon, etc. for your personal reading. The book is not required to view and learn from the videos. If you have any questions, please contact Lorna Vertrees at lvertrees94@comcast.net or 270-766-8687.



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