



Every one of us at one time or another in our lives has suffered some type of loss. It could be the loss of a spouse or a child, a parent or grandparent, brother, or sister. These are the most severe types of losses and most everyone has had someone near and

dear to them die. But besides death, we experience many other types of losses throughout our lives. The breakup of a marriage, betrayal by a friend, loss of a job, financial setbacks, accidents, and illness; even minor things all cause us some degree of suffering and pain. It is part of being human and living in a sinful world.

Sometimes the greatest suffering we can endure is witnessing the pain and suffering of those we love. We see their grief and pain and feel helpless to do anything to make it go away for them. In today's Gospel we see Jesus deeply troubled and even weeping, not for the death of Lazarus, but because of the pain and grief of Mary, Martha and the others, all people he loved dearly. His raising Lazarus from the dead, and indeed he was surely dead, was his greatest miracle and climax of the signs of His divinity. This great miracle will lead directly to the arrest and execution of Jesus since the Sanhedrin will now make the decision to kill Him. While the death and raising of Lazarus was necessary to His mission, Jesus still feels the pain and grief of those He loves. Jesus is not concerned and compassionate to just those mourning Lazarus but for each of us here and now. He loves and cares for us no less than He did for them. He wants to share our burdens and comfort us in our pain. He reminds Martha that He is the way, the truth, and the life. When we are lost and things seem to overwhelm us, when there does not seem to be any solution to our problems, turn to Jesus. He is the WAY!

In those dark times in our lives when all seems lost, when grief seems too much to bear, when the darkness of sin makes us feel we cannot find a way out of the pit; Jesus is the source of life and light. He takes our darkness, especially the darkness of our sins, upon himself and leads us to new LIFE. It should be comforting to know that at times like this Jesus is standing right there with us. He shares our suffering and loss and wants to hold us in His arms and absorb all our pain and sorrow. He wants to fill us with hope in the promise of a new and better tomorrow.

During this season of Lent, we need to recognize our total dependency on God. Many of the situations we face, especially those dealing with death and illness, are beyond our ability to control. Only by trusting in God for His help can we hope to get through these difficult times.

(Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)

**Mass  for the Intentions  Week**

**Monday, March 23 9:00 a.m.**

Helen Osmena	req Leilani
Maria Chan	req Irene Antony Man
Nernuji Hernandez	req Mercy Hernandez
Sonia Elaine Burke	req Julia Vernon
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Tuesday, March 24 9:00 a.m.**

Intentions of Leilani Yotingco	req Rod Yotingco
Lolita Willaschek	req Ruby Benitez
Intentions of Fe	req Anne McInnis
Bong Go and all souls of the departed	req Rebecca Ramos
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Wednesday, March 25 9:00 a.m.**

All souls in purgatory	req Benilda Fajardo
Lolita Willaschek	req Ruby Benitez and Felisa Go
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Thursday, March 26 9:00 A.m.**

Lolita Willaschek	req Ruby Benitez and Felisa Go
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Friday, March 27 9:00 a.m.**

Lolita Willaschek	req Ruby and Felisa Go
Amelia Chow	req Mercy Hernandez
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Saturday, March 28 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.**

**PARISH LENTEN RETREAT 2026**

**Holy Mass and Lenten Message: 10:00 a.m.**


**Examination of Conscience & Adoration: 11:00 a.m.**

**Confession: 11: 30 to 3 :00 p.m.**

Elias Belga	req Purita Belga
Souls in purgatory	req Irene and Antony Man
Lolita Willaschek	req Ruby and Felisa Go
Thanksgiving and Gratitude	req Rebecca Ramos
Safe travel and blessings	req Tessie and Loy Abugan

**Sunday, March 29 10:00 a.m.**

**For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community**

	<b>PARISH SUPPORT</b>	Mar 14/15, 2026
Sunday Offering	\$ 2,134.00	
Loose Offering	312.00	
Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.		

**SHARE LENT COLLECTION**

The Share Lent collection, taken up as part of our Lenten Almsgiving, will take place on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, **March 22, 2026**. Let's strive to do well this year. Let us feed, house and give medical aid to God's poor. Thank you very much for your generosity.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**AFTER EVERY MASS**  
**DURING LENT**

“WE ADORE YOU O CHRIST  
AND WE BLESS YOU,  
BECAUSE BY THE HOLY  
CROSS YOU HAVE  
REDEEMED THE WORLD.”

**PARISH LENTEN RETREAT 2026**

**Saturday, March 28, 2026**

*“As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God.” (Ps. 42:1)*

Dear Brothers and Sisters, as we are entering Holy Week, take time to pause, pray, and renew your heart. Our parish warmly invites you to join us for a Lenten Retreat — a special opportunity to encounter God’s mercy and grow closer to Christ as we prepare for Easter. Come and be refreshed in faith, strengthened in hope, and renewed in love.

**Holy Mass and Lenten Message: 10:00 a.m.**

**Examination of Conscience & Adoration: 11:00 a.m.**

**Confession: 11: 30 to 2 :00 p.m.**

*“Return to me with all your heart.” (Joel 2:12)*

All are welcome. Please invite family and friends to join this time of grace.



**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

*Holy Mass Saturday March 28: 5:00 p.m.*

*Holy Mass Sunday March 29: 10:00 a.m.*

**APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**HOLY THURSDAY**

***HOLY MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER***  
***7: 00 p.m.***

***ADORATION AFTER THE HOLY MASS***  
***UP TO 9:00 p.m.***

**APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>, GOOD FRIDAY**  
***Celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 3:00 p.m.***

**APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> HOLY SATURDAY**  
***Easter Vigil Mass of Resurrection 8:00 pm***

**APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup> EASTER SUNDAY**

***Easter Sunday Mass: 10:00 am***

***(PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO MORNING MASS ON***  
***APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>)***



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**Sunday, April 12<sup>TH</sup>**

**at 10:00 a. m.**

**His Excellency, Most Rev.**  
**Bishop Wayne Lobsinger**

will celebrate a Solemn Holy  
Mass in our Church on Sunday  
April 12<sup>th</sup> at 10: 00 a.m.

Please mark your calendars  
and invite your friends and families to join us for  
this special celebration of Sunday of Divine Mercy.



**MARCH 29, 2026**

**Good Friday Special Collection**

**(April 3)**

**For the sake of our brothers and sisters**  
**enduring hardships, please give**  
**generously.**



**EASTER FLOWERS**

We would like to appeal for donations towards  
the purchase of flowers to decorate our Church  
during Easter. Envelopes are available at the  
Church entrance for this purpose. Your generous  
contribution is appreciated. May your kindness be replenished  
abundantly.

***BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF***  
***THE LORD...Mathew 21:9***