

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
April 6, 2025



# ST JOHN PAUL II

## CATHOLIC PARISH

THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER

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"Untie him and let him go."  
~ Jn 11:44

### CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY MASS

Saturdays 4:00 pm  
Sundays 8:00am & 10:00 am

### CONFESSION

Saturdays: 2:30–3:30 pm  
Sundays: upon request  
before & after Masses

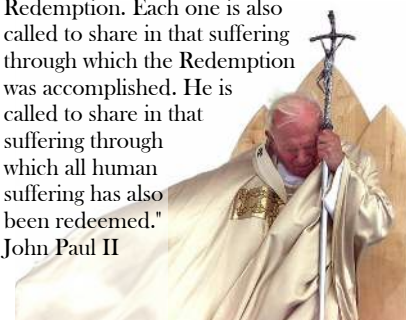
### ROSARY

Saturdays: 3:25pm  
Sundays: 7:25am & 9:25am

Location for Mass:  
Frassati Catholic Academy  
3951 Cottonwood Lakes Blvd.  
Thornton, CO

Mailing Address:  
c/o Immaculate Heart of Mary  
11385 Grant Dr,  
Northglenn, CO 80233

"Every man has his own share in the Redemption. Each one is also called to share in that suffering through which the Redemption was accomplished. He is called to share in that suffering through which all human suffering has also been redeemed."  
John Paul II



### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat Apr. 5th 4pm + Shirley Spahn  
Sun Apr. 6th 10am Smokey & Debbi Mortus

Sat Apr. 12th 4pm + Elizabeth Lockwood  
Sun Apr. 13th 10am + Dolores LeBlanc

Sunday 8am Mass Intention is Pro Populo;  
for the parishioners of St. John Paul II

Intentions are not read aloud during Mass, but placed on the altar for the priest to offer up silently at Mass.

If you would like to arrange a mass for a loved one, please send request to [SmokeyM@StJP2.org](mailto:SmokeyM@StJP2.org)

**Parish Registration:** Are you interested in joining this parish community? Register as parishioners under "Connect" on our website.

### MISSION STATEMENT

*St. John Paul II Parish exists to transform the hearts and minds of our parish family and foster an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ through steadfast devotion to the Eucharist and sacraments, immersion in Sacred Scripture, robust prayer and teaching, and vibrant community.*

### SUNDAY READINGS

#### *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

**APR 6** 1st Reading: *Ezekiel 37:12-14*  
Rsp Psalm: *Psalm 130*  
2nd Reading: *Romans 8:8-11*  
Gospel: *John 11:1-45*

#### *Palm Sunday*

**APR 13** 1st Reading: *Isaiah 50:4-7*  
Rsp Psalm: *Psalm 22*  
2nd Reading: *Phil. 2:6-11*  
Gospel: *Luke 22:14-23:56*

# LENT ~ 2025

## PRAYER, FASTING, & ALMSGIVING

**FINAL SOUP DINNER FOR THIS LENT IS THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH @ 5:30**



All are invited to join us for a variety of meatless soups each Friday night during Lent prior to The Stations of the Cross. The Knights of Columbus will be taking free-will donations (suggested cost of \$5.00 per person) to raise funds to purchase items for our Church.

If you would like to bring a soup to share click [Here](#)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**EVERY FRIDAY**  
**EVENING @ 7PM**



**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**SATURDAYS 2:30-3:30PM**



Confession is available not only on Saturday afternoons, but also by request.

Simply approach Father James and let him know you'd like to go to confession.

**"ANYTIME IS THE RIGHT TIME FOR WORKS OF CHARITY, BUT THESE DAYS OF LENT PROVIDE A SPECIAL ENCOURAGEMENT. THOSE WHO WANT TO BE PRESENT AT THE LORD'S PASSOVER IN HOLINESS OF MIND AND BODY SHOULD SEEK ABOVE ALL TO WIN THIS GRACE, FOR CHARITY CONTAINS ALL OTHER VIRTUES AND COVERS A MULTITUDE OF SINS." ST LEO THE GREAT.**

### A SIMPLE THEOLOGY

**"and Jesus wept" ~ Jn 11:35**

The path to see God's glory can include pain and suffering. God is not indifferent to our suffering, as we read in John's gospel, Jesus weeps at seeing the suffering of those he loves, namely Mary and Martha. Jesus wasn't weeping over Lazarus' death, for he knew that he was going to rise him from the dead. But to see the suffering of those he loves was heart wrenching, *"and Jesus wept"*.

Suffering can be difficult to understand, especially when prayers have apparently been left unanswered. **Take hope, courage, and trust that God has a plan even when we don't understand. And he weeps with us as we go through the needed trial to get to the manifestation of His glory.**

*"I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!" Ps 27:13-14*

*Congratulations to all the children who received their First Sacrament of Reconciliation this weekend!*



## MARCH FOR LIFE

DENVER, COLORADO

Join us at the State Capital on April 11th.  
Rally begins at 11am, March begins at 12pm

Please attend to show your support for our most vulnerable and let the state legislature know we are not going away despite Amendment 79 passing.

For more information or questions contact:  
Hugh Denning at [CCC.rep@StJP2.org](mailto:CCC.rep@StJP2.org)

**THIS FRIDAY!**

or go to Colorado March for Life 2025 - <https://marchforlife.org/colorado/>

### GOT OLD PALMS?

A box is located in the lobby to collect any palms you may have at home from previous years.

Please feel free to bring them in for proper disposal in anticipation for Palm Sunday.



### PRAYER LIST

- ★ Ed Lousberg
- ★ Dianna Sax
- ★ Tom Kozney
- ★ Deacon Louis Arambula
- ★ Carolyn Shanley
- ★ Laura Gonzales
- ★ Virgil Needler
- ★ William Finney



Email names of those who are in need of prayers to [PrayerList@StJP2.org](mailto:PrayerList@StJP2.org). Names will remain on the list as space allows. Please also pray for the caregivers of those on our prayer list.

**Come early to mass and join us in praying the Rosary.**

Saturdays 3:25;  
Sundays 7:25 and 9:25



**LECTIO DIVINA - BIBLE STUDY**  
**SATURDAYS @ 9am**

Join us for a prayerful reading of Sunday's mass readings each week.



## HOLY WEEK Schedule Page 3

Holy Week Schedule is attached for you to print and post it in your home. Some copies will be on the cart for those who need.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**MORE INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED ON HOW TO CELEBRATE THIS SPECIAL FEAST DAY.**



When I had said the prayer, in my soul I heard these words: "This prayer will serve to appease My wrath. You will recite it for nine days, on the beads of the rosary, in the following manner: First of all, you will say one OUR FATHER and HAIL MARY and the I BELIEVE IN GOD. Then on the OUR FATHER beads you will say

the following words: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world." In conclusion, three times you will recite these words: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have on us and the whole world"

(Diary of Saint Maria Kowalska #476)  
[Note: All words from Jesus, as recorded by St. Faustina, are shown in bold type]



### Knights Corner

**Knights Golf Tournament - June 28, 2025 is CANCELED**

With regrets we are canceling the Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament for 2025. If you are interested in helping or being a Sponsor for next year, you can contact Smokey at [GK@KofC17142.org](mailto:GK@KofC17142.org)



### JUBILEE REMINDER:

Our Parish has an amazing opportunity to celebrate the Holy Mass at the Cathedral.

**May 3rd, at 10am.**

**GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY**  
**Sunday May 25<sup>TH</sup>**

Please watch the bulletin for details as we get closer to this momentous day! If you would like to help with this event, please email Apryl Sweat at [apryls@stjp2.org](mailto:apryls@stjp2.org)



**PARISH BOOK STUDY Coming Soon!**

"What Christians Believe: Understanding the Nicene Creed" by Bishop Robert Barron. Keep a look out for how to get your copy of this book and on when the book study will begin.

**Online Giving** St. John Paul II parish has our own online giving account through Vanco, with a link on our website. We have established a few shortcuts for you to use:

**Option 1.**  
Easily download the app "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" on your phone to set up "Saint John Paul II Catholic Parish"

**Option 2.**  
Go directly to our giving page at: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6JA>

**Option 3.**  
Point your phone camera here at our QR Code:







## The Sacred Paschal Triduum



**THURS**  
**APRIL**  
**17**

*Thursday for the Lord's Supper / Institution of the Eucharist  
Mass @ 6:30pm*

**Fri**  
**APRIL**  
**18**

*Liturgy of the Lord's Passion /  
Adoration of the Holy Cross.*

**3:00pm**

*Stations of the Cross*

**7:00pm**

*"Having bought a linen cloth, he took him down, wrapped him in the linen cloth and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb."*

*~ Mk 15:46*

**Sat**  
**APRIL**  
**19**

*Traditional Food Blessing - 10:00am*

**Easter Vigil - 8:00pm**

*(no 4pm anticipatory mass)*

**Sun**  
**APRIL**  
**20**

**Christ is risen!**  
**He has truly risen!**

**Sun**  
**APRIL**  
**27**

**The Octave**  
**of Easter**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

*"Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you."*

*~ Mk 16:6-7*



**Easter Sunday**  
**Resurrection of the Lord**  
**Masses: 7am, 9am & 11am**