

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The following is the list of ministries who will lead the Stations of the Cross on Fridays after the 6:00pm Mass. Do make the effort to pray the Stations during Lent.

Ministry	Date
Youth, Young Adults, Sunday School	Friday, March 24th
SVDP, Prison Ministry (Male & Female) Street People Ministry	Friday, March 31st



<i>Palm Sunday Masses</i>	April 1st – 6:00pm Simple Entrance April 2nd – 7:00am Simple Entrance April 2nd – 9:00am Solemn Entrance
<i>Monday & Tuesday Mass</i>	April 3rd and 4th – 6:00pm
<i>Wednesday Mass</i>	April 5th - No Mass at Stella Maris - 5:30pm Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity
<i>Holy Thursday Mass</i>	April 6th - 7:00pm Followed by procession to the Altar of Repose
<i>Good Friday</i>	April 7th – 9:00am (Children Liturgy) – Noon (Service)
<i>Holy Saturday Mass</i>	April 8th – 7:00pm (Vigil - remember to carry your candles for Mass)
<i>Easter Sunday Mass</i>	April 9th – 8:00am (One Mass)
<i>Easter Monday</i>	April 10th – No Mass

CHRISM MASS

Will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity and will begin at 5:30pm. All parishioners are encouraged to be present at this celebration.

Stella Maris Church Community

62 Shortwood Road, P.O Box 1285
Kingston 8, Jamaica W.I.
Phone: (876)925-9520/ 905-1391
(Digicel) (876)361-1700
Email: stellamaris@cwjamaica.com
Like us: stellamarischurchfacebook
Website: www.stellamarischurch.com



Pastor: Rev. Fr. Richard Brown
Deacon: Patrick Muchiri Kihugi

Church Council Chair : Winston Ormsby
Finance Chairperson : Neville LynFatt

MASS TIMES: Sunday 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
Monday – Saturday 6:00 p.m.
RECONCILIATION: Appointment/Announced

Fourth Sunday of Lent



Second Scrutiny Year A - March 19, 2023

Today's Readings

1st Reading: 1 Sm. 16:1, 6-7, 10-13
2nd Reading: Eph. 5:8-14
Gospel Reading: Jn. 9:1-41



Response: My shepherd is the Lord,
nothing indeed shall I want



Fourth Sunday of Lent Reflection Yr A

Jesus met the man born blind for a second time near the end of today's Gospel after he has been expelled by the Pharisees, and now we reach the climax of the drama. Jesus asked the man if he believes in the Son of Man (9:35) and the man asked who is the Son of Man (9:36). Jesus revealed that he is the Son of Man, and the man responded in faith, "I believe Lord" and he worshipped Jesus (9:38), and John's Greek indicates that the man went down on his knees before Jesus. Going to the Pool of Siloam to wash was only a preparatory journey.

The man made an even bigger journey, a journey to faith in Jesus, as he was tested. We can see this chapter being played out all around us today as people now act in the same way as the Pharisees, the blind man, and his parents. There are those like the Pharisees who are blind to Jesus and living in darkness and who persecute and ridicule those who have faith in Jesus. There are others like the man's parents who are afraid to witness to Jesus because they don't want to disturb the comfort of their lives; they want Jesus but not the cross. What about us?

We have been washed in the Siloam of baptism. Like the blind man, we have grown in our faith in Jesus through trials and tests just as the blind man went from saying "the man called Jesus", to Jesus is a prophet, to Jesus is from God. The crosses and trials that came our way helped us grow like the blind man, so we are not afraid to witness to Jesus no matter what. Now Jesus stands before us today and asks for our everything: "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" Yes Lord, we believe, and we worship you.

© *Fr. Tommy Lane 2014 This homily was delivered in Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Maryland.*



Happy Birthday



19th March

Jaden Anthony ♦ Wendy Beswick ♦

20th March

Andre Foote ♦ Jason Hall ♦ Molly Jacas ♦
Suri Alcock ♦ Ian Lawson ♦ Jannette Miles ♦
Melissa Williams ♦

21st March

Cecile Jarrett ♦ Anne Lyew-Ayee ♦ Phillip Powe Jr

22nd March

Alazne Cameron ♦ Isabel Sweetland ♦

23rd March

Gabrielle Grant ♦ Claudine Hanna ♦
Courteney Johnson ♦ Scott Williams ♦
Claudine Shoucair ♦

24th March

Karen Akin ♦ Jesse Bernard ♦ Yanique Grant ♦
Kara-Ann Boyne-Anderson ♦ Rory Robinson ♦
Stephanie Soltau ♦ Leah Yapp ♦

25th March

Alexis Leyow ♦ Angela Munroe ♦ Dexter Yap ♦



20th March ❖ Jason & Nicky Hall

21st March ❖ Tyrrel & Kay Reid

24th March ❖ Stephen & Chevрил Shaw

RECONCILIATION

Fr. Richard will be available between 4:30pm – 5:30pm on Saturday, March 25th for those persons wishing to do confession.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Every Wednesday and Friday during Lent there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30pm in the church. This will be followed by the 6:00pm Mass. On Wednesdays immediately following Mass there will be an on going reflection on the book Holy Moments written by Matthew Kelly. Do make an effort to enrich your Lenten journey by participating in these devotions.

MARIAN DEVOTION

Please join us every Thursday, following the 6:00pm Mass for the praying of the rosary in front of the statue of Mary in the car park.