



On Becoming Human

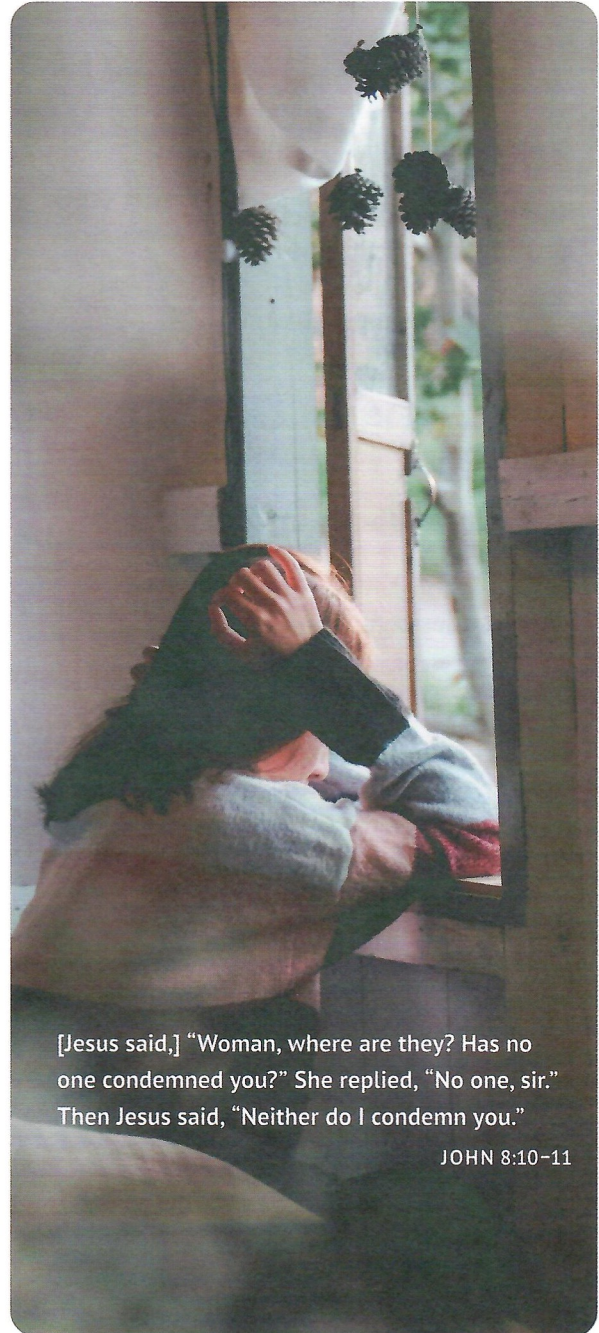
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Sometimes human beings seem to be evolving into more than what we have been. Gradually, we become capable of experiencing more than what we pick up through our five senses. We listen to our intuition; we pay attention to our sixth sense; we discover a spiritual side to our personalities. More and more, we notice people in need. We find ourselves becoming better listeners as people unburden themselves to us. We may be more aware of some stirring deep within ourselves. All such moments may be seen by people of faith as God bringing us to a new place in life.

Just as Isaiah speaks of God doing something new among the Israelites in distant exile, God continues to guide us to becoming more completely human. By his life, passion, and death, Jesus shows us most clearly what sort of person our God is drawing us to be: compassionate and just, generous and merciful, loving in a wasteland of indifference. So, when we hear the story of Jesus not condemning the woman caught in adultery, we may find ourselves becoming conscious of our own need to stop judging, stop condemning. Most of us have not yet evolved to the point of doing what Jesus would do. Instead, we condemn others while overlooking our own culpability. We are still in the process of learning to follow Jesus, to act as he would act, to love as he would love. It is God at work in us. ●

Reflect

***Am I a condemning or a forgiving person?
Do I accept forgiveness when it is offered?***



[Jesus said,] "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you."

JOHN 8:10-11

**St. Mary's & St. John's
Brush CO & Stoneham CO**

Pastor: Rev. Herman Nsubuga
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Maurice Okeke

Masses:

Brush: Sat. - 5:00 PM, Sun. - 10:00 AM
Thurs. - 5:30 PM, Fri. - 8:00 AM
Stoneham: Sun. - 12:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Brush: Sat. - 3:00 PM
1/2 hr. before weekday Masses
or by appointment
Stoneham: Sun. - after Mass

Adoration & Benediction: 1st Friday of the
month immediately after Mass (till 9:00 a.m.)

Anointing of the Sick: - call the Office

Office: Thursday & Friday
Leave a message **970-842-2216**

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Mass Intentions

Sat. April 5 Vigil

5:00 p.m. †Daniel Aguilar - ML

Sun April 6 Mass/5th Sunday of Lent

10:00 a.m. †Celsa & Santos Guzman-MA

12:00 p.m. †Harvey & Peggy Ericson - JJ

Thur Apr 10 Mass

5:30 p.m. Graces/Colt Chapman - JC

Fri. April 11 Mass

8:00 a.m. Graces/Reagan Daughenbaugh

Sat. April 12 Vigil

5:00 p.m. †Ervin Hammond

Sun April 13 Mass/Palm Sunday

10:00 a.m. †Marcella Schumacher - JGL

12:00 p.m. †Ray Johnson - MK

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick:

Joseph Wilson, Gia Marquez, Rosa Maria Santos, Jan Yokum, Deja Adam, Kane Schrock, Bernice Padilla, Rosemary Garcia, Sean Gleason, Ben Mettlen, Arabella Macias, Brianna Hill, Gina Mortenson, Caiden Lee, Paula & Delbert Meier, Sheryl Garvik, Izaac Morales, Kayla Albrant, Stan Prather, Christy Chapman, Anthony Steven Villarreal, Shelby Daughenbaugh, Norma Wolfe, Stella, Fritz & Irene Ramirez, Amanda Weisensee, Eloy Padilla, Nadine Odell, Jennifer Romero, Pennie Haller, Armando Saucedo, Carmona Family, Leo Millburg, Gary Bloemker, Josie Contreras, Emmalyn Potts, Anne Mertens, Carter Wiedrich, Apolonio Ramirez, Felix Acosta, Aurelia Lopez, Dave Willich, Chuck Blackwelder, Honey Riter, Peter Deditz

For the Soul:

April 7 / 3-Hour Perpetual Adoration

Monday 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Come, spend time with the Lord!

Lenten Penance Services at 6:00 p.m.

April 8 / Tuesday / St. Joseph, Akron
April 10 / Thursday / St. Mary, Brush

LENT 2025

Fridays of Lent at St. Mary
A Day of Abstinence

5:30 p.m. - STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6:00 p.m. - Knights dinner
Parish Hall (basement) /good-will offering

Date: April 11

Tuesdays of Lent at St. John's:

6:00 p.m. - STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Dates: April 8, 15

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

If you are a graduating high school senior (male or female) who is planning to attend college in the fall, you are eligible to apply for a Knights of Columbus scholarship.

Applicants must be parishioners of St. Mary's or St. John's parishes.

Please apply online at

<https://www.stmarybrush.org/knights.html>

Applications are due: April 15, 2025

It is our duty and gift we offer for our fallen-away brothers and sisters. We are called to be "Prayer Warriors".

If you know someone in need of prayer, call a **Prayer Warrior Coordinator:**

Jimmie Likely 970-768-3692

Janet Wilson 720-982-1208

Holy Week 2025

Holy Thursday, April 17

6:00 p.m. - St. Joseph's

6:00 p.m. - St. Mary's*

**Adoration after Mass till 9:00 p.m.*

Good Friday, April 18

St. Joseph's

1:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
from the cemetery

3:00 p.m. Liturgy

St. Mary's

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

4:00 p.m. Liturgy*

**Afterwards Divine Mercy Novena*

St. John's

6:30 p.m. Liturgy

Holy Saturday, April 19

8:15 p.m. - St. Joseph's

8:15 p.m. - St. Mary's

Easter, April 20

8:00 a.m. - St. John's

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph's

10:00 a.m. - St. Mary's

2025 Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Christians are now less than 2% of the population. Conditions are such that they are in need of everything. With your help the Franciscans can be a light of hope and also help preserve the sacred shrines.



Food Drive - Help feed families

Consider canned goods & items for the Brush Food pantry.

Monetary donations welcomed.

Drop off at St. Mary's

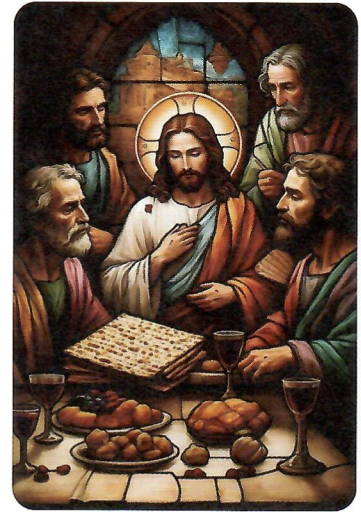
Thank you for your support!

Dear Padre,

A friend of mine told me he was looking forward to celebrating the Triduum. What does that word mean?

The word *triduum* is a Latin word meaning “three days.” In this context, it refers to the paschal Triduum: the three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, when we celebrate Christianity’s most sacred events—the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

The official beginning of the paschal Triduum takes place the evening of Holy Thursday, when we celebrate the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. This day is also referred to as Maundy Thursday, because Jesus gives a command (*mandatum*) to his followers to be an example of love and service to others. The Mass of the Lord’s Supper ends in stillness as the tabernacle is emptied, and the altar is stripped bare. The priests, ministers, and congregation then exit in silence. Good Friday is a day of somber quiet as we relive the passion and death of Jesus. The service centers on the solemn veneration of the cross. Holy Saturday is characterized by a spirit of waiting and quiet anticipation until the festive Easter Vigil, celebrated in the evening, when the Church comes alive with the new Light of Christ and catechumens are joyfully received into the eucharistic community. These are the Christian high holy days. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We can always run the risk of...having [Jesus'] name on our lips but denying him by the way that we live... How, then, can we prove whether or not we are true disciples of the Master? We do so by the way we regard our neighbor and the way we regard ourselves.



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HOMILY, MALTA, APRIL 3, 2022

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

April 7
Lenten Weekday
Dn 13:1–9, 15–17, 19–30, 33–62 or 13:41c–62
Jn 8:12–20

Tuesday

April 8
Lenten Weekday
Nm 21:4–9
Jn 8:21–30

Wednesday

April 9
Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:14–20, 91–92, 95
Jn 8:31–42

Thursday

April 10
Lenten Weekday
Gn 17:3–9
Jn 8:51–59

Friday

April 11
Lenten Weekday
Jer 20:10–13
Jn 10:31–42

Saturday

April 12
Lenten Weekday
Ez 37:21–28
Jn 11:45–56

Sunday

April 13
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Lk 19:28–40
Is 50:4–7
Phil 2:6–11
Lk 22:14–23:56 or 23:1–49

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