4th Sunday of Lent

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” - Jn 9:35
ARCHBISHOP OF DENVER: Most Reverend Samuel J Aquila, STL
AUXILIARY BISHOP OF DENVER: Most Reverend Jorge Rodriguez
PASTOR AND RECTOR: Very Reverend Ronald W. Cattany
IN RESIDENCE: Reverend Andreas Hoeck
DEACONS: Deacon Robert Finan, Deacon Robert Rinne,
and Deacon Charles Goldburg
DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP: John Brooks
DIRECTOR OF SACRED MUSIC: Phil Bordeleau
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Brigid Demko
COORDINATOR OF FAITH FORMATION: Lauren Scheller
COORDINATOR OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Dave Martinez
MANAGERS OF FINANCE AND ASSETS: Elizabeth Odum & Joe Cavaleri
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Linda Flores
BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND RECTORY OPERATIONS:
Sebastian Luke Oliver
MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS: Jacob Harper

BAPTISMS
Parents and Godparents are required
to attend a class prior to baptism.
Pre-registration is required. If no one
pre-registers, there will be no class.

FUNERALS
Please contact the office.

MARRIAGES
Call the office at least 9 months prior
to the wedding to book the date.

ANointing of the Sick
In the event of a serious illness or
a medical emergency, call the
office.

Homebound Ministry
Please contact the office.

Religious Education
Lauren Scheller 303-831-7010

RCIA/Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults
Lauren Scheller

All Masses in Colorado are Suspended
Effective March 13, 2020, all public celebration of the Mass is sus-
pended indefinitely. In order to slow to spread of the infectious dis-
ease, COVID-19, we are taking precautionary measures to encour-
age social distancing.

The Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception remains
opens daily for Adoration and Confession. Our Outreach Ministries
continue daily; 8am Sandwich Line and 1pm Bagged Lunch at Food
Pantry.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
is Mon-Fri from 7:00am-6:30pm
Saturday 7:00am-5:30pm
Sunday 8:30am– 7:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confessions)
Monday-Friday 6:30AM & 11:30AM
Saturday 6:30AM & 3:00-4:00PM
Sunday 5:30 PM

Cathedral Basilica Budget

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Please Remember The Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Your Will
**From Pope Francis Little Book of Compassion**

"Some people prefer not to ask questions or seek answers, they lead lives of comfort, deaf to the cry of those who suffer. Almost imperceptibly, we grow incapable of feeling compassion for others and for their problems, we have no interest in caring for them, as if their troubles were their own responsibility, and none of our business."

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**FROM YOUR PASTOR**

Why do we grow numb to the Plight of the World -- Spiritually, Emotionally, Psychologically, Physically, and Financially? When does it happen -- in times of plenty or in times of need? WHEN DO WE STOP LISTENING, SEEING, AND FEELING FOR OTHERS?

Each year at the Father Woody Giveaway, I talk to our friends about the virtues they teach me:

**FAITH AND TRUST.** ROBERT wrote, 'Dear Church Family, I attended your Christmas gift Mass. I'm homeless myself, but was inspired by the priest's story of 'giving back.' Recovering alcohol-ic here, 7 months of sobriety - a true blessing. Please take this donation ($5) and use it as you see fit. God's peace to all...a gardener from the other side of the field.' And DREW wrote, 'Thank you for what you done today. Due to my health reasons, this may be my last Christmas. You truly blessed me.'

**CHARITY AND KINDNESS.** A FRIEND said as he hugged me, 'Thank you for your gift to me... here is a gift for you.' It was a Christmas Flower Offering envelope with 6 cents. Another FRIEND smiled as he gave me a a Christmas Offering envelope with five pennies, a nickel, and two dimes.

**FRATERNITY AND HOPE.** A FRIEND wrote, 'I have some trouble on my eyes. The blood is leaking from my left eye. It's taking longer to heal. I am upset about it. My next appointment is in January.'

**GRATITUDE AND THANKSGIVING.** JANET wrote - 'In the Spirit and faith to you all, here in my Father's house, thank you... God-bless you.' And EJB wrote, 'Thank you Lord, praise for thinking about me. I am alive and doing fine. Your child, me.'

And finally, one Winter night when I was giving some food and socks to some guys tented up behind the office, one FRIEND said, 'This is my friend CHARLIE. He is a Vet, and has been having a rough time. What you have for me, give to him...he can use it right now.'

**THE BOTTOM LINE?** All these friends have nothing but live a profound faith...for themselves and others. They are not invisible, they are not faceless.

They are our brothers and sisters in Christ...the ones Jesus never forgets. How about you?

+May God Bless You and Keep You+

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**-Very Reverend Ronald W Cattany**

**Pastor and Rector**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Father Ron is saying scheduled mass intentions for his daily private mass. Please call the parish office if you have any questions about your scheduled intentions.

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**Please pray for all those who are sick or in need of our prayers:**


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**Readings for the week of March 22, 2020**

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<td>Next Sunday</td>
<td>Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45</td>
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Our Outreach Ministries continue!

Sandwich Line at 8am, Monday through Friday
Food Pantry Bagged Lunches 1pm, Monday through Friday
Snacks on the Hill 3pm, Monday through Friday

- Please donate to help us keep these critical ministries running -

Donate today at denvercathedral.org

“You will find out that Charity is a heavy burden to carry, heavier than the kettle of soup and the full basket. ... “

St. Vincent De Paul, Pray For Us

The Story and You™

Sacred Conversations

Fourth Sunday of Lent

It’s only in recent times that we have documented cases of adults who have lived their entire lives without sight, and then, through surgery, are able to register “optical phenomena.” Unlike the man born blind in today’s gospel, though, they don’t register what they’re seeing right away. They know there is some kind of invasion of their retinas, but it takes patience and therapy for their brains to learn the codes of color, shape and form. It takes time to learn how to see.

One of the commentaries on this gospel suggests the reader should watch the beautiful 1999 movie, At First Sight, based on the true story of a sighted architect who fell in love with a man who lost his sight as a toddler, then, through her encouragement, had surgery in New York and, to the thrill of everyone who knew him, regained his sight.

The movie is filled with touching insights into the challenges he faced in learning to read his girlfriend’s facial expressions once he could see her. We get the majority of our data about our loved ones from a lifetime of looking at them in sickness and in health, in sadness and in utter joy. At first he couldn’t get enough information from her face to know what she was feeling, so he had to close his eyes so he could see her better.

We have to really feel sorry for all those blind people in today’s gospel. You know, the ones who had sight from birth, and still couldn’t see Jesus.

“It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye” (Antoine de Saint-Exupery).

What are you seeing about yourself this Lent that is improving your vision?

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MORE THAN YOU REALIZE
Denver and Beyond

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

1. CBIC: In Denver, Channel 12 at 6:30am for televised Sunday Mass

2. Mass with Pope Francis: just search Vatican News on YouTube

3. CatholicTV: Located in the Archdiocese of Boston, CatholicTV has lots of mass options. Head to catholicTV.com/masses to check them out

4. EWTN: The Eternal Word Television Network broadcasts their mass on cable TV and YouTube. Head to youtube.com/user/ewtn to watch Daily Mass

5. The Sunday Mass: Head to SundayMass.org to check out the apostolate of the Passionists of St. Paul of the Cross Province

6. Saint Patrick’s Cathedral: Join live at 8:15am Mountain Time to celebrate with Saint Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City. Their website is saintpatrickscathedral.org/live

RESPECT LIFE RADIO

Respect Life Radio airs weekly on 1060 AM
Tune in 10:00 a.m. Thursdays and 2:30 p.m. Saturdays

Daily Adoration at the Cathedral

Monday-Friday 7:00am—6:30pm
Saturday 7:00am—5:30pm
Sunday 8:30am—7:30pm
SPIRITUAL FORMATION
Saint Philip Neri, Pray for Us

PRAYER THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE
SERVANT OF GOD JULIA GREELEY
Denver’s Model of Mercy

Heavenly Father, your servant Julia Greeley dedicated her life to honoring the Sacred Heart of your son and to the humble service of the poor.

Grant me a generous heart like your Son’s, and if it be in accordance with your holy will, please grant this favor I now ask through Julia’s intercession.
I pray this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

-Archbishop Samuel J Aquila

Saint of the Week
Saint Oscar Arnulfo Romero

The night before he was murdered while celebrating Mass, Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador said on the radio: “I would like to appeal in a special way to the men of the army, and in particular to the troops of the National Guard, the police, and the garrisons. Brothers, you belong to our own people. You kill your own brother peasants; and in the face of an order to kill that is given by a man, the law of God that says ‘Do not kill!’ should prevail.

“No soldier is obliged to obey an order counter to the law of God. No one has to comply with an immoral law. It is the time now that you recover your conscience and obey its dictates rather than the command of sin. . . . Therefore, in the name of God, and in the name of this long-suffering people, whose laments rise to heaven every day more tumultuous, I beseech you, I beg you, I command you! In the name of God: ‘Cease the repression!’”

Simultaneously, Romero had eloquently upheld the gospel and effectively signed his own death warrant.

When he was appointed archbishop of San Salvador in 1977, Bishop Romero was considered a very “safe” choice. He had served as auxiliary bishop there for four years before his three years as bishop of Santiago de Maria.

Oscar’s father wanted him to be a carpenter—a trade for which he demonstrated some talent. Seminary classes in El Salvador preceded his studies at Rome’s Gregorian University and his ordination in 1942. After earning a doctorate in ascetical theology, he returned home and became a parish priest and later rector of an interdiocesan seminary.

Three weeks after his appointment as archbishop, Romero was shaken by the murder of his good friend Jesuit Father Rutilio Grande, a vigorous defender of the rights of the poor. Five more priests were assassinated in the Archdiocese of San Salvador during Romero’s years as its shepherd.

When a military junta seized control of the national government in 1979, Archbishop Romero publicly criticized the US government for backing the junta. His weekly radio sermons, broadcast throughout the country, were regarded by many as the most trustworthy source of news available.

Romero’s funeral was celebrated in the plaza outside the cathedral and drew an estimated 250,000 mourners.

His tomb in the cathedral crypt soon drew thousands of visitors each year. On February 3, 2015, Pope Francis authorized a decree recognizing Oscar Romero as a martyr for the faith. His beatification took place in San Salvador on May 23, 2015. He was canonized on October 14, 2018.