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Sunday  
March 22, 2020

## 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

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)*

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Parish Improvements	\$80
Tuition Aid	\$75
Black & Native Americans	\$40
Catholic Relief Services	\$35
Military Services	\$30

### RETURNING GOD'S GIFTS

#### Offertory Contributions

03/15/2020		Fiscal Year-to-Date
Regular (week 37)	\$6,643	\$398,769
Online Giving	\$3,226	\$110,096
Holy Days	\$0	\$18,131
Actual Total	\$9,869	\$526,996
Budget	\$13,000	\$522,700
Over (Under)	\$(3,131)	\$4,296

**Prayer for a Pandemic**

**May we who are merely inconvenienced  
Remember those whose lives are at stake.**

**May we who have no risk factors  
Remember those most vulnerable.**

**May we who have the luxury of working from home  
Remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.**

**May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close  
Remember those who have no options.**

**May we who have had to cancel our trips  
Remember those that have no safe place to go.**

**May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market  
Remember those who have no margin at all.**

**May we who settle in for a quarantine at home  
Remember those who have no home.**

**As fear grips our country,  
Let us choose love.**

**During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other  
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.**

**Amen.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 22, 2020

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/ Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/ Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

### CONTRIBUTIONS

St. Paul Parish needs your continued support during this time. With not having Mass, we are not able to have our regular weekly collection. However, we still have the same financial obligations to fulfill.

If you are in the position to do so, we would be grateful for your continued support of the parish.

You are welcome to drop your contributions in the mail or bring them by the office. If we are not here when you come by, please use the mail slot on the front door.

We encourage you to consider online giving. Online giving can be set up by visiting <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1438>. You will also find the link on our parish website. If you need any assistance, please contact Teresa at [tboehmer@st-paulchurch.org](mailto:tboehmer@st-paulchurch.org) or 636-978-1900, ext 224



For the health and safety of our staff. The Parish Center Office Hours are 7:30am to Noon, Monday through Friday. From now until April 3rd. The office will not be open on Sunday, April 5th. We hope resume normal hours on Monday, April 6th.

*"So all may know the saving power of God through the Gospel of Jesus Christ alive in his Church"*