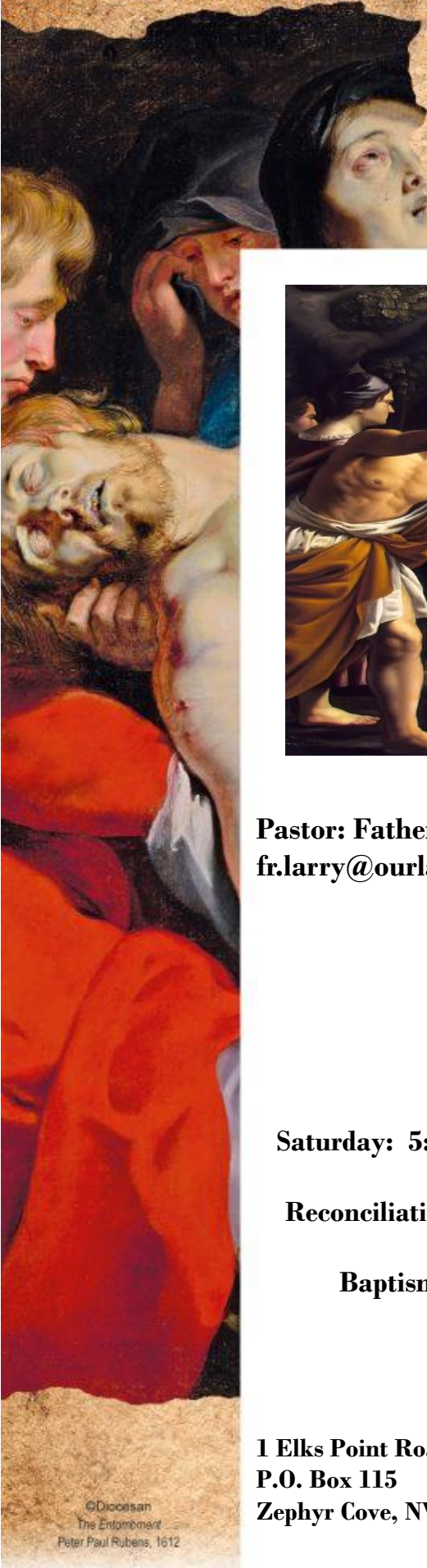


PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

OUR LADY OF TAHOE CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 5, 2020



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Winter Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:30 am | Wed- Friday: 1:10 pm

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Yesterday President Trump and the White House Task Force reported on the data used for the decision to extend the COVID-19 federal guidelines through April 30, 2020. These measures form our national effort to stem the loss of lives, which could range from 100,000 to 240,000 even with full mitigation, and to prevent healthcare personnel and facilities from being overwhelmed, and to decrease the likelihood of a possible system collapse.

Today, Governor Sisolak issued a Stay at Home Directive, extending his previous directive on closures to April 30th as well. His new directive "strengthens the imperative that Nevadans must not leave their homes for nonessential activities in order to prevent the spread of COVID 19." Today's directive now aligns our state with the order in place for states that border ours. Among these contingent states, Nevada has the third largest number of COVID 19 cases to date.

In response to previous federal guidelines and state directives, I suspended all public Masses for the duration of these measures and authorized the closure of our Catholic schools, now until April 30th in compliance with the state's extension. After prayerful consideration, I have decided, starting tomorrow, April 2, 2020, all churches and chapels will be closed in the Diocese of Reno. This means that churches will not be open for private prayer, Reconciliation, Adoration, or any gatherings whether inside or outside. There will be no celebration of Mass in private homes or the distribution of communion to small groups. We have to encourage people to stay at home. This order extends through April 30, 2020.

It is heartbreaking to watch on TV the extreme conditions under which doctors, nurses, and other healthcare professionals are working. They are putting their lives on the line. There are not enough of them, and many work without adequate equipment. A couple of weeks ago when I was at a grocery store early in the morning to avoid a crowd, a nurse came up to me pleading for prayers for healthcare personnel. I still can see the anxiety in her eyes. We have to pray for them, and we must help them by diligently following all the guidelines and directives in our state.

This is a painful and difficult decision to make. I know there will be people disappointed about my decision as they have been with my suspension of public Masses. But in conscience I firmly hold that I am morally compelled to take these measures. I make this decision out of the love of neighbor that Jesus Christ expects of us and our moral duty to safeguard human life, especially of the vulnerable, and to promote the common good. This decision also brings the Diocese of Reno in line with Las Vegas and California.

While public Masses are suspended, local parish Masses are being transmitted through various platforms such as Facebook and YouTube. I will be livestreaming the Paschal Triduum from St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral. I invite you to join me or contact your parish to find out more about their Triduum plans. Though our doors may be closed, we are still here for you. Follow the Diocese of Reno on Facebook or at renodiocese.org.

Please take care of yourselves. Let's pray for one another.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Randolph R. Calvo Bishop of Reno

Women's Guild Scholarship, Starting April 1

Our Lady of Tahoe Women's Guild, and through the generosity of one of our parishioners, are offering a Foundation Grant of \$5,000 per semester scholarship (payable for tuition only) to a 2020 graduating high school senior or an applicant who is an active, practicing Catholic and continuing education at the college level. Parishioners and students who are part of the extended family of Our Lady of Tahoe parishioners are eligible to apply. The scholarship is based on scholastic achievement and participation in spiritual activities within his/her community. A scholastic record of no grade lower than a B is necessary to obtain this scholarship. Our Lady of Tahoe Women's Guild is also offering a \$2500 scholarship based on scholastic achievement and participation in spiritual activities within his/her community. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is necessary to apply for this scholarship. Applicants may pick up forms at the parish office during normal business hours (8:30 - 2:30, M-F). The deadline for submitting completed applications is Thursday, April 30th at 2pm. An electronic version of the application may also be requested from the office manager via email (susan@ourladyoftahoe.org) & on the subject line, please type in *Women's Guild Scholarship Application Form*.

In the interest of cooperating with local, national and global efforts to slow the spread of the Coronavirus, effective from now through April 30, 2020, all public Masses celebrated in the counties of northern Nevada that comprise the Diocese of Reno have been suspended.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.

Online Giving

For anyone who wishes to donate online, please click on the link below:

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Enter the amount you wish to donate, choose your payment option, enter your info, & click donate now. Thanks!

For a list of all parishes in the USA celebrating online masses, go to:

<https://withyourspirit.org>

Resources to celebrate the triduum at home, go to:

<https://renodiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Sample-Holy-Week-Celebrations-of-the-Word-2020-mjp-1.pdf>

CSA 2020

Our assessment is \$52,000.

We have collected \$16,640 in pledges so far.

Please help us reach our goal.

Thank You!

All mass intentions scheduled from March 22 through April 30 are being said in Father Larry's private masses.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Catechism of the Catholic Church : Number 2043 "The Fourth Precept" and "The Fifth Precept" of the Church.

ABSTINENCE – Abstinence means sacrificing meat in our meals. Regular meals are appropriate. Seafood is appropriate. This applies to all Catholics aged 15 years and over. Meals should reflect a "penitential spirit".

FASTING – Fasting means there is no meat involved, seafood is acceptable, and only one meal in the day. Other food may be taken in the day as long as they do not equal another meal. This applies to Catholics ages 15 through 59 years old, however the abstinence rule applies as well.



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If you have a change of address or other information, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket. You may also contact Sue Marschner during regular office hours at (775) 588-2080 to update your record.

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