

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 21st, 2021: 9:00 a.m. Virtual Service



Miserere Series, Plate 43, "We must die, we, and all that is ours."
Georges Rouault

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GATHERING

Prelude: *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* *Cantabile*

**Pamela Decker
César Franck**

Dr. Pamela Decker (b. 1955) is professor of organ and music theory at the University of Arizona. She is known internationally as an organ performer, and her compositions have been performed throughout the world. César Franck (1822-1890) was one of the most influential musicians of the late 19th century. He gave the first performance of his Cantabile in 1878 for the Universal Exhibition held in Paris.

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A Penitential Order

BCP 351

Priest Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People His mercy endures forever.

Scriptural Sentences

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm 119:9-16

- 9 How shall a young man cleanse his way? *
By keeping to your words.
- 10 With my whole heart I seek you; *
let me not stray from your commandments.
- 11 I treasure your promise in my heart, *
that I may not sin against you.
- 12 Blessed are you, O Lord; *
instruct me in your statutes.
- 13 With my lips will I recite *
all the judgments of your mouth.
- 14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees *
than in all manner of riches.
- 15 I will meditate on your commandments *
and give attention to your ways.
- 16 My delight is in your statutes; *
I will not forget your word.

The Gospel

John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Priest The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Rev. Mary Keenan

Music for Reflection: *Give Me Jesus*

Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus. Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus. Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

Tshombe Selby, soloist

This arrangement was made by Moses Hogan (1957–2003), a pianist, conductor, and arranger of international renown, best known for his settings of spirituals. Tenor Tshombe Selby grew up singing and leading music at his church in North Carolina. After college he moved to New York City to study opera. He has coached with some of the greatest musicians from the Metropolitan Opera and the Juilliard School. In 2019 and 2020 he sang onstage at the Met as part of their production of Porgy and Bess. He is currently studying at Binghamton University in New York, where he recorded this song. He is a good friend of St. Mark’s parishioner Suzann Dvorken.

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

Form II

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those in our community _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially whom we remember today. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect

The Lord's Prayer

Priest and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Offertory: *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* C. Hubert H. Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives, thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease: take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm!

**St. Mark's Virtual Choir
Iona Olive, soloist**

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" is a hymn with words taken from a longer poem, "The Brewing of Soma" by American Quaker poet John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892). The music is from C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918), one of the prime movers in the renaissance of English music at the turn of the 20th century.

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Announcements

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Postlude: *Ah, Holy Jesus*

Johannes Brahms

*This is another chorale setting from Brahms's (1833-1897) final work, his *Eleven Chorale Preludes for Organ, Op 122*. The tune by Johann Crüger (1598-1662) has traditionally been paired with a German hymn which meditates on the crucifixion:*

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week & Easter Services: RSVPs will open on March 22nd via the website.

- ✦ **Palm Sunday, March 28th:**
 - 9am - Virtual
 - 10am - Family Picnic Eucharist, Front Lawn
 - 11:15am - Parking Lot Eucharist
- ✦ **Virtual Morning Prayer:** M-F, 8:30am.
- ✦ **Maundy Thursday, April 1st:** 6pm - Eucharist on the Meditation Trail
- ✦ **Good Friday, April 2nd:**
 - 12pm - Liturgy for Good Friday, Parking Lot
 - 2pm - Virtual Good Friday service
- ✦ **Holy Saturday, April 3rd:**
 - 12pm - Virtual Holy Saturday Liturgy
 - Sunset (7:50pm) - Easter Vigil, Front Lawn
- ✦ **Easter Sunday, April 4th,** Front Lawn:
 - 8am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 - 9am & 10am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II
 - 9am - Virtual service

Art Exhibit In-Person - sign up now! You and your household are invited to see St. Mark's Lenten Art Exhibit (referenced above), in person by signing up for a 30-minute slot [here](#).

Stations of the Cross: a self-guided journey on St. Mark's Meditation Trail through the season of Lent. Station 1 begins at the far end of the parking lot, near the storage sheds.

Confirmation Classes in April: for anyone ages 13 and up, on the following Wednesdays: April 7th, 14th, and 21st at 6:30 p.m. - meeting in Fr. Zac's front yard! For more information, please contact Fr. Zac: zac@stmarksaustin.org. Confirmation will be on Sunday, April 25th, with Bishop Ryan.

St. Mark's 101 Class in April: on the following Wednesdays, April 7th, 14th, and 21st, at 6:30 p.m. (running concurrent with Confirmation classes). The 101 class is intended for newcomers, but open to all! RSVP to Fr. Zac: zac@stmarksaustin.org.

Upcoming Baptism date: Saturday, April 3rd, during the Easter Vigil, which will start at 7:50pm (sundown). Please contact Fr. Zac if you are interested: zac@stmarksaustin.org.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

- **Sign up for in-person Sunday worship:** services at 10am (Family Picnic Eucharist, Front Lawn) and 11:15am (Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Parking Lot). RSVPs [here](#).
- **Sunday Virtual Worship, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.:** *Four Crucifixions: Reading the Gospels Together.*
- **Tuesday Noon Bible Study:** all are welcome!
- **Morning Prayer M-F, 8:30 a.m.**

Parish Intercession List

You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.

For healthcare workers and teachers: Heather, Michael B., Christine, Eric, Joan, Beth, Mac, Jodi, Courtney, Russ, Nicole, Jewellyn, Jana Kay, Steven, Pam, Marcille, Jesse, Laurie, Charles, Cilla, Jonea, Jennifer R., Jennifer S., Samuel, Mary, Jordan, Jeffrey, Kim, Michael T., Amber, Aaron, Sarah, Laurie, Carolyn, Jennifer, Chez, James., Cindy.

For those celebrating birthdays: Kara David, George Pazdral, L.A. Williams, Connor Duffin, Julia Zuniga, Grant Hartline, Peter Leede, Ford Gehrig, Reagan Tso, Christine Duke, Nicholas Forrest, Christopher Considine, Ryan Yard.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Joanne Foote & Ariston Awitan, Vanessa & Douglas Rutkowski.

For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.

Virtual Lectors: Lisa Bortner, Judy & Dave Elkins



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