Christ Healing the Blind, El Greco

**Lenten Observances:**

**Wednesdays:** additional hours of confession — 5:30 to 8:00 PM

**Fridays:** The Way of the Cross — after the 4:45 Mass and Rosary
One must, therefore, habituate oneself to consider in God the attribute that manifests itself most in Him: mercy.

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CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses
Saturday 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM en español
Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 1:15 PM en español, 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 Noon

Confessions
Monday - Friday 11:15-11:50 AM, 12:45 - 4:15 PM
Wednesday 5:30 - 8:00 PM
Saturday 9:45 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30 PM

Devotions
Tuesday after Mass: Memorare; Thursday after Mass: St. Jude
Mon-Fri after 4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosary
Friday after 4:45 Mass and Rosary: The Way of the Cross

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday - Friday 8:30-11:45 AM, 1:00-4:30 PM
Saturday 9:30 - 11:30 AM 12:30 - 3:30 PM; Sunday 2:30-3:30 PM

Store Hours
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Following the Master

At the heart of the Gospel call to live as Good Samaritans is the invitation to participate in the ministry of love for sufferers that Jesus himself began. John Paul writes, “The parable of the Good Samaritan is in profound harmony with the conduct of Christ himself.” To be a neighbor to others is also to walk in the footsteps of our Master.

Leafing through the Gospels, we need only read a page or two before Jesus’ work to comfort sufferers leaps off the page. When Jesus wasn’t preaching, He was caring for those who hurt. John Paul writes that Jesus went about “doing good” (Acts 10:38), “and the good of his works became especially evident in the face of human suffering.”

This truth comes to life in the numerous biblical accounts of Jesus healing those afflicted by physical and spiritual pain of the worst forms. Jesus cured the paralyzed (Mk. 2:1-12; 3:1-6; Lk. 13:10-17; Jn. 5:1-9), the blind (Mk. 8:22-26; 10:46-52; Jn. 9:1-41), the lepers (Mk. 1:40-45; Lk. 17:11-17), the demonized (Mt. 9:32-33; Mk.1:23-28; 5:1-20; 7:24-30; 9:14-29; Lk. 8:2), and even the dead (Mt. 9:24-25; Lk. 7:14-15; Jn. 11:43-44). The sheer volume of such memories in Scripture testifies to the importance Jesus himself placed on caring for the suffering.

— from John Paul II and the Meaning of Suffering: Lessons from a Spiritual Master, by Robert Schroeder

**Mass Intentions This Week**

**Sunday, March 26**
- 8:00 AM  + Martin Brown
- 9:15 AM  + Carmella Costa
- 10:30 AM  + Olivia West — birthday
- 11:45 AM  + Timothy & Carolyn West
- 1:15 PM (esp)  + Berta, + Gustavo y + Rafael Bernal
- 4:00 PM  Souls in Purgatory
- 5:30 PM  + Hildegund Josten

**Monday, March 27**
- 8:00 AM  + Eileen Rose
- 12:05 PM  Thanks— Holy Trinity through the Virgin Mary
- 4:45 PM  + Magdalena Zurita

**Tuesday, March 28**
- 8:00 AM  + Mimi Romano
- 12:05 PM  + June St. Onge
- 4:45 PM  + Edwin Cueva

**Wednesday, March 29**
- 8:00 AM  Tom Lyman — birthday
- 12:05 PM  + Otilia de Rodriguez
- 4:45 PM  + Jeannette Coolidge

**Thursday, March 30**
- 8:00 AM  + Consuelo Tobon
- 12:05 PM  Rob Manning
- 4:45 PM  + Br. Francis, FPO

**Friday, March 31**
- 8:00 AM  St. Pafnuncio — intercession
- 12:05 PM  + Mary Morris
- 4:45 PM  + Br. Francis, FPO

**Saturday, April 1**
- 9:00 AM  + Alexander Whipple
- 12:00 Noon  Souls in Purgatory
- 4:00 PM  + Angelica Merino Rivera & + Zoila Rosa
- 5:30 PM  + Nelly Knodler Merino
- 7:00 PM (esp)  + Lilia Osorio y + Francisco Velez

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The OMV motto, “MARIAM COGITA, MARIAM INVOCAT” “THINK OF MARY, CALL ON MARY” is taken from a homily by St. Bernard.