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✚ MARCH 29, FRIDAY

**Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)**, red  
Celebration of the Passion of the Lord: Liturgy of the  
Word, Solemn Intercessions, Adoration of the Cross,  
Holy Communion

**Readings: (40)**  
**Isaiah 52:13 — 53:12**  
**Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9**  
**John 18:1 — 19:42**

Hours: proper to Good Friday

✚ MARCH 30, SATURDAY

**Holy Saturday**, white, **Easter Vigil**:  
Easter Vigil Mass: Lucernarium, Gloria, Creed is replaced  
by Baptismal Promises, Preface I of Easter, special  
commemoration of newly baptized and godparents in  
Eucharistic Prayers, proper *Communicantes* and *Hanc  
igitur* in the Roman Canon, double *Alleluia* at dismissal.

**Readings: (41)**  
*At least three readings from the Old Testament (always  
using the Exodus reading) and their responsorial psalms  
are to be used in addition to the reading from Romans and  
the Gospel*  
**Genesis 1:1 — 2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a**  
**Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18**  
**Exodus 14:15 — 15:1**  
**Isaiah 54:5-14**  
**Isaiah 55:1-11**  
**Baruch 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4**  
**Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28**  
**Romans 6:3-11**  
**Mark 16:1-7**

Hours: proper to Holy Saturday

✚ MARCH 22, FRIDAY

**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (255)**  
**Jeremiah 20:10-13**  
**John 10:31-42**

Hours: Week I of psalter and Lenten proper

✚ MARCH 23, SATURDAY

**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo,  
Bishop*]

Mass: of Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (256)**  
**Ezekiel 37:21-28/John 11:45-56**

Hours: Week I of psalter and Lenten proper  
Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday of the Passion of  
the Lord

✚ MARCH 24, SUNDAY – MFP

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**,  
red

Mass: of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Blessing  
of palms replaces Introductory Rites, Creed, Preface of  
the Passion

**Reading for Blessing of Palms and Procession: (37)**  
**Mark 11:1-10**  
**or John 12:12-16**

**Readings for Mass: (38)**

**Isaiah 50:4-7**  
**Philippians 2:6-11**  
**Mark 14:1 — 15:47 or 15:1-39**

Hours: Week II of psalter and of Palm Sunday of the  
Passion of the Lord

✚ MARCH 16, SATURDAY

**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (249)**  
**Jeremiah 11:18-20**  
**John 7:40-53**

Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper  
Evening Prayer I of Fifth Sunday of Lent

✚ MARCH 17, SUNDAY – MFP

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**, violet  
Mass: of the Fifth Sunday of Lent or of Third Scrutiny.  
Readings for Year A (34) permitted; must be used with  
Third Scrutiny. Creed, Preface proper to Fifth Sunday  
of Lent if using Gospel of Lazarus; if not, Preface I or  
II of Lent.

**Readings: (35)**  
**Jeremiah 31:31-34**  
**Hebrews 5:7-9**  
**John 12:20-33**

**or, for Year A Readings: (34)**

**Ezekiel 37:12-14**  
**Romans 8:8-11**  
**John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45**

Hours: Week I of psalter and of Fifth Sunday of Lent

*The following readings may be used on any Lenten day  
this week, especially if the Gospel of Lazarus is not read  
on the Fifth Sunday of Lent:*

**Readings: (250)**  
**Ezekiel 37:12-14**  
**John 11:1-45**

✚ MARCH 9, SATURDAY

**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saint Frances of Rome,  
Religious*]  
Mass: of Saturday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (242)**  
**Hosea 6:1-6**  
**Luke 18:9-14**

Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper  
Evening Prayer I of the Fourth Sunday of Lent

✚ MARCH 10, SUNDAY – MFP

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**, violet or rose  
Mass: of the Fourth Sunday of Lent or of the Second  
Scrutiny. Readings for Year A (31) permitted; must be  
used with Second Scrutiny. Creed, Preface proper to  
Fourth Sunday of Lent if using Gospel of the Man Born  
Blind; if not, Preface I or II of Lent.

**Readings: (32)**  
**2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23**  
**Ephesians 2:4-10**  
**John 3:14-21**

**or, for Year A Readings: (31)**  
**1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a**  
**Ephesians 5:8-14**

**John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38**

Hours: Week IV of psalter and of the Fourth Sunday  
of Lent

*The following readings may be used on any Lenten day  
this week, especially if the Gospel of the Man Born Blind is  
not read on the Fourth Sunday of Lent:*

**Readings: (243)**  
**1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a**  
**John 9:1-41**

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The American Ordo is a guide to the Mass and  
the Liturgy of the Hours for each day in the U.S.  
Liturgical Calendar.

On the weekdays in Lent, the Mass texts for  
the current liturgical day are used; but, with the  
exception of on Ash Wednesday and during Holy  
Week, the Collect may be taken from a Memorial  
which happens to be inscribed in the General  
Calendar for that day. These Memorials are  
bracketed and in italics.

Your comments on this Ordo are welcome.

✠ **MARCH 1, FRIDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Friday of the Second Week of Lent  
**Readings: (234)**  
    **Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a**  
    **Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46**  
Hours: Week II of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 2, SATURDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Saturday of the Second Week of Lent  
**Readings: (235)**  
    **Micah 7:14-15, 18-20**  
    **Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**  
Hours: Week II of psalter and Lenten proper  
Evening Prayer I of the Third Sunday of Lent

✠ **MARCH 3, SUNDAY – MFP**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**, violet  
Mass: of the Third Sunday of Lent or of First Scrutiny.  
    Readings for Year A (28) permitted; must be used with  
    First Scrutiny. Creed, Preface proper to Third Sunday  
    of Lent if using Gospel of Samaritan Woman; if not,  
    Preface I or II of Lent.  
**Readings: (29)**  
    **Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17**  
    **1 Corinthians 1:22-25**  
    **John 2:13-25**  
**or, Year A Readings: (28)**  
    **Exodus 17:3-7**  
    **Romans 5:1-2, 5-8**  
    **John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and of Third Sunday of Lent

*The following readings may be used on any Lenten day  
this week, especially if the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman  
is not read on the Third Sunday of Lent:*  
**Readings: (236)**  
    **Exodus 17:1-7**  
    **John 4:5-42**

✠ **MARCH 4, MONDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saint Casimir*]  
Mass: of Monday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (237)**  
    **2 Kings 5:1-15ab**  
    **Luke 4:24-30**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 5, TUESDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (238)**  
    **Daniel 3:25, 34-43**  
    **Matthew 18:21-35**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 6, WEDNESDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (239)**  
    **Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9**  
    **Matthew 5:17-19**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 7, THURSDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saints Perpetua and Felicity,  
Martyrs*]  
Mass: of Thursday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (240)**  
    **Jeremiah 7:23-28**  
    **Luke 11:14-23**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 8, FRIDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saint John of God, Religious*]  
Mass: of Friday of the Third Week of Lent  
**Readings: (241)**  
    **Hosea 14:2-10**  
    **Mark 12:28-34**  
Hours: Week III of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 11, MONDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (244)**  
    **Isaiah 65:17-21**  
    **John 4:43-54**  
Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 12, TUESDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (245)**  
    **Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12**  
    **John 5:1-16**  
Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 13, WEDNESDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (246)**  
    **Isaiah 49:8-15**  
    **John 5:17-30**  
Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 14, THURSDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (247)**  
    **Exodus 32:7-14**  
    **John 5:31-47**  
Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 15, FRIDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (248)**  
    **Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22**  
    **John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30**  
Hours: Week IV of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 18, MONDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet [*Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop  
and Doctor of the Church*]  
Mass: of Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (251)**  
    **Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62**  
    **John 8:1-11**  
Hours: Week I of psalter and Lenten proper  
Evening Prayer I of Solemnity of Saint Joseph

✠ **MARCH 19, TUESDAY**  
**SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED  
VIRGIN MARY**, white, *Solemnity*  
Mass: of Saint Joseph. Gloria, Readings proper, Creed,  
    Preface proper to Solemnity  
**Readings: (543)**  
    **2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16**  
    **Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22**  
    **Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a**  
    **or Luke 2:41-51a**  
Hours: proper to solemnity of Saint Joseph

✠ **MARCH 20, WEDNESDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (253)**  
    **Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95**  
    **John 8:31-42**  
Hours: Week I of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 21, THURSDAY**  
**Lenten Weekday**, violet  
Mass: of Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent  
**Readings: (254)**  
    **Genesis 17:3-9**  
    **John 8:51-59**  
Hours: Week I of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 25, MONDAY**  
**Monday of Holy Week**, violet  
Mass: of Monday of Holy Week  
**Readings: (257)**  
    **Isaiah 42:1-7**  
    **John 12:1-11**  
Hours: Week II of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 26, TUESDAY**  
**Tuesday of Holy Week**, violet  
Mass: of Tuesday of Holy Week  
**Readings: (258)**  
    **Isaiah 49:1-6**  
    **John 13:21-33, 36-38**  
Hours: Week II of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 27, WEDNESDAY**  
**Wednesday of Holy Week**, violet  
Mass: of Wednesday of Holy Week  
**Readings: (259)**  
    **Isaiah 50:4-9a**  
    **Matthew 26:14-25**  
Hours: Week II of psalter and Lenten proper

✠ **MARCH 28, THURSDAY**  
**Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)**, white  
Chrism Mass: Gloria, Renewal of Priestly Promises,  
    Blessing of Oils, Preface proper  
**Readings: (260)**  
    **Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9**  
    **Revelation 1:5-8**  
    **Luke 4:16-21**  
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Gloria, Washing of  
    Feet, Preface proper, proper *Communicantes*, *Hanc  
    igitur*, and *Qui pridie*, transfer of the Eucharist to altar  
    of repose  
**Readings: (39)**  
    **Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14**  
    **1 Corinthians 11:23-26**  
    **John 13:1-15**  
Hours: proper to Holy Thursday

✠ **MARCH 31, SUNDAY – MFP**  
**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF  
THE LORD**, white, *Solemnity*  
Mass: of Easter Sunday. Gloria, Sequence, Renewal of  
    Baptismal Vows or Creed [not both], Preface I of Easter,  
    proper *Communicantes* and *Hanc igitur* in the Roman  
    Canon, double *Alleluia* at dismissal  
**Readings: (42)**  
    **Acts 10:34a, 37-43**  
    **Colossians 3:1-4**  
    **or 1 Cor 5:6b-8**  
    **John 20:1-9**  
    **or Mark 16:1-7 (41)**  
**or, at an afternoon or evening Mass,**  
    **Luke 24:13-35 (46)**  
Hours: proper to Easter Sunday