

CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil of Sunday)4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass (3rd Sunday) 1:00 p.m.
Monday 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 & 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays (12:45-3:15 p.m.); Thursdays (7:00 p.m.)

MISSION STATEMENT

As disciples of Jesus, we live our faith through Word, Sacrament, and Service.

Rev. Paul D. Becker, Pastor 255-4600 (ext. 203)
Rev. Raphael Obotama, Parochial Vicar 255-4600 (ext. 211)
Rev. Terry Wipf, Parochial Vicar255-4600 (ext. 218)
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PASTORAL MINISTERS

Cindy Anderst, Pastoral Care.....255-4600 (ext. 205)
Jennifer Braun, Music Ministry.....255-4600 (ext. 209)
Mariah Conner, Faith Formation255-4600 (ext. 219)
Mary Janusz, Pastoral Care255-4600 (ext. 220)
Patrick Hall, Confirmation(call office)
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DEACONS: Michael Fix, Lonnie Grabowska, Rex McDowall

PARISH SUPPORT STAFF

Loretta Arntz, Bookkeeper 255-4600 (ext. 201)
Jane Bosch, Kitchen Manager..... 255-4600
Viola Bullert, Janitress 255-4600
Niel Heinze, Maintenance Technician 255-4600
Bridget Johnson, Administrative Secretary..... 255-4600
Colleen Reinhardt, Receptionist 255-4600



April 2, 2017

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation - Saturdays at 3:00 p.m., Weekdays: 15 minutes prior to Mass or please call the pastor at 255-4600 for an appointment. If you are homebound and unable to come to the Church and need a priest to come to your home for confession, please call 255-4600 to set this up.

Baptism - The Baptism Preparation Program and Baptism Schedule are by arrangement. Please call the parish office at 255-4600 to register prior to your delivery date and the program director will return your call. Parents must be registered at Corpus Christi or have permission from their parish.

Marriage - Couples planning to be married should call the parish office at 255-4600 at least **9 months** in advance. Completion of required paperwork and taking the FOCCUS premarital inventory is also needed this early. This process is usually administered the fourth Thursday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Natural Family Planning Classes are offered by the Bismarck Diocese. The methods offered are Billings Ovulation Method, Creighton Model Fertility Care System, Marquette Model and Sympto-Thermal Methods. If you have questions about NFP please contact the Diocese of Bismarck at 222-3035 or www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp.

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith may call Tracy Kraft at 255-4600.

PARISH BULLETIN DEADLINE: Articles must be received by noon on Wednesdays (*typed format*).

PRAYER TREE: 255-4600

Help us prepare Corpus Christi Church for Easter by donating money or flowers. You may place your monetary donation in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Be sure to designate your donation to "Easter Flowers" and include the name(s) for the memorial(s). If you choose to purchase an Easter lily or azalea instead, please be sure to bring them to the church (upper gathering space in the hallway near the elevator) between April 10-14. Thank you for helping us make our Easter Liturgical Environment SPECIAL!

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Apr. 3- †Louis Lou Dressler (7:00 a.m.)

†Tom Jahner (12:10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Apr. 4- †James Miller (7:00 a.m.)

Phyllis Lentz (12:10 p.m.)

†John & Julianna Buechler (5:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, Apr. 5- †Mary Brendel (7:00 a.m.)

†Brian McKay (12:10 p.m.)

Thursday, Apr. 6- †Rose Gabriel (7:00 a.m.)

†Joe Schaff (12:10 p.m.)

Friday, Apr. 7- †Ray Miller (7:00 a.m.)

†Leslie McKay (12:10 p.m.)

Saturday, Apr. 8- People of Corpus Christi (4:00 p.m.)

Sunday, Apr. 9- †Dick Olson (8:30 a.m.)

†Pius & Floretta Glass (10:45 a.m.)

CONTRIBUTIONS (GENERAL FUND) - (2,247 households)	
Adult Envelopes (420)	\$22,163.59
Youth Envelopes	\$ 224.50
TOTAL RECEIVED (March 29)	\$22,388.09
<i>1st Sunday</i>	<i>\$23,685.58</i>
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>\$ 6,584.28</i>
<i>Electronic Contributions (141)</i>	<i>\$13,189.81</i>
<i>2nd Sunday</i>	<i>\$18,270.48</i>
<i>3rd Sunday</i>	<i>\$20,060.62</i>
<i>Electronic Contributions (99)</i>	<i>\$ 9,131.81</i>
<i>Spanish Mass</i>	<i>\$ 238.00</i>
<i>4th Sunday</i>	<i>\$22,388.09</i>

We appreciate your generosity which is part of being faithful stewards of Corpus Christi.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION. Tuesdays 12:45-3:15 p.m. (private, quiet time, incense free) with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend time in Jesus' awesome Eucharistic presence. Eucharistic Adoration (Benediction, Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy) is also available Thursdays with Father Terry from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Bismarck Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday, April 4 for our 6:00 p.m. potluck supper at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. Visit our website at bismarckcda.org or call 221-2818 for info.

St. Mary's Cemetery Clean Up: With the arrival of spring we will begin our spring cleaning at the cemetery. Over the winter there have been many things placed on the graves. The rules at the cemetery state all things placed on graves except one week before and after Memorial Day must be in a vase attached to the headstone base or to the headstone itself. This includes solar lights, etc. We will be removing all items after April 17 that do not meet this criteria so we can complete our spring cleanup. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Rex McDowall, cemetery manager at 701-426-2097.



PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION



Pope Francis has asked for our support for the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday

Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church of the Holy Land.

HOLY WEEK

We are in need of Liturgical Ministers for Holy Week. Please stop in the ushers room to sign up for the Holy Week Masses.

Vocation Views: Jesus calls us forth from our graves of apathy and passivity. How will your new life make a difference? Consider ministry in the Church. (John 11:1-45)

Stewardship Thoughts: Christian stewardship takes a positive view on money. It sees money not only as a medium of exchange, but as a symbol of the person who has it. We are revealed through the ways we acquire it, use it and share it.

DAILY SCHEDULE DURING LENT

Monday-Friday: Mass 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
(The 12:10 p.m. mass is followed by lunch)
Tuesday: Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Thursday - 7:00 p.m. (with Adoration)
Friday - 5:30 p.m. (followed by a fish fry)

Please call Tracy at the Parish office to help with readings, lights or the carrying of the cross.

Fish Fries. Our final fish fry will be on April 7. This is an excellent fundraiser for our youth ministry programs and is also a great way to participate in meaningful ministry for the parish. Sign-up sheets for working Fish Fries are located on the table in the lower gathering space of the church. Shifts are usually 5:00-8:00 p.m. each Friday. All are welcome. *If you participate in our homebound ministry programs, and you would like to have a fish fry meal delivered to your home on April 7, please call the parish office at 255-4600 so that we can add you to the list.*



What's Going on Here This Week

- Mon. 4/3 Lenten Lunch, 12:30 p.m., Parish Hall
- Tues. 4/4 Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Community Room
Lenten Lunch, 12:30 p.m., Parish Hall
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-3:15 p.m., Chapel
- Wed. 4/5 Men's Spirituality Breakfast, 7:00 a.m., Parish Hall
Lenten Lunch, 12:30 p.m., Parish Hall
Faith Formation (B), 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Children's Choir, 4:30 p.m., Choir Room
Sacrament of Reconciliation, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Church
Faith Formation (B), 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Confirmation (1), 6:30 p.m., Conference Room
Pre-Confirmation(2), 7:00 p.m., Community Room
Middle School Faith Formation, 7:00 p.m., Parish Hall
Confirmation (2), 7:30 p.m., Conference Room
- Thurs. 4/6 Toastmasters, 6:30 a.m., Community Room
Lenten Lunch, 12:30 p.m., Parish Hall
Afternoon at the Movies, 1:00 p.m., Room 140
Handbells, 6:30 p.m., Choir Room
Prepare, Care, Share & Prayer, 7:00 p.m., Community Room
Eucharistic Adoration with Stations, 7:00 p.m., Church
- Fri. 4/7 Lenten Lunch, 12:30 p.m., Parish Hall
Lenten Fish Fry Supper, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross, 5:30 p.m., Church
- Sun. 4/9 Faith Formation, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Praise and Worship Choir, 5:15 p.m.
SNAC, 7:30 p.m., Room 140

LENTEN TALK

On Sunday, April 2 from 9:30-10:30 a.m., Fr. Terry will give a Lenten Talk on: **Job-Arguing with God**



SOUNDS OF SILENCE (SOS). After a suicide...there are people who understand. The Sounds of Silence Support Group meets at the Serenity Center for Loss and Healing at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. (September-May). The facilitators are Brenda Bergan and Kathleen Dwyer. On **Tuesday, April 4**, there will be a talk on "**Forgiveness...and Where is God?**" If you have questions, please call Brenda at 426-1021.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

- Sunday, April 9 - Ascension (3:00 p.m.)
- Monday, April 10- St. Mary's (7:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, April 11 - Corpus Christi (7:00 p.m.)
- Wednesday, April 12 - Cathedral (7:00 p.m.)

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY BREAKFAST

All men of the parish are invited to come on **Wednesday, April 5** at 7:00 a.m. to have breakfast (served at NO charge), grow in spirituality, and listen to Fr. Paul before you begin your busy day!

Prepare, Care, Share and Prayer Women's Group will meet on Thursday, April 6 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Community Room. This month, we will explore the mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist, the true bread of Heaven through Bishop Robert Baron's Catholicism Series. For questions, please contact Cindy in the parish office at 701-255-4600.

PRAY, FAST, GIVE

**LENTEN
ALMSGIVING
WEEK 5:
PEANUT BUTTER
AND CEREAL**



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE DAILY LENTEN LUNCHEONS DOWNSTAIRS AFTER THE 12:10 P.M. MASS.

The Holy Father Speaks... Pope Francis encouraged Christians to get on with things, living life with joy. He urged them to avoid complaining and not to let themselves be paralyzed by the ugly sin of sloth. The Gospel story at the heart of Pope Francis' reflection tells of a man who had been ill for thirty-eight years. He was lying at the side of a pool called Bethesda with a large number of ill, blind, lame and crippled who believed that when an angel came down and stirred up the waters, the first to bathe in the pool would be healed. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been ill for a long time, he said to him: **"Do you want to be well?"** It's what Jesus repeatedly says to us as well. Do you want to be well? Do you want to be happy? Do you want to improve your life? Do you want to be filled with the Holy Spirit? When Jesus asked that strange man if he wanted to be well, instead of saying 'yes' he complained there was no one to put him in the pool while the water is stirred up and that someone else always got there before him. His answer was a complaint, he was implying that life had been unjust to him. This man was like the tree planted along the banks of the rivers, but it had arid roots, roots that did not reach the water, could not take nourishment from the water. This is clear from his attitude of always complaining and trying to blame the other. This is an ugly sin: the sin of sloth. This man's disease was not so much his paralysis but sloth, which is worse than having a lukewarm heart. It causes one to live without the desire to move forward, to do something in life, it causes one to lose the memory of joy. Jesus did not rebuke him, but said **'Take up your mat, and walk.'** Sloth is a sin that paralyzes us, stops us from walking. Even today, the Lord looks to each of us sinners - we are all sinners - and says **'Rise'**.

Welcome! Thank you for choosing to worship with us today and we hope you will return often. If you do not belong to a parish, please consider choosing Corpus Christi as your church home. You may call the parish office at 255-4600 to register.

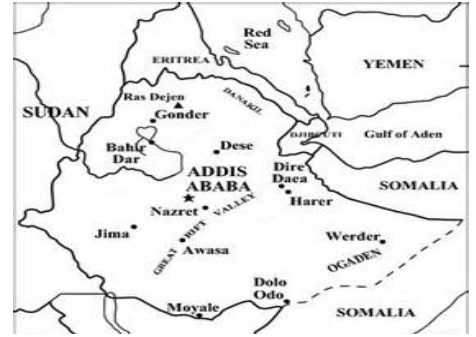
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	2	Catherine Kordonowy	2		2	Stella Schiele	2	
	3	Evelyn Spangler	3		3	Lucille Shea	3	
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Ushers	1	Helen Berger*	1	Bob Dauenhauer*	1	Nancy Haunz*	1	Tim Rivinius
	2	Michael Kordonowy	2	John Novak	2	Chuck Holzer	2	Karen Selensky
	3	Derek Theurer	3	George Simek	3	Bernie Holzer	3	Vince Selensky
	4	Ron Hopfauf	4	Pius Ternes	4	Dennis Mastel	4	
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Lectors	1	Joyce Hinman	1	Amy McKay	1	Jackie Mrachek	1	Michael Schaff
	2		2	Gerald Vandewalle	2	Albert Wolf	2	Mary Soucie
Servers	1	Noah Weber	1	Mattie Schatz	1	Nathan Kraft	1	Mikayla Brackin
	2	Abby Weber	2	Kylie Packowski	2		2	Zachary Brackin
Eucharistic Min		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST		BODY OF CHRIST
	R-1	Carol Thompson	R-1	William Knudson	R-1	Gary Feist	R-1	Maureen Vosberg
	2	Clyde Thompson	2	Helen Dauenhauer	2	Matt Kraft	2	Myles Vosberg
	3	Darrell Pladson	3	Jim Janusz	3	Karen Stahl	3	Moni Krantz
	4	Phyllis Lentz	4	Amy McKay	4	Annette Sauer	4	
	5	Lorraine Hoffman	5	Dale Kasowski	5	Vicki Wetzel	5	
	6	Sharlene Pulver	6	Mary Kasowski	6	Corrine Scholl	6	
	7		7	Kathy Knudson	7	Mary Siverson	7	Father Terry
	8		8	Helen Werlinger	8	Kim Wetzel	8	
	9	Father Paul	9	Father Raphael	9	Father Paul		
	10		10		10	Donna Howe		
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	1	Bob Clooten	1	Gerald Mathern	1	Cora Buchholz	1	Tim Bohan
	2	Sandy Wald-Clooten	2	Pamela Mathern	2	Laverne Kaufman	2	Pat Herbel
	3	Jan Eiseman	3	Emerita Loeb	3	Rick Kaufman	3	Mary Soucie
	4	Alex Gross	4	Anna Rathbun	4	Mary LaDuke	4	
	5	Mary Gross	5	Jerome Werlinger	5	Steve Mittelsteadt	5	
	6		6	Charlie Volk	6	Kathy Zahn	6	
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Can you help? The blank spaces mean we need more help in that ministry. Please come to the ushers room and sign in on the schedule to help. Thank You.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her newfound entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children - even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God's Kingdom? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

\$1 a day for 40 days of Lent means:
3 months of clean water for 4 families
2 years of seed for a farmer
1 month of food for a family



All Are Welcome!

Please join us in singing during Holy Week.

Practices are as follows:

...**Holy Thursday** practice is: Tuesday, April 4 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

...**Good Friday** practice is: Tuesday, April 4 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

...**Easter Vigil** practice is: Monday, April 10 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

...**Easter Sunday (9:00 a.m.)** practices are: Wednesday, April 5 from 6:00-7:15 p.m. and April 12 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

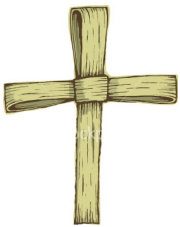
All Teens and Adults Welcome!! Questions? Call Jennifer at 255-4600 or email Jennifer.Braun@corpuschristibismarck.com.

Thank you to all who gave to the 2017 African Mission Appeal. Your kind gift helped make this year's appeal a tremendous success. There is a Thank You letter from Bishop Kagan at all the entrances for you to pick up and read, or you can read it on the Corpus Christi Website at www.corpuschristibismarck.com.

Marriage Moments: Research indicates that the average person listens 17 seconds before interrupting (5 Love Languages by Gary Chapman). Sometimes one spouse may be more long winded than the other. Sometimes one hardly speaks at all. Pay attention to your words this week. Try to meet in the middle.

Parenting Pointer: April 9 is Palm Sunday. Tell your children the story of how the people praised Jesus by waving palms. Of course just a few days later we remember Jesus' crucifixion on Good Friday.....Susan Vogt@www.susanVogt.net.

PALM WEAVING CLASS



You are invited to a Palm Weaving Class on **Monday, April 10, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Community Room. If you are interested, please call Mary Janusz at 701-255-4600 or email mary.janusz@corpuschristibismarck.com to RSVP so enough materials/patterns will be available. If you would like to be an instructor, please contact Mary. Refreshments will be served. We will make roses, square cones, crosses and more. Please bring a sharp scissors.

Easter Week Mass Schedule:

Holy Thursday: 5:30 p.m. Mass

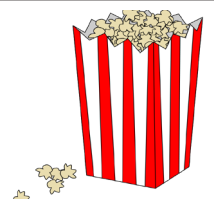
Good Friday: 12:10, 3:00, and 5:30 p.m. Good Friday Services

Holy Saturday: 8:15 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. Mass, 1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Afternoon at the Movies

Join us for popcorn and the documentary *"Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?"* on Thursday afternoon, April 6 from 1:00-2:30 p.m. in room 140. This documentary explores the Resurrection of Jesus and the consequences of His Resurrection for every one of us. As you watch this documentary, your hearts will be opened to the truth of our Christian faith and prepared for Easter joy in a profound way. If you have questions, please contact Cindy in the parish office at 255-4600.





SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Earthen vessels

When we hear talk of *flesh* in scripture, we usually think of it as the human body, our flesh and bones. Saint Paul often pits flesh against spirit in his Letters. If at those times we understand Paul's references to flesh to be referring to the body only, we would believe our bodies to be rather nasty indeed. But the news isn't that bad. By *flesh* Paul means "self-centeredness" versus *spirit*, or "God-centeredness." Are we oriented toward ourselves or to the ways of God? If the first option is true for us, then our physical existence, bodies included, can be a drag on our spirit. If we look to God, though, before all else, then our material lives, bodies included, become sacred vessels that house the divine.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45 (34)*. "You are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you."

MONDAY, APRIL 3 LENTEN WEEKDAY

Drop it!

In one of the most dramatic moments in scripture, Jesus comes face-to-face with a woman caught in adultery. But because her accusers are only using her as a tool to trap Jesus, he confronts a second and greater sin: the eagerness to judge. At Jesus' invitation—"let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her"—at least those in the crowd were honest enough to let the rocks drop. Being sinless does not lead Jesus to condemn sinners. It leads to forgiving them, showing them how to live without the sin that can destroy. In Lent we scrutinize ourselves for signs of self-righteousness—something we must drop like a heavy stone.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Deuteronomy 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:1-11 (251)*. "In response, they went away one by one."

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

MEMORIAL OF ISIDORE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

School yourself in divine wisdom

There are some who would like to add Divine Intelligence theory, or creationism, to the curriculum to counter the teachings of the theory of evolution, which they contend is contrary to the biblical teachings of the origin of man. Saint Isidore 1,500 years ago assured us that there is no contradiction in God's world between so-called book learning and heart wisdom, what we learn about the world and how we experience God. We can see God's presence in all creation and in all that we learn from science and faith.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30 (252)*. "The one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

MEMORIAL OF VINCENT FERRER, PRIEST

Gracefully reconcile

Reconciliation means bringing things or people into some kind of harmony. The Dominican Saint Vincent (1350-1419) practiced reconciliation on many levels. He traveled around preaching repentance. "When you have realized your true worth," he said, "you will be able to judge your faults sanely . . . and the faults of your neighbor will remain in shadow." Seeing the shortcomings of others, Vincent reminds us, begins with seeing our own limitations clearly. That perspective can then lead us to gracefulness in accepting criticism and tact in giving it.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42 (253)*. "If you were Abraham's children, you would be doing the works of Abraham."

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Pleased to meet you

The second Commandment warns against using the Lord's name in vain. When Jesus refers to himself as "I AM," as he does many times in John's gospel, he is deliberately associating himself with God, who revealed the divine name to Moses as "I AM WHO I AM." This strange-sounding name declares that God's absolute existence depends upon nothing and no one. It puts God in a unique category, because the rest of us are dependent and fragile creatures. Give thanks today for all the ways your life is nourished and sustained by God's unshakeable presence.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59 (254)*. "Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am."

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

MEMORIAL OF JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE, PRIEST

What to do?

Most churchgoing folks are people of good will. We, like the folks around Jesus, try to do what is right in the eyes of God. But we're not always clear on what the expectations are. Some of us are minimalists who hope that not doing anything really wrong is the same as living right. Some are legalists, comfortable with obeying and enforcing moral laws. Some struggle to shed a few more bad habits every year so as to creep closer to the spiritual ideals over a lifetime. Jesus says if we trust in him, we'll always know what to do.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42 (255)*. "Understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father."

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 LENTEN WEEKDAY

The Caiaphas inside us all

Caiaphas, the Jewish high priest who presided at the trial of Jesus, saw Jesus as a threat to his own power and privilege. So he took advantage of his close relationship with Pontius Pilate to persuade the latter to condemn Jesus to crucifixion. Though it is easy enough to dislike Caiaphas based on the biblical testimony, we do well to recognize a bit of ourselves in him. Lent is a good time to reflect on how we protect our power and privilege in ways that hurt others. Before condemning Caiaphas let's make sure we haven't done the same thing to Jesus in our own hearts!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56 (256)*. "It is better for you that one man should die instead of the people."



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

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