

## REFLECTIONS FOR THIS SUNDAY

### “4TH SUNDAY OF LENT”

#### FIRST READING :-Isaiah 43:16-21

The Prophet assures the Jews exiled in Babylon that there will be a new Exodus. God asks His people not to long for the past but to open themselves to the future He is planning for them.

**RESPONSE :-** What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

#### SECOND READING :-Philippians 3:8-14

St. Paul has willingly sacrificed everything for the justification that comes from faith in Christ, and for the hope of resurrection. He reminds all believers that it is not enough just to be a Christian. Each one must live as an authentic Christian in order to reach the final justification.

#### GOSPEL :-John 8:1-11

Jesus refuses to condemn but forgives a woman caught in adultery and tells her to reform her life.

चालीसे का पौचवौ रविवार

पहला पाठ: नबी इसायास का ग्रंथ ४३: १६-२१

जब बाबुल के निर्वासन के समय यहूदी अपने देश से निकाल दिये गये थे, तो ईश्वर ने उन्हें इसायास द्वारा दिलासा दिया और यह आश्वासन दिया कि जिस तरह उसने उन्हें मिस्र से निकाला था, उसी तरह वह अब उन्हें फिर उनके अपने देश वापस ले चलेगा।

अनुवाक्य: प्रभु ने हमारे लिए अपूर्व कार्य किये हैं। हम अत्यन्त आनन्दित हो उठे।

संत पौलुस हमसे कहते हैं कि उन्होंने मसीह के लिए सब कुछ छोड़ दिया। वह मसीह की छड़ कर और कुछ नहीं चाहते। वह जीवन भर मसीह के ज्ञान में आगे बढ़ना चाहते हैं ताकि वह एक दिन मसीह के पास पहुँच सकें। हमें भी बराबर आगे बढ़ने की कोशिश करनी चाहिए।



सुसमाचार: सन्त योहन का सुसमाचार ८:१-११

फरीसी लोग व्यभिचारिणी को पाप के कारण दण्ड दिलाना चाहते हैं। येशु उसे एक नये निपाप जीवन के लिए प्रेरणा देते हैं।

## PARISH NEWS

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thursday	:	At 6:30 pm in Malayalam
Friday	:	At 3:00 pm in Tamil
	:	At 5:00 pm in Hindi
	:	At 6:30 pm in English
At Carmel	:	Tuesday at 2:30 pm
At Mater Dei	:	Friday at 6:00 pm
At Khan Mkt	:	Friday at 6:30 pm

During the stations of the cross, collection will be taken towards the Campaign against hunger and disease.

## HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME

### Palm Sunday: March 24, 2013

8.45 am Blessing of palms followed by procession to the Church (All the Masses as usual)

### Tuesday: March 26, 2013

06.30pm Blessing of Holy Oil (Chrism Mass)

### Maundy Thursday: March 28, 2013

07.30am Mass of the Institution of the Holy Eucharist in Syro – Malabar Rite (Malayalam)

6.30pm Mass of the Institution of the Holy Eucharist at St. Columba's Ground.



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00pm to 10:00pm: Hindi and English

10:00pm to 11:00pm: Malayalam Charismatic Groups

11:00pm to 12:00pm: Private adorers

### Good Friday: March 29, 2013 (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

08:00 am Stations of the Cross followed by Memorial of the Lord's Passion in Malayalam

12:00pm Stations of the Cross in English

05:00Pm Stations of the Cross in Hindi

6:30pm Memorial of the Lord's Passion at St. Columba's Ground

### Holy Saturday: March 30, 2013

11:00pm Easter Vigil Service at St. Columba's Ground (Please bring a candle for the service)

### Easter Sunday: March 31, 2013

All Masses as usual. No Hindi Mass at 04.00pm.

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

18/Mon Dan 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; Ps 22; Jn 8:1-11

19/Tue 2Sm 7:4-5,12-14; Ps 89; Mt 1:16,18-24

20/Wed Dan 3:14-20,91-92,95; Ps Dan 3; Jn 8:31-42

21/Thu Gen 17:3-9; Ps 104; Jn 8:51-59

22/Fri Jer 20:10-13; Ps 17; Jn 10:31-42

23/Sat Ezek 37:21-28; Ps Jer 31; Jn 11:45-56

# CATHEDRAL Calling

“ GO, AND SIN NO MORE! ”

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### Fifth Sunday of Lent

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## WINTER MASS TIMINGS

### SATURDAYS:

**Cathedral : 6.30 p.m. Sunday Anticipated Mass (English)**  
(Weekday Masses at 6.00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.)

### SUNDAYS:

Cathedral :	06.30 a.m.	—	English
	07.30 a.m.	—	Malayalam
	09.00 a.m.	—	English
	10.15 a.m.	—	Hindi
	11.30 a.m.	—	English
	04.00 p.m.	—	Hindi
	06.00 p.m.	—	English
Carmel :	07.30 a.m.	—	Hindi
Mater Dei :	07.30 a.m.	—	Hindi
ISI :	07.30 a.m.	—	Hindi

Apostolic Nunciature : 07.30 & 10.00 a.m.—English

### REFLECTION:

Today's gospel story is about the woman caught in adultery. The Pharisees and others were busy drawing a line between the good ones and the bad ones. They were good, and the woman was bad, very bad, and no longer worthy of living. Jesus' question was "How could they draw that line between themselves and her? Was she a sinner and they not sinners at all? St. Augustine said that in the end of the story only two remained: misery and mercy. The woman represents human misery. Jesus embodies the mercy of God.

What can we learn from this story during this Lent?

First, we are responsible for our own sins. We all have our pasts and particularly those moments which are regrettable. We have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Secondly, we can make corrections in our lives. How beautiful it is that God, rich in mercy, can wash us clean and make us whole. He will give us a new day, a renewed lease on life and an opportunity to reach new horizons. In today's gospel, Jesus sees a potential saint in a miserable sinner. God transforms our lives.

Thirdly, God is telling us that He is more interested in our future than in our past. In our first reading the Lord says, "Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old." God has already dealt with your past.

Go, and sin no more, is not a statement of judgement, but one of encouragement. Jesus' main interest was on her present and future. How beautiful it is that our Lord is much more interested in our recovery than in our missteps. The new covenant we find in Christ is all about renewal!

## PARISH NEWS

### NEW POPE:

We are very happy that we have a new Pope in the person of Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio who will be known as Pope Francis. We thank the Lord for giving us such an extraordinary person known for his deep spirituality, simple lifestyle and commitment to the Church. The installation of the Pope – elect will take place on 19th March, 2013, on the feast day of St. Joseph, the universal patron of the Church. We pray that the Lord may continue to guide him that he may truly become the visible presence of the Lord here on earth.

### PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING:

A combined meeting of Parish Council, Catholic Association and all other associations working in the Parish will be held soon after the 9 am Mass. We request the members to attend this meeting without fail.

### PALM SUNDAY:

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. There will be blessing of palms at St. Columba's ground at 08:45 am, followed by a procession to the Church. All the Masses will be as usual.

### ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

As part of the Year of Faith, the Archdiocese is organizing an Ecumenical Stations of the Cross on Palm Sunday, the 24th of March, 2013. It will begin from St. Mary's Church, Old Delhi at 2.30 pm and will conclude at the Cathedral. In addition to strengthening the ecumenical spirit among Christians, it will be a great witness as well as a good preparation for the Paschal Triduum. We encourage you to participate in it in large numbers.

### CHRISM MASS:

As is the custom in our Archdiocese, the Chrism Mass will be held on Tuesday of the Holy Week, i.e on the 26th of March, 2013. The Holy Oils will be blessed during the Mass.

### CATECHISM:

The Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion will be conferred on our children in the month of July. To become eligible, it is necessary that the children come regularly for the Classes and also pass the exams which will be held on Sunday, the 14th of April, 2013. Annual Day of the Catechism children will be held on the 5th of May, 2013.

## पल्ली सूचनाएँ

### नये संत पापा

हमारे कलीसिया में नये संत पिता फ्रांसिस चुने गये हैं। उनका पदारोहण १६ मार्च २०१३ को होगा।

### खजूर रविवार

अगले रविवार को खजूर रविवार है उस दिन सुबह ८.४५ बजे खजूर की आशिष संत कोलंबस स्कूल मैदान में होगी। बाकी सभी मिस्साएँ अपने समय पर होगी।

### धर्म शिक्षा की परीक्षा

धर्म शिक्षा में आने वाले बच्चों की वार्षिक परीक्षा रविवार १४ अप्रैल २०१३ को होगी। सभी बच्चों के लिए परीक्षा अनिवार्य है। जो बच्चे धर्म शिक्षा में लगातार आ रहे हैं और परीक्षा में पास होते हैं उन्हीं बच्चों को पहला पवित्र परम प्रसाद और दृढ़ीकरण संस्कार दिया जायेगा।

### कूस का रास्ता

विश्वास के वर्ष को ध्यान में रखते हुए महाधर्मप्रांत की ओर से कूस का रास्ता का आयोजन किया गया है। २४ मार्च २०१३ को दोपहर २.३० बजे सेंट मेरीज चर्च पुरानी दिल्ली में शुरू होगी और सेक्रेट हार्ट

### पैरिश मेला

मारे पल्ली की ओर से ७ अप्रैल २०१३ को पैरिश मेला का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। आप हमें राफल कूपन बेचने और विज्ञापन के लिए मदद कर सकते हैं।

### क्रिस्मा मिस्सा

हमारे महाधर्मप्रांत में क्रिस्मा मिस्सा २६ मार्च २०१३ शाम ६.३० बजे को होगी। उस दिन पवित्र तेल की अशिष होगी।

### मिस्सा के समय में परिवर्तन

०१ अप्रैल से मिस्सा के समय में परिवर्तन किया गया है। नीचे सभी मिस्साओं के समय दिये गये हैं।

## CHANGE OF MASS TIMINGS

Weekdays:	:	Morning Mass at 6:00 am
Friday	:	Evening Mass at 6:30 pm
		Morning Masses no change
		Evening Hindi Mass at 4:30 pm
		Evening English Mass at 6:30 pm
Carmel Convent:	:	Sunday Mass at 7:30 am
At Mater Dei	:	Sunday Mass at 7:00 am
I.S.I.	:	Sunday Hindi Mass at 07:00 am

*“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be opened to you.”*

