REFLECTIONS FOR THIS SUNDAY

"5TH SUNDAY OF LENT"

FIRST READING:- A reading from the Book of Ezekiel (37:12-14)

The Israelites's exile to Babylon is described in terms of death -living in slavery in a foreign land was not life. And their return home is described in terms of resurrection and spiritual renewal.

RESPONSE:- With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING: -A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans(8:8-11)

St. Paul tells his Christian converts that it was the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. And the Christian, who has the Spirit of God dwelling in him, will also be raised from the dead by the same Spirit.

GOSPEL :- A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (11:1-45)

St. John relates the raising of Lazarus. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus shows that he is the Lord of life and death.



ष्वालीसे का पाँचवाँ रविवारष

पहला पाठः नबी एजेकिएल का ग्रंथ ३७: १२-१४

प्रभु अपने वचन का सच्चा है। वह जो कुछ कहता है, उसे पूरा करता है। अतः हम उसके वचन पर विष्वास करें।

अनुवाक्यः दयासागर प्रभु उदारतापूर्वक मुक्ति प्रदान करता है।

दूसरा पाठः रोमियों के नाम संत पौलुस का पत्र ८: ८-११

यदि ईष्वर का आत्मा सचमुच हममें निवास करता है, तो हमारे अंदर एक बड़ा परिवर्तन आ गयो है। हैं प्रकाष डालेगा।

सुसमाचारः सन्त योहन का सुसमाचार १९:१-४५

प्रभु येसु ही हमारा पुनरुत्थान और जीवन है उनमें विश्वास करने पर ही हमें अनन्त जीवन प्राप्त होगा।

PARISH NEWS

HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME

PALM SUNDAY: April 13:

08:45 am: Blessing of Palms followed by procession to the Church.

(All the Masses as usual)

TUESDAY: April 15

06:30 pm: Blessing of Holy Oils (CHRISM MASS)

WEDNESDAY: April 16

06:30 pm: Community Reconciliation Service and individual confessions.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: April 17

07:30 am: Mass of the Institution of the Holy Eucharist in Syro-Malabar Rite

(Malyalam)

06:30 pm: Mass of the Institution of the Holy Eucharist at St. Columba's

Ground.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

09:00 pm to 10:00 pm: Hindi and English

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

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

GOOD FRIDAY: April 18 (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

12:00 noon: Stations of the Cross in English 05:00 pm: Stations of the Cross in Hindi

06:30 pm: Memorial of the Lord's Passion at St. Columba's Ground.

HOLY SATURDAY: April 19

11:00 pm: Easter Vigil Service at St. Columba's Ground (Please

bring a candle for the service). **EASTER SUNDAY: April 20**

All Masses as usual. No Hindi Mass at 04:30 pm.

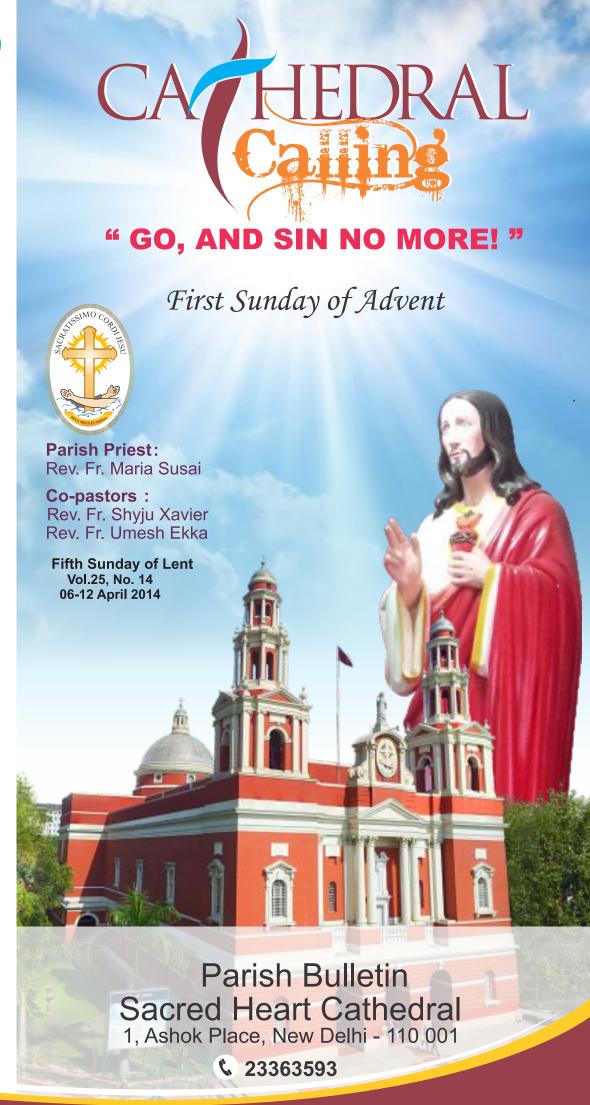
HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

That the individual, social and political rights of women may be respected in every nation.

That the Church in China may carry out its evangelizing mission serenely and in full freedom.

FEBRUARY 2013CALENDAR

07/Mon Dan 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; Ps 22; Jn 8:1-11 08/Tue Num 21:4-9; Ps 101; Jn 8:21-30 09/Wed Dan 3:14-20,91-92,95; Ps Dan 3; Jn 8:31-42 10/Thu Gen 17:3-9; Ps 104; Jn 8:51-59 11/Fri Jer 20:10-13; Ps 17; Jn 10:31-42 12/Sat Ezek 37:21-28; Ps Jer 31; Jn 11:45-56



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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
	04.30 p.m.	_	Hindi
	06.30 p.m.		English
Carmel :	07.30 a.m.	_	Hindi
Mater Dei :	07.00 a.m.	_	Hindi
ISI :	07.00 a.m.	_	Hindi

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

REFLECTION:

Last Sunday's gospel reading was about light and darkness; today's is about life and death.

It was dangerous for Jesus to go to Judea again; the authorities were determined to seize him. When he decided nevertheless to go there, Thomas said, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." So Jesus faced death to give life to Lazarus. This is John showing us the meaning of Jesus's life, or applying the first brush-stroke in this scene.

An alternative is not a paradox. Life or death is not yet paradox; the paradox is life in death. And that is what we are going to see in this scene. To make it quite clear that we are not dealing with the first but with the second, Lazarus has been mistakenly dead for four days.

We spend our life trying to avoid even the thought of death. When we do think about it we think thoughts like:

" it will defeat me utterly, it will destroy everything I tried to do." The 'enemy' then is not only out there; it is now the enemy within.

This is not the way a Christian thinks about death. The death of Christ shapes our consciousness of death. St Paul wrote that we are "baptized into his death". The word 'baptized' means 'plunged'. By baptism we have been buried with him into death. This is not running away from death and the thought of death. It seems more like running towards it. Why? Because "just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,

so we too might walk in newness of life." The place of death is the place of resurrection. The resurrection is not an alternative to death; rather it is in death that resurrection is to be found. We are delivered from the crippling fear of death and of everything that reminds us of it. This frees us to live. Life in death. Lazarus is every disciple.

PARISH NEWS

CATECHISM ANNUAL EXAMS:

Annual exams for the catechism children will be held today. Only those children who regularly attend the Classes and pass the exams shall be considered and promoted for the Sacraments which we plan to administer in the month of July. Annual Day of the Catechism children will be held on the 27th of April, 2014

WAY OF THE CROSS:

Way of the Cross is held on Fridays at 5 pm in Hindi and at 6.30 pm in English. Collection taken during the service will be for the campaign against hunger and disease.

LIVE WAY OF THE CROSS:

Today a Live Way of the Cross Procession will be conducted from St. Mary's Church, Old Delhi to Sacred Heart Cathedral at 3.00pm. We encourage you to join.

HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME:

Holy Week Programme Schedule is displayed on the Notice Board. Kindly have a look.

CHURCH SUPPORT FUND:

Kindly pay your Church Support Fund to the members of the Catholic Association every Sunday. Supporting the Church financially is the obligation of every Catholic family.

WOMEN'S COMMISSION:

The women's commission of the Archdiocese in collaboration with the CBCI office for women, proposes to hold an awareness programme, specially for the tribal people of our diocese on Saturday, 12th April at Yusuf Sadan from 2.30 pm to 5.30 pm. We encourage the women to attend the programme.

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.

SEMINARY FUND:

Next Sunday is the second Sunday of the month. There will be a second collection taken at all Masses for the formation of the Delhi Diocesan seminarians.

पल्ली सूचनाएँ

धर्म शिक्षा की वार्षिक परीक्षा

आज धर्म शिक्षा में आने वाले बच्चों की वार्षिक परीक्षा होगी । सभी बच्चों के लिए परीक्षा अनिवार्य है और जो बच्चे परीक्षा में पास होंगे उन्ही बच्चों को पवित्र सक्कामेंट के लिए प्रोमोशन मिलेगा। धर्म शिक्षा की वार्षिक समारोह २७ अप्रैल को होगी।

कूस का रास्ता

चालीसा काल के प्रत्येक शुक्रवार को शाम ०५:०० बजे हिन्दी में और ०७:०० बजे अंग्रजी में क्रूस रास्ता चर्च में हागी। कर्मेल कॉन्वेन्ट में मंगलवार दोपहर २.३०बजे, मतेर देई में शाम ६.००बजे, खान मार्केट चर्च में शाम ६.३०बजे प्रत्येक शुक्रवार को क्रूस का रास्ता और मिस्सा बिलदान होगा। क्रूस रास्ता के दौरान भुखमरी और बिमारी के विरुद्ध अभियान के सहयोग के लिए चन्दा लिया जाएगा।

पवित्र सप्ताह प्रोग्राम

पवित्र सप्ताह का समय सारिणी नोटिस बोर्ड में देख लें।

कुस का रास्ता पथयात्रा

रविवार ६ अप्रैल २०१४ दोपहर ३.००बजे सेंट मेरीस चर्च पुरानी दिल्ली से सेक्रेट हार्ट कैथीड़ल तक क़ुस का रास्ता पैदल पथयात्रा होगी। इसमें भाग लेने के लिए सभी को प्रोत्साहित करते हैं।

महिला आयोग

दिल्ली महाधर्मप्रांत की महिला आयोग की ओर से जागृति प्रोग्राम विशेष कर एस. टी. लोगों के मौलिक अधिकारों हेतु शनिवार १२ अप्रैल २०१४ को यूसुफ सदन में अयोजन किया गया है। यह प्रोग्राम दोपहर २.३० बजे से शाम ५.३०बजे तक होगा।

खजूर रविवार

अगले रिववार खजूर रिववार है सुबह ८.४५बजे खजूर की अशिष और जुलूस होगी। सभी मिस्सा बिलदान समयानुसार होगी।

CHANGE OF MASS TIMINGS

Weekdays: Morning Mass at 6:00 am

Evening Mass at 6:30 pm

Sundays: Morning Masses no change Evening Hindi Mass at 4:30 pm

Evening Fillid Mass at 4:30 pm
Evening English Mass at 6:30 pm

Carmel Convent: Sunday Mass at 7:30 am 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."