

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 17, 2024

“Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization”

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St. Augustine parish is an open, diverse, and active Roman Catholic community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and founded in the Augustinian Tradition. We invite all to participate in our worship, service to others, and our faith development. These endeavors allow us to grow in the knowledge of God present in ourselves and each other.

Our community joyfully welcomes all who are searching for a spiritual center to call home.



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Office Hours:
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Friday

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday: 12:05 PM (LiveStreamed)
(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

Saturday Vigil — *Suspended Indefinitely*

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM
(All Masses are LiveStreamed
on masslivestream.com)

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Weekly Scripture Study via Zoom—7:00 PM on Thursday
Meeting ID: 832-4986-0935 PW: 025786



Stations of the Cross

Friday Evenings During Lent ♦ 7:00 P.M.
Come, walk, and meditate on the
Way of the Cross

Zoom ID: 5590497986 PW: 7139

Give Back to the Augustinians The Augustinian Friars need your help! Tolle Lege Day is the Augustinian Friars' annual day of giving, which takes place on April 24, the Feast of the Conversion of St. Augustine. Please consider becoming a Tolle Lege Day Ambassador! It's easy: you simply ask your family, friends, and colleagues to join you in supporting the Augustinians with a gift of any size (no matter how small!) on Tolle Lege Day. You can reach out via mail, social media, texts, phone calls, or word of mouth, to inspire those around you to join in celebrating all that makes the Augustinians great. We even provide you with text and images to share! All Ambassadors receive a thank you gift for their efforts, in addition to the satisfaction of making a very real difference in the lives of the Augustinian Friars. You can sign up directly online at www.augustinian.org/ambassador, or if you'd like more information you can contact Brian Kelley, associate director of advancement, at brian.kelley@augustinian.org or at 610-527-3330, ext. 239.

We are truly thankful for our cantors and their ministry leading us in singing at each of the Masses here at St. Augustine.



You may have noticed that at some Masses recently, Kim, our Music Director, has been singing solo. That is where you come in.... We need some new additional cantors. If the Spirit is calling you, we can use your help!

Qualifications needed to be considered for a cantor are:

- You must know the Catholic Liturgy / Mass Parts
- Have a knowledge of reading music
- Someone who is open to singing all styles of liturgical music
- Open to joining the main choir(s), if needed, for special events in the parish
- You must love the Liturgy

So, if you or you know of a friend or family member who might be a perfect fit for our parish, please contact:

Kim Barroso, Music Director

kim.barroso@gmail.com

SAINT AUGUSTINE HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING.....

"When we sing, we pray twice"



Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM † Edward M. Saltner
 11:00 AM † Isidoro Dizon, Jr.
 7:00 PM Sharbani Fullem (Intention)

Monday, March 18, 2024
 12:05 PM

Tuesday, March 19, 2024
FEAST DAY OF SAINT JOSEPH
 12:05 PM

Wednesday, March 20, 2024
 12:05 PM † Charles Flanagan

Thursday, March 21, 2024
 12:05 PM † Louise Barbaretta

Friday, March 22, 2024
 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Saturday, March 23, 2024
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† = Deceased



## Capital Campaign News

**Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:**  
 Pledges: 229 Percentage: 130.9816%  
 Amount Pledged: \$982,361.68  
 Pledges Received: \$927,011.68  
 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71  
 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$937,449.39

### Sacrificial Giving March 10, 2024

Number of Envelopes Used: 17  
 Amount in Envelopes: \$2,300.00  
 Average \$/Envelope: \$135.29  
 Electronic Giving: 48  
 Amount Electronic: \$1,493.00  
 Average \$/Electronic: \$31.10  
 Loose Money: \$548.00  
 Total Collection: \$4,341.00

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**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday, March 17, 2024**  
**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY !**  
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Monday, March 18, 2024
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**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**  
**FIRST DAY OF SPRING !**  
 7:00 PM Lenten Program—Zoom  
 7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

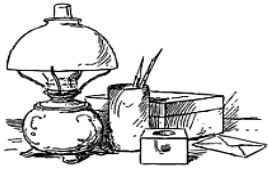
**Wednesday, March 20, 2024**  
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Thursday, March 21, 2024
 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
 7:PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

Friday, March 22, 2024
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**Saturday, March 23, 2024**  
 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (NA)





## *A word from Fr. Bill...*

Dear Parishioners:

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

This week I would like to share with you a few odds and ends about which I think you would be interested.

We recently received the following email from a relatively new neighbor:

*"Hi, I'm interested in the different melodies played by your bells at the different times. Is there a bell for every hour, a special melody for 12,3,6,9 and a special ring at 6? Just moved to Philly and I think it's nice to hear."*

It is not unusual we hear such positive things about our bells. Isn't it nice to know we provide such a positive contribution to the neighborhood?

Next Sunday, we celebrate Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday). Several parishioners have asked if we could show the movie, "The Passion of the Christ" after the 11:00 AM Mass next Sunday. You do not have to go to the 11:00 AM Mass to watch the movie. We will begin showing it about 12:30 PM in Carr Hall. A light lunch (hoagies) will be served. Feel free to invite family and friends.

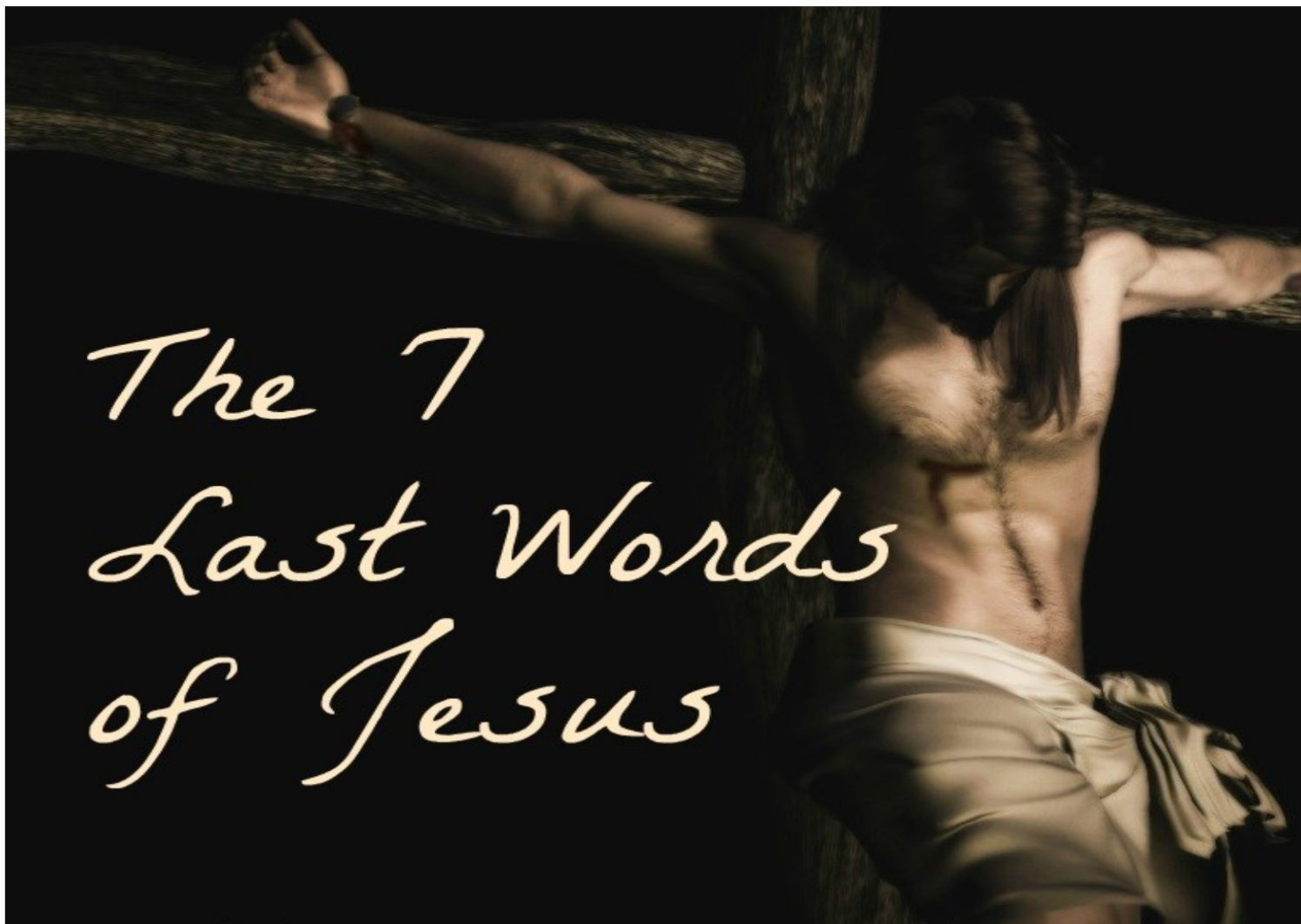
Last call: If you have not already done so, please participate in the survey concerning homilies which is being facilitated by The Catholic Preaching Institute of St. Charles Seminary. The opportunity will be available until this coming Friday, March 22. The findings which will surface from the survey will help the Institute develop programs for priests and deacons to improve homilies. Your participation in this endeavor could have very positive ramifications. Please see the insert in this bulletin for more details. You can also access the survey from the homepage of our parish website by just clicking on the link provided.

A week ago Thursday, a good friend of our parish, Fr. Efren Esmilla became Bishop Efren and an Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia. Many members of our Filipino choir participated in the ordination liturgy under the direction of our Music Director, Kim Barroso. In order to prepare for this wonderful event, there was a great deal of preparation on their part. They had approximately eight rehearsals and on Thursday, the day of the ordination, they were at the Cathedral from approximately 10:30 AM to 5:30 PM. This selfless volunteer commitment on their part was a wonderful representation of our parish community to this wonderful celebration. Many thanks Kim and all. The picture below shows our Filipino parish choir with several other Filipino choirs from the area.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill





# *The 7 Last Words of Jesus*

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invites you to participate in the service of

*“The Seven Last Words of Jesus”*

**Good Friday, March 29th at 7:30 PM**

The service (approximately 90 minutes) will consist of a scripture reading of each of the words, a short reflection by a parishioner, silence, several petitions and a hymn for each word.

**Everyone is welcome!**

**The Seven Last Words and those sharing reflections on them are:**

*“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.”*

*Luke 23: 26-37* **Briana Abrams**

*“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.”*

*Luke 23: 39-43* **Bill and Maureen Castro**

*“Woman, behold your son..... son, behold your mother.”*

*John 19: 26-27* **Linda Halpin**

*“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”*

*Mark 15: 33-39* **Marie Keith**

*“I thirst.”*

*John 19. 28-29* **Rev. Michael Riggs, O.S.A.**

*“It is finished.”*

*John 19:29-30* **Anthony Smith**

*“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”*

*Luke 23: 44-49* **Ferdi Luyun**





# LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK?

The newly-formed nonprofit **ST. AUGUSTINE HERITAGE FOUNDATION** (legally independent from the parish) is seeking applicants for **BOARD MEMBER** consideration.

The vision of the Foundation is *"to help in the areas of preserving, restoring and improving our historic buildings, grounds and our valuable artwork, as well as supporting historical, civic, educational and cultural programs."*

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in being considered, we would love to connect. As only 40% needs to be parishioners, non-parishioners and non-Catholics are also welcomed. We are seeking candidates who are enthusiastic and self-motivated, perhaps with a passion for historic preservation, art, churches or, just "giving back". Life skills and experience in one or more of the following areas would be helpful:

- historic preservation
- art restoration
- fundraising
- communications/marketing
- construction
- grant writing
- non-profits
- local government

As a **volunteer** board member, you hold a valuable position with responsibilities providing a fulfilling and rewarding experience.

Our Board Members will meet, mostly via ZOOM, 3-4 times a year for approximately 2 hours.

**If you would like to learn more, please email us at [mariecketh@icloud.com](mailto:mariecketh@icloud.com), or call/text Marie Keith, Board Consultant, 215-360-1936.**



**HOLY WEEK 2024**

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**March 24, 2024**

Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Blessing and Distribution of Palm within all Masses.



**HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**March 28, 2024**

7:30 PM

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper  
and Private Adoration at Repository until 10 PM



**GOOD FRIDAY**

**March 29, 2024**

3:00 PM

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death

7:30 PM

The Seven Last Words of Christ



**HOLY SATURDAY**

**March 30, 2024**

7:30 PM

The Resurrection of the Lord  
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter



**EASTER SUNDAY**

**March 31, 2024**

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

(No 7:00 PM Mass)





*Please Come and Join*

***April 6, 2024,  
11am-12:30pm***

# ***Young Adult Discussion***

*Come discuss the Word and  
meet other young adults in  
the parish!*

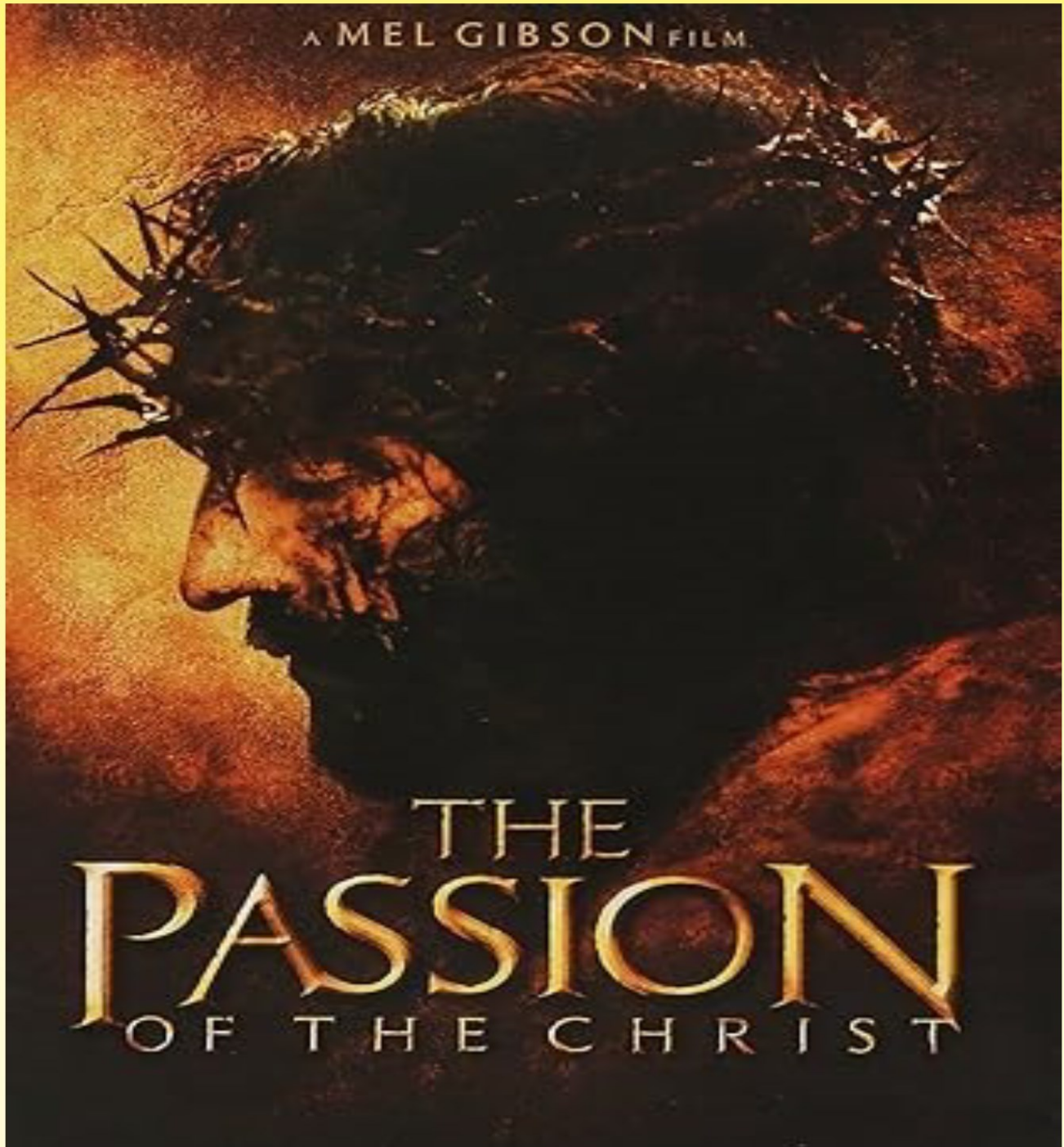
***Carr Hall  
St. Augustine Church***

*Followed by the opportunity  
for Adoration &  
Reconciliation*



Please join us for the showing of the movie,  
"THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST" on Palm Sunday,  
March 24, 2024 at 12:30 PM in the Rev. Matthew Carr, OSA Hall.

Refreshments will be served.





## The Catholic Preaching Institute

Improving the experience of homilies – from the pulpit and in the pew — is what drives us at **The Catholic Preaching Institute**. But more than tweaking what’s already in place, we’re looking to launch **a homiletic revival** here in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and beyond.

Why? Because we need to up our game in terms of how, what, and where we preach ... and how, what and where we hear the Word of God. As parishes have already done post-pandemic, now we want to help keep those church doors open with a renewed proclamation of the “Good News” for all.

This is a grassroots initiative, wholly dependent on the involvement of *all* members of the local Church as the Body of Christ and People of God. That’s why we’re so happy you found us ... *and why we invite you to see below for **how you can help right now!***

**... and we want to hear from YOU!**

Our initiative is to help priests and deacons to deliver more compelling homilies in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. **Your honest input from the pews** is vital to understanding what is working and what can be improved in our parishes to give you a stronger connection to the Mass. Be a part of the largest preaching survey ever undertaken by completing the survey TODAY!

The CPI at Saint Charles Seminary again invites you to participate in what could be the largest-ever study of preaching in the nation! Tell us what you think in a 10-minute online survey at <https://catholicleaders.online/phillypreaching> or you can go to <https://www.scs.edu/preaching/>

Please share this info with your family members, friends, and contacts so that we receive maximum input ... to help us better design programs that will make your experience of homilies more compelling!



**THE PARISHIONER SURVEY IS NOW OPEN !**

**The survey closes March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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### **WHAT ARE YOUR QUESTIONS?**

Join us this Lent for our ongoing series when we will discuss and answer questions regarding **“Lent and the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus.”** Join us and our special guests via Zoom from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM on the dates listed below!



**2/20 “Why do we observe Lent each year?” - Rev. G. Dennis Gill, S.L.L., M.Div.,** Director, Office for Divine Worship and Rector of the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia -

**Register at the link below:**

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**2/27 “Why did Jesus have to suffer and die?” - Dr. Janet Haggerty, Ph.D.,** Associate Professor of Theology, College Seminary and Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Theological Seminary, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary - **Register at the link below:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAucOCtgDMuH9I3UPg2PeClrFxQufGOKNR7>



**3/5 “What does it mean, if we share in Jesus’ life in Baptism, we have to share in his suffering and death?” - Dr. Joseph T. Kelley, Ph.D., D.Min.,** Professor of Religious and Theological Studies, Merrimack College - **Register at the link below:**

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**3/12 “Why did Jesus rise from the dead and what does St. Paul mean when he says, ‘If Jesus did not rise from the dead, our faith is in vain?’” - Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., D.Min.,** Director of Cascia Center Ministries, Shrine of St. Rita, Philadelphia - **Register at the link below:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpcemtri8iGtJapRZBU9X4-4FfODvsvlQo>



**3/19 “What will our risen life be like?” - Most Reverend Daniel Turley, O.S.A., D.D.,** Bishop Emeritus of Chulucanas, Peru - **Register at the link below:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0kf-2sqzsvE9Oco-nbui7OJvDXCarZQrP->

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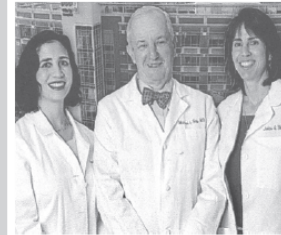
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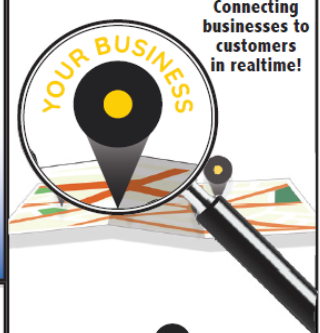
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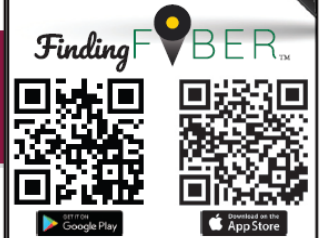
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