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JESUS IS LORD TO THE GLORY OF THE FATHER



**HE BECAME THE WORD INCARNATE &
CAME AMONG YOU TO MAKE KNOWN TO
YOU THE ONE WHO SENT HIM.
(God the Father)**

MARCH...THE WINDY MONTH

If we ever needed the “wind” of the Holy Spirit it is NOW. Everything seems to be coming to a head...very quickly. Wars quicken. Protests abound. Nature attacks. Borders are overrun. Things fall apart. Laws are ignored. Suicides increase. Violence & mayhem haunt us. Disorder reigns. Cardinals oppose cardinals. Good priests are cancelled. Sacerdotal leadership balks. Fears of reprisal reigns. Sheep fall prey to wolves. The untrained are lost.

Ripe territory for a totalitarian take cover by any charismatic personality claiming to be or have the solution for it all. Beware...that is a sign of soul death walking.

We who have had the privilege of being trained in the Word & raised up in the way we should go agonize over so many lost souls all around us & even in our families who haven't a clue as to the battle over our souls going on all around us. The focus is all off...far too much on this world rather than realizing that this is a testing ground of acknowledgment & fidelity to the Creator of it all. He tests everyone He loves & gifts them with graces & gifts to reach other seeking souls & to succeed in their endeavors in living this life here on earth.

Our Lady has been warning that she can no longer hold back the wrath of God in face of the greatest evil to pollute the earth which is the domain of the evil one. Thank God for the sacraments which give us the graces to persist in the face of the diabolical onslaught we are living in. It is critical to stay focused, gather in groups of like-minded believers & pray together especially the Rosary, the one weapon the evil one detests for it comes from the one who will crush his head in God's time.

TIME IS FLYING BY

Here is a taste of everything all in one place. Mark your calendars & sign up soon. Hear orthodox speakers & be uplifted by being with other holy seekers of....truth.

JOHN LEAPS EVANGELIZATION PRESENTS

CATHOLIC EVERYTHING EXPO 2

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In the face of so much confusion & propaganda being pandered about, get fed by speakers bringing light into the darkness. Get help & encouragement in staying on the narrow path with like-minded believers.

GOD'S WAYS ARE DEFINITELY NOT OUR WAYS.

He will go to great lengths to get our attention which can rattle our idea of a merciful God. He does not change but sometimes we need to in order to better comprehend the depth of the perfect love of the Father. As we behold the devastation on all fronts in the world we live in, we often wonder why God would allow this to happen. This is not unique to our time but earlier saints can shed some light on it. One such insight is from St. Jerome Emiliani who lived from 1486-1537.

Our goal is God. We are to place our trust in God & no one else. In His kindness, Our Lord wishes to strengthen our faith. He also wished to listen to your prayer & so He ordained that you experience, poverty, distress, abandonment, weariness, universal scorn.

Experienced any of that lately, have you? And He ordained that so it would push us to pray so He could listen to our prayer, such is His desire to be near us in prayer. He is a wise Father for He knows, as we do, that when things are all rosy, we are not so strongly inclined to pray. It is when things get bad & painful that we turn to Him.

God alone knows the reason for all this, yet we can recognize 3 causes. In the first place, our Blessed Lord is telling you that He desires to include you among His beloved sons, provided that you remain steadfast in His ways, for this is the way He treats His friends & makes them holy.

The second reason is that He is asking you to grow continually in your confidence in Him alone & not in others. For God does not work in those who refuse to place all their confidence & hope in Him alone. In depriving you of everyone else you have loved, He will offer you an opportunity to choose: either you will forsake your faith & return to the ways of the world or you will remain steadfast in your faith & pass the test.

Now the third reason is that God wishes to test you like gold in the furnace. To those who remain unshaken in times of distress, God raises him up & in return for all the things he has left for love for God, He repays him a hundred-fold in this life & with eternal life hereafter.

(St. Jerome Emiliani)

During this Lent, we all have enough distress & weariness. Let us accept it, offer it up for the salvation of souls & redouble our efforts of prayer & fasting to give Him the glory & gratitude He deserves & so longs for from His creatures. Let us pray fervently in the distress He brings us & allow it to spur us onto praying for love of Him...always.

IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE.

Those taking the Marriage Retreat gathered for food, fun & pictures during celebrate Marriage Month. They found the nightly sharings & "homework" very helpful.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:**

PALM SUNDAY: No 8AM Mass.

9AM Holy Hour in rectory Mass room. 10 AM Mass starting on rectory lawn to process into church.



Mar. 25th Chrism Mass at BASILICA.

HOLY THURSDAY:

8PM Mass of Lord's Supper
Adoration & Confessions till midnight.

**GOOD FRIDAY: (Day of Fast & Abstinence)**

1:30 Stations of the Cross
2:30 Divine Mercy Novena
3PM Good Friday Liturgy

**EASTER VIGIL**

8PM Divine Mercy Novena in Rectory Mass Room
Lighting of Fire on front lawn
Procession into church
8:30PM Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY:**

10AM Mass of the Resurrection. There is no 8AM Mass on Easter Sunday

**GO DEEPER!****Youth Life in the Spirit Seminar: Apr. 13-14**

Sign up now to get a shepherd to guide you through the process. Go to BLDNewark.com click on Pastoral link, then the Youth link. No fee, no overnight. Will be held at Divine Mercy Parish in Rahway. For ages 14-19. Sign up [NOW](#).

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER!! May 17-19 at CYO

Center in Kearny. Register on-line at BLDNewark.com. Hit Evangelization link, then Marriage Encounter.

EVERYTHING IS COMING TO A HEAD RAPIDLY.

This is no time to procrastinate. Get your souls in order. Spend every extra minute in prayer. Get to Confession. Get to Adoration. Get to Daily Mass if possible. Pray the Rosary with your family. Fast. Fathers, lead your families in prayer & Bible Study. Pray for perseverance & grace to get us through what is coming. As St. JP II said *This is the final confrontation between good & evil.* Confused about pronouncements coming out of Rome, look any issue up in the Catechism. Be sure to have one in your home along with the Bible & go there for the truth of the faith as it was handed down to the apostles. Be grateful to be Catholic...practice it faithfully.