

SANTA MARIA GORETTI PARISH

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Mass Schedule: Tuesday to Friday - 7:00 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday at 5:00 pm. Sunday: 9:30 am (*English*) and 11:30 am (*Italian*)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. before Mass or by appointment

Adoration: Every Thursday at 6:00 pm. **Rosary every evening:** 6:20 pm. **Via Crucis every Friday at 7:35 pm**

Baptism: Please contact parish office for scheduling Baptism.

Marriage: Contact the Priest at least 6 months prior to the Wedding.

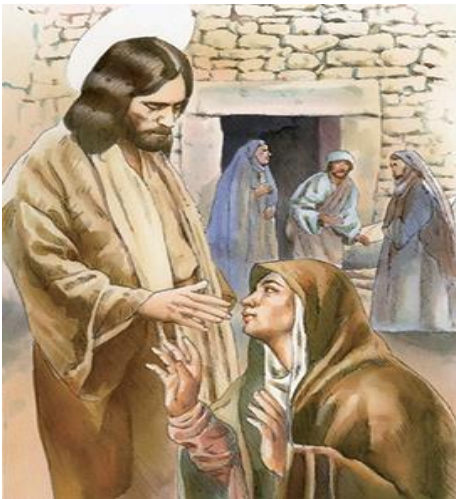
(A Catholic Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement.)

Mezz'ora Con Voi (Italian Radio Program): Sunday at: 8:30 a.m. on 101.7 FM

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La Domenica della "Novità di Vita"



Il profeta Isaia (*I Lettura*) alimenta la speranza del popolo d'Israele in esilio, ricordando il primo Esodo, la liberazione dalla schiavitù d'Egitto con il passaggio del Mar Rosso, e annunciando un secondo Esodo, il riscatto dalla schiavitù babilonese e il ritorno in patria a Gerusalemme. Dio è la guida e la salvezza del suo popolo, colui che fa nuove tutte le realtà, suscitando le lodi del suo popolo. L'apostolo Paolo (*II Lettura*) ci annuncia che il bene sommo dell'uomo è la salvezza, che è conoscenza, comunione ed esperienza del mistero pasquale di Gesù Cristo. Afferrati da lui, seguiamolo nella via regale del servizio, comunicando alle sue sofferenze per prendere parte anche alla sua gloria pasquale. Il *Vangelo* ci presenta la donna adultera, alla quale scribi e farisei – chiusi alla divina rivelazione – negano il perdono. Gesù in silenzio col suo dito scrive per terra «la nuova Legge della misericordia e dell'amore, la Legge della nuova alleanza». Poi squarcia il suo silenzio e dice: «Chi di voi è senza peccato, getti per primo la pietra contro di lei». Figli del Padre misericordioso, non giudichiamo nessuno, ma esercitiamo sempre la virtù della misericordia.

Don Francesco Dell'Orco.

Vth Sunday of Lent

As I reflected on today's Gospel, my first thought was, "Where was the man?" In all the Gospels, this is the only mention of Jesus writing. Maybe he was writing, "Where is the man?" Ignoring the questions of the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus bends down and writes a second time. His written words must be very powerful, because the woman's accusers begin to leave one at a time, until they have all left. This Gospel is a wonderful example of the power of the written word. Imitating this action of Jesus, we can make a big difference by our own writing when we see injustice, such as gender discrimination and racism, in our society today. The kindness of Jesus toward this woman is also remarkable. He stays bent down as he looks up at her standing there. From this bent position Jesus, by his questions, encourages her to speak for herself. Jesus then replies with powerful words of forgiveness, respect and love. These words must have filled her with relief, hope and courage. Today, the risen Christ speaks to each of us as well. We are encouraged to begin again, to experience forgiveness and great love. As we reflect on this tender reading, may we share this woman's feelings of joy and peace, knowing we too are greatly loved.

Joan Doyle.