

SAINT JOHN & SAINT THOMAS LENTEN MISSION March 28-31, 2017, 7:00 - 8:15 PM

God touches our lives as Catholics uniquely through the sacraments. These seven life-related encounters with Jesus are "sure and certain means of grace." Why don't we experience them as such?

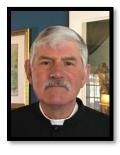
Through each sacrament, the Holy Spirit makes real and palpable the wonderful blessings that God promises to those who love them. Each evening Fr. Jurgen Liias will open up for us the unique treasures in one of the sacraments and lead us through prayer to experience Jesus Christ more fully and become more eager to share the joy of the gospel everywhere!

Tuesday, March 28: Baptism. What does it mean to be truly born again? How can you truly experience the love of your heavenly Father and live into your true identity as a child of God? Renewal of baptismal promises. Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

Wednesday, March 29: Reconciliation. How can you truly know forgiveness? How can one move on from the past and be free from painful memories? How does God not only forgive our messes but makes an asset out of them? Confessions will be available following the service.

Thursday, March 30: Marriage. How can we enter more deeply and fully into the love and intimacy that God want us to have in marriage? How can we truly make our home and families God's dwelling place? Prayers and blessing for couples contemplating marriage and renewal of marriage vows.

Friday, March 31: The Holy Eucharist. How can we not just go to Mass but truly "pray the Mass?" How can we more consciously and regularly experience "the Real Presence" of Jesus?. How can we make the Mass a joyful and expectant duty? Concelebrated Mass followed by refreshments and fellowship.



Our Mission Preacher: Born in Germany, Fr. Jurgen Liias came to this country as a refugee in 1952. After 40 years as an Episcopal Priest, he was received into the Roman Catholic Church and ordained a Catholic priest by Cardinal O'Malley in 2013. Retired pastor of St. Gregory Ordinariate Catholic Church, Fr. Jurgen is married to Gloria, with two grown children and three grandchildren. Throughout his ministry, Fr. Liias has been a leader in the Charismatic Renewal, and a frequent preacher at retreats, renewal conferences, and healing missions.