



March 21, 2021 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33 – Jesus foreshadows his death

Reflection Questions:

The phenomenon of death leading to new life is embedded within all of nature.

1. Where in your life have you experienced this? How has it helped or challenged your faith?
2. In what way can you reflect on how racism or indifference can cause spiritual death to your soul?

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SCRUTINIES - YEAR A*

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John 11:1-45 – Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead

Reflection Questions:

1. Jesus commands the spectators to “untie” Lazarus. Racism is a form of bondage that God desires us to be free from. How might you need to be freed from the bondage of racism?

2. There is deep need for reconciling forces to counter racism. What changes can you make in your life to counter racism and promote racial healing?

** During the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, parishes often celebrate the scrutinies with the RCIA catechumens at one of their liturgies. The readings and gospel readings from those Masses are always from cycle A.*