

March 14-15, 2020
Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17:3-7

Romans 5:1-8

John 4:5-42

For the town of Sychar it all began with a cup of water. Because Jesus asked the multiply-married woman for a cup of water, the village of Sychar came to meet and know Jesus. The woman at the well was instrumental, through her sharing of her belief in Jesus, in leading many people to likewise believe that Jesus was the Messiah...but others encountered Jesus personally, talking with him and sharing food together, and came to believe in Jesus from their own encounters. From little actions, big results can flow. Who has been instrumental in introducing you to Jesus? By what manner have they helped convince you that Jesus is the Son of God? Was it the manner of their lives? Was it something they said...or what they did not say? How has your belief in Jesus grown (or shrunk) over the years? What was transpiring at the time that may have influenced the growth or shrinkage? Has anyone come to believe in Jesus of Nazareth because of you? Did they tell you why? How did that make you feel? With our minds and energies pulled in so many directions, how have your daily conversations with Jesus been going? You are having daily conversations, right? The coronavirus is so much less threatening when you have shared your heart with Jesus. The same is true with your marriage and your children, pretty much EVERYTHING is easier to embrace or understand if Jesus has been brought into the conversation. So invite Jesus for a cup of water and enjoy the chat.

Thank you for sharing this third weekend of our Lenten journey with our Santa Clara community. In anticipation of all things St. Patrick's, you are invited to stop by the IRISH BEVERAGE PAVILION on the Parking Lot side of the Church after Mass and enjoy some Irish beverages...not green-beer but beer that is genuinely Irish in its origin. **This coming Friday will be the occasion of our ALL PARISH STATIONS of the CROSS, beginning with a Fish Fry dinner at 5:30pm and followed immediately by the Stations, brought to life through the help of our assorted Faith Formation programs.** Our Good Friday Prayer Breakfast continues to draw nearer, please do not try to wait until the last minute to make your reservations. With but three days remaining of winter, enjoy the arrival of SPRING and always remember, you are loved. FKB