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FAST ON FEAR. FEAST ON FAITH. TOGETHER. **THE SAINTS OF LENT 2022** MARCH 13, 2022

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.
- Hebrews 12: 1-3

March 10: Renewers of society **Harriet Tubman(1820-1913)**



Harriet Tubman was an American abolitionist and political activist. Born into slavery, Tubman escaped and subsequently made some 13 missions to rescue approximately 70 enslaved people, including family and friends, using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad.

"It wasn't me, it was the Lord! I always told Him, 'I trust to you. I don't know where to go or what to do, but I expect You to lead me,' and He always did." "And I prayed to God to make me strong and able to fight, and that's what I've always prayed for ever since.

Sojourner Truth (1797-1883)



Sojourner Truth was an American abolitionist and women's rights activist. Truth was born into slavery in Swartekill, New York, but escaped with her infant daughter to freedom in 1826. After going to court to recover her son in 1828, she became the first black woman to win such a case against a white man.

"Religion without humanity is very poor human stuff."

March 17: Bishop and Missionary **Patrick (died 461)**

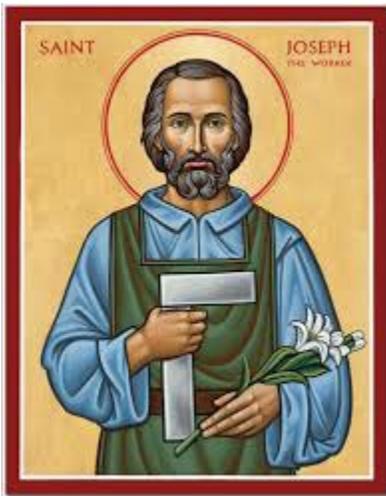


- **Saint Patrick** (5th century CE) is the patron saint of **Ireland** and one of the most successful Christian missionaries in history. He is credited with expanding literacy in Ireland through the monastic orders he established, revising and codifying

the Brehon Laws, and converting the country to **Christianity**. His **death** date is celebrated on 17 March but the year he died, as with his year of birth, is unknown.

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left
Christ where I lie, Christ where I sit, Christ where I arise
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

March 19: Guardian of Jesus **Joseph**



Joseph, (flourished 1st century CE, Nazareth, Galilee, region of Palestine. in the New Testament, Jesus' earthly father and the Virgin Mary's husband. Joseph was a descendant of the house of King David. After marrying Mary, he found her already pregnant and, "being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to

public disgrace" decided to divorce her quietly, but an angel told him that the child was the Son of God and was conceived by the Holy Spirit. Obeying the angel, Joseph took Mary as his wife.

After Jesus' birth at Bethlehem in Judaea, where the Holy Family received the Magi, an angel warned Joseph and Mary about the impending violence against the child by King Herod the Great of Judaea, whereupon they fled to Egypt. There the angel again appeared to Joseph, informing him of Herod's death and instructing him to return to the Holy Land. Avoiding Bethlehem out of fear of Herod's successor, Joseph, Mary, and Jesus settled in **Nazareth** in **Galilee**. Joseph is last mentioned in the Gospels when he and Mary frantically searched for the lost young Jesus in **Jerusalem**, where they found him in the Temple. Like Mary, Joseph failed to comprehend Jesus' **ironic** question, " 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' " The circumstances of Joseph's death are unknown.

March 24: Bishop and Martyr **Oscar Arnulfo Romero (1917-1980)**



Óscar Arnulfo Roero y Galdámez was a prelate of the Catholic Church in El Salvador. He served as auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of San Salvador, the titular bishop of Tambeae, as bishop of Santiago de María, and finally as the fourth archbishop of San Salvador. In 1980, Romero was shot by an assassin while celebrating Mass.

"A church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed — what gospel is that?"

"The ones who have a voice must speak for those who are voiceless."

April 9: Theologian and Martyr **Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945)**



Dietrich Bonhoeffer, German theologian important for his support of [ecumenism](#) and his view of [Christianity's](#) role in a [secular](#) world. His involvement in a plot to overthrow [Adolf Hitler](#) led to his imprisonment and execution.

"God loves human beings. God loves the world. Not an ideal human, but human beings as they are; not an ideal world, but the real world. What we find repulsive in their opposition to God, what we shrink back from with pain and hostility... this is for God the ground of unfathomable love."

"The first service one owes to others in a community involves listening to them. Just as our love for God begins with listening to God's Word, the beginning of love for others is learning to listen to them. God's love for us is shown by the fact that God not only gives God's Word but also lends us God's ear. . . . We do God's work for our brothers and sisters when we learn to listen to them."

"The Church is the Church only when it exists for others . . . not dominating, but helping and serving. It must tell men of every calling what it means to live for Christ, to exist for others."

"We are not to simply bandage the wounds of victims beneath the wheels of injustice, we are to drive a spoke into the wheel itself."