

In Between

March 31st - April 2nd, 2026

Note: Triduum will be left to stand on its own, similar to why Sundays are not a part of this as well

Monday March 30th, 2026

Scripture - John 12:4-6 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples and the one who would betray him, said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred shillings, and given to the poor." Now he said this not because he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and having the bag, took as he wished from it.

Observation: A good friend of Jesus, Mary, had just anointed the feet of Jesus with expensive ointment. Jesus was in Bethany for the last time, and had brought Mary and Martha's brother Lazarus back to life.

Narrative: I believe Judas gets a somewhat bum rap. In reading the scriptures, ALL the disciples were flawed and had their own agendas at times. They all fled and ALL betrayed Jesus in one way or another. For instance, the only critical difference between Judas and Peter, in my opinion, is that after realizing his betrayal, Judas did not think of himself as capable of being forgiven and loved again.

Question: Is there someone you know that lives in misery because they feel they have led such a miserable and caustic life that they see themselves as beyond love and redemption?

Tuesday March 31st, 2026

Scripture - John 13:21-22 ...Jesus said, "Truly, I say unto you, that one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another doubting any one of them could do such a thing.

Observation: This being the Last Supper with the visual and message of the feet washing; Jesus would allude to whom it would be and also predict that Peter would deny him as well.

Narrative: Who me? I believe when we all get to the point of humility and realize we are all capable of doing some pretty nasty stuff, that we not only become more compassionate with others who have flaws, but become vigilant about our impact on others as well. Mother Teresa, as a young Nun from Europe, during the time of the rise of Hitler to power, was on her train ride to China to begin her ministry career. It is said that on that train ride she began to come to grips with her sense of entitlement and prejudice towards others, and in her memoirs claimed to have realized "the inner Hitler within herself."

Question: Is there someone you know that transformed themselves from a place of entitlement and prejudice, to one of humility and service? If so, who or what allowed for such a transformation?

Wednesday April 1st, 2026

Scripture - Matthew 26:14-15 Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me, and I will deliver him to you?"

Observation: The price of getting what Judas wanted was thirty pieces of silver.

Narrative: In a "What's in it for me" culture, this certainly rings true today as well. Instead of a concern or thought process regarding the common good, much less what is in the best interest of a specific other, we gravitate toward self-interest, and what the price will be in obtaining it.

Question: In light of the memorial of the passion of Christ starting tomorrow, what is the price for selling out the interest of others that you would or have accepted?