

# Foundations of Faith



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## March 1 – The Eucharist “...This is my Body...”

- A 2019 survey said that 2/3 of Catholics DO NOT believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.
  - We'll explore: What are the biblical roots of this teaching? What did the early Christians believe? And will look at some Eucharistic Miracles that have happened throughout history...

## March 8 – Mary “...Behold your Mother...”

- Among various Christian denominations Catholics are unique in their devotion to Mary
  - We'll explore: What are the biblical roots of Catholic understanding of Mary? What did early Christians believe? Also, Mary's ongoing role in history through apparitions, especially at Guadalupe and Fatima. How Fatima connects to unfolding of events of the 20<sup>th</sup> century

## March 15 – The Church “...On this rock I will build my Church...”

- Scandals among the hierarchy have led people to question WHY we have the hierarchy and WHAT am I supposed to believe anymore?
  - We'll explore: why do Catholic have a hierarchical church structure? The biblical roots of the hierarchy and especially the PAPACY (the Pope?) What did the early church believe? And especially how we are to understand and live Catholic faith in face of church scandal?

## March 22 – Marriage “...The two shall become one flesh...”

- Recent decades have seen not only an increase in divorce rates and decrease in commitment to marriage, but also a challenge to the very institution to marriage itself.
  - We'll explore: Biblical roots of marriage? Why is marriage a Sacrament? What about divorce? Celibacy? Gay marriage?

As the world seems ever more in chaos, we're going back to the basics, of four foundational pillars of faith, where Jesus lives out His promise,

“Behold, I am with you always...”

These foundational things of our Catholic faith are currently questioned and challenged by our world and culture today, So for this Lent we are going “back to the basics”; to look at the biblical roots, at the belief of early Church, at how God has re-iterated these teachings throughout history; and finally to wrestle with some of the contemporary modern questions and challenges around these four institutions.