

# LAJUNTA NAZARENE

March, 2023

## LENT - A Season Of Sacrifice

**Brussel Sprouts, I have given up Brussel Sprouts. I promise that I will not eat a single one this entire Lenten season. Neither will I eat one at all during the Easter season, nor the season which follows that or any season at all as long as I have the power to exercise what goes into my mouth. My Boy Scout pledge to the world is that as long as I am able, I will resist the temptation which is Brussel Sprouts. And so my Lenten sacrifice is absolutely no sacrifice at all. I am committed to giving up that which I would never willingly consume in the first place. Aren't we like that? "I am willing to sacrifice, so long as it doesn't cost me too much."**

**The season of Lent is not biblical in nature, it was formalized as a Christian observance in 325 BC at the First Council Of Nicaea. Lent does not carry the weight of scripture as a commandment, however it can have definite spiritual benefits for those who find it helpful in leading them to a disciplined level of personal sacrifice. As we intentionally abstain from one thing or another we set this season apart from all others as a time to reflect on the sacrifice and suffering of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Romans 14:6 says, "Whoever regards one day (*or season*)\* as special does so to the Lord. Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God." So, according to the scriptures you can actively participate in Lent as a season of personal sacrifice if you so desire. It may possibly help you to prepare your heart and mind for the most blessed of all Christian celebrations, Easter.**

**OR, you can go ahead and eat all of the Brussel Sprouts you like, but if you do, you are no friend of mine. If you like them, or the way your mamma prepared them, don't tell me, I don't want to hear it. By the way, they are actually called Brussels Sprouts, but who cares!**

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1st Blaise Medina  
 1st Bob Malden  
 1st Dottie Bryan  
 2nd Addison Malden  
 4th Betty Clanton  
 12th Stephanie Spitz  
 14th Houston Yochum  
 17th Dyson Oquist  
 20th De Anna Adler  
 20th Sam Trotter  
 21st LaRue Hare  
 23rd Ulrich Sullivan  
 25th Chris Fluke  
 26th Joanna Clark  
 27th Carolyn Ehrlich  
 27th Cooper Fluke  
 27th Randy Cruzan, Jr.  
 30th Aislynn Martin  
 30th Brynn Morley  
 31st Thane Sullivan



## Matthew 22:37-39

**"Jesus replied:  
 'Love the Lord your  
 God with all your  
 heart and with all  
 your soul and with  
 all your mind.'**

**This is the first  
 and greatest  
 commandment.  
 And the second  
 is like it:**

**'Love your neighbor  
 as yourself.'** "

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## February Tithes & Offerings

\$26,992.59

If you are watching the  
 services online and  
 would like to give  
 tithes and offerings,  
 you may:

- Come by the office
- Mail It
- Go to the Website-  
Click on Donate

*Thank You!*

## Sunday Services

**Sunday School  
 9:15 am**

**Classes for  
 all ages!**

**Cafe Fellowship  
 10:15 am**

**Worship  
 10:30 am**

**Kinder &  
 Children's Church  
 (Age 3 - 5th grade)  
 Nursery is available**

**Youth Group  
 6:30 pm**

**Watch the  
 Worship Service  
 Live Stream  
 on  
 Facebook  
 or**

**YouTube  
 @ LaJunta Nazarene**

**Website  
 www.**

**lajuntanazarene.org**

# March Happenings

March 5th

Alabaster Kick-off

March 10th

Lenten Soup Supper

6:00 pm

La Junta First Nazarene

March 12th

Daylight Savings

Move your clocks forward  
one hour on Saturday night.

March 18th

Crafting With Friends

10:00 - 2:00 pm

March 19th

Spaghetti Lunch

Camp Fundraiser

12:00 noon

April 2nd

Palm Sunday

Alabaster Offering

Stay-tuned  
for Easter Services  
Schedule

## **CRAFTING WITH FRIENDS**

**March 18th, 10am - 2pm**



**LADIES & TEEN GIRLS,  
BRING YOUR OWN  
BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS,  
A FINGERFOOD TO SHARE  
AND A FRIEND.**

**ANY PROJECT IS ACCEPTABLE.  
COME FOR THE FELLOWSHIP!**

## **La Junta Community Lenten Soup Suppers**



**FRIDAYS  
6:00 pm**

### **CHURCHES & TIMES**

February 24th

March 3rd

March 10th

March 17th

March 24th

March 31st

1st Assembly of God

Calvary Church

Nazarene First

First Presbyterian

United Methodist

Our Lady of Guadalupe/

St. Patrick Catholic



# Summer Camps Schedule

## CAMP SALVATION

Weston, CO

Register before

May 31st

To get \$10 off

Campsalvation.org

## ELEMENTARY

Ages 8-11

Leaving Grades

3rd - 6th

Cost - \$85.00

Dates

June 26th-30th

## JUNIOR HIGH

Ages 12-14

Leaving Grades

6th - 9th

Cost - \$90

Dates

June 19th—24th

July 17th -22nd

## SENIOR HIGH

Ages 14-18

Leaving Grades

9th - 12th

Cost - \$95

Dates

July 10th -15th

## GOLDEN BELL CAMPS

380 CR-512

Divide, CO 80814

719-687-9561

[www.goldenbellccc.org](http://www.goldenbellccc.org)

## Nazarene District Camp

Kind-1st grade

July 26 -28th

\$208.00

Deadline July 3rd

2nd—3rd grade

July 24 -28th

\$353.60

Deadline July 3rd

4th -5th grade

July 24—28th

\$353.60

Deadline July 3rd

**\*Prices include the  
Nazarene Discount.**

**When registering  
please use this  
discount.**

## Golden Bell

## Sponsored Camps

Itch-ee-Ow-ee #1

3rd-6th grade

\$339.20

Camp 1—June 19-  
23rd

Deadline May 29th

Camp 2 -July 10-14th

Deadline June 19th

Adventure Camp

5th—8th grade

July 17th—21st

\$345.00

Deadline June 26th

Velocity Jr. High

7th—9th grade

June 12-16th

\$373.60

Deadline May 26th

Velocity Sr. High

10th—12th grade

June 5th—9th

\$373.60

Deadline May 15th

\$328.00



**Parents,**

**The Children's  
Camp committee  
has put together  
four fundraisers  
the children may  
participate in.**

**Parents will be  
asked to bring food  
items and volunteer  
with their children  
at the fundraisers.**

**Funds will be  
distributed based  
on these events.**

**SOUP-er Bowl Lunch  
Was in January**

**Spaghetti Lunch  
March 19th**

**Baked Potato Bar  
April 16th**

**Taco Bar  
May 7th**

**Contact Denise for  
any questions or  
more information.**

**Call evenings  
or text**

**(719)-469-1262**

A promotional poster for a spaghetti lunch fundraiser. The background is red with green leaves scattered around. At the top, it says "LJ NAZ KIDS CAMP FUNDRAISER" in white. Below that, "Spaghetti" is written in large, yellow, cursive font, and "Lunch" is in white, bold, sans-serif font. To the left of the spaghetti dish, it says "March 19th 12 pm" in white. In the center is a white plate of spaghetti topped with red sauce, cherry tomatoes, and basil leaves. To the right of the plate, it says "\$8 A PERSON" in red, with an arrow pointing to the price. Below that, it says "Lunch includes spaghetti, green beans, salad, dessert, & drink" in white. To the left of the plate, it says "TO GO ORDERS AVAILABLE" in white. At the bottom, there is a red button with white text that says "THANK FOR FOR SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN!".

**LJ NAZ KIDS  
CAMP FUNDRAISER**

**Spaghetti  
Lunch**

March 19th  
12 pm

**\$8  
A PERSON**

Lunch includes spaghetti,  
green beans, salad,  
dessert, & drink

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### **Camp Funds**

**\$892 was raised at the  
SOUP-er Bowl Lunch.  
Thank you for your  
support!**