

Third Sunday of Lent

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the follow-

ing: Elaine March. Rosemary Seltzer. Elise Sugg. Kathy Carmona. Vicki Robinson. Jacob Stephens. Fr. Ruggles, Fr. Kelly, Fr. McGrath, Fr. Rootman, Fr. Duyka, Msgr. Priest. John Fabetz. Bill Pritchett. Ryan Madden. Bernardo Garcia. Jane Stone. Eric Hurley. Jim & Joann Rayl. Andrea Easter. Cathy Ellis. Mary Lou Johnson, Betty Brown, Rose Kennedy, Judith Sotomayor, Dennis Rayl, Judy Fazzio, Marty Blahitka, Carolyn Edwards, Dominic Sosta, Joshua Larsson, Avery Boultinghouse, Wanda Stephens, Wanda Thompson, Elleana Fritz, Kathryn Allen, Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners, Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: Rev. Efren Naño.**

Please pray for the men and women active military service

from our parish community: Lt. Col. William P Shea, (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana, U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Commander Tom Moroney, Navy (Son of Roger & Shirley Moroney). Colonel Sean Corrigan & 2nd Lt. Blake Gaughan & Lpl. Mike Buchanan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan, U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma.

KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)? We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

Pope's Universal Intention for March: Formation in Spiritual Discernment. That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

Mass Times & Intentions

- Sat 3/03 5:00pm Mass**—Holy Spirit Parishioners
- Sun 3/04 9:30am Mass**—Rusty & Cooper Anderson+
(Ruddie)
- Tue 3/06 9:00am Mass/Adoration**—Joseph Nugent+ (Alice)
- Wed 3/07 7:45am Mass**—Deacon Bryan (Bo) Carey+
- Thurs 3/08 9:00am Mass**—Homebound Parishioners
- Fri 3/09 9:00am Mass**—Holly Lake Volunteer Fire Fighters
- Sat 3/10 5:00pm Mass**—Dominic George Ellis (M/M Boman)

Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm
Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am

<u>PARISH SUPPORT</u>	<u>2/24 & 2/25</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	
Required Weekly Funds	\$ 3,961	Sat.	Sun.
Offerings	\$ 4,199	64	115

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
 Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalms — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

Gospel — Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

EVENTS AND NEWS

March Second Collections: 3rd & 4th: "Building & Maintenance Fund." 10th & 11th: "Catholic Relief Services." 17th & 18th: "Seminarian Special Collection." 24th & 25th: "Holy Land."

Exposition is every Tuesday from 9:30am—4:00pm

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta



**SAVE THE DATES APRIL 26th—28th
PARISHIONERS PICTURES
FOR OUR NEW DIRECTORY**

Next weekend look for more detailed information in our bulletin

2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA): The 2018 BAA is how YOU can support our seminarians, our retired clergy, and our diocesan mission to teach the Catholic Faith to all of east Texas. Our clergy, families, parishes, and missions are strengthened through your generosity to the Appeal. Please mail in your pledge or gift, drop in the collections basket, or make your donation online at www.dioceseoftyler.org/appeal. Every gift brings us closer to our goal. Thank You!

LENTEN RETREAT IN MINEOLA: "Dr. David Tamisiea, Exec. Dir. of St. Philip Institute, will be guest speaker at a Lenten Retreat on Sat, March 10th, from 8:30 am-1:00 at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 203 Meadowbrook Dr., Mineola, Tx. 75783. The topic: "The Universal Call to Holiness", and "The Christian Lay Vocation". All are invited. Bring a sack lunch. Hosted by The Legion of Mary. Phone 903-763-4126."

MARCH EVENTS

Sun. 4th: K of C Breakfast after 9:30am Mass

Wed. 7th: Pastoral Council Mtg. 5:30pm

Fri. 9th: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning 5:00pm followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 5:15pm following up with "Soup Supper" in Parish Hall.

Sun. 11th: Family Faith Formation after 9:30am Mass Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring Forward One Hour)

Mon. 12th: 6:00pm Lent Communal Confession with Fr. Mike, Fr. Love and Fr. Dunne.

Wed. 14th: Diocesan Wide Campaign for Seminarians Kick-Off 6:30—8:00pm in parish hall and church.

Fri. 16th: KC's Fish Fry Vespers (evening prayers) beginning 5:00pm followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 5:15pm

Tues. 20th: Spring Begins

Fri. 23rd: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning 5:00pm followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 5:15pm following up with "Soup Supper" in Parish Hall.

Sun. 25th: PALM SUNDAY

Thurs. 29th: 7:00pm Mass of our Lord's Supper, with the Ceremony of the Washing of the Feet.

Fri. 30th: Good Friday. Church open from noon—3:00pm. Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross and Communion.



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Sat. Mar. 31st: Vigil Mass at 8:00pm.

EASTER SUNDAY April 1st: Mass of the Resurrection celebrated at 9:30am Mass



BOOTS TO BANDANNAS

SAVE THE DATE: Casino/Dinner/Raffle, Sat. April 14, 2018

Please pick up your Raffle Tickets in the Narthex or we will have to mail it to you.

Dinner/Casino Tickets are going fast. **Limited Seating.**

Questions, ask anyone standing behind the tables for answers or call the church office.



We are in need of empty 28 to 30 oz cans of tomatoes or enchilada sauce with a red or yellow wrapper. Please keep wrapper on can & drop off at church office.