

Second Sunday of Lent

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

John Kominis. Samantha & Ester Coronel. Paula Pruet. Belcher Family. Diane Stanley. Barbara Quesada. Wilburn Roberts. Chase Larsson. Jeff Gibbons. Eric Gray. Myles Acosta. Elise Sugg. Jacob Stephens. Fr. John Lydon. Fr. Joseph Nasser. Fr. Christopher Ruggles. Fr. Tim Kelly. Fr. Steven Duyka. Msgr. Gerald Priest. Jim & Joann Rayl. Rose Kennedy. Judy Fazzio. Marsha & 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. **Fr. Peter McGrath has been placed in hospice care.** Please pray for peace and serenity for him and his family as they enter into a very difficult time.

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community:

Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo Navy Boot Camp (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Airman First Class Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army(Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2nd Lt. Blake Gaughan & Lcpl Mike Buchanan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). E-3RJames Morgan (SonInLaw of Kathy & Dale Boman) Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (brother of Jeff & Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1).

IRELAND

No reptiles are found there [in Ireland], and no snake can live there; for, though often carried thither out of Britain, as soon as the ship comes near the shore, and the scent of the air reaches them, they die.—Venerable Bede

Mass Times & Intentions

- Sat 3/16 5:00pm Mass—Arlina Smith+ (M/M Barber)**
- Sun 3/17 9:30am Mass—Jewell Wilkinson+ (Jane Bidlack)**
- Tue 3/19 9:00am Mass/Adoration— Anniversary of Installation of Pope Francis, Supreme Pastor of the Universal Church**
- Wed 3/20 5:00pm Mass— Rev. Bernard L. Pustejovsky+**
- Thurs 3/21 9:00am Mass—Rev. Francis Zakshesky+**
- Fri 3/22 9:00am Mass—Government Officials**
- 4:00pm Vespers. 4:15pm Stations of the Cross
- Sat 3/23 5:00pm Mass—Arlina Smith+ (M/M Barber)**
- Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm**
- Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am**

PARISH SUPPORT

	<u>3/09 & 3/10</u>
Required Weekly Funds	\$ 3,962 Sat. Sun.
Offerings	\$ 4,373 78 108

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

TODAY'S READINGS

- First Reading** — The LORD made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)
- Psalms** — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).
- Second Reading** — Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).
- Gospel** — Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]



Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your Will.



For free information on making a will, finding a lawyer or making a bequest to our parish, please call Mark Henry at the East Texas Catholic Foundation @ 903-534-1077 X 200 or visit www.etclegacy.org.

EVENTS AND NEWS

MARCH 2019 Second Collections: 16th & 17th: "Easter Flowers."
30th & 31st: "Catholic Relief Services."

Religious Education

GRADES 1—8 "Faith and Family Life"

Wed., Mar. 20th 4:00—4:55pm

GRADES 9—12 HSY "Holy Spirit Youth" Group

Class on Sun., Mar. 24th after 9:30am Mass

HSY YOUTH LEADERS: Randy & Shirley Munoz

Exposition is every Tuesday from 9:30am—4:00pm: "This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist." - Pope John Paul II

Mark your calendar Saturday, May 11, 2019. Deacon Sam & Nancy Retirement Celebration. *Anyone interested with this special celebration, please sign-up in the Narthex.*

If you would like to lead the **Stations of the Cross on Friday evening during Lent**, please sign up on the sheet provided in the Narthex or contact **Barbara Eamma @ 903-725-7691** or baream@msn.com
FY!! *The Stations of the Cross procedure does require a lot of genuflecting and standing up and down, this is not to PREVENT anyone from taking part. It is completely OKAY to sit through the 20-30 minute time period.*

This weekend is the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal is how YOU can support our seminarians, our retired clergy, and our diocesan mission to teach the Catholic Faith throughout East Texas. Our clergy, families, parishes, and missions are strengthened through your gifts 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. Thanks You!

ROSARY MAKERS GARAGE SALE—COMING THIS JUNE: When you clean out your closets, garage & storage, save the items for the garage sale. **If you have questions call Jean Kelly 903-857-9868.** Please **NO** electronics or clothes.

As of **Mar. 15th** we've only **collected \$2,010.00 in raffle ticket sales.** **Please sell your tickets.** We're in this jointly...let's make this a successful fundraiser.

YOU could win \$2,000

Four Prizes \$500, \$500, \$500, & \$500 Visa Gift Cards

Tickets: 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20 Drawing: **Apr. 27th**

Let's work together to sell our tickets. Return money with stubs in an envelope with your name, to the ticket table in the Narthex or to the church office.

March News/Events

Sun., Mar. 17th: Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam and "HSY" **after 9:30am Mass in classrooms.**

Mon., Mar. 18th: Fundraiser Meeting @ 6:00pm.

Wed., Mar. 20th: Rel. Ed. 1—8 grade 4—4:55pm. **5:00pm Mass**

Fri., Mar. 22nd: Vespers beginning 4:00pm followed by the **Stations of the Cross** approx. 4:15pm. Then "**Soup Supper**" provided in Parish Hall.

Sun., Mar. 24th: Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam and "HSY" **after 9:30am Mass in classrooms.**

Wed., Mar. 27th: Rel. Ed. Grades 1—8 4:00—4:55pm.

5:00pm Mass. Following Mass the **Parish Council Mtg.**

Fri., Mar. 29th: Vespers beginning 4:00pm followed by the **Stations of the Cross** approx. 4:15pm. Then "**Soup Supper**" provided in Parish Hall.

Sun., Mar. 31st: Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam and "HSY" **after 9:30am Mass in classrooms.**

April News/Events

Tues., Apr. 2nd: 9:00am Mass. Fr. Mike attending Deanery Mtg. in Gladewater.

Wed., Apr. 3rd: Rel. Ed. grades 1—8 4—4:55PM. **5:00PM Mass**

Thurs., Apr. 4th: No Mass. Fr. Mike attending priests study day at the Chancery. **K of C Meeting.**

Fri., Apr. 5th: Vespers beginning 4:00pm followed by the **Stations of the Cross** approx. 4:15pm. Then "**Soup Supper**" provided in Parish Hall.

Sun., Apr. 7th: Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam "**HSY**" **classes begin after the 9:30am Mass. K of C Breakfast.**

Wed., Apr. 10th: Rel. Ed. 1—8 grade 4—4:55pm. **5:00pm Mass**

Fri., Apr. 12th: Vespers beginning 4:00pm followed by the **Stations of the Cross** approx. 4:15pm. **K of C Fish Fry 5—6:30pm**

Palm Sun., Apr. 14th: Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam. **Apologetics** and "**HSY**" **after 9:30am Mass in classrooms.**

Mon., Apr. 15th: Ice Cream Social Meeting @ 9:00am.

Tues., Apr. 16th: No am Mass. Chrism Mass @ 11am Cathedral

Wed., Apr. 17th: Rel. Ed. grades 1—8 4—4:55pm. **5:00pm Mass**

Holy Thurs. Apr. 18th: 7:00pm Mass of our Lord's Supper, with the Ceremony of the Washing of the Feet.

Good Fri. Apr. 19th: Church open from noon—3:00pm.

3pm Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross & Communion.

Sat. Apr. 20th: Vigil Mass at 8:30pm .

Easter Sun., Apr. 21st: Mass of the Resurrection at 9:30am.

Sat., Apr. 27th: Casino/Dinner/Raffle Doors open 6pm. Dinner 6:30pm.

Sun., Apr. 28th: Last Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam **after 9:30am Mass.**

We need your help for Fundraiser: Sign-up sheets for **donations** (orange board) & **volunteers** (table) are all located in the Narthex. Questions, call the church office.