

First Sunday of Lent

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

Juan Delgado. Albert Hernandez. Lucy Munoz. Karina Hawkins. Mike Fleming. Frankie Durst. Susie Strickland. Doug Lawson. Dana Moffatt. Emly Walker. Mary Jane Snodgrass. Eva Corrigan. Francis Young. Mike Brown. Mary Margaret Ellison. John Kominis. Ester Coronel. Diane Stanley. Chase Larsson. Elise Sugg. Joann Rayl. Rose Kennedy. Judy Fazzio. Marsha & Marty Blahitka. Carolyn Edwards. Joshua Larsson. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda Stephens. Wanda Thompson. 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: Carlos Gallardo (Pat Gallardo's husband).**

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

2LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan) Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (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; 2ndLt. Blake Gaughan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). E-3James 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).

STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

POPE'S UNIVERSAL INTENTION FOR MARCH

Catholics in China.

That the cries Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 2/29 5:00pm Mass— Milton Aucoin+ (Carolyn Bonicard)

Sun 3/01 9:30am Mass— Parishioners

Tue 3/03 9:00am Mass/Adoration—Parishioners

Wed 3/04 5:00pm Mass—Parishioners

Thurs 3/05 9:00am Mass—Parishioners

Fri. 3/06 9:00am Mass—All Deceased Rosary Makers+ (Rosary Group)

Sat 3/07 5:00pm Mass—Sadie Rose (Carolyn Bonicard)

Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm

Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am

PARISH SUPPORT

Required Weekly Funds	\$ 3,962	Sat.	Sun.
Offerings 2/22 & 2/23	\$ 3,246	73	84

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalms — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

TEMPTATION

Every conquered temptation represents a new fund of moral energy. Every trial endured and weathered in the right spirit makes a soul nobler and stronger than it was before.

—William Butler Yeats

PRAYER

The value of persistent prayer is not that God will hear us, but that we will finally hear God.—William McGill

EVENTS AND NEWS

March 2020 Second Collections: 1st "Building & Maintenance Fund". 15th "Easter Flowers". 22nd "Catholic Relief Services".

Exposition every Tuesday, from 9:30am—4:00pm: "I am not in an audience with our Holy Father, not am I in the presence of a saint from heaven, not with some distinguished personality. Before me, dear Jesus, You are present under the frail appearance of the host. I believe, dear Jesus, that You are truly present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the most Blessed Sacrament." - John J. Cardinal Carberry.

Legion of Mary meets on **Tuesday @ 6:30pm** in the **Parish Hall**. This group is for **men and women** who are striving for personal holiness and dedicated to serving Mary in seeking the salvation of souls for Christ through spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Please join us to pray for an end to abortion & euthanasia
Cenacle of Life, every Wednesday from 3:30—4:30pm. Everyone is welcome. Questions call Vicki Hauck (817) 637-9382.

Lenten Retreat: presenter Fr. Joshua Neu. On Sat., Mar. 7th from 8:30am to 12:30pm at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 203 Meadowbrook Dr., Mineola. Men, women, teenagers are welcome. The day begins with Mass at 8:30am, after which breakfast will be provided; bring a sack lunch. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. For more info call 903-763-4126.

Men's Bible Study will start back up after Lent or Easter. Deacon Len is organizing a **Woman's Bible Study**. Please watch your bulletin for more information.

Have you ever wondered if you can make a rosary?
We have a community of ladies that get together every Friday morning to meet and mingle, and make rosaries. We are the "Rosary Group" and we would love to teach you how to make rosaries. If you have questions call JEAN KELLY 903-857-9868.

Your current donations this past month have gone above and beyond what we were expecting. "**Food Pantry**" is still in need of can meats, pasta sauces & boxed pasta. Please place in plastic container in the hall way between the church and parish hall.

Fr. Mike

40 Days for Life Vigil—Tyler: Holy Spirit has registered for two one hour time slots. Please join us on

Thursdays 11:00 AM -or- 5:00 PM, Feb 27 - Apr 2

Silent Prayer across from Planned Parenthood

601 Turtle Creek Dr Tyler, TX

Contact Jane Bidlak 903-569-7749 or

Cherie Leingang 214-542-4330

Will you join Bishop Strickland? The Sanctity of Life Office is once again sponsoring Tyler's 40 Days for Life campaign. The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful activism, with the purpose of repentance, to see God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion. Bishop Strickland will personally be praying at the prayer vigil at the following times*, and he would love for you to join him. We ask that you RSVP to let us know which fours you will be attending at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/vigil-hours-signup>. Wed., 3/4 at 9:00am; Thurs., 3/5 at 2:30pm; Sat., 3/7 at 10:30am; Sat., 3/14 at 10:30am; Tues., 3/17 at 5:00pm; Wed., 3/25 at 9:00am; Wed., 4/1 at 9:00am.

* While, Bishop Strickland is currently committed pray at the vigil at these times, his attendance is subject to change without notice.

MARCH EVENTS & NEWS

Sun., Mar. 1st: Faith Formation; K of C Breakfast after 9:30am Mass.

Wed., Mar., 3rd: Cenacle of Life 3:30-4:30pm. Mass 5:00pm. Following Mass Pastoral Meeting.

Fri., Mar., 6th: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning at 4:00pm. Followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 4:30pm. Soup Supper in the parish hall.

Sat., Mar. 7th: Make sure before you go to bed set your clocks up one hour.

Sun., Mar. 8th: Daylight Saving Time Begins. Faith Formation & Apologetics; Coffee & Donuts after Mass

Thurs., Mar. 12th: K of C Meeting

Fri., Mar., 13th: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning at 4:00pm. Followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 4:30pm. Soup Supper in the parish hall.

Sun., Mar., 15th: Faith Formation; Coffee & Donuts after Mass.

Tues., Mar., 17th: St. Patrick's Day

Wed., Mar., 18th: Cenacle of Life 3:30-4:30pm. Mass 5:00pm. Following Mass Fundraiser Meeting.

Thurs., Mar., 19th: Priests Study Day @ Chancery.

Fri., Mar., 20th: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning at 4:00pm. Followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 4:30pm. 5:00-6:30pm K of C Fish Fry.

Sun., Mar., 22nd: Faith Formation & Apologetics; Coffee & Donuts after Mass

Wed., Mar., 25th: Cenacle of Life 3:30-4:30pm. Mass 5:00pm.

Thurs., Mar. 26th: Lenten Confession starting at 6:00pm.

Fri., Mar. 27th: Vespers (evening prayers) beginning at 4:00pm. Followed by the Stations of the Cross approx. 4:30pm. Soup Supper in the parish hall.

Sun., Mar., 29th: Faith Formation & Apologetics; Coffee & Donuts after Mass

SAVE THE DATE

10th Annual Dinner & Casino Night

THE ROARING 20's

Saturday, April 25th

\$35.00 pp or \$280.00/Table

Includes Dinner & \$1,500.00

Casino Chips

"Limited Seating"

Raffle Tickets

\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

Raffle Prizes FOUR each \$500.00

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