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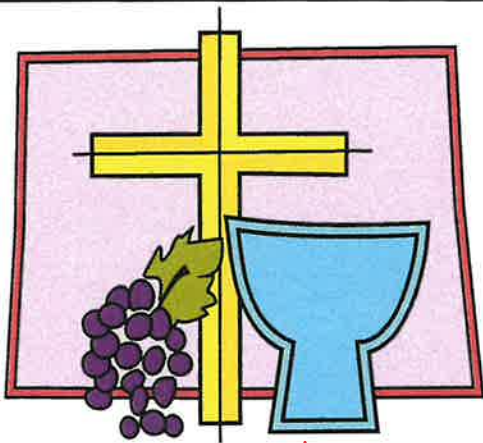
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023



You were delivered
by Christ's precious blood.

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Celebration of the Sacraments:

Mass: Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
Tues - Fri: 9:00 AM

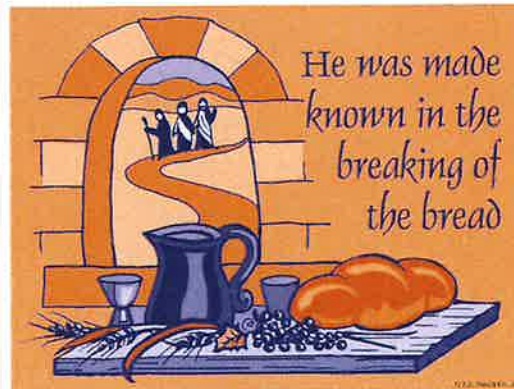
Adoration: Tuesday: 9:30AM—12:30PM
6:00PM—8:00PM

Reconciliation:

Saturday & Sunday:
45 minutes
before Mass

Marriage or Baptism:

Contact the parish office
six (6) months
prior to the
anticipated date
903-769-3235



Sunday Readings

First Reading

Acts 2:14, 22-33

God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-21

Our faith and hope are in God who raised Jesus from the dead.

Gospel Reading

Lk 24:13-35

Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus.

Holy Spirit Meditation Garden



We hope that you have enjoyed celebrating Mass with us and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home."

Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, you are invited to join our parish family. Please come again!

Welcome Visitors!

Third Sunday of Easter

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

Vicki Hauck. Don & Tracey Coates. Jo & Doris Hoffman. Libby Paladino. Ann & Roy Marchak. Jean Quinn. Emily Walker. Jim & Gayle Hickey. Darlene & Gary Huff. David Borel. Eva Corrigan. Verna Sloan. Mike Stephens. Kathy Bowers. John & Nitja McGrane. Ruth & David Barber. Msgr. Ron Diegel. Richard & Dottie Schuetz. Tom Fabitz. Jodie Woods. Wanda & George Duke. Jean Hamilton. Kathleen Fleming. Jaye Anderson. Greg Mooney. Karee Haney. Charlie Parker. Jacob Stephens. Elise Sugg. Avery Boultinghouse. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE TO REMOVE OR ADD A NAME TO THE PRAYERS OF THE SICK.

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

Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike Stephens). 1LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jemigan). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Staff Sergeant, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Lt. Gary Buchanan; Capt. Blake Gaughan; Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Petty Officer 2 Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

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Mass—Intentions

Sat. 4/22 Roy Marchak (Debra Spradley)
Sun. 4/23 Jerry & Vicki Hauck (Legion of Mary)
Tues. 4/25 Deceased Members+ (Legion of Mary)
Wed. 4/26 Roy Marchak (Debra Spradley)
Thurs. 4/27 Milton Aucoin, Jr.+ (Carolyn Bonicard)
Fri. 4/28 Ron Eamma+ (Eamma Family)
Sat. 4/29 Dana Moffett+ (Bob & Anna Parker)

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance: 4/15 Sat: 64 4/16 Sun: 81

Collections from 4/15 & 4/16/23:

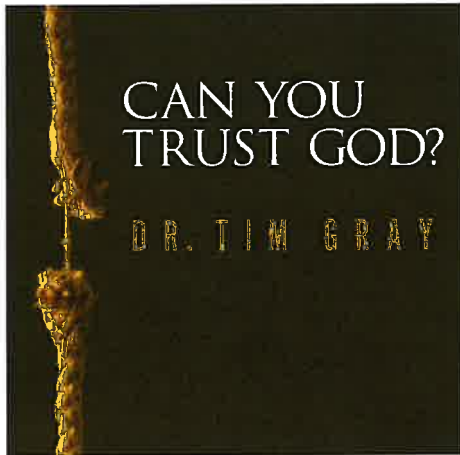
Offertory \$ 3,610.00
Building & Maintenance Fund \$ 370.00

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

Cenacle of Life: Cenacle of Life devotion each **Wed., from 3:00 — 4:00pm.** Please join us in church as we pray two rosaries for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all sins against the sanctity of human life. Questions call Vicki Hauck 817-637-9382



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.



Can You Trust God? by Dr. Tim Gray

To be a saint, we must trust God wholeheartedly. Since the fall of our first parents, however, humanity has been tempted to mistrust the Father's love for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey that addresses the pervasive misconceptions about God, showing us that there is no reason not to follow him.

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April Second Collections:

1st & 2nd: "Building & Maintenance Fund."
 7th : "Pontifical Good Friday for the Holy Land."
 8th & 9th: " Caring for Priests Collection ."
 29th & 30th: "Catholic Home Missions."

Pope's Intention for April:



For a culture of peace and non violence. We pray for the spread of peace and non violence by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Tuesday: St. Mark
Wednesday: Administrative Professionals Day
Friday: St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort; National Arbor Day
Saturday: St. Catherine of Siena

Anyone involved in any Ministry at our Parish, you will need to be compliant on your ethics and integrity training with VIRTUS. Please notify our contact person to get signed up contact person **Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or justin.mahaffey@icloud.com**

Legion of Mary— Pilgrim Statue: Our Lady of Fatima Statue is now ready to visit your home. **There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or you may contact: Marge Clymer, 903-216-7953 or Jane Bidlack, 903-569-7749.** If scheduling permits, the Statue may be kept for two weeks.

APRIL NEWS & EVENTS

Sat., Apr., 22nd: 5:00pm Mass.



Sun., Apr., 23rd: 9:00am Mass. **NO** Donuts or Coffee

Tues., Apr., 25th: 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm.
NO Adoration 6:00—8:00pm.

Wed., Apr., 26th—Fri., 28th: 9:00am Mass



Fri., 28th: **K of C Fish Fry— St. Jude's Hall.**
Dinner served with all the trimmings from 5:00-6:30pm. Tickets at the door. Adults \$ 15.00 (Children under 5 yrs free) Carry-out available.

Sat., Apr., 29th: 5:00pm Mass.

Sun., Apr., 30th: 9:00am Mass. **NO** Donuts or Coffee

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Tues., May, 2nd: 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm.
NO Adoration 6:00—8:00pm. At 12:45pm Pastoral Meeting.
Then 6:00pm Fundraising Casino Meeting in St. Jude's Hall.

Wed., May, 3rd: 9:00am Mass.

Thurs., May, 4th: **NO 9:00am Mass.** Fr. Mike attending "Priests Study Day" at the Chancery Office.

Fri., May, 5th: **NO 9:00am Mass.** Fr Mike will be Dallas for the Knights of Columbus Convention.

Sat., May 6th: 9:00am Communion Service & *Patriotic Rosary.*
5:00pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Ron Demski.

Sun., May 7th: 9:00am Mass celebrated by Fr Ron Demski. **K of C Breakfast following Mass.** Adults \$ 5.00. Children through senior year in high school is free.

Tues., May, 9th: 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm.
NO Adoration 6:00—8:00pm.

Wed., May, 10th—Fri., 12th: 9:00am Mass

Thurs., May, 11th: 7:00pm K of C Meeting

Sat., May 13th: 5:00pm Mass

Sun., May 14th: 9:00am Mass
"Happy Mother's Day"



The Holy Spirit Food Ministry would like to thank all parishioners for the food and monetary donations. The large plastic bin is located in the hallway by Bridget's office. **We are in need of can goods, etc.**

Looking for volunteers to get involved with the Food Ministry.
Call or email Bryan Todd at 972-672-4218 or toddtalk@hotmail.com
Thank you, to our Holy Spirit Food Ministry Team!

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Remember the millions of children who are victims of abuse/neglect, the Wood County Child Welfare & Protection Board is joining Blue Sunday Child Abuse Prevention in asking the faith community to pray on Sunday, April 30, 2023.

Who: The faith community

What: A day to pray for the millions of victims of child abuse/neglect and for those who rescue them

Where: Churches across our nation

When: Sunday, April 30, 2023

Why: April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. It began when a report about abused and neglected children caught the attention of President Ronald Reagan in 1983. Sadly, since that first Child Abuse Prevention Month, the number of abused victims has grown from half a million children to over six million new reports of abuse along with 1600 child abuse related deaths annually. One is too many.

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND: *A candlelight vigil is Tuesday, April 25th, in the Jim Hogg Park in Quitman; food and booths will start at 5:15pm, Vigil will begin at 6:00pm.*



Do you have a child or grandchild that is graduating from High School or College? We would love to share your exciting news in our bulletin. Please email or leave a detailed message at church their name (child or grandchild, etc), where they are graduating from and where are they going from graduation. Info needed by noon on Tues., May 16th .
Thank You, Bridget

Holy Family in Lindale is honoring Our Lady of Fatima on the anniversary of her first apparition in Fatima. Sat., May 13th from 9:00am-3:00pm.



9:00am Begins with a rosary & Mass. 10:30am Featuring: Deacon Shaun Black giving a historical overview of Fatima. Noon Rev. David Bailey explains the connections between the apparitions in Fatima and the papacy of St. John Paul the Great. 11:15am Light lunch will be provided by Altar Guild. 1:00pm Testimonies from Fatima. 1:00pm—3:00pm adoration and confessions.
There is no fee, all are welcome to attend.

Marriage and Family at the Time of Jesus by Msgr. Charles Pope <https://blog.adw.org/2017/03/marriage-family-time-jesus/>

The word family had a wider meaning both in Aramaic and in Hebrew than it does in English. The Hebrew, *ah*, and the Aramaic, *aha*, could be used to refer to brothers, sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, cousins, and even other near relations. Extended family networks were both insisted upon and essential for survival. It was every Jewish person's duty to maintain and depend upon these ties.

Marriage – Marriage, of course, is the heart of family. The very first direction that God gave to Adam and Eve was that a man should leave his father and mother and cling to his wife, that the two should become one, and that they should increase and multiply. Ancient rabbis said that a man wasn't really a man at all until he did so. However, especially by the time of Christ, there were some men and women who lived celibate lives so as to be free to serve God; by studying the Torah, teaching, or engaging in some great work for God's people. Jesus and Paul seem to have been in this category. Jesus praised those who did so in Mt 19, as did Paul in 1 Cor 7. In the earliest years of Israel, there seems to have been some tolerance for polygamy, despite the fact that it was a departure from what God had set forth. Many overlooked it, given the urgent need to grow the family of God, the chosen people. Men were often lost in war, which led to more women than men looking for a spouse. Generally, only wealthier men could afford to have more than one wife. Although the Bible does not explicitly condemn polygamy, it does demonstrate that polygamy often led to intractable troubles, sometimes between the women involved, but other times between their sons (particularly when it came to inheritance rights). By the time of Jesus, polygamy seems to have disappeared among the Jews. There is simply no mention of the practice in the New Testament. Jesus summoned the men of his day to love their wives and specifically prohibited other Mosaic leniencies in marriage. He re-proposed God's original plan of one man for one woman till death do them part.

Call to marriage and engagement – Marriage took place at a young age for the ancient Jews. Most rabbis proposed 18 as the most appropriate age for men to be married, but it wasn't uncommon for them to be younger, especially in times of peace. Young women were married almost as soon as they were physically ready, approximately age 13. In most cases, marriages were arranged by the respective parents. However, arranged marriages were seldom forced on young people who had absolutely no attraction to or interest in each other. Nevertheless, the view in the ancient world—and even in many places today—was that marriage was not so much about love and romance as it was about survival. Further, it was not merely the individuals who were married; the two families came together in mutual support. Beauty and romance, while considered pleasant things, were noted to be passing. Life and survival had to be based on sturdier foundations. When a future bride had been chosen for a young man, either by his parents or more rarely by himself, there followed a period of one year called "betrothal." During this time the couple still lived apart while delicate, often-protracted negotiations occurred between the families regarding dowries, etc. The groom or his family paid the dowry to the father of the bride as compensation for the loss of a working member of his household. It was also understood that some money should be set aside for the woman to protect her in the event of her husband's premature death.

Marriage ceremonies – At the conclusion of the betrothal period, when all the agreements were signed, the wedding could occur. Weddings of that time typically extended 5 to 7 days. Autumn was the best time for marriages because the harvest was in, the vintage was over, minds were free, and hearts were at rest. It was a season when the evenings were cool, making it pleasant to sit up late at night. In small villages, the entire community would usually gather to celebrate.

(To be continued.)