



# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF TYLER

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## Celebration of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am  
Monday 6:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:00 am  
Wednesday 9:00 am  
Thursday 9:00 am  
**Communion Service**  
Friday 6:00 pm

## Adoration

Tuesday 9:45 am - 12:30 pm  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

## Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm  
Sunday Before Mass  
(upon request)  
1st Friday 5:00 - 5:45 pm

## Sacrament of the Sick

Offered the first weekend of the month during each Mass

## Marriage or Baptism

Contact the parish office six (6) months prior to the anticipated date

## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Reverend Timothy John Kelly, STL, D. Min.  
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## Parish Ministries

<b>Financial Council</b>	Charlie Clymer
<b>Virtus</b>	Justin Mahaffey
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Michael Jernigan
<b>4th Degree Knights</b>	Gary Laudt
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Marge Clymer
	Jane Bidlack
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Cathy Ellis
<b>Food Pantry</b>	Bryan Todd
<b>Rosary Makers</b>	Carol Szczepanski
<b>Cenacle of Life</b>	Vicki Hauck
<b>Welcome Committee</b>	Anna Parker



Then the fever left her  
and she waited on them.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 4, 2024

## TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:  
JB 7 : 1 - 4, 6 - 7

2ND READING:  
1 COR 9 : 16 - 19, 22 - 23

RESPONSORIAL:  
PS 147 : 1 - 6

GOSPEL:  
MK 1 : 29 - 39



**Pope's February Intention**

For the terminally ill. We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



**Remember the sick of our parish:**

Jo Hoffman. Jason McCormick. Eloise Sanchez. John & Mary Ott. Linda Hedgecock. Juan & Barbara Delgado. Elizabeth Eagan. John Buchanan. Dale Boman. Avery Boultinghouse. Fr. Lawrence Love, Bishop Joseph Strickland, Fr. Mark Kusmirek. Rosemary Seltzer. Elaine March. Mike Jernigan. Libby Paladino. Jo & Doris Hoffman. Roy Marchak. Emily Walker. Jim Hickey. David Borel. Verna Sloan. Mike Stephens. Kathy Bowers. John McGrane. Msgr. Ron Diegel. Richard & Dottie Schuetz. John Fabitz. Jodie Woods. Wanda & George Duke. Jean Hamilton. Kathleen Fleming. Jaye Anderson. Greg Mooney. Karee Haney. Charlie Parker. Jacob Stephens. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Father Lloyd Morris (requested by the Ellis Family).



**Remember the active military of our parish:**

Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike Stephens). 1LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). 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 Emma). Petty Officer 2 Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

**Special Observances**

- Monday:** St. Agatha Virgin, Martyr (*Patroness of Palermo and Catania; invoked for protection against volcanic eruptions*)
- Tuesday:** St. Paul Miki & Companions Martyrs (*First martyr from the Americas to be beatified; protomartyrs of the Far East*)
- Thursday:** St. Jerome Emiliani (*Venetian soldier whose conversion led to the founding of the Clerks Regular of Somascha (C.R.S.); dedicated to the poor and the education of youth; patron of orphans and abandoned children*)  
St. Josephine Bakhita Virgin (*Kidnapped as a child by slave traders; in 1896 joined the Conossian Daughters of Charity and became a teacher; Pope Paul II canonized this first Sudanese saint as a witness to evangelical reconciliation and a model of freedom*)
- Saturday:** St. Scholastica Virgin (*twin sister of St. Benedict; invoked against storms; patroness of Benedictine nunneries*)

**Mass Intentions**

- Sun 2/4 Fr. Lloyd Morris+ (Ellis Family)
- Mon 2/5 Charlie Clymer (Clymer Family)
- Tues 2/6 Kelly Collins
- Wed 2/7 Bishop Charles Hertzig+
- Fri 2/9 Eva Corrigan (M/M Clymer)
- Sat 2/10 Jess Corrigan (M/M Clymer)



THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND.



**Bakhita: From Slave to Saint**

Bakhita: From Slave to Saint tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



**PARISH SUPPORT**

<b>Attendance:</b>	1/27	SAT: 58	1/28	SUN: 82
<b>Collections from 1/27 - 1/28:</b>				
Offertory				\$ 3,421.60
Building & Maintenance Fund				\$ 425.00

**FEBRUARY SECOND COLLECTIONS**

3rd & 4th: "Building & Maintenance Fund"  
14th (Ash Wednesday): Church in Central & Eastern Europe  
24th & 25th: Black and Indian Missions

**Anyone involved in any Ministry at our Parish, must be compliant on your Ethics and Integrity training with VIRTUS.**

**To sign up for training, please notify our contact person: Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or email him at: [justin.mahaffey@icloud.com](mailto:justin.mahaffey@icloud.com)**

**Lenten Time Changes**

Ash Wednesday (February 14th): Two Masses will be offered 9:00 am and 6:00 pm.

All Fridays (during Lent): Stations of the Cross will be conducted at 4:45 pm. Immediately following, Father will offer Mass (5:00ish pm). The Knights of Columbus will host their Fish Fry from 5:00 - 6:30 pm.

## FEBRUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sat 2/3:** 9:00 am Communion Service  
9:30 am Patriotic Rosary  
5:00 pm Mass  
**Feast of St. Blaise - Blessing of the Throats**
- Sun 2/4:** 9:00 am Mass  
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- Mon 2/5:** 6:00 pm Mass
- Tues 2/6:** 9:00 am Mass  
Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Wed 2/7:** 9:00 am Mass
- Thurs 2/8:** 9:00 am Communion Service  
**9:30 am Legion of Mary Meeting**  
6:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
- Fri 2/9:** 6:00 pm Mass
- Sat 2/10:** 9:00 am Communion Service  
5:00 pm Mass  
**Anointing of the Sick**
- Sun 2/11:** 9:00 am Mass  
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- Mon 2/12:** 6:00 pm Mass
- Tues 2/13:** 9:00 am Mass  
Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



HAPPY  
Valentine's  
DAY

- Wed 2/14:** **ASH WEDNESDAY (Holy day of obligation)**  
Bring all of your Catholic and Protestant brothers and sisters to Mass with you  
9:00 am Mass  
6:00 pm Mass
- Thurs 2/15:** 9:00 am Communion Service  
**9:30 am Legion of Mary Meeting**
- Fri 2/16:** 4:45 pm Stations of the Cross  
5:00 pm Mass (Note: Time change for Lent)  
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

### Holy Spirit Food Ministry

Our Food Ministry is ready to meet the challenges of feeding the hungry again this year.

The cost of food has increased about 15% during the last year. We are asking for continued donations of canned meats, vegetables, pasta, fruit, peanut butter, jelly, etc. Please place dry goods in the bin near the church office. Monetary donations can be made by using the Food Ministry donation envelopes in the Narthex and being placed in the collection baskets or dropped off in the office.

We are always looking for volunteers. You might be surprised as to how many parishioners it takes to run this ministry. Please call Robert Mailiard (503-559-6022) or Bryan Todd (972-672-4218) if you have any questions. Also if you know anyone that needs help, contact us.

PLEASE HELP US FEED THE HUNGRY IN OUR COMMUNITY

## From the desk of: Fr. Kelly

Degeneration of the Holy Kiss into a Substitute Blessing  
(Replacing Holy Communion)

The reception of Holy Communion by the laity declined over the centuries, and this had its effect on the way the Kiss was celebrated.

Remember that the primitive church, or indeed the Church of the early 4th century, was still composed of small urban communities gathered around an episcopus (bishop). That all changed radically as the Church benefitted from the terms of the deal with Constantine in 312 AD. Christian communities appeared in small towns and in rural areas leading to greater numbers of people and greater need for clergy and for resources.

By the 13th century, the decline in reception by the laity is such that the clergy no longer even invited the laity to participate. Instead, priests told the lay people to receive Communion three times a year, or, in some instances, once a year at Easter. In place of receiving communion every day, or Sunday, the kiss of peace could be given for 'the ministry of unity'. Over time, the situation deteriorated to where the people sometimes replaced reception of Holy Communion with the exchange of the Kiss of Peace.

The minister, perhaps the sub-deacon or the deacon is kissed by the priest in place of being given Holy Communion. The priest speaks to him as Christ did to his disciples at the last Supper. But the admonition is not to distribute the Body and Blood of Christ, but rather, to distribute the Holy Kiss. The deacon then went to a number of the congregation or to an acolyte and kissed them.

*In some places, the priest giving the kiss to the minister says: 'Take the bond of peace and love, so that you will be bound to the most holy ministry,' as if he says: 'Take from this all of you and distribute it among yourselves.'*

By the 13th century, a tradition had grown up in many churches that a kiss was in some way the same value as the consecrated bread and wine. Not only had the practice of receiving the Body and Blood of the Lord declined, but dubious practices had arisen in the vacuum. Many priests simply blessed bread which then replaced Holy Communion on Sundays.

*And in place of communion, which used to be the custom every Sunday, blessed bread was given on Sundays, as a substitute for Holy Communion, which is called eulogia. But in the place of daily communion, during Lent, a prayer over the people is said at the end of Mass, which is Preceded by the words: 'Bow your heads before God'.*  
(Durand, William, Rationale, On the Kiss of Peace 3)

Johannes Emminghaus (*The Eucharist: Essence, Form, Celebration, 1997*) writes that, because those not about to receive Communion were likely to leave before the distribution, a ritual blessing took place in many churches to create some element of order during the final part of the Mass.

*But to prevent people simply straggling out of church, those departing were given a parting blessing; this, in turn, soon began to be regarded as a substitute for Communion.* (letter 149 cited by Hemminghaus, p.19).

One of the more curious practices which arose in the late Middle Ages was kissing of the pax board, sometimes referred to as *Osculatorium Pacis* or the Pax-Brede. This wooden disk, usually painted white to look like a big host, was passed from person to person for kissing in place of actual eating and drinking of the consecrated species.

The present placing of the Kiss of Peace, the Pax Christi, in my opinion, works well to prepare our hearts for the reception of the Lord's Body and Blood a few moments later. For the priest, the kiss forces him to recall his role as Father of the Faithful, whose kiss and breaking of the bread, reaffirm his position of leader of the assembly for the sake of God's Holy People, so that they may all the better united in **'oneness, charity, peace and reverence'**.

**Would you like to help with additional furnishing and some redecorating of Fr. Kelly's parish home?** If so choose a tag off of the tree in the church foyer. There are some for specific items, gift cards and/or check donations. Purchase the item(s) and return it to the church or place the gift card/check in the box provided. Everyone will be invited to an open house at the parish rectory at a later date.

### 2023 Tax Statements

**In the narthex of the church, you may find your 2023 charitable church donation statement—they are in alphabetical order.**

## “Christ’s Joy”

By Deacon John

*When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. — Mark 1:32-33*

Today’s Gospel from Mark is set early in Jesus’ earthly ministry. He had come to the region around the Sea of Galilee and had just recruited four of His apostles from being fishermen into being ‘fishers of men’. He had taught in the synagogue in Capernaum and astonished the people as He preached with such authority. He had healed Peter’s mother-in-law and had cast an evil spirit out of a possessed man. People brought to Him all who were ill or possessed.

I like to think about what Jesus might have been feeling at that time. I believe that this was a very joyful time in His ministry. I mean obviously there was a lot of suffering and pain, and I’m certain that Jesus felt sadness and compassion for the people in need who came to Him. But they were coming to Him. Seeking His help, His healing, His comfort. And they were flocking to Him in great crowds. Today’s Gospel said the whole town was gathered at the door. It must have brought Jesus tremendous joy to have His children coming to Him.

We can picture the scene:

We see a crowd of people gathered together to be with Jesus. People desperate for healing from all kinds of afflictions, hoping that His cure will work on them as they come to Him for help. Others are there to witness His miracles, and to feel a level of warmth and comfort by being close to Him.

The entire time, the crowd is lifting shouts of joy and praise to God. He tells them stories about the Father’s love. He’s completely giving everything of Himself to them. And as each one comes up to Him, He reaches out and softly touches them. They feel His care, His healing, His love. They fall to their knees in profound gratitude. In overwhelming love, He opens His arms and hugs them. He joins with them, as they join with Him. And then He smiles and laughs and shares each one’s joy as they run out to show others how He has helped them. It’s a scene of hope, of love, of joy, of celebration. Jesus is overjoyed.

What a beautiful scene. Don’t you wish you were there?

Now let’s compare that to this weekend’s Mass:

We are a crowd of people gathered together to be with Jesus. People desperate for healing from all kinds of afflictions, hoping that His cure will work on us as we come to Him for help. We are there to witness His miracles (especially the bread and wine becoming His Body and Blood), and to feel a level of warmth and comfort by being close to Him.

The entire time, we’re in the crowd, lifting shouts of joy and praise to God. In the Liturgy of the Word, He tells us stories about the Father’s love. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, He completely gives everything of Himself for us. And as each one of us comes up to Him in the Eucharist, He reaches out and softly touches us. We feel His care, His healing, His love. We fall to our knees in profound gratitude. In overwhelming love, He opens His arms and hugs us. He remains in us, and we in Him. And then He smiles and shares each one’s joy as, in the Sending Forth, we run out to show others how He has helped us. It’s a scene of hope, of love, of joy, of celebration. Jesus is overjoyed. And so are we.

This is our Mass. It’s the reason why we’re here. It’s what we each receive from Jesus within it. And it’s God’s intention for us through it. Always remember that and never let anything take away from that.

## Article for the Big Sandy-Hawkins Journal. 31 January 2024 Edition

(Submission date: 26 January 2024) Submitted by Randy Munoz

February is mostly recognized for Valentine's Day, flowers, and, depending on where you are, being incredibly cold! Oddly enough, even though it's just another month, there's a lot of history behind this month of romance and love! Read on to find out some historical events which occurred in February, as well as how it came to be the shortest month of the year. By Michelle Gabriel  
<https://www.thefactsite.com/february-facts/>

February fluctuates between having 28 and 29 days per year. The 29th day only occurs every 4 years during leap years.

The length of February was finalized when Julius Caesar remade the Roman calendar and assigned the month 28 days and 29 days. In 713 B.C., February was officially added to the Roman calendar.

If you were born in February, your birthstone is an amethyst, and your flower is a primrose.

The western zodiac signs in February are Aquarius which is until February 19th, and Pisces, which is until February 20th.

Over time, the length of February kept changing. At one point, it had as little as 23 days.

In the Northern Hemisphere, February is the third month of winter. Meanwhile, in the Southern Hemisphere, February is the last month of summer. Between the North and South Hemispheres, February is the equivalent of August.

The name of February comes from the Latin word "februum," which means purification.

February was named after a purification ritual which was like an early Roman spring cleaning festival.

In Welsh, February is sometimes known as "y mis bach," which means "little month."

February and January were the last months added to the Roman numeral calendar.

The Saxons called February "Sol-monath" which means "cake month," because they would offer cakes to the gods during February.

Of all the words you can misspell, February is one of the most misspelled words in the English language. Even the White House has misprinted the word "February" before in a press release!

February is the only month where it's possible to go the entire time without having a full moon.

February has been Black History Month for over 40 years.

The odds of being born on February 29th are about 1 in 1,461. Those born on a leap day can be called a "leaper" or "leapling."

February, March, and November always start on the same day of the week unless it is a leap year.

It was in February 1964 when The Beatles made their first American television appearance on the "Ed Sullivan Show." Over 73 million Americans watched!

There are many U.S. states that entered the Union during the month of February. These include Massachusetts, Oregon, Arizona, and Mississippi, which were readmitted.

Sadly, on February 1, 2003, the Space Shuttle "Columbia" broke apart in flight, which killed all seven crew members. The accident was believed to be a result of damage that occurred during lift-off. The tragedy occurred only 16 minutes before the shuttle was scheduled to land.

On February 2, 1848, U.S. and Mexico signed the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, which ended their war. The U.S. paid Mexico \$15 million in exchange for California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, and Texas.