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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

Ash Wednesday Celebration February 14, 2024

Mass Times: 9:00 am and 6:00 pm



Be merciful,
O Lord,
for we have
sinned.



"I do will it.
Be made clean."

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:
LV 13 : 1 - 4, 44 - 46

RESPONSORIAL:
PS 32 : 1 - 2, 5, 11

2ND READING:
1 COR 10 : 31, - 11 : 1

GOSPEL:
MK 1 : 40 - 45

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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:

Lupe Leal. 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

Wednesday: ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church. Ashes are blessed and impose after the homily. These ashes are of branches of the olive tree, or, according to custom, of the palm tree or other trees, which have been blessed the previous year.

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order (founded by seven Florentine cloth merchants in 1223, today number 785 religious; they popularized devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows)

Mass Intentions

Sat 2/10 Jess Corrigan (M/M Clymer)
Sun 2/11 Fr. Lloyd Morris+ (Ellis Family)
Mon 2/12 Bill Paradise+ (M/M Clymer)
Wed 2/14 Fr. Peter McGrath+
Fri 2/16 Bishop Corrada

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance: 2/3 SAT: 64 2/4 SUN: 85

Collections from 2/3 - 2/4:

Offertory \$ 5,954.00
Building & Maintenance Fund \$ 1,888.00

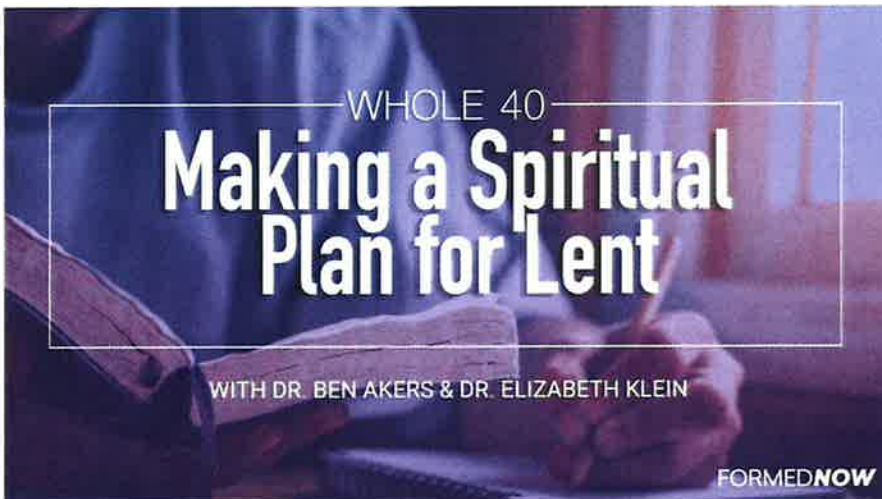
FEBRUARY SECOND COLLECTIONS

3rd & 4th: "Building & Maintenance Fund"

14th (Ash Wednesday): Church in Central & Eastern Europe
24th & 25th: Black and Indian Missions

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Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.

Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.




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 on Friday, Feb. 16th. Adults \$15.00 (Children under 5 yrs free) Tickets at the door.

FEBRUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun 2/11:** 9:00 am Mass
Anointing of the Sick will take place after Mass
"Donut Sunday" following Mass
- Mon 2/12:** 6:00 pm Mass
- Tues 2/13:** 9:00 am Communion Service
Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
-  **HAPPY Valentine's DAY**
- Wed 2/14:** **ASH WEDNESDAY** 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
- Sat 2/17:** 5:00 pm Mass
- Sun 2/18:** 9:00 am Mass
- Mon 2/19:** 6:00 pm Mass
- Tues 2/20:** 9:00 am Communion Service
Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Wed 2/21:** 9:00 am Mass
- Thurs 2/22:** 9:00 am Communion Service
- Fri 2/23:** 4:45 pm Stations of the Cross
5:00 pm Mass
Following Mass Soup Supper in St. Jude's hall
- Sat 2/24:** 5:00 pm Mass

From the desk of: Fr. Kelly

Prayer For Our New Bishop

Heavenly Father, as we await a new bishop of the Diocese of Tyler, grant our Holy Father, Pope Francis, the wisdom of Holy Spirit as he discerns this important moment for our local Church.

In your faithfulness, grant to the Diocese of Tyler a bishop with the heart of Christ the Good Shepherd whose watchful care and kindly zeal will strengthen this community of believers with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up your holy Church.

Through the intercession of our patroness, Mary the Immaculate Conception, we ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



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 Mailliard (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



1. Holy Spirit Choir opening: The Church choir is looking for a new Music Director. This position will work with Father Kelly to select the weekly music for the Mass Celebration. This person will also conduct weekly choir practices. If interested, please contact Bridget Rich in the church office: 903-769-3235 or holyspirit2@yahoo.com

2. Holy Spirit Choir would like to invite parishioners to prayerfully consider joining our choir. Young or old or older are invited—if you like to sing, come join our fun-loving group! We do have weekly practices. We would like to expand our "band"; if any parishioners play instruments such as guitar, horn, or saxophone, please consider joining our choir, as well.

3. Holy Spirit is in need of a volunteer to clean and polish some of our brass candlesticks and candelabras. Please contact Ada Choate 318-787-3131 or ada_choate1@outlook.com if you are interested.

Soup Supper is starting Friday, Feb. 23rd immediately following the 5:00pm Mass.

There are a few tags left on the table for gift items if you would still like to take any. Please return all gifts items for Fr. Kelly's home to the table in the narthex. Thank you.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Next week, we will begin the season of Lent. This liturgical season is a time of renewal and conversion for those of us who are already Christian, and it is about welcoming the newly baptized and initiated into the Church through the Easter sacraments. These six weeks before Easter are a great opportunity for us to allow God's grace and love to form us into the image and likeness of his son, Jesus Christ.

One of the challenges during Lent is the busyness of our daily lives, which often makes it difficult to place God at the center of our lives. This Lent, let us take the time to pray, fast and give alms which will open our hearts and allow God to draw us closer to him.

God's grace is ever abundant and available to us always. I pray that this Lenten season will be a blessed one for all of us.

Sincerely in Christ,

Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Apostolic Administrator

Ash Wednesday

By Deacon John

“Excuse me, did you know you’ve got some dirt on your head.” Are you ready for that? It’s coming up next week. Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. The start of Lent.

I get that comment every year. I guess that’s because on my head, it’s pretty obvious. Not to mention that since I have such a big canvas to work with, the ministers always like to go large. Usually, I make up some kind of sarcastic response like, “Yeah, I’m boycotting showers”, or “I accidentally fell asleep with my face in the campfire.”

And while being sarcastic makes me feel just a little good, I can still feel a little self-conscience. I mean, it is rather unusual to be out in public with this big smudge on my face. It could even make me feel silly. So I ask myself, why am I doing it? And I’ve also got to ask you, why are you doing it? I mean isn’t it just some weird obscure ritual, to put dirt on your face? Or does it really mean something?

Well, it really does symbolize something important to us. It means we believe in God who created us. We are creature. Organic material raised from dirt to conscious life stemming from His love. It’s the story of God the Creator’s life preserving salvation. John’s Gospel tells how Jesus cured the blind man by putting clay on his eyes. Organic matter renewed. On Ash Wednesday, we mark ourselves with ashes to symbolize and reflect upon our ‘new beginning’, by using the season of Lent to allow the life of Jesus Christ to make us whole and new again. That’s one reason.

Another reason is because over 40 times in Scripture we read how God’s people throughout history placed themselves in ashes for repentance, mourning and grief. Based on that devotion to the word of God and our tradition, for over 1200 years Catholics have started Lent by marking ourselves with ashes. It’s important to us to be here to join in the community of our Church. It’s what Catholics do, and we’re Catholics. That’s another reason.

But the most important reason is because we’re sinners. We don’t always love God as strongly as we could or as directly as we should. We don’t always include Him in our lives. In fact, some things in our lives actually separate us from Him. Lent is the season where we stop and assess how we’re doing in our walk with God. Put simply, to repent means to turn away from sin and turn toward God. We use ashes as an outward expression of our need to begin again.

So you see, this is not a frivolous thing. It’s like a badge. A badge of commitment. It reminds us that we must act. It does no good for us to come to Mass on Wednesday and have ashes drawn on us and then not follow through with what they mean for us.

Because believe me, we are all sinners. We all have so many things in our lives that we need to turn to God to in true repentance and contrition. Don’t think you’re doing okay and don’t need to. We are all called to love God with all our hearts and all our minds and all our bodies and all our souls, and to love others as Jesus loves us. Those are two pretty tall orders, and I’m pretty sure there’s not one person around that has reached those heights. But it’s our obligation to work towards them.

We need to commit this Lenten season to being determined to strengthen our relationships with God. To spend time with Him. To love Him more deeply. To obey Him more diligently. To clean up our sins and eliminate them from ourselves. To fully realize that without Him we have no life here, and no chance at eternal life in Heaven. But God always forgives. He always loves. And He always gives us a second chance.

That’s what Ash Wednesday begins. And why we wear ashes. Because if we aren’t serious about growing closer to God during this Lent, than we’re just a bunch of people looking silly with smudges on our heads.

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Eusebius of Caesarea

Christian bishop and historian (<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Eusebius-of-Caesarea>)

Also known as: Eusebius Pamphili Flourished: c.301 - c.400 Israel Notable Works: "Ecclesiastical History"
Subjects Of Study: history of early Christianity (flourished 4th century, Caesarea Palestinae, Palestine), bishop, exegete, polemicist, and historian whose account of the first centuries of Christianity, in his Ecclesiastical History, is a landmark in Christian historiography.

Eusebius was baptized and ordained at Caesarea, where he was taught by the learned presbyter Pamphilus, to whom he was bound by ties of respect and affection and from whom he derived the name Eusebius Pamphili ("the son or servant of Pamphilus"). Pamphilus came to be persecuted by the Romans for his beliefs and died in martyrdom in 310. After the death of Pamphilus, Eusebius withdrew to Tyre and later, while the Diocletian persecution was still raging, went to Egypt, where he seems to have been imprisoned but soon released.

The work of the scholars of the Christian school at Caesarea extended into all fields of Christian writing. Eusebius himself wrote voluminously as an Apologist, a chronographer, a historian, an exegete, and a controversialist, but his vast erudition is not matched by clarity of thought or attractiveness of presentation. His fame rests on his Ecclesiastical History, which he probably began to write during the Roman persecutions and revised several times between 312 and 324. In this work Eusebius produced what may be called, at best, a fully documented history of the Christian church and, at worst, collections of passages from his sources. In *the Ecclesiastical History*, Eusebius constantly quotes or paraphrases his sources, and he thus preserved portions of earlier works that are no longer extant. He had already compiled his Chronicle, which was an outline of world history, and he carried this annalistic method over into his Ecclesiastical History, constantly interrupting his narrative of the church's history to insert the accession of Roman emperors and of the bishops of the four great sees (Alexandria, Antioch, Jerusalem, and Rome). He enlarged his work in successive editions to cover events down to 324, the year before the Council of Nicaea. Eusebius, however, was not a great historian. His treatment of heresy, for example, is inadequate, and he knew next to nothing about the Western church. His historical works are really apologetics, showing by facts how the church had vindicated itself against heretics and heathens.

Eusebius became bishop of Caesarea (in Palestine) about 313. When about 318 the theological views of Arius, a priest of Alexandria, became the subject of controversy because he taught the subordination of the Son to the Father (see Arianism), Eusebius was soon involved. Expelled from Alexandria for heresy, Arius sought and found sympathy at Caesarea, and, in fact, he proclaimed Eusebius as a leading supporter. Eusebius did not fully support either Arius or Alexander, bishop of Alexandria from 313 to 328, whose views appeared to tend toward Sabellianism (a heresy that taught that God was manifested in progressive modes). Eusebius wrote to Alexander, claiming that Arius had been misrepresented, and he also urged Arius to return to communion with his bishop. But events were moving fast, and, at a strongly anti-Arian synod at Antioch, about January 325, Eusebius and two of his allies, Theodotus of Laodicea and Narcissus of Neronias in Cilicia, were provisionally excommunicated for Arian views. When the Council of Nicaea, called by the Roman emperor Constantine I, met later in the year, Eusebius had to explain himself and was exonerated with the explicit approval of the emperor.

In the years following the Council of Nicáea, the emperor was bent on achieving unity within the church, and so the supporters of the Nicene Creed in its extreme form soon found themselves forced into the position of dissidents. Eusebius took part in the expulsion of St. Athanasius of Alexandria (335), Marcellus of Ancyra (c. 336), and St. Eustathius of Antioch (c. 337). Eusebius remained in the emperor's favour, and, after Constantine's death in 337, he wrote his Life of Constantine, a panegyric that possesses some historical value, chiefly because of its use of primary sources. Throughout his life Eusebius also wrote apologetic works, commentaries on the Bible, and works explaining the parallels and discrepancies in the Gospels.

**Please
Join us**

Knights of Columbus Friday Fish Fry

Friday Feb 16th

FRIED CATFISH W/ALL THE TRIMMINGS:

- French Fries
- Hush Puppies
- Beans
- Coleslaw
- Desserts
- Coffee/tea

**Dinner
served from
5:00-6:30pm**

Tickets at the door
Carry-out available

Adults \$15
**(Children under
5 yrs free)**

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