

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF TYLER

Celebration of the Mass (Feb. 14 to Feb. 20)

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am
Monday 9:00 am
Communion Service
Tuesday 9:00 am
Wednesday 9:00 am
Thursday 9:00 am
Friday 9:00 am

Adoration

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



Reconciliation

Tuesday 9:45 - 12:30 pm
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm
Sunday Upon request
Weekdays Upon request

Sacrament of the Sick

Offered at first Friday
Mass upon request.

Marriage or Baptism

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

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 15, 2026

TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING
SIR 15 : 15 - 26

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
PS 119 : 1 - 2 ; 4 - 5 ;
17 - 18 ; 33 - 34

2ND READING:
I COR 2 : 6 - 10

GOSPEL:
MT 5 : 17 - 37



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pope Leo's February Intention

For children with incurable diseases. Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support never losing strength and hope.

Church Organizations

Financial Council	Charlie Clymer
Pastoral Council	John Rigney
Knights of Columbus	Jerry Hauck
4th Degree Knights	Gary Laudt
Legion of Mary	Marge Clymer
	Jane Bidlack
Food Pantry	Bob Mailliard
Rosary Makers/Prayer Blankets	Carol Szczepanski
Cenacle of Life	Vicki Hauck
Funeral Preparations	Deacon John Erdag

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance:	2/7	SAT:	82	2/8	SUN:	75
Collections from 2/7 - 2/8						
Building & Maintenance	\$					325.00
Offertory	\$					3,177.00
Votive Candles	\$					13.00
Diocese of Tyler Catholic Schools	\$					42.00

FEBRUARY SECOND COLLECTIONS

1/31 & 2/1: Building and Maintenance Fund
 2/7 & 2/8: Diocese of Tyler Catholic Schools
2/14 & 2/15: Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe
 2/21 & 2/22: Black and Indian Missions

Thank you for your generous contributions.
 Please remember Holy Spirit Catholic Church in your Will.



Mass Intentions

Sat	2/14	+Carlos Godinez	(Lou Masferrer)
Sun	2/15	Mass for the People of Holy Spirit Parish	
		+Doug Norman	(Ann Marie Vancas)
		+Nadine Abbott	(Leslie Griffin)
Tues	2/17	Robert Mailliard	(Knights of Columbus)
Wed	2/18	Eric Hurley	(Knights of Columbus)
Thurs	2/19	+Wanda Stephens	(Mike Stephens)
Fri	2/20		



Remember the sick of our parish: Shepard Gartin; Erin Sine; Joe Fazzio; Dr. Steve Boswank; Charles McCloskey; Deanie DeLee; Sharon Ryan; Marge & Charlie Clymer; Mary Langhoff; Lillian Speights; Rebecca Niebruge; Claire Sullivan; Kirk Wilder; David Barber; Elaine Arellano; Marissa Cowles; Judy Terry; Randy Munoz; Jess & Eva Corrigan; Elaine

March & Rosemary Seltzer; Maureen Tucker; Patrick Wood; Margaret Smith-Cauley; Elmer Mulhollon, Roland & Pat Schmear, Barbara Schneider; Helene Kaczowka; Emly Walker; Joe Bonneville; Juan & Barbara Delgado; Avery Boultinghouse; Jo & Doris Hoffman; Roy Marchak; David Borel; Verna Sloan; Mike Stephens; Kathy Bowers; Msgr. Ron Diegel; Chris & Dave Paape; Richard Schuetz; Jodie Woods; Jean Hamilton; Kathleen Fleming; Jaye Anderson; Karee Haney; Charlie Parker; Jacob Stephens.



Remember the active military of our parish: Senior Chief Petty Officer, James Nichols, (Nephew of Dcn John & Cindy Sue Erdag). Cody Mitchell, LTJG Navy (Son-in-law of Stan & Terrie Evans). Ben Clymer, Sr Airman USAF (Grandson of Charlie & Marge). Captain Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). Lt. Gary Buchanan; Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno AMT 2nd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman).

Bishop's Appeal for Ministries

Everyone should have already received a solicitation letter for the 2026 Bishop's Appeal for Ministries (BAM). Please be sure to pick up a commitment brochure from the back of the church (or in the narthex) and be sure to use the special envelope (with the Holy Spirit label), when you return your pledge. Additionally, please indicated Holy Spirit-Holly Lake on the memo line of your check.

FEBRUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Sat 2/14:</u>	5:00 pm Mass
<u>Sun 2/15:</u>	8:30 am Mass
<u>Mon 2/16:</u>	9:00 am Communion Service
	6:00 pm OCIA
<u>Tues 2/17:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration
	2:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
<u>Wed 2/18:</u>	9:00 am Mass - ASH WEDNESDAY
	3:00 pm Cenacles of Life
	5:00 pm Mass - ASH WEDNESDAY
<u>Thurs 2/19:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	1:00 pm Legion of Mary
<u>Fri 2/20:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	9:30 am Rosary Makers
	3:00 pm Divine Mercy and Rosary Hour
	4:30 pm Stations of the Cross
<u>Sat 2/21:</u>	5:00 pm Mass
<u>Sun 2/22:</u>	8:30 am Mass
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<u>Mon 2/23:</u>	9:00 am Communion Service
<u>Tues 2/24:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
<u>Wed 2/25:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	10:30 am Bible Study
	3:00 pm Cenacles of Life
<u>Thurs 2/26:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	1:00 pm Legion of Mary
<u>Fri 2/27:</u>	9:00 am Mass
	9:30 am Rosary Makers
	4:30 pm Stations of the Cross



Q: What is the significance of Presidents Day?

Initially, it was established to recognize Washington's birthday, but Presidents Day has become a broader celebration of all U.S. presidents.

Holy Spirit Food Ministry

Due to increased costs of groceries, the Food Ministry is in need of non-perishable food donations. If you can contribute, place donations in the box outside the church office. Or, for monetary donations, use a Food Ministry Donation Envelope, available in the basket in the narthex. All contributions are greatly appreciated and serve to help people in need at HLR and its surrounding community. Additionally, we are, once again, in need of plastic grocery bags.

If you or a resident in need, please obtain their name and phone number. Please provide their information to: Bob Mailliard (504-559-6022)



SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Saturday: St. Cyril, Monk and St. Methodius, Bishop (Brothers known as "Apostles to the Slave" served as the "spiritual bridge between Eastern and Western traditions"; patrons of Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and of all Europe.)

Tuesday: THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER (The Order of Friar Servants of Mary or Servites were founded by 7 Florentine cloth merchants; popularized devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows.)

Wednesday: ASH WEDNESDAY (Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church. 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.)



Knights' Korner



Kudos:

After such an enjoyable time, Valentine's Social last Saturday shoutouts are in order. A grateful shoutout to Carol S and Vicki H for the thematic Valentine table decorations, Shell and Connie B, Jess, Eva and Eileen C, Bob M, and LC for the exquisite and delicious food preparation and finally all of the gentlemen who served the gathered folks to celebrate and honor the Ladies of the Council and Parish. If I missed anybody, I apologize. The evening was capped off with dancing and singing courtesy of Dale Cummings. The food was delicious and the company was better. Your Council thanks you.

Join:

Gents, wouldn't you like to join the fraternal organization that recognizes and honors each other and the fairer sex? We are made in the image and likeness of God and I'm glad the ladies are the better looking ones. Vivat Jesus!

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 Holy Spirit's contact person: Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or email him at: justin.mahaffey@icloud.com



Special Announcements

- Today, after Mass, you can pick up your 2025 Tax Contribution Statement. It is located on the table outside of the church office.
- Next Sunday's, second collection will be designated for the Black and Indian Missions. Financial support affects the Church's evangelization efforts for the needs of Native American, Alaskan American, and African American communities.
- The Pastoral Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, February 17th at 2:00 pm in St. Jude's Hall. If you have any "constructive" items to be discussed, please present them in writing to the church office by noon on Monday, February 16th.
- On February 18th, **ASH WEDNESDAY**, Masses will be offered at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.
- On Friday, February 20th, The Knights of Columbus will have the Divine Mercy and Rosary Hour at 3:00 pm.
- During the Lenten Season, we will "walk" the Way of the Cross each Friday, beginning at 4:30 pm. This Friday, February 20th the Rosary Makers will provide a "Soup Supper" in St. Jude's Hall for those participating in the Stations of the Cross.
- Our parish is inviting parishioners to participate in a special opportunity to donate the 2026 Paschal Candle. This meaningful contribution can be made "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" someone special. Interested parishioners are encouraged to contact the church office by next Sunday, February 22nd. You may select the style of the candle, with prices beginning at \$250. The family or individual who donated the candle will have the opportunity to take home the Paschal Candle next year.



Valentine Day Prayer

Lord, as we celebrate love on Valentine's Day, we seek your divine guidance. Lead us in your ways and may your wisdom direct our steps in love. Grant us the grace to navigate the complexities of relationships with faith and understanding.

Proverbs 3:5 - 6

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

LENT 2026 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.

As we prepare for the Lenten Season, let us reflect on fasting. In his homily for Ash Wednesday in 2003, Cardinal Pio Laghi discusses this spiritual exercise.

“Every year on this day, Ash Wednesday, the Church begins a spiritual journey, a renewal of her existence and a rediscovery of her life with God. The journey is rooted in the words that we will hear in a few moments when ashes are placed on us: *“Turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel.”* It is the message of Christ himself: turn away from darkness, evil and death and begin walking towards light, goodness and life. She embarks upon this journey by undertaking those spiritual exercises describe by our Lord in the Gospel today: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Fasting is not just denial of self, for the sake of denial; it is not leaving something out of our mouth for this one day. Rather, as His Holiness said last Sunday during the Angelus message, “with fasting...the Christian prepares to follow Christ...and through it is able to understand better the difficulties and suffering of so many of our brothers and sisters, oppressed by hunger, misery and war.” In other words, through fasting we become one with those who are hungry, without homes and living without the basic necessities of life.

Ashes will be placed on our heads, to remind us of our fragility and of our finiteness. They will remind us where we came from. They will remind us where we shall return.”

an excerpt
Cardinal Pio Laghi
Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2003
Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, D. C.
March 5, 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<p>February 18</p> <p>Ash Wednesday— Lent Begins</p> <p>Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.</p> <p>2 Corinthians 6:2</p>	<p>February 19</p> <p>Set your intention for this Lenten season. What penitential practices will you observe? How will you try to grow closer to God?</p>	<p>February 20</p> <p>Explore some new meatless recipes and commit to living more simply, accompanying our brothers and sisters who lack material resources.</p>	<p>February 21</p> <p>Many who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil will celebrate the Rite of Election tomorrow. Say a prayer for the elect, for those who will be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church, and for all who seek God with a sincere heart.</p>