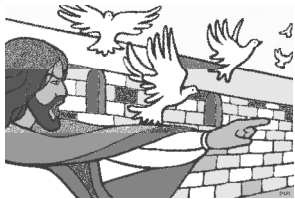


March 15, 2009: Third Sunday of Lent



And to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me." — Jn 2:16-17
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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, March 15 (Ex 20:1-17/ 1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25)

8:00 am- Shawn & Ryan Drozd

10:30 am- Daniel & Eddie Stock

Monday, March 16 (2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30)

7:00 am- John & Annie Novak

10:00 am- Adela Pohl (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, March 17, St. Patrick of Ireland (Dn 3:25, 34-43/ Mt 18:21-35)

7:00 am- Fred, Pauline & John Henry Schindler

Wednesday, March 18, St. Cyril of Jerusalem (Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19)

7:00 am- Siegmund & Therese Eppinger

8:05 am- Harvey Pavliska, Sr.

12:05 pm- Living & deceased members of Peter & Christine Kristek Family

Thursday, March 19, St. Joseph (2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/ Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a)

7:00 am- William E. Schindler

10:00 am- Gussie Kainer (Stevens)

Friday, March 20 (Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34)

7:00 am- Henry Sitka

8:05 am- Henry R. Kallus

12:05 pm- Winona & Alex Stewart

Saturday, March 21 (Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14)

5:30 pm- Ervin Bludau, Sr.

Sunday, March 22 (2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/ Jn 3:14-21)

8:00 am- Paul & Annie Henneke

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Bulletin & Radio Broadcast Mass Sponsor: Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Sacred Heart 797.

Vigil Light: Special intention for the blessing of rain.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$4,751; Rice Bag-\$697; Loose-\$1,425; Children's-\$31; Catholic Ed.-\$1,520

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Charlie Joe Wagner, Sr., father of Lawrence Wagner; Jeanette Gandt, grandmother of Julie Kubena; and, Anita Drabek, Lilly Grahmann & Josephine "Terry" McCain of our parish family. *May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

Anniversaries

Michael & Peggy Jansky 30 years March 17

Hospice of South Texas Grief Support Group will meet for six weeks on Thursdays, March 19 to April 23 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church Annex in Hallettsville. For more information or to register for the group, please call Sandra Ryan at 572-4300.

Rosary Leaders for weekend Masses are needed. Please call the Rectory to sign up for this ministry.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

-KJT #5 & KJT # 43 family dinner, 11:30 am, Family Center. Members & their families are invited to attend.

-Firefall, 6:00 p.m. in the church. Parishioners are invited to join the youth in Eucharistic adoration.

MONDAY, MARCH 16

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in the church.

-Catholic Daughters meeting, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.

-RCIA Class, 7:00 – 8:15 p.m., Family Center.

-Serra Club meeting, 7:00 p.m., Jalisco's Café.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

-CCD: Grades K – 11th, 6:00 – 7:10 p.m.

-Spiritual Book Study, 6:00 p.m., Mary's House.

-Divine Mercy prayer, 7:30 p.m., Church Cry Room.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

-Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m. in the Rectory. Please call the Rectory in advance to register.

-Blood Drive, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Family Center.

-Youth Sausage Dinner, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., KC Hall. Plates to go only – \$6.00 each.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Deacon Marvin Fikac, Mary Laas, Jacque Holchak, Alvin Rosenauer, Frank Luke, Macey Moeller, Margaret Flores, Mary Ann Gaitan, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Debbie Fishbeck, Josie Ohnheiser, Clint Brewer, Mason Leibham, Josie Muniz, David Tomek, Riley Mika, Joyce Svetlik, Louise Tesch, Mary Bonorden, Marie Grafe, Loraine Butschek, Jesse Cavazos, Bernice Woytek, Evelyn Henke, Lillie Sitka, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Thelma Mikulenska, Alphonse Steffek, Bill Chapline, Maggie Volcik, Matthew Walker, Amanda Conniff, Marcella Henke, Margaret Timm, Madeline Lakey, Sylvester Garza, Harry Jackson, Helen M. Appelt, Luke Bludau, Mary Kaiser, Michael Kutac, Rosalie Simpson, Hedwig Greer, Josephine Matejek, Ed Aulick, Paige Haas, Milada Netardus, Agatha Janak, Anita Kallus, Leonard Kubena, Hubert Etzler, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Lindal Finley, nursing home residents & the homebound.

Perpetual Adoration: An adorer is needed on Fridays at 1:00 p.m. If you are able to spend this hour with our Lord, please call Charlene Bradbury, 798-3224.



Prayer for Rain: Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. We place our trust in You. Look on our dry hills and fields, dear God, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, and the rivers will sing Your praises, and the hearts of men will be made glad. Amen.

From the Desk of Father John

➔ On **Sunday, April 5th at 3:00 p.m.**, I would like all the members of Sacred Heart & St. Mary's parishes who have attended an ACTS Retreat to meet with Fr. Michael & me for about an hour in the Sacred Heart Family Center. We would like to share some ideas and get some feedback. Please mark this on your calendar.

➔ We will be preparing a class for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion in the near future. However, before we do that, we would like to have an accurate list of those who will be serving in this ministry. If you are an Extraordinary Minister and would like to retire or if you would like to become a new one, please call the rectory this week and let us know. Those who would like to become an Extraordinary Minister will need to meet with me before any action can be taken.

➔ Our DSA, Diocesan Services Appeal, is different from the Capital Campaign for the Diocese. The DSA is done every year for the regular operation of the diocese.

For the DSA, you can use your green DSA envelopes and put them in the collection basket or send your DSA contribution directly to the diocese. For your Capital Campaign, you send your card & donation directly to the diocese.

Our DSA goal for 2008 was \$28,367.21. The total amount contributed by 173 parishioners was \$14,048.00. Therefore, in order to meet our parish goal for 2008, we have to send the diocese \$14,319.21.

Our DSA goal for 2009 is \$26,645.60. This is based on Sunday collections. Because we have a Catholic elementary & high school, we are given a little break. Parishes without schools pay a larger percentage of their Sunday collection.

We ask you to please be generous with your DSA contribution so that we will not have to send in a large amount from the parish funds.



The Youth ConneXion



Champs: Sunday, March 15th, 3:00 p.m. at the Youth House. We will participate in Firefall (adoration) at 6:00 p.m. Champs will be released from Firefall.

March 15: Music ministry meet in church at 3:00 p.m. Members of the Youth meet at 5:00 p.m. in church. High School youth gathering & social after Firefall. Guest speaker (You don't want to miss this one!).

Sausage Dinner, March 22: 11:00 am, KCHall. Proceeds benefit all youth activities. **Sell your tickets!!!!**

Religious Education – Janice Busselman 798-3124

March 18: No CCD classes; Spring Break.

April 1: Penance Service for 9th – 11th Grades.

Fried Chicken Dinner, St. Mary's Hall (plates to go only) on March 22, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$7.00 per plate.

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***National Jr. Honor Society & National Honor Society Induction,** March 18 at 8:00 p.m. in the church.

***“Aim for Success – Abstinence Education Program”** for all parents as well as students in grades 6–12. The parent program, a presentation to help parents understand sexual education for their children, will be presented on Monday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Center. **All parents of Sacred Heart Parish are welcome to attend the parent program.** The student programs will be held during the school day on Tuesday, March 24. Sponsored by the Home & School Association.

***KC Sausage & Polka Fest, March 27–29.** Work lists & sign up sheets will be going out soon. Proceeds benefit SHCS athletics, so students & parents are needed to work to help make this fest a success.

***2009-2010 School Year Registration:** March 2–April 6. Details & forms were included in the March newsletter.

***Kindergarten visitation & day in school:** March 23 – April 3 for prospective students for the 2009-2010 school year. Please call the school office for more information.

Contribution Statements for 2008 are available upon request. **Please call to request your statement BEFORE coming by the Rectory, which will give us time to prepare it for you.** Thank you for your consideration.

In Oromia, Ethiopia, drought has destroyed entire regions of crops, devastating the local agriculture industry and economy. In places like Oromia, where sustainability is based entirely on agriculture, food security is alarmingly low. At a local Catholic church in the Oromia region, hundreds of children are receiving therapeutic milk and medical treatment from Catholic Relief Services (CRS). In addition to funding the important international relief work of CRS, The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports legal and resettlement services for refugees, advocacy, and disaster/emergency relief. When you donate to The Catholic Relief Services Collection, you give hope. Please be generous in next week's Collection.

Sausage & Polka Fest, March 27–29, KC Hall. **Friday:** Don Peachy 7–10:30 pm. Fish Fry Dinner begins at 5 pm. **Saturday:** Polka Mass 3 pm, featuring St. Mary's Czech Choir. Sausage Dinner begins at 4 pm. Dance 5–11 pm by Dujka Brothers & Jodie Mikula. **Sunday:** Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner begins 10:30 am. Shiner Hobo Band 11 am – 1 pm. Ravens, Czech & Then Some, & Czechaholics 1–8 pm. Entry fee \$8 per person per day. Meals \$7 each.

John Michael Talbot will perform in concert on Thursday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church. Admission at the door will be \$10 per person; children 12 & under \$5.00. No advance tickets will be sold. For information, please call the Rectory.

ACTS Evangelization Mass with musicians at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 22 at St. Joseph's Church, Yoakum.

Teen ACTS Retreat, July 9 – 12, 2009.