

March 8 – 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

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, March 8 (Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1

Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25)

8:00 am- Our Parish Family

10:30 am- Victor & Lena Grafe

Monday, March 9, St. Frances of Rome, Religious (2

Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30)

7:00 am- Living & deceased members of Catholic
Financial Life

10:00 am- Frank Jares (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, March 10 (Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35)

7:00 am- Clyde & Georgie Jobb

Wednesday, March 11 (Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19)

7:00 am- Gene Schindler

8:05 am- Miguel Loreda

12:05 pm- Frank & Georgie Edar

Thursday, March 12 (Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23)

7:00 am- Marty Pustka

10:00 am- Mary R. Janak, Benefactor (Stevens)

Friday, March 13 (Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34)

7:00 am- Frank & Antonia Jahn

8:05 am- David Janak, Sr.

12:05 pm- Bennie & Lucille Linhart and
Otto & Sis Linhart

6:00 pm- Stations of the Cross

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

5:30 pm- Stacey & Glenn Rabel

Sunday, March 15, Fourth Sunday of Lent (2 Chr

36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21)

8:00 am- Our Parish Family

10:30 am- Living & deceased members of Catholic Life



Bulletin Sponsor: Bob Kubena in memory of Bennie and
Lucille Linhart and Otto and Sis Linhart.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: Mary and Andy Chapman in
memory of Gus (Cudlum) Werner.

Vigil Light: Special intention for employment.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$7,089.50; Loose-\$1,490;
Children-\$62; Building Repair-\$903; Rice Bowl-\$1,313.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Sylvester
Grahmann* and *Viola Strauss* of our parish family. *May
they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

Happy Anniversary!

Ricky & Barbara Steffek	25 years	March 10
Dan & Jacquelyn Boone	64 years	March 10



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

-KJZT #2 Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Mary's House.

MONDAY, MARCH 9

-Rosary & Evening Praise, 5:30 p.m.

-Adult Choir Practice, 6:00 p.m., Church.

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

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

-J.C.D.A. Meeting, 3:15-5:00 p.m., Family Center.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

-No CCD – Spring Break.

-Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:00 p.m., Cry Room.

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

-God's Embrace, 6:30-9:00 p.m., Family Center.

-RCIA Class, 7:00-8:30 p.m., SHCS New Computer Lab.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13 (Day of Abstinence from meat)

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

-Youth Night, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Church & Youth House.

Among our sick: Donna Avant, Lorene Christ, Josephine Muniz, Wilbert Kalinec, Barbara Kubena, Kathy Davis, Elrose Ehler, Marilyn Palmquist, Doug Blumberg, Becky Pekar, Amanda Gutierrez, Karen Kahanek, Harvey Drozd, Monte Staha, Marie Hermes, Karen Perez, Georgie Meyer, Doris Anders, Jack Crandall, Gary Trojcak, Brian Wisnoski, Jeanne McClain, Frances Kutach, Sweet Hrcir, Henry Konvicka, Clorisa Hartensteiner, Betsy Brown, Leo Haas, Jr., Marcella Henke, Mark Henneke, Kirk Remmers, Richard Grahmann, Margie Becker, Dollie Parr, Joyce Tesch, Msgr. Celestino Say, Steve Grasshoff, Buddy Boehm, Sr. Rosalyn Henke, nursing home residents, and the homebound.

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 8: St. Rose Spring Festival, K.C. Hall, Schulenburg. Turkey Dinner 10:30 am-1:00 pm. Drive thru adult plates available. Auction, cake walk, sweepstakes, surprise packages. Proceeds benefit St. Rose Church & School.

March 20-22: South Texas Polka & Sausage Fest, K.C. Hall, Hallettsville. Dance: \$9 per person per day.

Friday: Texas Dutchman Band & The Moravians 6:00-11:00 pm. Fish Fry Meal 5:00-7:00 pm.

Saturday: Holy Mass 3:00 pm. Dujka Brothers & Jodie Mikula 5:00-11:00 pm. Sausage Dinner 4:00 pm-close.

Sunday: Shiner Hobos 11 am-1 pm. Red Ravens, Ennis Czech Boys & Czechaholics 1-8 pm. Concert 4:30-5 pm. Fried Chicken Dinner serving begins 10:30 am. Chicken Noodle Soup available Saturday and Sunday.

Silent Guided Day Retreat, March 28, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Amor Meus Spirituality Center, Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria. Retreat Theme: **“Were You There?”** by Fr. Kenneth O'Malley. Retreat includes two presentations, Liturgy of Eucharist or prayer service, private prayer, and reflecting. Spiritual Direction is offered during retreats and throughout the year at Amor Meus Spirituality Center. Call Sr. Emilie Eilers 575-7111 for more information.



From the Desk of Msgr. John

The Diocesan Catholic Knowledge Bowl was held in Victoria last Sunday. Five of the nineteen teams that entered from the Diocese were from Sacred Heart.

In the Family Category, the Harper Family – Dorothy Harper, Renae Harper, Ella Harper and Dorothea Harper – won Second.

In the Adult Category, Troy and Christa Spring, Frances Spring and Allison Klimitchek won Second.

In the Teen Category, the Sacred Heart Senior Girls – Kristin Popp, Taylor Opela, Samantha Holub and Sarah Seyl – won Second.

Congratulations to these parishioners!

Thank you to Mr. Vic Roeber for donating a new copier machine for the Church office. He donated it in memory of his dear friend, Mrs. Sprout (Terry Mitchon) Bludau.

Today, Sunday, we begin our school accreditation process. This is a process that is done every seven years by the Texas Catholic Education Association for all the Catholic schools in the State of Texas. It will be finished Wednesday evening.

Sacred Heart Youth News ~~

Youth Night will be taking place on Sunday, March 15th from 5-7:30 pm with the holy hour as usual. We hope for anyone interested in the summer trip to Steubenville to have turned in their interest form or bring it to the event.

Sacred Heart CCD News ~~

Mar. 8: 7th Grade Youth Involvement, 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Mar. 11: Spring Break – No CCD.

Mar. 18: 9th-12th Grade Penance.

Mar. 25: 6th-8th Gr Penance.

2nd Gr Last Supper Feast.

Sacred Heart School News ~~

March 8-11: Texas Catholic

Conference Education Department

accreditation team will observe teachers in the classrooms, review our self-study, and interview parents and other members of our school community.

March 11: Classes dismissed 2:00 p.m. No extended care.

March 12-13: No School – Spring Break.

Registration Fees: If paid by March 24 - \$100 per student. After March 24 - \$200 per student.



Building the Domestic Church – Leading our Families to Christ.

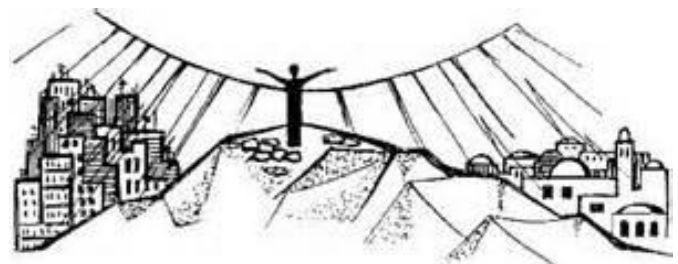
Celebrate that beautiful gift from God, your family! Join us March 22, 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Holy Family Catholic Church, Victoria, for a diocesan-wide celebration of family! Co-sponsored by: Holy Family Catholic Church and Our Lady of Victory Cathedral. Bishop David Fellhauer will celebrate Mass at 4:30 p.m. Keynote speaker: Dr. Michael Fonseca. Afternoon workshops, prayer and music. Registration fee is \$25 per couple, which includes lunch. Spend some time sharing, learning, and celebrating the most important relationship you have on this earth- your family. For more information or to register, visit www.hfccvic.org/celebratefamily.

Lenten Vespers – March 8, 15, 22, & 29, 5:00-5:45 pm, Incarnate Word Convent Chapel, Victoria. Vespers, also called Evening Prayer, is part of the Liturgy of the Hours, and gives thanks for the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God. For more information contact Sr. Emilie Eilers at 575-7111.

3rd Sunday of Lent –

"While He was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in His name when they saw the signs He was doing." How we would love to see those signs! How easy it would be for us to believe if we too could witness Jesus healing the sick, feeding the multitudes, calming the storm. It's tempting to imagine that faith was a simple thing back in those days. We might be inclined to think that we don't have the same benefits as those first believers, and so faith is harder in our day and age. But is it, really?

In truth, we have an advantage that none of those people had: two thousand years of Church history! Two millennia of faithful, prayerful Christians believing in Jesus and spreading the Gospel; the collective witness of the saints--many of whom have also worked "signs" in Jesus' name; the effects of the Church on culture and the world through its schools, its hospitals, its spiritual movements, and religious institutions; the unbroken line of apostolic succession that traces back to the time of Christ. Just the fact alone that the Church is still alive and well in spite of all of its sinful members ought to be miracle enough for us.



But even with all of this testimony, it's important to remember that seeing signs and believing in Jesus are not the same thing. Even those who witnessed Jesus' miracles had to take the next step by choosing to accept Him as their Lord. Ultimately, all of these convincing details are not the point. The point is to encounter Jesus on a personal level. The signs may open the door to bring us closer to Him, but it's up to us to walk through that door. May we walk so as to come "to believe the Scripture."

Daily Lenten Prayer –

Today Lord I choose life. I choose Your love and the challenge to live it and share it. I choose hope, even in moments of darkness. I choose faith, accepting You as Lord and God.



I choose to let go of some part of my burdens, day by day handing them over to You. I choose to take hold of Your strength and power ever more deeply in my life.

May this truly be for me a time of new life, of change, challenge and growth. May I come to Easter with a heart open to dying with You and rising to Your new life, day by day. Amen.