

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Lent
March 5, 2023
Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death
and brought life and immortality
to light through the gospel.
— 2 Timothy 1:10b



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekdays:

Tuesday: 6:00PM
Wednesday-Friday: 8:00AM

Adoration/Healing Mass

The 1st Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday - Friday: Thirty minutes Adoration before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and Sunday: Thirty minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

Baptism:

Infant Baptism is celebrated the 3rd Sunday of the month. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months. Parents **and** godparents **must** attend a one hour Baptism preparation class prior to the scheduled Baptism. For other guidelines and details, please call the parish office.

Matrimony:

Call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor. Diocesan guidelines require an initial interview at least 6 months before the wedding date. Please call the parish office for further information.

R.C.I.A.:

This is a process for anyone who wishes to become Catholic. Please call the parish office for further information.



March 4th 4:30PM Sylvia Bernard Sylvia (RIP) by Harold Sylvia; “For All Children who were Victims of Abortion” by Langston Adams; Bernard Mouton, Jr. & Berlinda Roy Mouton (Happy 57th Anniversary-Living) by Berlinda Mouton & Family; Barbara Williams (RIP) by Elvira Narcisse

March 5th 9:00AM For All Parishioners

March 7th 6:00PM Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Sheryl Channell & Elwood Conner (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Conner, Henderson & Peron Family

March 8th 6:00PM Michael Louis Linden, Sr. (RIP) by Nuong Tran Family

March 9th 6:00PM Myrtle Turpeau (1yr. Death Anniversary-RIP) by The Family

March 10th 8:00AM

March 11th 4:30PM Rose Antoine (RIP) by Frederick Antoine; Anthony Stevenson (RIP) by The Chavis & Bowden family; Barbara Williams (RIP) by Linda LaCour; Rose Chavis (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Sylvia Fisk; “For All Children who were Victims of Abortion” by Langston Adams

Collections

**Ash Wednesday-Education of Seminarians
February 22nd - \$593.58**

February 25th & February 26th

9:00AM \$2,104.00

4:30PM \$1,146.00

Mail \$ 875.00

Totals \$4,125.00

TURNING POINTS

Our readings today describe turning points for those whom God has chosen. In Genesis, God calls Abram to leave his homeland, with the promise of forming a people in a new land. In the Gospel, the disciples see Jesus literally in a new light, the bright light of Jesus’ transfiguration. They begin to see Jesus, and themselves, in a new way. These are times when God presents a new way forward, providing new purpose and energy. Our lives too have their own turning points, where God is working (usually in less spectacular fashion) to lead us into fuller maturity, and into deeper unity with God and others. The road ahead, as with Abram, Jesus, and the disciples, may be long and difficult. Lent can be a time when we reflect upon these turning points in our past, and consider how God may be stirring something new in us today.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading —The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (*Genesis 12:1-4a*)

Psalm — We rely on you, O God; show us mercy (*Psalm 33*).

Second Reading —God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (*2 Timothy 1:8b-10*).

Gospel —Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John. (*Matthew 17:1-9*).

PARISH MISSION

PARISH MISSION/REVIVAL

March 8-10, 2023 at 6:00pm

“I Will Go Back To My Father” Luke15:18

Very Rev. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma

Pastor, Holy Family Parish Galveston/Bolivar

Invite relatives and friends

Annual Diocesan Feast Day of St. Katharine Drexel

Eucharistic Celebration

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 **6pm

St. Theresa Church - Fr. Anthony Paulose

1409 6th Street, Orange, TX

Most Reverend David L. Toups

Bishop of Beaumont-Celebrant

Dinner & Refreshments will follow there will be plenty to eat & drink.



Abstinence: Catholic from age 14 and above are obligated to abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent including Good Friday. **Fasting:** Catholics age 18-59 years are obligated to fast on Good Friday. One full meal is allowed and two other meals should be light.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholic around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

2022 Contribution Statements are available at the Parish Office for your tax purposes.

Second Sunday of Lent

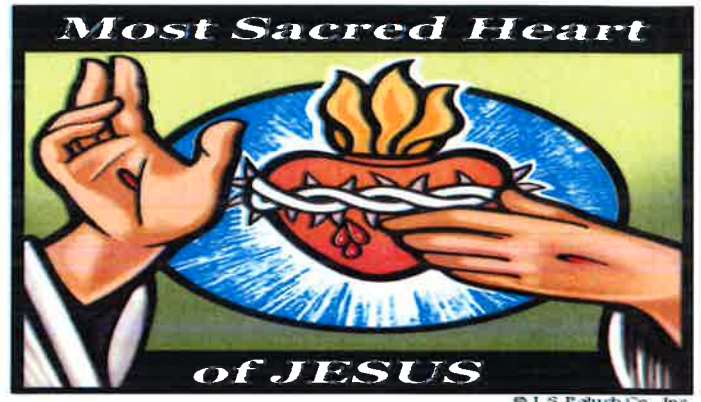
Listen. Abram listened and, certain of God's blessing, set out for an unknown future in response to God's call. Awestruck Peter, James, and John heard a voice from a cloud tell them to listen to Jesus. When we listen to the Lord, we are assured of and find strength in God's presence. Listening deeply, we perceive the Lord's call and find the grace to respond to it, finding the assurance we need to live and share the gospel of Jesus Christ, even when it is challenging to do so. When we listen, we hear Jesus say to us as he did to the disciples on the mountain, "Rise, and do not be afraid."

LISTEN WHILE ON THE JOURNEY

Have you ever taken a long trip with a family member or friend and found yourself talking about the deeper things of life? Given time, the mundane can give way to topics of meaning and purpose. We sometimes speak of our movement through life and faith as a journey. The metaphor of a journey is fitting, since we are not only to make our way from one point to another the way we take a quick trip or a walk around the block—the process of living in faith is one of growth and change over time. On the journey of life and faith, we can find the grace to talk deeply with the Lord and listen to the voice of God, who strengthens us to face the challenges of living as followers of Christ.

GOD IS WITH US

It can be hard to grasp that the God of glory and power and undying love is always with us. Truly, this is one of the great mysteries of our Christian faith. Every time we make the sign of the cross, we are reminded of the life that is brought to light in Christ. The very life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus is evidence of the determination of God to love us through it all. Not only is Jesus proof of God's love, Christ's very presence with and within us is an outpouring of that love. This Lent, take time to listen to the Lord and allow what you hear to help you turn away from sin and toward the life and immortality of the Christian disciple.



"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

**Knights of Peter Claver Council & Court #32
2023 Annual Friday Lenten Fish Dinner Sale
KPC Hall #32-Corner of Grannis Ave. & 10th Street
Menu: (2) Fried fish, Red rice, Green beans, Potato
salad & Cake Cost:\$12**

**** (To be determined on date or sale) ****

Place your order with any Knight or Lady Auxiliary member
or call or text Rodney Broussard@363-3375.



**Reminder: Set your clock ahead one
hour on Sunday, March 12, 2023.**

Transfiguration Manifestation

It may seem odd to hear the Gospel of the Transfiguration of Jesus during Lent. Wouldn't it fit better after Easter? An answer is found a few verses after our Gospel selection. Jesus tells the disciples that he will suffer (Matthew 17:12). The vision of Jesus' glory shared by Peter, James, and John was meant to help them not to become discouraged by Jesus' death on the cross. Some of the details in the Gospel can help us understand how Lent leads to Easter.

First, we hear about Jesus' appearance, that "his face shone like the sun" (Matthew 17:2). If the disciples didn't believe that Jesus was the Son of God before, they surely did now. For us this can be a reminder that God is with us during this season of Lent, helping our faith to grow.

Next, the three disciples see Moses and Elijah, symbols of the Old Testament. Peter wants them to stay, but the voice of God interrupts and tells them that now they should listen to Jesus. The Gospel tells us to keep our eyes on Jesus throughout Lent. Do I grumble about Lent, seeing it is as another set of laws to be obeyed? Perhaps I'm forgetting that Lent is not about how much I do for God, but a time to reflect on what God has done for me.

The last line of the Gospel has Jesus telling the three not to tell anyone about their vision until after his resurrection. Maybe the disciples were tempted to brag that they were better than the other followers of Jesus. This reminds us that the sacrifices of Lent don't just make us look holy; they lead us to the new life of Easter.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR BEREAVEMENT FUND. NEXT WEEKEND, THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR BUILDING FUND.

Fr. Anthony will bless singles, widow and widowers who lost a spouse in March. Next weekend he will bless those celebrating a wedding anniversary in March.



Easter Lilly or flowers envelopes are available. Please help us defray the cost by giving a generous donation.

IF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND IS ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND HE/SHE GETS WELL OR PASSES, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DELETE HIS/HER NAME. THANKS.

Pray for ...

Sharon Adams, Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Juliana Barnes, Emma Bonton, Diane Bowd, Aletra Bowman,

Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Bernadette Dames, Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Herman Dugay, Yourmae Duplechain, Vincent Fertitta, Sylvia A. Fisk, Ronald Fontenette, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Normand Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zacchaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Fay Hines, Gladys Wilson-Hollins Yvette Jacquet, Hazel January, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Lucien Lavallais, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Johanna Lewis, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Dorothy McClarin, Mabry McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Dallas Oliver, Donald Oliver, Rita Oliver, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, Margie Provost, JoAnn Pugh, Estella Ray, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Schreida Solaire, Jayden Spencer, Lillie Stewart, Audry Stood, Henry Stood, Michella Sulldan, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Iris Waymon, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shalara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., Tadarell Woods, Hazeletta Younger and Tosharie Younger.

Communicants: Ethel Allen



Obituary

Our dear parishioner Elijah Livings, died on Saturday, February 25, 2023, the husband to Joyce Livings and father to Delphia Smith, Elisha McNeal, Jarvus and Edmund Livings. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at Sacred Heart Church at 10:00am.

Meeting

*-Sr. Ushers will meet on Sunday, March 5th after 9:00am Mass in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.
 -KPC Ladies Auxiliary Cartagena Court #32 will meet on Sunday, March 5th at 11:00am at the KPC Hall.
 -KPC 3rd Degree Ladies will meet Sunday, March 5th at 3:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.
 -KPC 4th Ladies of Grace will meet Sunday March 12th at 1:30pm at the KPC Hall.
 -Drexel Society will meet Tuesday, March 14th at 5:30pm at the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.*

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sacrament of Reconciliation available during Stations of the Cross on Friday's
Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 6:00pm followed by Mass.
March 10th-Stations of the Cross
FRI. 6:00PM
Drexel Society

MISSION REVIVAL

WED. 6:00PM March 8th-Youth
FRI. 6:00PM March 10th- Midge Jacob

March 11th & March 12th

LECTORS

SAT. 4:30PM Jackie Guillory
Leroy Leopold
SUN. 9:00AM Diane Marks
Kenneth Marks

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