

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

Catholic Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipation)-----5:00 p.m.

Sunday ----- 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Monday-----8:00 a.m.

Tuesday-----8:00 a.m.

Wednesday-----6:00 p.m.

Thursday-----8:00 a.m.

Friday-----8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday-----4:00-4:45 p.m.

Sunday-----8:15-8:45 a.m.

Youth Minister-----Joey Sablatura

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday:-- 8:00 a.m.--Noon & 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Friday-----8:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

New Members

Welcome to Assumption Parish!

Please call or stop by the Parish Office to register.

Holy Communion to the Home-Bound

Each Wednesday and Friday. If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents and Godparents are required to attend a baptismal class. Call the Parish Office to ask about requirements for Godparents, and to register for a class. The schedule for 2021 Baptism class is: **March 2, May 25, August 17, November 9.** All classes begin at 7:00 p.m. at the John Paul II Family Center.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please make an appointment with the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date. No wedding date will be firm until after the initial meeting with the Pastor.

March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 20:1-17. *The law was given through Moses.*

Psalm 19. *"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life."*

1 Corinthians 1:22-25. *We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.*

John 2:13-25. *Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How can I take the mercy of God and pass it on to others in my day-to-day life? Am I providing an example of God's mercy in my relationships with others?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 2 Kings 5:1-15

Luke 4:24-30

Tues: Daniel 3:25, 34-43

Matthew 18:21-35

Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9

Matthew 5:17-19

Thurs: Jeremiah 7:23-28

Luke 11:14-23

Fri: Hosea 14:2-10

Mark 12:28-34

Sat: Hosea 6:1-16

Luke 18:9-14

Sun: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Ephesians 2:4-10

John 3:14-21

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

As we continue this “campaign of Christian service” I would like to remind you of some of the ways in which we can fortify ourselves to fight this spiritual battle during the Lenten season.

- ❖ **Adoration.** As is our parish practice during Lent the Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Monday from 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. I have noticed that many of you have taken the opportunity to come to Church to pray and converse with Jesus. No doubt you feel strengthened in your spiritual quest as you spend time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. I urge everyone to carve out some time, even if it's for a few minutes, to make a humble visit to be in the presence of God.
- ❖ **Stations of the Cross.** Publically this devotion is offered every Friday at 5:30 p.m. in Church. However, you certainly can pray the Stations anytime you would like. Another way praying the Stations would be to read the Passion narratives that are found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.
- ❖ **Sacraments.** Attending Mass, receiving the Eucharist, and going to Confession are always important, but especially during this Lenten season. The grace we receive in these sacraments fortify us to resist the temptations of the devil. Please consider visiting the sacrament of reconciliation, particularly if you are afraid that you are in mortal sin or if you haven't been to confession for a long time.

If we truly want to be transfigured this Lenten season let us fight the good battle using the weapons of prayer, fasting, and giving to the poor.

Father Kirby Hlavaty

| MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK | |
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| Saturday, March 6 | |
| 5:00 p.m. | †Bud & Ruth Richards |
| Sunday, March 7 | |
| 7:30 a.m. | Parishioners & Benefactors |
| 9:00 a.m. | †Daniel Kallus |
| Monday, March 8 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | †Theresa Hicks |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> | |
| Tuesday, March 9 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | †Irene Psencik |
| Wednesday, March 10 | |
| 6:00 p.m. | †Alice Wright |
| Thursday, March 11 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | †Timmy Fowler |
| Friday, March 12 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | †Edwin Fiala |
| 5:30 p.m. | <i>Stations of the Cross</i> |
| Saturday, March 13 | |
| 5:00 p.m. | †Patricia Bures |
| Sunday, March 14 | |
| 7:30 a.m. | Parishioners & Benefactors |
| 9:00 a.m. | †Jerome “Slick” Knebel, Sr. |

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of Sally Mireles
by Frank & Terri Morales

BULLETIN SPONSOR

In memory of Emil & Annie Mae Bures
by Joey & Michele Bures

USHER RE-TRAINING

Father Kirby has asked all parishioners, male or female, interested in joining the ABVM usher ministry to please attend an open meeting on Thursday, March 18, at 6:00 p.m.



Along with Usher duties we will discuss first aid and security training. In many ways Ushers serve as Ambassadors and Guardians of our Parish. Please consider attending this meeting. Current Ushers are asked to attend as well. Everyone's ideas and opinions will be welcome.

Third Sunday in Lent

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday, March 9**
RCIA 6:00 p.m. JPll
- **Thursday, March 11**
Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm. Parish hall

BAKE-LESS BAKE SALE

KJZT Family Life Society #43, is having a Bake-Less Bake Sale going on now and thru spring, as a fund raiser. Any donation to our fraternal will be appreciated. You may put your donation in an envelope and place in the collection basket Thank you and may the Lord Bless you!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday of Lent
5:30 p.m.

Walking and praying through the Stations of the Cross is one way we can keep vigil with Christ during these holy days. Join us!



KC FISH FRY

March 12, 19, 26

4:45-6:30 p.m.

Assumption Parish hall

\$10.00 for Plates to Go ONLY

Delicious plates of fried fish and all the trimmings

CDA DESSERTS

All Catholic Daughters are asked to call **Georgie Kruse (771-6179)** to volunteer to make desserts or a monetary donation for the Friday Fish Frys.



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Monday March 22
5:30 p.m. Assumption Church

Several Priests will be available to hear Confessions. This is a perfect opportunity to fulfill your Easter duty.



JOEY SABLATURA, Youth Minister
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CCD CLASSES

Wednesday, March 10, 24, 31

- ❖ Grades 1-5 4:00-5:15 p.m.
- ❖ Grades 6-12 7:00-8:15 p.m.

No class on March 17 due to Spring Break.

ATTENTION: PARENTS of FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS

- ❖ Children must go to **Confession** at least one more time before receiving First Holy Communion. Do not wait until the weekend of First Communion.
- ❖ **Sunday, March 21:**
First Communion Retreat for the student and at least one parent. Day begins with 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by teaching in the JPll. Concludes at 12:00 Noon
- ❖ **Monday, March 22:**
Parish Penance Service, 5:30 p.m. Several priests will be available.
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7:**
Practice for First Communion during regular class times. Please do not miss class.
- ❖ **SUNDAY, APRIL 11:**
Special Mass for First Holy Communion, will be at **11:00 a.m.** Students need to arrive by **10:30 a.m.** Meet in the JPll ROC room.

A SILENT LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, March 27 9:00-11:30 a.m.
at IWBS Convent in Victoria

Amor Meus Spirituality Center is offering a silent Lenten Retreat, The Pandemic and the Passion, at Incarnate Word Convent Auditorium on Saturday, March 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The retreat will be facilitated by Father Albert Yankey. The Retreat is limited to 20 participants so please sign up soon. Masks and social distancing will be required. For more information or to register, please call 575-7111. There is no fee; however, a free-will offering will be accepted.

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

February 28

Envelopes – \$3,831.00 Loose – \$415.00
Youth Ministry – \$21.00 Maintenance – \$485.00
Ash Wednesday – \$55.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

All Weekends in Lent – Rice Bowl



HUNGER IN OUR WORLD

Operation Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program. It offers opportunities for your family to engage daily with the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. And it's an opportunity for our parish/school to come together as a community and practice the works of mercy with our neighbors and our brothers and sisters around the world.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Rachel Chovanec, Norbert Popp, Janie Mendez, Molly Boepple, Debbie Fowler, Jeanette Supak, Clara Gutierrez, Logan Walker, Howard Thompson, Gary Skalicky, Courtney Rozner, Leo & Billie Popp, Marty Stockbauer, Joyce Pecha, Cindy Bush, Rosendo Barrientoe, Terry Joe Lesak, Gary & Dot Dufour, Colin Dufour, Luis Garza, Doug Hlavaty, Alice Saucedo Sanchez, Erin Wharton, David & Marsha Bain, Steve Rosalez,, Linda Burrows, Jim Orsak, Tommy Bibb, Adam & Ashley Sanchez, Peggy Van Pelt, Rey Rosalez, Ray Cervantes, Eva Garcia, D.M. Grell, Jimmy Knight, All the Unborn and their parents, People serving in the Military, Holy Souls in Purgatory

Readings for MARCH 14: Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.