

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS

**Bishop:** The Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D.

**FEBRUARY 25, 2018**  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
*El Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma*



## **Sunday Mass Schedule / *Misa de Domingo***

5:00 p.m. Spanish (Saturday Vigil)  
8:00 a.m. Spanish  
10:00 a.m. English  
12:00 p.m. English

## ***Daily Mass Schedule/Misa Diaria***

6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday  
9:00 a.m. Thursday ~ Avalon Nursing Home

***Healing Mass:*** every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month  
(Date subject to change per priest's schedule)

## ***Reconciliation/Confesiones:***

Saturdays / *Sabados* 4 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.  
or by appointment / o con cita

## ***Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick,***

## ***Bautismo, Matrimonio, Unción de los Enfermos***

Call the Parish Office to make an appointment or for information.

Llamen a la Oficina Parroquial para hacer una cita o para información.

## **Contact Information**

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*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church Wharton*

## **Parish Staff**

**Parochial Administrator:** Fr. Antonio Pérez

*Administrador parroquial*

**Secretary:** Imelda García

*Secretaria*

## ***Parish Catechetical Leader***

**Líder de Catequesis:** Diana Compian

**Custodian:** Raquel García

*la conserje*

## **Office Hours:**

*Horario de la Oficina*

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:

(Lunes, Miercoles, Jueves, y Viernes)

8a.m. – 5p.m. Closed/*Cerrado* 12noon – 1p.m.

Tuesday: 1p.m. – 5p.m.

(Martes)

## Saints and Prophets

**Second Sunday of Lent Readings:** Gen. 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom.8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10

**Reflection:** I have two beloved sons and no matter how many times I read the story of Isaac and Abraham in Genesis, I simply can't imagine myself walking in Abraham's shoes.

I get entangled in the fear that must have consumed Isaac, and the grief that must have engulfed his father's heart, unable to grasp the depth of faith that propelled Abraham to this mountaintop. How could he?

And yet I brought both those sons to the font of my parish church at a Sunday Mass and pledged to give them over to God. My vows to the Lord, paid in the presence of the parish community. We clothed them in white garments, outward signs that they were now bound as much to the mystery of Christ crucified as they were to Christ transfigured, his garments dazzling white. How could I?

Like Peter at the top of the mountain, I hardly know what to say. I say, I believe that I would sacrifice everything. I suspect that what I believe is that nothing so difficult would ever be demanded of me. I suspect what I really want is to stay safely atop the mountain, where everyone I see is clearly radiant. Saints and prophets. And make no mistake about this one, says God; this is my beloved son.

Down below amid the murky ordinariness of my life, I can't so easily tell the saints and prophets from the sinners and charlatans and no voices firmly point out where to find Jesus. Don't look, says the gospel, but listen. Don't get stuck on the visions of heaven, says Jesus; come down the mountain with me and let me show you how to become a saint and a prophet.

**Prayer:** God, give us the strength to follow your son's voice down from the mountaintop and out into the world. Grant that one day we might join with the saints and prophets, radiant in the joy of your love. – Michelle Francil-Donnay

## Santos y Profetas

**Lecturas de el Segundo Domingo de Curesma:** Gen. 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom.8:31b-34; Marcos 9:2-10

**Reflexión:** Tengo dos hijos queridos y no importa cuántas veces leí la historia de Isaac y Abraham en Génesis, simplemente no puedo imaginarme caminando en los zapatos de Abraham.

Me enredo en el miedo que debe haber consumido a Isaac, y el dolor que debe haber envuelto el corazón de su padre, incapaz de captar la profundidad de la fe que impulsó a Abraham a estar cima de la montaña. ¿Cómo podría?

Y sin embargo, llevé a ambos hijos a la fuente de mi iglesia parroquial en una misa dominical y prometí entregarlos a Dios. Mis votos al Señor, pagados en presencia de la comunidad parroquial. Los vestimos con vestiduras blancas, signos externos que ahora estaban atados tanto al misterio de Cristo crucificado como a Cristo transfigurado, sus vestiduras deslumbrantes blancas. ¿Cómo podría?

Como Pedro en lo alto de la montaña, no sé qué decir. Yo digo, yo creo que yo lo sacrificaría todo. Sospecho que lo que yo creo es que nada tan difícil sería jamás exigido de mí. Sospecho que lo que realmente quiero es estar a salvo en cima de la montaña, donde todos los que veo están claramente radiantes. Santos y profetas. Y no se equivoquen acerca de éste, dice Dios; Este es mi hijo amado.

Abajo, en medio de la obscuridad ordinaria de mi vida, no puedo decir tan fácilmente a los Santos y profetas de los pecadores y charlatanes y no hay voces que señalen con firmeza dónde encontrar a Jesús. No mires, dice el Evangelio, pero escucha. No te quedes atascado en las visiones del cielo, dice Jesús; baja la montaña conmigo y déjame mostrarte cómo convertirte en un Santo y un profeta.

**Oración:** Dios, danos la fuerza para seguir la voz de tu hijo desde la cima y hacia el mundo. Concédeme que un día podamos unirnos a los Santos y profetas, radiante en la alegría de tu amor. – Michelle Francil-Donnay

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday February 24th**

5:00 p.m.: Communion Service

**Sunday February 25th**

8:00 a.m.: Evelia Perez y Antonio Rufino +

10:00 a.m.: Parishioners

12:00 p.m.: José Alvarez +

**Monday February 26th**

No Mass

**Tuesday February 27th**

No Mass

**Wednesday February 28th**

No Mass

**Thursday March 1st**

No Mass

**Friday March 2nd**

No Mass

**Saturday March 3rd**

5:00 p.m.: Victoria Salas +

**Sunday March 4th**

8:00 a.m.: Paul Olivo +

10:00 a.m.: Dolores S. Garcia +

12:00 p.m.: Parishioners

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

**Sabado 3 de Marzo ~ 5:00 p.m.**

Lector: Inocencio Velazquez

Extra Ordinary Min: Not Available at time of print.

Altar Servers: Diego Velázquez, Liliana Villarreal, Valeria Arellano, Asael Gonzalez

Head Usher: William Brewster

**Domingo 4 de Marzo ~ 8:00 a.m.**

Lector: Eloisa Garcia

Extra Ordinary Min: Tina Ruiz

Altar Servers: Natalia Martinez, David Rufino, & Francisca García

Head Usher: Jesse Martinez

**Sunday 4 de Marzo ~ 10:00 a.m.**

Lector: Nancy Mireles

Extra Ordinary Min.: Arthur Rodriguez

Altar Servers: Giana & Adam Gomez, Jason & Joseph Estrada

Head Usher: Arthur Rodriguez

**Sunday 4 de Marzo ~ 12noon**

Lector: Marlina Matula

Extra Ordinary Min.: Gary Nuñez

Altar Servers: Not available at time of printing

Head Usher: Lorenzo Mireles



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La Lámpara del Santuario Se ofrece para*

**Frank Castro +**  
By John and Dora Casto

**Easter Confession Circuit**

Wednesday, February 28th (Parish Mission) Sacred Heart, Richmond TX

Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, St. Michael's, Needville, TX and St. Cyril & Methodius, Damon TX

Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, Saint John the Baptist, Hungerford, TX and St. Wenceslaus, Beasley, TX

Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Holy Rosary, Rosenberg TX

Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, St. John's New Taiton, TX

Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Holy Family, Wharton, TX

**All confessions begin 7:00 p.m. in each parish/Todas las confessions empiezan a las 7:00 p.m.**

**Fasting and Abstinence**

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all those 18 through 59.

**Fasting means one regular meal at lunch  
And 2 smaller meals at breakfast and dinner**

Abstinence from meat is observed by those 14 until (Pork, Sausage, Bacon, Venison, Chicken and Turkey are considered meat). **Although people 60 and older are not required to fast, they are still required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent.**

**Ayunar y Abstenerse**

*Se les obliga ayunar el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes. Santo a personas de 18 años hasta sus 59 años. Ayunar es comer solamente el almuerzo regular con el desayuno y cena con porciones más pequeños. Se les obliga abstenerse de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza y de Ceniza y todos los Viernes de Cuaresma del edad de 14 hasta la muerte. (Puerco, Pavo, Chorizo/Salchicha, Tocino, Res, Venado, y Pollo son carne). Por esas personas de pero todavía son obligados de no comer carne en el Miércoles de Ceniza y todos los Viernes de Cuaresma*

**We welcome and thank Bishop David Fellhauer and Deacon José Duplan for celebrating the Eucharist for us this weekend in Father Antonio's absence.**

*Damos la bienvenida y agradecemos al obispo David Fellhauer y al Diácono José Duplan por celebrar la Eucaristía para nosotros este fin de semana en la ausencia del Padre Antonio.*

**Pope Francis Tweets:**

Only those able to acknowledge their mistakes and ask pardon receive understanding and forgiveness from others.

**Papa Francisco Tweets:**

Sólo aquellos capaces de reconocer sus errores y pedir perdón reciben comprensión y perdón de los demás.

**CCE News/Noticias de la Doctrina**

There will be an Inservice gathering for all CCD Staff on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 1:00p.m. - 3:30p.m., with Chris Alvarez, from the Catechetical office of the Diocese of Victoria please make every effort to attend.

**CCD Saint Vincent de Paul Lenten Food Drive:**

CCD students are to bring non- perishable food items, Personal care items, etc. to class until Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>  
*Los estudiantes de CCD deben traer no – perecederos artículos de la comida artículos de cuidado personal, etc. A clase hasta el miércoles 28 de marzo*



There will be a representative from RightWay Imaging here on the weekend of March 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> to do an announcement and schedule appointments for vital health scans.

*Habrá un representante de RightWay Imaging aquí el fin de semana del 10 y 11 de marzo para hacer un anuncio y programar citas para exámenes de salud vitales.*

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The Taco Hut  
 610 E. Milam, Wharton TX  
 979-282-2119  
 John & Dora Castro, Owners

**Our Weekly Parish Support  
 February 18, 2018**

91 Envelope.....	\$ 1162.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 1123.00
<b>Total First Collection.....</b>	<b>\$ 2285.00</b>
Ash Wed.....	\$ 667.00
CRS Rice Bowl.....	\$ 626.29
<b>Total Second Collection.....</b>	<b>\$ 626.29</b>
General Donation.....	\$ 250.00
Electronic Candle.....	\$ 50.55
Building Fund.....	\$ 17.00
Baptismal Cert.....	\$ 10.00
<b>Total Other Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ 375.55</b>
<b>Total Deposit (02/20/2018).....</b>	<b>\$ 3,905.84</b>

**Second Collection:**

**Sundays of Lent and Easter Sunday-  
 Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl**

**Prayer for the  
 Second Sunday of Lent**

Loving God,  
 there is so much darkness in my life  
 and I hide from you.  
 Take my hand  
 and lead me out of the shadows  
 of my fear.  
 Help me to change my heart.  
 Bring me to your truth  
 and help me to respond to your generous  
 love.  
 Let me recognize the fullness of your  
 love  
 which will fill my life.  
 Free me from the darkness in my heart.

**Oracion para el  
 Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma**

Amado Dios,  
 Hay tanta oscuridad en mi vida  
 y me escondo de ti.  
 Toma mi mano y llevame de las  
 sombras de mi miedo.  
 Ayúdame a cambiar mi corazón  
 Tráeme a tu verdad  
 y Ayúdame a responder a tu generoso  
 Amor que llenará mi vida.  
 Liberarme dela oscuridad en mi corazón.