

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

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
El Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



Mark 1:40-45

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

Monday ~ No Mass

Tuesday & Friday, 8:00 a.m. ~ English

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. ~ Spanish

6:00 p.m. Thursday

Adoration/Adoración

6:00 p.m. ~ First Thursday of the Month

Primer Jueves del Mes

Reconciliation/Confesiones:

Saturdays / Sabados 4 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.

or by appointment / o con cita

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick

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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Oficina de la Parroquia

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Office Hours:

Horario de la Oficina

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

(Lunes, Miércoles, Jueves, y Viernes)

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

Tuesday / *Martes*- 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mosaic law separated lepers as outcasts from the rest of the people and required them to cry out "unclean, unclean", when others approached. The leper who approached Jesus directly was broken Mosaic Law. He must have deeply believed and desperately hoped that Jesus had the ability to heal him, for he said, "if you will, you can make me clean". Not only did the leper know his need, he also had to believe that Jesus was the answer to that need. The leper would have not broken Mosaic Law and approached Jesus if he had not had confidence in his compassion.

The leper represents all people before God, defiled and stained by sin. God is righteous and holy and no unclean person can dwell in his presence. All are separated from God due to sin. Even so, God did not want his children remain separated from him and made every provision for us to return to him through his Son, whose death and resurrection conquered sin.

We tend to think of God as far off and aloof, yet the incident of the leper testifies to God's compassion in his Son. While seeing our sin is completely, he still loves us, heals us, and forgives us. His compassion comes from a oneness with humanity because his only Son became a human person and was tempted like us in every way, yet remained stainless.

Jesus had no fear of the leper or of the law that required his isolation. By touching the leper, he made himself unclean in the eyes of the law. As the Son of God, however, he was free from the demands of the law. On the cross, Jesus so identified himself with sinful humanity that he touched and became our sin. When he rose from the dead, he demonstrated his power over sin.

No matter how terrible our sin or how distant we feel from God, Jesus loves us, forgives us, and wants to heal us completely. Let us seek him out with confidence as did the leper because we believe he loves us and has compassion for us. Let us approach him with true sorrow for our sins, yet without fear. If we approach him, he will stretch out his hand and touch us

Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

La ley mosaica separaba a los leprosos como marginados del resto del pueblo y les exigía que gritaran "inmundo, inmundo" cuando otros se acercaban. El leproso que se acercó a Jesús directamente fue quebrantado la ley mosaica. Debe haber creído profundamente y haber esperado desesperadamente que Jesús tuviera la habilidad de curarlo, porque dijo, "si quieres, puedes limpiarme". El leproso no solo conocía su necesidad, también tenía que creer que Jesús era la respuesta a esa necesidad. El leproso no habría quebrantado la ley mosaica y se habría acercado a Jesús si no hubiera tenido confianza en su compasión.

El leproso representa a todas las personas ante Dios, contaminadas y manchadas por el pecado. Dios es justo y santo y ninguna persona inmunda puede morar en su presencia. Todos están separados de Dios debido al pecado. Aun así, Dios no quería que sus hijos permanecieran separados de él e hizo todo lo posible para que regresáramos a él a través de su Hijo, cuya muerte y resurrección vencieron al pecado.

Tendemos a pensar en Dios como algo distante y distante, sin embargo, el incidente del leproso testifica la compasión de Dios por su Hijo. Si bien ve que nuestro pecado es completo, todavía nos ama, nos sana y nos perdona. Su compasión proviene de una unidad con la humanidad porque su único Hijo se convirtió en una persona humana y fue tentado como nosotros en todos los sentidos, pero permaneció inmaculado.

Jesús no temía al leproso ni a la ley que requería su aislamiento. Al tocar al leproso, se hizo inmundo a los ojos de la ley. Sin embargo, como Hijo de Dios, estaba libre de las exigencias de la ley. En la cruz, Jesús se identificó tanto con la humanidad pecadora que tocó y se convirtió en nuestro pecado. Cuando se levantó de entre los muertos, demostró su poder sobre el pecado.

No importa cuán terrible sea nuestro pecado o cuán distantes nos sintamos de Dios, Jesús nos ama, nos perdona y quiere sanarnos por completo. Busquemoslo con confianza, como lo hizo el leproso, porque creemos que nos ama y se compadece de nosotros. Acerquémonos a él con verdadero dolor por nuestros pecados, pero sin miedo. Si nos acercamos a él, extenderá su mano y nos tocará.

Mass Intentions for the Week**Saturday February 13th**

5:00 p.m.: David y Guadalupe Calderon +

Sunday February 14th

8:00 a.m.: Joel Conchado Mauricio +

10:00 a.m.: Samuel Jacob Garza +

12:00 p.m.: No Mass

Monday February 15th

No Mass

Tuesday February 16th

8:00 a.m.: Sister Anita Rodriguez +

Ash Wednesday/ Miércoles de ceniza**Wednesday February 17th**

8:00 a.m. English: Parishioners

6:00 p.m. Spanish: Benditas almas en Purgatorio

Thursday February 18th

6:00 p.m.: Fidel Navarro y María Pérez +

Friday February 19th

8:00 a.m.: Susie Medrano +

Saturday February 20th

5:00 p.m.: Epifania R. Flores +

Sunday February 21st

8:00 a.m.: Evelia Pérez +

10:00 a.m.: Florentina Padia +

12:00 p.m.: No Mass

1st Reading Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-462nd Reading 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**Today's Gospel Mark 1:40-45** Jesus cures a person with leprosy, who reports his cure to everyone.

Today's Gospel invites us to think about the choices we make as individuals and as a family. Jesus was faced with a choice in today's Gospel. By choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus showed God's compassion for the sick and the outcast. The man knew that Jesus had a choice and that Jesus could reject his request. He may have expected that Jesus would not help him. In the person of the man with leprosy, we see an image of all those in need. The sick and the outcast of our world are watching us, to see if we as Christians will choose to extend ourselves to others in need of healing and compassion.

New Mount Carmel Sick List If you have anyone to renew or add to the list Call the Parish office at 979-532-3492

Nueva lista de enfermos del Monte Carmelo Si tienes a alguien para renovar o agregar a la lista, llame a la oficina parroquial al 979-532-3492

Beatrice Aguilar, Margaret Castro, Pauline Gonzalez, Haven Heffner, Antonio Martinez, Leonor Nuñez, Bella Olvera, Mercedes Owens, Teresa Siska, Robert Trujillo, Deacon David Valdez, David Vela, and for all who have become ill from COVID 19 in the United States and throughout the world. For all who are in the military.

Pope Francis Tweets: The person who prays is like someone in love with the beloved in his or her heart wherever they go. So we can pray at any moment, and during what happens every day: on the street, in the office, on public transportation, through words and in the silence of our hearts. #Prayer

Tweets del Papa Francisco:

La persona que reza es como alguien enamorado del amado en su corazón donde quiera que vaya. Entonces podemos orar en cualquier momento y durante lo que sucede todos los días: en la calle, en la oficina, en el transporte público, con palabras y en el silencio de nuestro corazón. #Oración

Ash Wednesday

Lent Begins Comienza La Cuaresma

February 17, 2021 / 17 de Febrero

Mass Schedule for Ash Wednesday

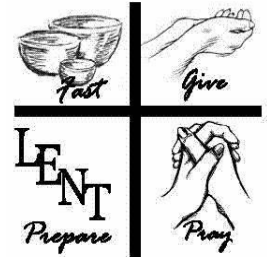
Horario de Misas para Miércoles de ceniza

English /Inglés 8:00 a.m.

Spanish/Español 6:00 p.m.

LENT runs from Ash Wed., February 17, until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 1.

La CUARESMA se extiende desde el miércoles de ceniza, 17 de febrero, hasta la Misa de la Cena del Señor el Jueves Santo, 1 de abril.



RULES FOR FASTING/ABSTINENCE Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. More information on fast and abstinence can be found at www.usccb.org.

REGLAS PARA EL AYUNO / ABSTINENCIA El Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días obligatorios de ayuno y abstinencia para los católicos. Además, los viernes de Cuaresma son días obligatorios de abstinencia. Para los miembros de la Iglesia Católica Latina, las normas sobre el ayuno son obligatorias desde los 18 hasta los 59 años. Al ayunar, una persona puede comer una comida completa, así como dos comidas más pequeñas que juntas no equivalen a una comida completa. Las normas relativas a la abstinencia de carne son vinculantes para los miembros de la Iglesia Católica Latina desde los 14 años en adelante. Si es posible, el ayuno del Viernes Santo se continúa hasta la Vigilia Pascual (la noche del Sábado Santo) como el "ayuno pascual" para honrar el sufrimiento y la muerte del Señor Jesús, y para prepararnos para compartir más plenamente y celebrar más fácilmente su resurrección. Puede encontrar más información sobre el ayuno y la abstinencia en www.usccb.org.

When you come to Mass, we ask that you follow the current guidelines for COVID-19. Take your temperature, wash your hands, practice social distancing, and Wear a Mask in church. Stay home if you are not feeling well and participate in mass on television or the Internet.

Cuando venga a misa, le pedimos que siga las directivas vigentes para COVID-19. Tómese la temperatura, lávese las manos, practique el distanciamiento social y use una máscara en la iglesia. Quédese en casa si no se siente bien y participe en misa por televisión o Internet.



BAZAAR / JAMAICA

Parish Fundraiser: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be having a **Dinner & Raffle** to take place of our annual bazaar. The poster for **Raffle Prize donations** is at the entrance of the church. **All prizes** are to be **VISA gift cards** and we ask that the donor purchase the gift card for the amount chosen to donate. **Deadline to have the Visa Gift cards turned in to the parish office is Friday, May 7th.**

Recaudación de fondos parroquial: Debido a las restricciones de COVID-19, tendremos una **cena y rifa** en lugar de nuestra Jamaica anual. El cartel de las **donaciones del Premio de la Rifa** se encuentra en la entrada de la iglesia. Todos los premios deben ser **tarjetas de regalo VISA** y le pedimos al donante que compre la tarjeta de regalo por la cantidad elegida para donar. **La fecha límite para entregar las tarjetas de regalo al oficina parroquial es el Viernes 7 de mayo.**



A silent retreat planned for Lent. "From Ashes to Glory" is a silent Lenten retreat set for Feb. 25-28 at the Spiritual Renewal Center. The Rev. Michael Rother, pastor of St. Phillip the Apostle Catholic Church in El Campo, along with Deacon Larry Hoelscher of St. Philip and his wife, Patricia Hoelscher who is a spiritual director for the Emmaus Counseling Center in Victoria, are leading the retreat. All rooms will be private, and the organizers are following strict COVID-19 procedures. Cost of the retreat is \$225 and includes seven meals. Payment can be made to St. Philip Catholic Church, c/o Deacon Larry Hoelscher, 304 West Church St., El Campo, TX 77437. More information and the registration form are available by visiting www.stphilipapostle.org/faith-formation, or by calling Patricia Hoelscher 979-257-9984.



Happy Valentine's Day! ¡Feliz Día de San Valentín! February 14, 2021

Feast day of Saint Valentine; the celebration of love, friendship and affection.

Fiesta de San Valentín; la celebración del amor, amistad y el cariño.

Weekly Parish Support February 7, 2021

Envelopes.....	\$ 841.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 276.50
Total First Collection.....	\$ 1117.50
CCD Fund.....	\$ 114.25
Building Fund.....	\$ 5.00
Church in Latin America.....	\$ 10.00
Religious Goods.....	\$ 96.03
Masses.....	\$ 35.00
Candles.....	\$ 9.40
Total other Revenue.....	\$ 155.43
Total Sunday Collection.....	\$ 1387.18

LENTEEN RICE BOWL COLLECTIONS

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection

Every weekend Mass, February 21 through April 4.

To give your weekly offering on line visit:

www.victoriadiocese.org/parish-donations

Para dar tu oferta semanal en línea visita:

www.victoriadiocese.org/parish-donations

Your weekly offering may also be mailed or dropped off at the parish office.

Su ofrenda semanal se puede tambien enviarse por correo o entregarse en la oficina de la parroquia.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Universal Jesus welcomes all:

Pray: Make a plan to get to confession during Lent – maybe even before the penance service!

Eat: Think of a creative way to share a meal with someone else.

Play: Pick a boardgame and play it with your family. By yourself? Call a friend or family member and catch up!

Visit www.victoriadiocese.org/year-of-the-family to learn more about the **Year of the Family** resources and how to participate.



Knights of Columbus #3262 Scholarship Raffle and BBQ Cook-Off March 5-6, 2021 Contact Richard Zahn (979-533-0428) or Binky Macek (979-533-2835) for tickets and/or more info!

In Case of Suspected Abuse — If a person is in immediate danger, call 911 or call the Department of Family & Protective Services at 1-800-252-5400 or report the abuse online. Written allegations (marked "Personal & Confidential") may be sent to: Office of the Bishop, Diocese of Victoria in Texas, P.O. BOX 4070 Victoria, Texas 77903-4070. To report suspected or known abuse by church personnel, please contact the diocesan Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach: Vicki L. Pyatt 361-827-7186 Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Safe Environment Coordinator is Santos Munoz 979-532-3492

En caso de sospecha de abuso — si una persona está en peligro inmediato, llame al 911 o llame al Departamento de familia y servicios de protección al 1-800-252-5400 o reporte el abuso en línea. Las alegaciones escritas (marcadas "personales y confidenciales") pueden ser enviadas a la Oficina del obispo, diócesis de victoria en Texas, P.O. BOX 4070 Victoria, Texas 77903-4070. Para informar sobre el abuso sospechoso o conocido por el personal de la iglesia, por favor comuníquese con el Coordinador Diocesano de atención pastoral divulgación: Vicki L. Pyatt 361-827-7186 La Coordinadora del ambiente seguro de nuestra Señora de Mount Carmel es Santos Munoz 979-532-3492