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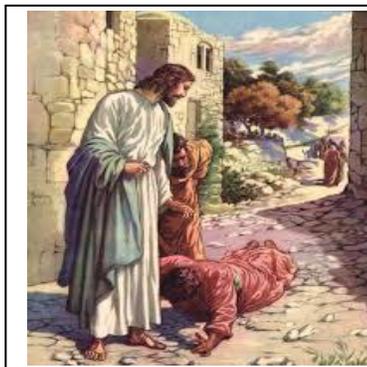
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LIGHT
IS OFFERED
IN
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OF
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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

5:00 PM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

9:30 AM

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

+ALICE SCHROEDER

MISSA PRO POPULO

Tuesday, February 16, at 9:30 AM

Tuesday, February 16, at 10-11 AM

Ash Wednesday, February 17, at 9:30 AM
6:00 PM

Thursday, February 18, at 9:30 AM

Friday, February 19, at 9:30 AM

Saturday, February 20, at 5:00 PM

Sunday, February 21, at 9:30 AM

+Alice Schroeder

Eucharistic Adoration

Missa Pro Populo

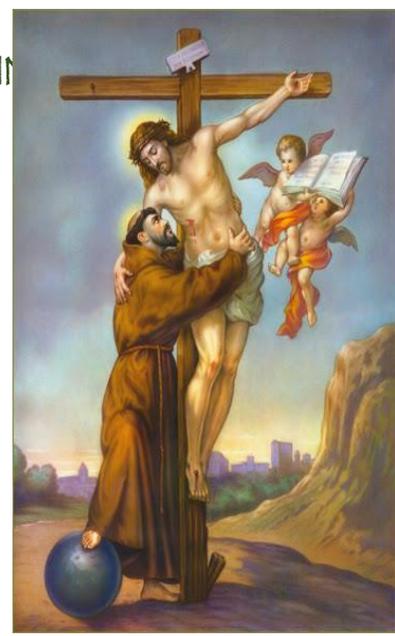
Missa Pro Populo

+Dorothy Zajac

+Tillie Hedrick

+Alice Schroeder

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FEBRUARY 2021 LECTOR SCHEDULE

February 13 Kathy Russell 14 Cliff Ebel

Ash Wednesday, February 17

9:30 A.M. Mass Donna Manthei

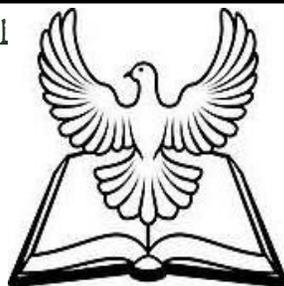
6:00 P.M. Mass Jayne Longley

February 20 Ron Zajac

21 Benita Ebel

27 Joe Labuda

28 Brigid Breazeale



Lectors

The Body of Christ
will be distributed
only by the
priest/deacon

“For it is
in
giving
that
we
receive.”

- St. Francis of Assisi

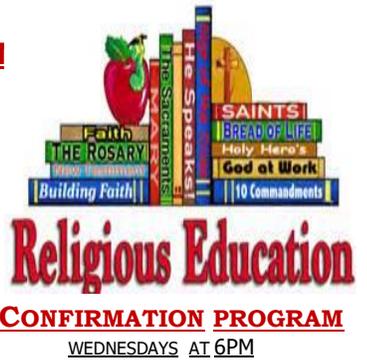
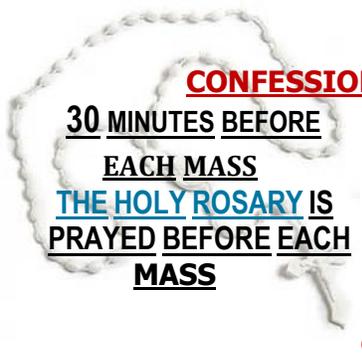
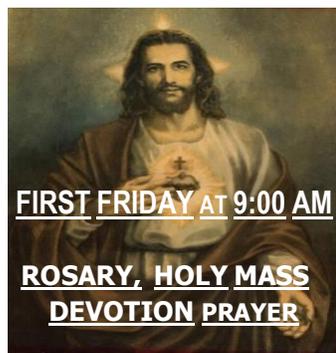
YOUR GIFTS TO

February 7 weekend:

Church: \$2209.00

Building Fund: \$130.00

Thank you for your generosity



Announcements and Upcoming Events



What started in the Brazos Valley is changing the world! In 1998, Planned Parenthood opened the first abortion facility in the history of the Brazos Valley. In response, thousands of concerned community members joined together to form the Coalition for Life. In 2004, the Coalition launched 40 Days for Life, an initiative of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. 40 Days for Life has since grown into a worldwide movement, mobilizing 1,000,000 volunteers in 1,004 cities across 63 countries. As a result, 17,226 babies' lives have been saved from abortion, 206 workers have quit the abortion industry, and 107 abortion centers have closed – including the Planned Parenthood in Bryan! On Thursday, February 25, **you are invited** to help expand this life-saving momentum by attending **Benefit 2021**... right in the heart of Texas, where it all began. **An RSVP is required no later than Monday, February 15.** Table sponsors will be given preferred seating based on the level of sponsorship. A limited number of general seating tickets are available for \$15 each (\$10 for students). RSVPs for general seating will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. This event can fill up very quickly so please RSVP online below ... or call (979) 846-2825.

Welcome
— We are glad you are here —

A warm welcome is extended to everyone. If you attend St. Francis of Assisi regularly and consider this your parish, please register. Stop by the office during open hours and fill out a registration form.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays of Lent at 6:00pm

Lent is the time for greater love,
listen to Jesus' thirst...

'Repent and believe'

What are we to repent?
Our indifference, our hardness of heart.

What are we to believe?
Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart
and in the poor - He knows your weakness.

He wants only your love,
wants only the chance to love you.

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. 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 Catholics from age 14 onwards.

Q. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat, but what is considered meat? Does meat include chicken and dairy products?

A. Abstinence laws consider that meat comes only from animals such as chickens, cows, sheep or pigs. Birds are also considered meat. Abstinence does not include meat juices and liquid foods made from meat. Thus, such foods as chicken broth, consommé, soups cooked or flavored with meat, meat gravies or sauces, as well as seasonings or condiments made from animal fat are technically not forbidden. However, moral theologians have traditionally taught that we should abstain from all animal-derived products (except foods such as gelatin, butter, cheese and eggs, which do not have any meat taste). Fish are a different category of animal. Salt and freshwater species of fish, amphibians, reptiles, (cold-blooded animals) and shellfish are permitted. While fish, lobster and other shellfish are not considered meat and can be consumed on days of abstinence, indulging in the lavish buffet at your favorite seafood place sort of misses the point. Abstaining from meat and other indulgences during Lent is a penitential practice. On the Fridays of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Christ on Good Friday and unite ourselves with that sacrifice through abstinence and prayer.

Q. I understand that Catholics ages 18 to 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, but what exactly are the rules for these fasts?

A. Fasting on these days means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, but combined they should be less than a full meal. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals.

Q. Are there exemptions other than for age from the requirement to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?

A. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

— taken from USCCB.org



ASH WEDNESDAY
Miércoles de Ceniza
FEBRUARY 17, 2021