

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58;
Luke 6:39-45

FOCUS:

Let us be faithful in speech and action. The first reading today uses the example of a sieve to show how grain (good fruit) is separated from the husks (the dead shell). Tribulation and difficulties are sieves in our own lives – and when we are shaken, the real fruit of who we are will be revealed in both our speech and actions.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

The writer of Sirach gives examples of how what is good is separated from what is poor, especially in speech. Saint Paul reminds us that Christ has defeated death – no longer has power over us. In the Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of the blind leading the blind to show there is a difference between what is good and what is evil.

Your Gift to God: February 10th

Sweet Home	\$1726
Building Fund	\$130
DSA	\$10
Sanctuary Candles	\$35
Devotional Candles	\$109
Koerth	\$762
Building Fund	\$85
DSA	\$5

May God reward your generosity!

Celebrate the Lord's Abundant Mercy

Each Saturday the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance/Confession) is available from 4:00 P.M. to 4:40 P.M. in the Sweet Home confessional.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 4th

7 A.M. – Norman Chumchal

Tuesday, March 5th

7 A.M. – Marie Harrell

Wednesday, March 6th

7 A.M. – Elizabeth Hermes

5 P.M. – JoAnn & Linwood Berger

Thursday, March 7th

7 A.M. – Gladys Newby

Friday, March 8th

7 AM – Living & Deceased Member of O. & E. Hermes

Saturday, March 9th

5 PM – Sweet Home – A.W. & Lillian Matussek

Sunday, March 3rd

7 AM - Sweet Home – Robert & Frances Anderle

9 A.M. – Koerth – Marinell Smolik

Lectors: Queen of Peace

Saturday March 2	5 PM	Charles Hermes
Sunday March 3	7 AM	Juliet Monk
Wednesday March 6	7 AM	Anthony Harper
Wednesday March 6	6 PM	CCD Students
Saturday March 9	5 PM	Amanda Fling
Sunday March 10	7 AM	Susan Jansky

Extraordinary Ministers

Saturday March 2	5 PM	Elaine Berkovsky
Sunday March 3	7 AM	Lynette Havel
Wednesday March 6	7 AM	Joyce Harper
Wednesday March 6	6 PM	Elaine Berkovsky
Saturday March 9	5 PM	Jason Fling
Sunday March 10	7 AM	Lynette Havel

Sanctuary Candle

March 3-9 -- In memory of Toni Havel

March 10-16 – In memory of Joe & Amelia Smolka

March 17-23 – In memory of living & deceased members of Joe & Elizabeth Korinek

March 24-30 – In memory of James Kubos Sr.

March 31-April 6 – Special Intentions for 20 years of blessing for Gene & Mag Laqua

April 7-13 – **available**



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church invites you to join them for coffee and kolaches and fellowship today, March 3 after the 9 AM mass. Everyone is invited.

A Lenten Journey

The Lenten Season is a time to deepen your personal relationship with God, inspire and encourage others to live as Jesus' disciples, enliven faith by personal reflection on Scripture. We encourage small groups to participate during the weeks of Lent. The **Disciples on the Journey** booklets are available at the Rectory. **Lent begins March 6.**

Easter Confessions Schedule:

- April 8th Monday – Moulton
- April 9th Tuesday- Hallettsville
- April 11th Thursday- Shiner
- April 12th Friday- Yoakum

ASH Wednesday, March 6th
 Mass & distribution of Ashes
 7 A.M. & 6 P.M.

Special Collection for Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe (CCEE) on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019.

Special Collection for Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowl (CRS) will be taken up on each Sunday of Lent and Easter Sunday.

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Stations of the Cross

will be held each Friday during Lent beginning with Friday, March 8 at 6 PM. Directly after the service we will share a meal of "Lenten Soup" in the Parish Hall. To schedule a group/organization to prepare & serve the soup please call the Rectory at 361.741.3206 or Jocelyn at 361.293.4760.

- March 8 – Provided by Parishioners
- March 15 – Provided by Parishioners
- March 22 – **Available**
- March 29 – **Available**
- April 5 – **Available**
- April 12 -- **Available**

Fasting Rules during Lent

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence for those age 14 and older. Most people abstain from eating meat, but other meaningful sacrifices may be substituted.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are required days of fasting and abstinence for those between the ages of 18 and 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together don't equal a full meal. A person's age, health condition, and degree of physical labor will affect how strictly they're obliged to fast.

Sacred Heart Men's **ACTS** retreat will be held March 7-10, 2019. Registration Forms available at the church's entrance. What better way to begin the Lenten Season than by renewing yourself by attending this retreat!