

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Bringing Christ to People and People to Christ Since 1909

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GALILEE

From the cloud came a voice that said,
“This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.”

MATTHEW 17:5

MARCH 8
2020

second Sunday
OF LENT

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Catholic Websites Links:

www.diocesealex.org

www.vatican.va

www.masstimes.org

www.usccb.org

www.catholic.com

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Tues-Thurs 5:00 pm - 5:20 pm

And by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Request at least 1 month in advance

Sacrament of Matrimony

At least 6 months in advance

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Mar. 7	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coulee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens	Mar. 28	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coulee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere
Mar. 8	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Beth Prejean	Mar. 29	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Kathy Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Students	Lector: Harold Bayonne
	5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman		5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, , Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman
Mar. 14	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coulee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Justin Sines	PALM SUNDAY			
Mar. 15	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Students will serve at this Mass Altar Servers: Students	Lector: Student	April 4	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coulee, Henry Tauzin, Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens/ Terrie Poehl
	5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Coleman, Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman	April 5	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Lanie Adkins, Susan Hilton, Mike Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Beth Prejean/Susie Winston
					5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Altar Servers:	Lector: Karen Apponey /Tabatha C.
Mar. 21	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coulee Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Terrie Poehl	Lectors, Extra Ordinary Minsters and Altar Servers are needed for Holy Week and Easter Sunday Masses. Please see the sign up sheets for dates and times.			
Mar. 22	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Susie Winston				
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Djjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey				

Collection

February 23, 2020 \$3,812.00

Thank you so much for your generosity!

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

Psalms — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

Gospel — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

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†MASS SCHEDULE &

03-07 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
03-08 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
03-08 Sunday	5:00 p.m.
03-09 Monday	NO MASS
03-10 Tuesday	5:30 p.m.
03-11 Wednesday	5:30 p.m.
03-12 Thursday	5:30 p.m.
03-13 Friday	8:00 a.m.
03-14 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
03-15 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
03-15 Sunday	5:00 p.m.

INTENTIONS

†Oma Solice Intention for Fr. Jose Del Toro Our Parish Family
†Desiree & John W. Lacze, Sr.
†Jenny & Everet Rachal
†Amanda Longlois
†Mack MacLauren
†John Ty Tatum
Lana Scott Our Parish Family

CALENDAR

03-08 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

03-10 Tuesday

- Potluck Dinner & Rosary: 6 p.m. .

03-11 Wednesday

- Adult Bible Study: 2-4 p.m., Hall

03-12 Thursday

- Charismatic Prayer Group: 6 p.m.

03-13 Friday

- Stations of the Cross: After 8 am Mass

03-15 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

Electronic Giving

If you'd like to donate with a bank draft or credit card, please go to our website at www.nscatholic.org and click on GIVE.

Have you remembered Holy Cross Campus Ministry in your will?

Altar Society

Charismatic Prayer Group	Joan Gahagan
High School Confirmation	Shelley Mims
Children's Catechism	Janice Ebert
RCIA	Mark Adkins
Maintenance & Grounds	John Denny
Adoration Chapel	Kathy Friday

Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Are you looking for a deeper conversion, a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and a growth in holiness? Would you like to know more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how you can better serve the Lord and His people? If interested, please come to our Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. held at Holy Cross Church. For more information, please call Joan Gahagan at 318-352-8701.

Safe Environment

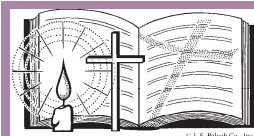
The Protecting Our Children—Understanding, Reporting and Preventing Child Abuse flyer, which includes *Resources and Contact Numbers* is available for those who wish to take one.

Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors and the diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct for Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Ministers, Administrators, Staff, and Volunteers can be accessed under the Documents and Links in the Safe Environment section of the diocese website: www.diocesealex.org and a hard copy may be requested of the Safe Environment Office.

VIRTUS™ Protecting God's Children

Every adult who works/volunteers with children/youth in the Diocese of Alexandria's churches/schools must attend the VIRTUS™ *Protecting God's Children* sexual abuse awareness training. "Ongoing-training" will be part of the training component. A background check must be conducted and, the results received before an adult may volunteer/work with children/youth.

VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CHANGE. Those who are active Virtus users now have a video recertification module to complete through your on-line account. This is in addition to the monthly Virtus bulletins that must be read each month. For more information contact Pam Delrie at pdelrie@diocesealex.org or 318-445-6424, ext. 213



Second Sunday of Lent • March 8, 2020

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

— 2 Timothy 1:10b

Upcoming Virtus Sessions

- March 24, 6:00 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria
- March 31, 6:00 p.m., MB of Immaculate Conception church hall, Natchitoches

Please pre-register. Go to www.virtus.org; and, click on **First-Time Registrant** and complete all requested information.

Day of Lenten Reflection • March 14, 2020

Join us for a Day of Lenten Reflection on March 14, 2020 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Natchitoches. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for a continental breakfast. Day of Reflection is open to men and women and begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends in time for the Vigil Mass at St. Anthony's Church. **Lunch is included in the \$35 registration fee.** Speakers will be Joan Gahagan and Mary Wilson. For more information, email dianearldoin@yahoo.com. The Day of Lenten reflection is sponsored by CENLA Magnificat and Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Louisiana (CCRC).

All About Eve Women's Day of Reflection

2nd Annual Women's Day of Reflection: *All About Eve* sponsored by St. Frances Cabrini Sanctuary Society will take place on **Saturday, Mar. 21 from 9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Frances Cabrini Church, 2211 E. Texas Ave. Alexandria, in Ducote Hall.** (Registration begins at 8:45 a.m.) Speakers will be Fr. Chad Partain and Seminarian Thomas Kennedy. The day will end with Confession (3:30 - 4:15) and Mass at 4:30 p.m. Light breakfast, snacks and lunch will be provided. Cost is \$20 per person. For more information please contact Ruby Johnson at rubyjohnson855@gmail.com

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on **Fridays during Lent after the 8 a.m. Mass.** Stations will be held on **Good Friday, April 10th at 2:30 p.m.** in the Prayer Garden, weather permitted.



Life Teen - High School Youth Ministry

- **March 8:** Life Teen 6-8pm Don't forget daylight savings time starts today!
- **March 11:** Smoked Pulled Pork BBQ Fundraiser @ Holy Cross 10:30-2:00
 - Deliveries will be made for orders of 10 or more.
 - Volunteers are needed to make deliveries & help plate. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the Church
- **March 13:** FULL BALANCE DUE FOR ALL ATTENDING COVE CREST
- **March 15:** Life Teen 6-8pm
- **March 22:** NO Life Teen Spring Break
- **March 29:** Life Teen 6-8pm

2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Jesus didn't do it alone. He called disciples to assist him in his mission. Jesus challenged and supported his disciples - at times gently chiding them, or reaching out a hand to help, and at times demanding a lot from them. Our Lord walks with us but he also challenges us to be good disciples by supporting the universal Church. Do we ask ourselves are we imitators of Christ by giving freely of ourselves - our time, talent and financial resources? Are our gifts to our parish acceptable? Are our gifts to the local Church through the Annual Diocesan Appeal acceptable?

LENTE REGULATIONS

Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence. The obligation to abstain from meat binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. The obligation to fast, limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals in the course of the day, binds Catholics from the age of 18 to 59. Those who are younger or older may freely embrace these disciplines. But Lenten disciplines should never endanger your health.

It is obvious that abstaining from meat is meaningless for vegetarians, who must choose some other form of abstinence. It is equally obvious that replacing meat with a gourmet seafood meal is not in keeping with the spirit of Lent.

For more frequently asked questions about Lent, visit <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/index.cfm>

St. Mary's Open House • March 11

St. Mary's School would like to invite all Catholic parents of school-age children to attend an Open House on Wednesday, March 11 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. In addition to an excellent Catholic education, St. Mary's has so much to offer! If you desire a Catholic education for your child, but think you can't afford it, please know that scholarships and financial aid are available! Call Fr. Blake Deshautelle, chancellor at the school, at 318-352-3422 anytime to discuss your options. New families who attend Open House can register for a \$500 tuition credit that will be given away that night! See you March 11!

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry students will serve as Lectors, Extra Ordinary Ministers & Altar Servers at the following 11 a.m. Sunday Masses:

Feb. 16 • March 15 • April 9

- **March 11:** Wednesday Night Mass & Meal
- **March 13:** Spring Cleaning @ the C.S.S. Cheese Pizza will be served

Please check out all of the updates on our church website www.nsucatholic.org

Follow us on Instagram @nucatholic 

Words from Our Adoration Chapel • Just One Hour Can Change Our World

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Neighborly Prayer (Please review this list. If there any names that need to be removed, please call or email the office.)

Carrie Aaron, Mark Adkins, Judy Armstrong, Beth Atkins, Theresa Bayonne, Buster Beaudion, Darlene Bell, Mike Bell, Brian K. Benefield, Sr., Carol Bennett, Lisa Boydston, Mar Lou Brasher, Betty Sue Brewton, Delbert Broadway, Emma Jean Bynog, Dwayne Carter, Jesse Chambers, Jenny Choate, Jonah Crotchet, Darlene Cloud, Donnie Cockrell, Eloise "Mickie" Colquitt, Christopher Conant, Dale Cooper, Davina Cotton, Aziza Coutee, Darren Coutee, Josephine Coutee, Raameses Coutee, Linda Crooks, Ted Cross, Stoney Crow, Herbert Dalme, Mary Darby, Susan Dowden Davis, Francis Deloney, Rosa Del Toro, Lillian DeJean, Beverly Dodd, Stephen Edwards, Talia Epidendio, Beau Louis Fair, Jessica Fontenot, Linda Frey, Ashley Friday, Mike Friday, Buddy Gahagan, Audrey Gallien, Jerry Lynn Garvie, Sr., Clarice Garner, Jerry Garza, Andrew Gilbert, Sandra Giska, M. Jude Glass, Jerry Glover, Karen Glover, Amanda Gomez, Natassia Lynn Gomez, Jada Grace, Mary Lynn, Alex Haddad, Steve Hamilton, Charles Hampton, Jr., Lacie Harper, Donald Harris, Kenneth Heard, Ralph Hernandez, Sonia Hester, Mike Hinds, Sam Holden, Emelle Howell, Doris James, Laura Jardine, Mary Jardine, Nora Jardine, Larry Johnson, Darella Jones, Emery Jones, Thelma Jordan, Alina Karpinski, Daunta Karpinski, Jerica Kelly, Paul Keyser, Paula Kimberly, Aubrey LaCaze, Bubba LaCour, Florence LaCour, Glenn LaCour, Herman LaCour, John LaCour, Nazy LaCour, Aaron Michael LeBlanc, Lauren Leone, Janice Licak, Thelma Little, Jean Llorence, John Lodrigue, Jacie Logan, Gwen Lynch, Shirley MacLauren, Bob McGill, Randy Mayeaux, Holly Maynard, Linda McCain, Lynn McCain, Dennis McClung, Brenda Melder, Ralph Mercado, Carolyn Merrell, Owen Monette, Wayne North, Andrew Odum, Diane Osborne, Jessie Parker, Karen Pichon, Burt Poche, Hannah Possioit, Dale Presson, Alton Rachal, Jr., Archie Rachal, Jr., Crystal Rachal, Jimmy Rachal, Jr., Holly Rafidi, Eddie Richard, Greg Reed, Larry Rister, Dewey Roberts, Carol Ann LaCaze Rose, Maria C. Ruiz, T.M.S. Genevieve Santana, Debby Saville, Tony Schneider, Buzz Scott, Dot Scott, Jensen Sessums, Phillip Shilling, Mike Smith, Donald Smith, Macie Smith, Vickie Spillman, Kay Sprung, Mark Sylvie, Jr., Amy Tobin, Elizabeth Trichel, Cleo Tyler, Gary Tyler, Mason Tyler, Paulette Tyler, Theresa Vallien, Jenelle Van Calsem, Glenda Sue Vanhook, Ronnie Vasocou, Billie Vercher, Clara Vercher, Cynthia White, Shirley White, Mandy Whitehead, Linda Wilkerson, Johnny Williams, Sammentha Williams Cordie Wilson, Rev. Willie Wilson, Rose Wilson, Melinda Zoizer. *May God grant healing and comfort to the sick and purification through those who suffer for the sake of the Kingdom! Amen.*