



The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on **March 6th**. Our Ash Wednesday schedule is as follows:

6:30 AM	Distribution of Ashes
8:00 AM	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
12:05 PM	Distribution of Ashes
6:30 PM	Distribution of Ashes
8:00 PM	Servicio del Miércoles de Ceniza

Church Regulations Regarding Fast and Abstinence

Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary, to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

Stations of the Cross



We will have Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays (**Spanish**) at 6:45pm and Fridays (**English**) at 7:00pm in the Church.

Knights of Columbus



The KC will be hosting an "*All you can Eat*" Fish Fry Dinner every Friday during Lent starting March 8th from 6:00 – 8:00pm in the Parish Hall. The cost (includes tea and dessert) will be \$10 and \$5 children (12 and under).

†† Masses For The Week

Saturday, March 2

4:00 PM Pro Populo

Sunday, March 3

8:00 AM †Juan Carlos Valle – in Memory of his 3rd Anniversary of Death by Parents

10:30 AM †Thomas Ferguson by Mom & Family

12:15 PM José Luis Navarrete Int. de Rebeca Navarrete

Tuesday, March 5

8:00 AM †Marie Fairchild by Mary Pat Samuels

Wednesday, March 6 (Ash Wednesday)

8:00 AM Pro Populo

Thursday, March 7

8:00 AM Kay & Freddie McCurley by James & Melody Zimmer

Saturday, March 9

4:00 PM †Francisco Solis by Elsie & Paul Rittmuller

Sunday, March 10

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Paula Nevares by Carmen Sifuentes & Family

12:15 PM †Ramiro Velasquez – En Memorial de su 2º año de Fallecimiento (2-18) Int. de Teresa Velasquez y Hijos

Mass Intentions



Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are in the foyer of the church.

Anointing of the Sick



Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.


**PRAYER
REQUEST**

Deacon James Starr
 Rosann Kinkaid
 Maria Landaverde
 Jovita de la Garza
 Becca Elliott
 Bob Rowland
 Marvin McCook
 Henry Taft
 Claire Taft
 Frances LaPoint
 Gary Moss
 Richard Lyon
 Judy Aloi

Nick Morales, Sr.
 Barbara Meshell
 Wayne Meshell
 Elmer Marsden
 Mike Ecklund
 Colleen Eldred
 Joan Bohl
 Crystal Sanchez
 Laura Westbrook
 Maci Wallace
 Freddy Kasper
 Kenneth Elliott

Last Week's Collection

Last Week's Collection:	\$5,979.43
FY' 18-19 Budgeted Average:	6,621.63
FY' 18-19 Average Sunday Coll. thru 01/31/18:	5,967.89
Attendance:	1,063

Reporting Abuse:

First, notify local law enforcement. Second notify the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services through the Texas Abuse Hotline (1-800-252-5400 or www.texasabusehotline.org) Finally, if the allegation involves a member of the clergy or an employee of a parish or the Diocese, please notify the Diocese of Dallas Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Landregan at 214-379-2812.



But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 2

9:15 AM R.E. Classes

Monday, March 3

1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
 7:00 PM Grupo de Oración @ Casa St. John

Tuesday, March 5

8:00 AM Daily Mass
 6:30 PM R.E. classes

Wednesday, March 6 (Ash Wednesday)

6:30 AM Distribution of Ashes
 8:00 AM Mass w/Distribution of Ashes
 12:05 PM Distribution of Ashes
 6:30 PM Distribution of Ashes
 6:30 PM **NO** R.E. Classes
 8:00 PM Servicio del Miércoles de Ceniza

Thursday, March 7

8:00 AM Daily Mass
 7:00 PM RCIA classes

Friday, March 8

6:00 PM KC Fish Fry
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of March 9/10

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Suzy McCook/Debbie Patterson
 Sun. 8:00am Lou Roberts
 Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Tammy Guerra

Extraordinary Ministers:

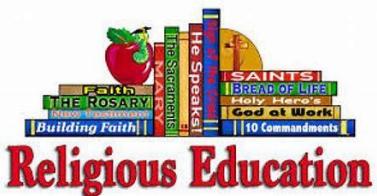
Sat. 4:00pm James Zimmer/Melody Zimmer/Suzy McCook
 Sun. 8:00am Mary Pat Samuels/Lou Roberts
 Robin Truett/Chris Probst/Dan Probst
 Sun. 10:30am Tammy Guerra/Shelilah Dean
 Argie Benavidez/Bud McClure

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Paul Mathers*/Sherry G./Debbie P./Steve R.
 Sun. 8:00am Michael Gumler*/Cindy K./David B./Abby H.
 Sun. 10:30am Richard Lozano Jr.*/Steve H./Dennis C./Erik A.

Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.



March Calendar:

Sunday: 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

Tuesday: 5, 12, 19 & 26

Wednesday: 6, 13, 20 & 27

8th Grade Retreat: March 1-3

NO CLASSES ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Sunday: 10 & 17 (Spring Break)

Tuesday: 12 (Spring Break)

Wednesday: 6 (Ash Wednesday) & 13 (Spring Break)

St. John the Apostle High School Youth



We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. All teens in grades 9-12 are always welcome! Please check out the church Facebook site www.facebook.com/stjohnterrell/



Please pray for our high school youth. They will be attending their retreat at The Pines Camp March 15-17. All high school age teens are invited! Sign up NOW with Michelle. I hear there is a new zip line!

If you are in high school confirmation, and DID NOT make the confirmation retreat, this is a mandatory retreat for you. Call Michelle for details. If you loved your Confirmation Retreat, join us again!

Please watch the bulletins for upcoming fundraisers for the Youth Group. If you want to sponsor a teen for an event, please contact Michelle in the church office for information.

The Eighth Week of Ordinary Time and the First Four Days of Lent

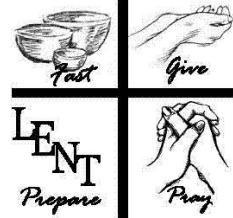
For the **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**, Jesus talks about removing the log in our own eyes before worrying about the splinter in another's eye. He reminds us the common-sense reality that "a good tree does not bear bad fruit."



On Monday, we hear Jesus adding to the depth of the Ten Commandments and describing how difficult it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of heaven. On Tuesday, Jesus talks about the rewards for those who have "given up everything" to follow him.

Beginning of Lent

The **Season of Lent** begins with four days that serve as an introduction to the four Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, Repentance and Almsgiving.



Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. We wear ashes on our foreheads to remember who we are and express our desire to turn away from sin and to believe the Good News. The Prophet **Joel** helps us begin our journey: "return to me with your whole heart." "Rend your hearts, not your garments," reminds us that this is an interior journey. The **Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 51**, has the antiphon: "Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned." Paul, in his **First Letter to the Corinthians** says, "be reconciled to God ... we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain ... Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." In **Matthew's Gospel** Jesus gives us a guide for our Lenten practices, "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them."

On Thursday we read in **Deuteronomy** how Moses urges his people to turn away from sin. "Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live, by loving the LORD, your God, heeding his voice, and holding fast to him."

Friday and Saturday: It is the long tradition of Lent to prepare us for our journey by having us reflect on **Isaiah, Chapter 58**, as we begin. "This is the fasting that I wish" gives us the true picture of fasting: letting God's Spirit transform us. It is a call to conversion. Jesus confirms his desire to help us, "I have not come to call the righteous to repentance but sinners."



La Temporada de Cuaresma empieza con el Miércoles de Ceniza el **6 de marzo**. El horario es la siguiente:

6:30 AM	Distribución de Ceniza
8:00 AM	Misa con Distribución de Ceniza
12:05 PM	Distribución de Ceniza
6:30 PM	Distribución de Ceniza
8:00 PM	Servicio del Miércoles de Ceniza

Vía Crucis

Todos los miércoles durante la Cuaresma tendremos el Vía Crucis en español a las 6:45pm en la Iglesia.



Los Caballeros de Colón

 Los Caballeros de Colón tendrán su “**Cena de Pescado Frito**” cada viernes durante la Cuaresma comenzando el 8 de marzo de 6:00-8:00pm en el Salón Parroquial. El costo (incluye té y postre) es de \$10 adultos y \$5 niños (12 años y menos). ¡Acompáñenos!

Grupo de Oración

El Grupo de Oración se reúnen cada lunes a las 7pm en la Casa San Juan.



Unción de los Enfermos



Si usted o alguien que usted conozca está necesitado en recibir comunión o el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos favor de llamar al Padre Orosco en la oficina de la Iglesia al número 972-563-3643.

Clases Pre-Bautismales



Tenemos clases Pre-Bautismales cada primer sábado del mes a las 6:00pm en el Salón Parroquial. Para más información llamar a la oficina.

Reportar abuso:

Primero, notifique a la policía local. Segundo notificar al Departamento de servicios familiares y de protección de Texas a través de la línea directa de abuso de Texas (1-800-252-5400 o www.texasabusehotline.org) finalmente, si la acusación involucra a un miembro del clero o a un empleado de una parroquia o de la diócesis, por favor notifique la Coordinadora de asistencia a víctimas de la diócesis de Dallas, Barbara Landregan al 214-379-2812.



La Doctrina

Calendario del mes de Marzo:

Clase de Domingo: 3, 10, 17, 24 y 31

Clase de los Martes: 5, 12, 19 y 26

Clase de los Miércoles: 6, 13, 20 y 27

1-3 de marzo es el retiro del grado 8.

NO HAY CLASES EN LAS SIGUIENTES FECHAS:

Clase de Domingo: 10 y 17 (Vacaciones de Primavera)

Clase de los Martes: 12 (Vacaciones de Primavera)

Clase de los Miércoles: 6 (Miércoles de Ceniza) y 13 (Vacaciones de Primavera)

“CUANDO VAYAS A ORAR, ENTRA EN TU CUARTO...”

El Miércoles de Ceniza es una oportunidad que nos presenta la Iglesia para renovar nuestra voluntad de volvemos a Dios y abandonar todo aquello que nos impide crecer como cristianos. Con esto iniciamos nuestra preparación para la Pascua del Señor.

- Hoy Dios nos pide que no hagamos las cosas para agradar a los hombres, sino para agradarlo a él.
- La limosna es un acto de solidaridad querido por Dios; de esa manera participamos en su providencia para con todos. No se trata de dar lo que nos sobra, sino de contribuir a solucionar las necesidades de quienes se han visto menos favorecidos que nosotros.
- La Cuaresma es una ocasión propicia para evaluarnos acerca de nuestro trato con el Señor en la oración. Tenemos que orar de verdad y más que antes.
- A las personas mayores de edad (hasta los 59 años) la Iglesia les pide ayunar y abstenerse de comer carne (de mamíferos y aves de corral), “haciendo sólo una comida fuerte durante el día” (a los no excluidos de ello): 1) hoy, Miércoles de Ceniza 2) el Viernes Santo.

“...y tu Padre, que ve lo secreto, te recompensará”.