

First Sunday of Lent
March 10, 2019

"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart." Romans 10:8

CALENDAR OF MASSES/EVENTS

Sunday, March 10, 2019

Day Light Savings Time Begins

First Sunday of Lent

Spring Break – NO PREP

8:00 am Adult Education

8:00 am RCIA Classes

9:30 am Liturgy **For The Parish Community**

7:00 pm AA & Al Anon



Monday, March 11, 2019

8:00 am Liturgy +**Charles Edward Lewis** by: Cheryl Massa

6:15 pm Boy Scouts



Tuesday, March 12, 2019

8:00 am Liturgy +**Emily Stefanik** by: Holy Spirit

9:00 am Weight Loss Support Group

7:00 pm Ladies' Association

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

8:00 am Liturgy +**Kay Kistler** by: Cheryl Massa

NO Open Gym

NO PRE – Spring Break

Thursday, March 14, 2019

8:00 am Liturgy +**Miguel E. Perez** by: Holy Spirit

9:00 am Adult Ed

10:30 am Shepherd Center – Holy Spirit

6:00 pm Choir Practice

8:00 pm AA & Al-Anon

Friday, March 15, 2019

8:00 am Liturgy +**Natividad Torrejos** by: Holy Spirit

6:30 pm Stations/Soup – The Morning Crew

7:00 pm Mark's Gospel Live at CTK



Saturday, March 16, 2019

5:30 pm Confession

Confessions available by appointment also 662-429-7851

6:00 pm Liturgy **For The Parish Community**

Sunday, March 17, 2019 – St. Patrick's Day

Second Sunday of Lent

Spring Break – NO PREP

8:00 am Adult Education

8:00 am RCIA Classes

9:30 am Liturgy +**Kay Kistler** by: Holy Spirit

7:00 pm AA & Al Anon

Priest Contact Numbers:

SERIOUS SACRAMENT EMERGENCY ONLY 901-351-6591

All other needs 662-429-7851

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

March 10 – Spring Break

March 17 – Lucy Holland/Leanne Meng

RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE

March 10 – Brenda Caruthers

March 17 – Cathy Powers

Ministry Schedule

PLEASE REMEMBER:

You are to arrive at least 20 to 30 minutes before mass is to begin. This is important to be prepared and ready.

Saturday, March 16 – 6:00 pm

Greeter: Paula Busler/Maureen Finley

Usher: Tony & Julie Stefanik

Server: Ron Sheppard

Lector: Bill Marking/Liz Brown

Gift Bearer: Deloris Ferguson/Joyce Helf

Eucharistic Ministers: Don & Chris Greer/Jim Buechele

Sunday, March 17 – 9:30 am

Greeter: Ladies' Association

Usher: Ladies' Association

Server: Ladies' Association

Lector: Ladies' Association

Gift Bearer: Ladies' Association

Eucharistic Ministers: Ladies' Association

REMINDER: If you are unable to fulfill your ministry obligation, it is your responsibility to find someone that can serve in your place. Thank you.



PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Weekly for Budget.....\$6,094.81

Offering\$6,610.01

Maintenance Fund Last Wk.... \$1,202.00

Community Services.....\$ 85.00

Children's Collection.....\$ 31.00

Easter Flowers.....\$ 160.00

There should be no eating, drinking or gum in the Church. If a child must have nourishment, please do so in the cry room.

ALTAR LINENS MINISTRY

March – Diane Cullen



Daily Mass during Lent.

March 6th to April 17th.

**Planting the Seeds of Good Stewardship
in our Children**



Each weekend the children are encouraged by the presider to come forward and bring their offerings and place them in the basket on the Altar. Through this practice we want to teach our children how to be good stewards. At the same time, we want to teach our children that our monetary offering is only one way of being good stewards. All that we have comes from a loving God and in gratitude we acknowledge that by offering our time, treasure, and talents to serve God and his people.

JOB POSITION AVAILABLE

Holy Spirit Church is looking for a custodian. For more information please contact the church office at (662) 429-7851.



WEIGHT LOSS SUPPORT GROUP Come join us each week as we support each other on our weight loss journey. Tuesday morning at 9:00 am for a weigh in and sharing. Liz Brown is our contact person for this adventure. 901-331-3419.

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US EACH WEEK AS WE STRIVE TO BECOME HEALTHIER, HAPPIER PERSONS!!!

ENCOUNTER LENT - Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl from the table in the Narthex today. During the 40 days of Lent, we will encounter the needs of the world. And don’t forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl App!



ENCOUNTER NORMA In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

CSA

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Catholic Service Appeal. We thank all those at Holy Spirit who have generously responded to the annual Catholic Service Appeal. We ask those who have not sent in your pledge to please consider a gift. Each of us is called to respond in faith, knowing and trusting that God recognizes your willingness to live out the message of the Gospel. To date Holy Spirit has raised \$18,580.25. For more on information about the Appeal or to donate online please visit www.jacksondiocese.org.



- St. Gregory _____ Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00 pm.
- Good Shepherd _____ Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00 pm.
- Christ the King _____ Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm.
- St. Joseph _____ Tuesday, March 26th at 7:00 pm.
- Queen of Peace _____ Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 pm
- Holy Spirit _____ Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 pm.

**Seriously Sick & Hospitalized
Please Pray For The Sick**

Your prayers are requested for the following who are having/recovering from surgery or are seriously ill: Joe Kuhel, Bob Langley, Peter DiCresce, Bobbie Shell, Scott Chang (Myong bro), Jack Casey, Jeon Won Cho (Myong mom), Joe Greenwell (B. Dean’s bro), Sr. Mary Myles (Powell sis), Pat Smith, Frieda Stovall (L. Ward mom), Robert Brasher (Necie’s dad), Chris Selvo (N. French), Patricia Perez (nix), Steve Polumbo, Marcia Perryman (J. Terry’s sis), Victor Pretti, Necie Presley, Diane Smith (Cil sis), David Ward, Christopher Noel, Al Gawel, Deeanna Greer (Dean Niece), Caralee Joyner (Barb Wilder niece), Mary Greenwell (B. Dean’s sis), Noah Sansom, Hayley Hardy (Higdon niece), Tony Pangelina, Gilda Stafford, Phyllis Pangelina, James Ferguson, Rosemary Sabbatini, Alice Quick (C. Menne sis), Barney Norys (Terry), Jared Smith (Liz Brown), Susan Terry, Mr. Thanh Pham (Fr. Thi’s father), Baby Asher Farmer, Joyce & Terry Cobb (Stafford), Mike Johnson, John Foti (Muzzi Bro), Pete Cervetti (Cass Douglas), Daniel Douglas (Jeffries bronlaw), Birdie Lewis (Felicia grandma), Kim Craig (J. Davis sisn law), Farris Jenkins (N Rachal bron law), Carter Brooks, Josh Bixler (Bill/Liz Brown’s nephew), Sherry Vowell (Ken Hoover’s sis), and Sara Hewitt (Marie Smith). Please notify the Pastor when serious illness occurs or when hospitalization is indicated: we would like to strengthen the ill with the Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing of the Sick).



Confessions available by appointment 662-429-7851



INTERFAITH - FLOCK AROUND THE BLOCK
This year is Saturday, April 6. You can complete a registration form and give it to MaryAnn or Rocky or you can sign up on line. Complete information and a registration form was in your February and March Holy Happenings. Don’t delay – do it today. We want to win back the cross for 2019!!!

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON SUNDAY, March 24, 2019 immediately after Sunday Mass for a



Retirement Brunch for Lorraine Faulkner as she begins a new journey in her life. Come and help us say THANK YOU for all her hard work here at Holy Spirit keeping our buildings, inviting, fresh and clean!!



NO CELL PHONE ZONE We remind all to please turn off all cell phones and electronic communication devices when entering the church buildings. The signals, even from a silenced phone, interfere with the wireless microphones of the church.

Building Communities



Our Lenten Project this year is to help out SHSM as they work to improve housing for the poor in our neighborhoods.

Check out the little houses in the gathering space. Take off the roof and put your donation inside the house.

SPIRITUAL & PHYSICAL CLEANING

During this beautiful season of Lent, we are reminded of everything that Jesus did for us to save us from our sins. There is no sin too big for God to forgive. When we go to confession we feel Spiritually Clean.

Another way of cleaning is "Physical" cleaning. We all have a lot of baggage in our homes. We have things we have hung onto for years. They are stashed away in our closets, dresser drawers, and under the bed. Why not take time to clean out those places and free up space and unclutter your life. Simplify. Get rid of things that you haven't used in years or things you don't even like. Just place anything of any value in a box. Place it in your garage, closet or spare room. Then on the second Monday after Easter, April 29, you can bring your full boxes of treasures to the Family Life Center for our annual Indoor Yard Sale. If you didn't do too good on what you planned as penance for Lent – come and give an hour or two to help do God's work in preparing for the sale. This will help with your spiritual cleaning as well as physical cleaning.

LUNCH WITH POPE FRANCIS

Don't forget to bring your lunch.

Saturday, March 16th at noon at Christ the King

Wednesday, March 27th at noon at Christ the King

Wednesday, March 13th at noon at Queen of Peace

Saturday, March 30th at noon at Queen of Peace

Wednesday, March 20th at noon at Holy Spirit

Saturday, April 6th at noon at Holy Spirit

Wednesday, April 3rd at Good Shepherd

ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS
IN TODAY'S WORLD

LentTalks

LENTEN TALK at Queen of Peace on Wednesday, March 21st at 7:00 p.m. with Fr. Thi Pham, SCJ.

LENTEN TALK at Holy Spirit on Thursday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m. with Fr. Gregory Schill, SCJ.

LENTEN TALK at Christ the King on Thursday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m. with Fr. David Szatkowski, SCJ, JCD.

DESOTO LANDERS

MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION SPONSORED BY SACRED HEART SOUTHERN MISSIONS

Once a month SHSM has a mobile food distribution at the Landers Center in Southaven to help families in need in Desoto County. SHSM serves 1500 families so it is a massive undertaking that requires at least 75 volunteers. SHSM needs volunteers from 1:30PM – 5:00PM. The days in 2019 are March 20th, April 17th, May 15th, June 19th, July 17th, August 21st, September 12th, (Thursday), October 9th, November 20th and December 18th. Please contact Lois Harrison at Lharrison@shsm.org or 901-626-5432. THANK YOU!!



LABOR OF LOVE -- Saturday, March 23
8:30am - 3:00pm, for youth in grades 7-12.

Labor of Love is an opportunity for our youth (and adults) to give back to the community. We will work with Sacred Heart Southern Missions (SHSM) to help a client in need. The place of work will be determined by SHSM. Lunch will be provided.

Deadline for registering: Wednesday, March 6.

For more info and to sign up contact Miss Amanda at the church office 662.429.7851 or holyspiritchurch@shsm.org.

Mark's Gospel LIVE

Friday, March 15 at 7 PM.

Christ the King Catholic Church.

A first century story of love and healing.

SOLO PERFORMANCE

BY REV. JOSEPH MORRIS, MDIV '95.

Come early and bring your favorite dish for a Lenten potluck meal before Fr. Joseph's performance of Mark's Gospel.



FORGIVENESS WALK – On Wednesday, March 27th from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
The forgiveness walk is a silent meditative prayer journey reflecting on our own.

GARDEN CAFÉ MINISTRY

Holy Spirit Parish commits to go to the Garden Café once a month and feed the hungry. If you have not had the opportunity to go and serve in Holly Springs at the Garden Café pray about your family volunteering. We arrive at the Café around 4:45 and help set up and get ready to serve at 5:30 p.m. The food is already prepared by Mr. Ralph Howard who manages the Garden Café for Sacred Heart Southern Missions. We will be serving March 28th and need 4 volunteers.



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.



THE GREAT AMEN!!!

FAMILY IDEAS

As the Eucharistic Prayer continues, the priest prays in the name of all of us. He asks God to accept our offering. The prayer to God concludes, "All glory and honor is yours forever and ever. We respond "Amen" which means 'so be it' or 'yes'. This amen is our 'yes' to what was prayed by the priest in the name of us all.

Share stories of hope and joy with your children. These can be personal stories or stories from a TV news program, newspaper, online news source, or magazine. Good things are happening in our communities. We can choose to look for the positive in life and pass on that hope to our children.

Remember to express love and appreciation to one another in your family. Also take time to listen to each other. Remind your children that God always loves them. Only when people feel loved are they able to share love with others.

FAMILY PRAYER

Amazing God, we give glory to your holy name and rejoice in all that you have done for us. Through the Holy Spirit we offer the gift of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. May our family give you praise in all we say and do, and may we live always in faith, in hope, and in love!

NOTE TO FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES

Encourage your child to receive both the consecrated bread and the wine (Jesus' Body and Blood) at first Communion and thereafter. This is how Jesus did it at the Last Supper with his disciples. It is the fullest expression of what the sacrament of the Eucharist means.

Update Membership Information

Does our Parish database have your family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update your record for our annual Guide Book and Directory (if you have not already done so).

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record?

If you have not already informed the Parish office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book and Directory is correct. The office number is 662-429-7851 or email holyspiritchurch@shsm.org Thank you for your help.

Registration forms are located at the Bulletin Board as you enter the church for new members.



A CALL TO HOLINESS BY POPE FRANCIS.

51. When God speaks to Abraham, he tells him: "I am God Almighty, walk before me, and be blameless" (*Gen 17:1*). In order to be blameless, as he would have us, we need to live humbly in his presence, cloaked in his glory; we need to walk in union with him, recognizing his constant love in our lives. We need to lose our fear before that presence which can only be for our good. God is the Father who gave us life and loves us greatly. Once we accept him, and stop trying to live our lives without him, the anguish of loneliness will disappear (cf. *Ps 139:23-24*). In this way we will know the pleasing and perfect will of the Lord (cf. *Rom 12:1-2*) and allow him to mould us like a potter (cf. *Is 29:16*). So often we say that God dwells in us, but it is better to say that we dwell in him, that he enables us to dwell in his light and love. He is our temple; we ask to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of our life (cf. *Ps 27:4*). "For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere" (*Ps 84:10*). In him is our holiness.



UN LLAMADO A LA SANTIDAD DEL PAPA FRANCISCO.

51. Cuando Dios se dirige a Abraham le dice: «Yo soy Dios todopoderoso, camina en mi presencia y sé perfecto» (*Gn 17,1*). Para poder ser perfectos, como a él le agrada, necesitamos vivir humildemente en su presencia, envueltos en su gloria; nos hace falta caminar en unión con él reconociendo su amor constante en nuestras vidas. Hay que perderle el miedo a esa presencia que solamente puede hacernos bien. Es el Padre que nos dio la vida y nos ama tanto. Una vez que lo aceptamos y dejamos de pensar nuestra existencia sin él, desaparece la angustia de la soledad (cf. *Sal 139,7*). Y si ya no ponemos distancias frente a Dios y vivimos en su presencia, podremos permitirle que examine nuestro corazón para ver si va por el camino correcto (cf. *Sal 139,23-24*). Así conoceremos la voluntad agradable y perfecta del Señor (cf. *Rm 12,1-2*) y dejaremos que él nos moldee como un alfarero (cf. *Is 29,16*). Hemos dicho tantas veces que Dios habita en nosotros, pero es mejor decir que nosotros habitamos en él, que él nos permite vivir en su luz y en su amor. Él es nuestro templo: lo que busco es habitar en la casa del Señor todos los días de mi vida (cf. *Sal 27,4*). «Vale más un día en tus atrios que mil en mi casa» (*Sal 84,11*). En él somos santificados.

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