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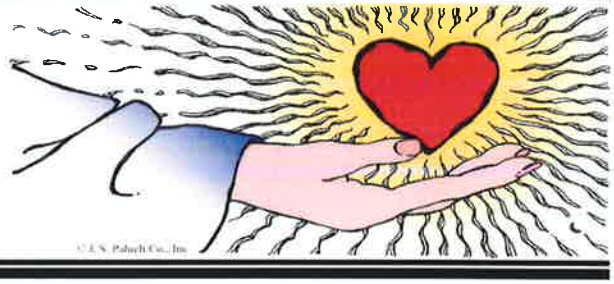
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Third Sunday of Lent
March 20, 2022

Merciful and gracious is the Lord,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.
— Psalm 103:8



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekdays:
Tuesday: 6:00PM
Wednesday-Friday: 8:00AM

Adoration

The 1st Friday of the month at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M., morning Mass is cancelled on this day.
Forty-five minutes before every weekday Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and Sunday: Thirty minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

Baptism: Infant Baptism is celebrated the 3rd Sunday of the month. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months. Parents **and** godparents **must** attend a one hour Baptism preparation class prior to the scheduled Baptism. For other guidelines and details, please call the parish office.

Matrimony: Call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor. Diocesan guidelines require an initial interview at least 6 months before the wedding date. Please call the parish office for further information.

R.C.I.A.: This is a process for anyone who wishes to become Catholic. Please call the parish office for further information.

MASS INTENTIONS

March 19th 4:30PM Sylvia Bernard Sylvia (RIP) by Harold Sylvia; Mary Fisk (RIP) by Langston Adams; Gloria Mae Jacob Roy, Gussie Roy & Gus Roy (RIP) by Berlinda Roy Mouton; Barbara Babineaux (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Lincoln High Class of 1968
March 20th 9:00AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church
March 22nd 6:00PM Sheryl & Silas Channell, Jr. (RIP) by Agnes Thompson
March 23rd 8:00AM Mary Lee McZeal, Alozia Vaughns & Normand Fontenot (Healing) by The Family
March 24th 8:00AM Harold Manuel (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Manuel Family
March 25th 6:00PM Annunciation of the Lord
March 26th 4:30PM Sylvia Bernard Sylvia (RIP) by Harold Sylvia; Gus Roy (RIP) by Mary & Harold Joseph; Bernice Earls (RIP) by Langston Adams; John B. Henry, Sr. (RIP) by Maggie Henry

Collections

March 2nd (Ash Wednesday)
8:00am & 6:00pm $ 937.92
March 12th & March 13th

4:30pm	**$1,605.00**
9:00am	**$1,698.00**
Mail	**$1,542.40**
Totals	**$4,845.40**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD God appears to Moses and directs him to go and deliver the Israelites from Egypt ***(Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15) or Exodus 17:3-7.***
Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful ***(Psalm 103) or Psalm 95.***
Second Reading — We are not to grumble like the people with Moses in the desert ***(1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.***
Gospel — If you do not repent, you will all perish ***(Luke 13:1-9) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].***

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



HOLY GROUND

Moses met God in a most astounding way in the bush that was burning but not consumed by fire. Moses clearly had a powerful encounter with the Lord. He even felt bold enough to ask God's name, something unheard of among his people at the time—God's name was unspeakable. Moses stood on holy ground. Do we not also stand on holy ground? As people who are created in God's image and drawn to Christ through the waters of Baptism, we have been filled with God's grace and goodness. The ground of our lives is holy. Lent is a time when we are called to open our minds and hearts to Christ, rely on God's patient mercy, and to grow as God's holy people.



Confession

To help us in our spiritual preparation to celebrate Easter confession will be available during the Stations of the Cross and after Mass on Fridays. Confession will also be available on Saturday at 4:00pm before Mass and at 8:30am on Sunday before Mass.



Holy Week

Palm Sunday Mass
April 9th at 4:30pm in Church
April 10th 9:00am Mass
Sunday procession to start in front of St. Katharine Drexel Building
Chrism Mass Tuesday, April 12th at 10:00am
St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Mass of the Lord's Supper

Holy Thursday
April 14th at 7:00pm
Stations of the Cross - Good Friday
April 15th Station of the Cross at 2:30pm
Services and Veneration of the Cross at 3:00pm
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass
April 16th at 8:00pm
Easter Sunday Mass
April 17th at 9:00am

Meeting

-Hospitality Ministry will meet Wednesday, March 23rd at 6:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

10th Annual Lenten Pilgrimage

Join fellow Catholics for a walking pilgrimage to Shrines of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The day includes the Traditional Latin Mass, the Most Holy Rosary, Way of the Cross, spiritual talks, music and much more. Come walk, pray and immerse yourself in traditions of centuries of the faithful during the Holy Season of Lent

April 2, 2022 9:00am - 3:00pm

Please Park at Queen of Peace Shrine

800 Ninth Ave., Port Arthur

Modest attire (no shorts, shoulders must be covered). Please bring your rosary and flowers to decorate Our Lady Statue we carry. We provide bread, water, snacks by KCs, van ride to rest and police escort. Entire families, baby strollers, and religious banners are welcome. Commemorative T-shirts available before Pilgrimage for $20 donation.

Third Sunday of Lent

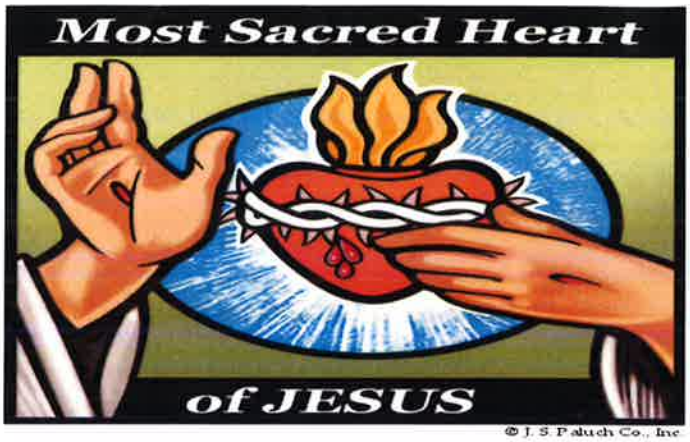
Overconfident?

As we get to the halfway point of Lent, we may be tempted to overconfidence: "The first three weeks weren't so hard. I can go a few more weeks without the things I gave up. And I've only committed a few sins; maybe I'll go to confession right before Easter." If so, it might be a good idea to look at the second reading and the Gospel.

St. Paul says that anyone who is overconfident about their lack of sin "should take care not to fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). He compares those people to the ones Moses brought through the desert. In fact, many were punished because they were tempted to follow false gods or to complain about the food and drink God provided them. Could the same thing happen to us?

One form of overconfidence rejecting what we learned as children. We may think, "I'm old enough to decide if I should go to church" or "I can take care of myself now; I don't need God's help." If these sound familiar because you have thought that way yourself, Paul has a warning. His analogy of the Rock following the Hebrews in the desert refers to God's constant presence to the people. In the same way, God is present to us today. But just as God was not pleased with those in the desert, God may not be pleased with us if we continue to ignore the Lord.

That brings us to the Gospel. In the parable of the fig tree, the owner is not pleased--the tree has not produced any fruit. Unlike the fig tree, God would be happy with any fruit we produce. We could be generous to the poor, we could fight for the unborn child's right to life, or we could simply teach our children how to pray. Like the owner of the fig tree, God is patient, but we only have so much time. So when do you plan to bear fruit?



"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

Evangelization Corner

Third Sunday of Lent

Are you ready for some Spiritual Spring Cleaning? As we enter this Third Week of Lent we are presented with the Parable of the Fig Tree where God calls us to trust in Him because He always offers second, third, fourth chances. We serve a patient and merciful God. The prophet Isaiah calls us, as he did with the people of Israel, to return to this merciful God. As we prepare to do our "Spiritual Spring Cleaning", we are called to repent and rend our hearts. During this time, we ask God to help us acknowledge our sins, our indifference to those around us, any action that has harmed others and keeps us from repentance and return to our loving God.

We repent because we want and need to receive the mercy of our loving God. Just as God is patient as the Fig Tree grows, he is patient with us as we grow in our faith and turn to Him for our eternal salvation. The mercy of God is there to help us mature in our faith and journey closer to Him each day. The God of Second – Third, Fourth...Chances always looks on us with patience and hope to bring out the best of who we are. As we continue our Lenten journey, let us, with grace, rejoice in the mercy of God, let us say with the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless His holy name."

Knights of Peter Claver Council & Court #32

2022 Annual Friday Lenten Fish Dinner Sale

KPC Hall #32- Corner of Grannis Ave. & 10th Street

Menu: Fried fish, Red rice, Green beans, Potato salad and cake Cost is $9

Every Friday during Lent except on Good Friday

March 25 & April 1, 8 10am until Sold Out

Place your order with any Knight or Lady Auxiliary member or call or text Leo Carmouche @ 344-1125 or Rodney Broussard @ 363-3375. Place orders for delivery/pick-up by Thursday.

Deliveries available

CUSTOMERS MAY PICK DINNERS UP AT THE 10TH STREET DOOR, NO ONE ALLOW INSIDE BUILDING.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR THE YOUTH ACTIVITIES. NEXT WEEKEND, THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES.

Father Anthony will bless our youth. Next weekend he will bless those celebrating a birthday in March.

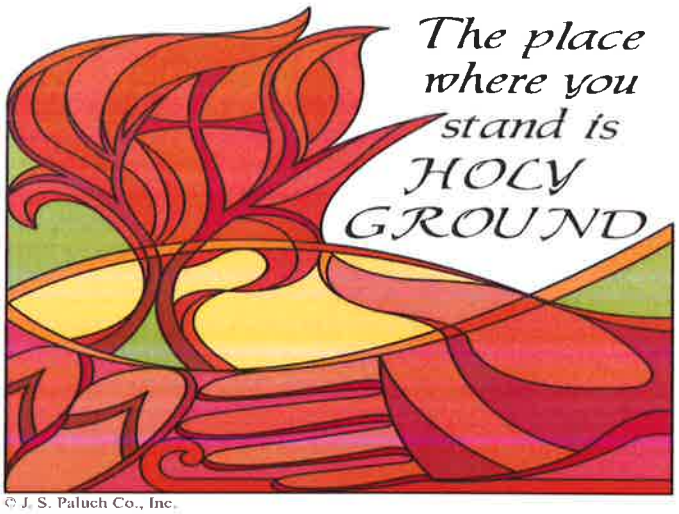
CCE Classes will resume on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Happy 72nd Birthday
James Young

IF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND IS ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND HE/SHE GETS WELL OR PASSES, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DELETE HIS/HER NAME. THANKS.

Pray for ...

Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Juliana Barnes, Emma Bonton, Diane Bowd, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Emmett Comeaux, Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Morris Davis, Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Vincent Fertitta, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Lillian Fontenot, Normand Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zacchaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Fay Hines, Yvette Jacquet, Hazel January, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Bernadette Lavine, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Michael Linden, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Mabry McZeal, Mary Lee McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Iris Plumber, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, JoAnn Pugh, Estella Ray, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Schreida Solaire, Lillie Stewart, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Rose Mary Williams, Gladys Wilson-Hollins, Jamon Wilson, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Andre' Winston, Jr., Hazetta Younger and Tosharie Younger. **Communicants:** Ethel Allen



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Reflection question:
Undertake an examination of conscience this week and pray for God's loving mercy.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK
Third Sunday of Lent
O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

The Legion of Mary
You are cordially invited to attend the
2022 ACIES
OUR LADY OF UNITY CURIA OF BEAUMONT
Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 10:00am
St. Henry Catholic Church
475 W. Roundbunch Road, Bridge City, TX 77611
Rosary and Legion Prayers at 9:30am with Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Ernie Carpio at 10:00am
Covered dish luncheon to follow in the Activities Building
All Spiritual Directors, all Priests and Religious, all Active and Auxiliary members and their families and other interested guests are invited.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
March 26th & March 27th

LECTORS

SAT.	**4:30PM**	**Leroy Leopold**
		Margaret Taylor
SUN.	**9:00AM**	**Tanya Robertson**
		Sharlene Hatch

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