

A reflection from the Pastor

Peace. Covenant is a word we hear quite often. It signifies a binding agreement between two people or maybe even groups of people. As you know, covenants were not meant to be broken, each person was to uphold their end of the agreement. We most commonly think of God's covenant with his people – You will be my people and I will be your God. Now in that relationship, God is always faithful to the covenant, but the people often rebel or turn away – to what we call sin.

In the gospel we hear of followers of Christ, the disciples, deserting the Lord, saying: "This saying is hard; who can accept it." And we hear further that not some, but many, returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him.

It should not surprise us then, that even in our own day, many desert the Church or our Lord to follow their emotions or physical needs. But that is not keeping the covenant. God says, be faithful as I am faithful. That means that we enter into the covenant with God each day, by renewing our faith in him. This takes a lot of work. Jesus shows us the example – he followed the covenant to the cross – and did not stop there – he was raised to show us that there is joy after sacrifice.

This week, make an act of faith to renew your strength – your covenant with the Lord.

Much thanks goes out to all who helped print and staple the raffle tickets. I am so pleased it went so well. Let us keep working toward a great Turkey Dinner.

Have a blessed week. - Fr. Ty

An Act of Faith

O, My God, I firmly believe that You are one God in three divine Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I believe that Your divine Son became man, died for our sins, and that He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe all these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches, because You have revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived.

Adult Scripture Course - A Journey with Saint Luke

I will be presenting this class for all adults. We will be focusing on the theme of 'journey' as we look at the gospel. All are invited to attend. Please bring a bible and something to take notes. I will also have bibles available!

Dates: Tuesday Evenings
September 5, 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.
Place: Heritage Room

Readings for next Sunday

*Try to read over them and pray with them
at least once this week.*

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Second Reading James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Gospel Reading Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mass Schedule and Intentions

August 29 - September 3

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Elida Robles
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Beatrice Posada
Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Alma Brandl
Friday: 8:00 a.m. Gary Fenton
Saturday: 6:00 (vigil) C.D.A.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Donato Rodriguez & Rita Reyes
10:00 a.m. Frank and Mary Pekar

General Intention for September:

For all who work in the Media. May they use their every means of communications with responsibility and respect.

Mission Intention for September:

For the people of God in mission lands: May they realize their right and duty to keep up to date with developments in the faith of the Church.

Please Note: Shift in Mass Schedule

Beginning September 5th, the Tuesday liturgy schedule will be changing. It will be the following:

4:50 p.m. – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
4:50 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. – Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
5:50 p.m. – Reservation of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00 p.m. – Praying of the Angelus
6:05 p.m. – Mass

Think about spending some time with our Lord. Bring the family.

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors

Saturday, 6 P.M. Jeanne Lange/Jeanette West
Sunday, 8 A.M. Elida Cortina/Bacilio Gonzalez
10 A.M. Lupe Olguin/Isabel Rodriguez

Ministers of the Precious Blood

Saturday, 6 P.M. Veronica Garcia/Paulette Brandl
Sunday, 8 A.M. Santos & Mary Alvarado
10 A.M. Deacon Fred Soto/ Patty Soto

Gift Bearers

Saturday, 6 P.M. Alex/Rosie Chamberlain
Sunday, 8 A.M. Fidel/Pat Galicia
10 A.M. Mary Helen/Connie Garcia

Ushers

Saturday, 6 P.M. D. Hybner, A. Reyes, Sr., A. Garcia, N. Posada
Sunday, 8 A.M. L. Rivera, Jr., J. Cantu, E. Ledezma, T. Cabral
10 A.M. S. Torres, H. Longoria, C. Martin, M. Gonzales

Altar Servers

Saturday, 6 P.M. Gabriella & Madeline Canales, Olivia Garza
Sunday, 8 A.M. Maurizio Ledezma, Jessica Gonzalez, Briana Avitia
10 A.M. Angelica, Michael, and Jason Valenzuela



TURKEY DINNER UPDATE

Dinner is September 24th
29 days and counting

Country Store Items Needed:

Items are needed for the country store; canned goods, homemade items, baked items, arts and crafts. New or clean unused items. Contact Fr. Ty for more information.

Raffle Tickets:

The tickets have been printed and should be in the mail. Please sale as many as you can! If you would like to make monetary donations to the raffle, you may still do so in the envelopes provided or at the parish office. More tickets may be picked up at the church entrance or at the parish office.

Donations still needed:

Turkeys – the Knights will be in front of the Church before after each Mass for the next three weeks to take meat donations. Please be generous.

Auction Items Needed – Please register on the sheet provided in the church or bring them by the parish office Tuesday through Saturday or contact Fred and Patty Soto. We need good items to have a successful auction. Forms for receipt of donation are located at the entrance of the church.

Posters – there are posters at the entrance if you want to display at local businesses.

Lawn Maintenance Crew

Lyndon Lange, Leland Lange, Marshall Lange,
Emilio Ledezma, Manuel Estrada

Religious Education Program/Registration

The dates for registration are:

August 30 at 7:00 p.m.

in the Heritage Room.

And Tues – Friday at parish office.

Registration will be closed September 4, 2006.

The fee for classes is \$15 per child. Again, don't let the fee be a hindrance to your child's faith. Start saving now. If you need assistance with the fee, please let me know. Your child's education in the faith is my primary concern. The fee pays for books and supplies.

Students registering for sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist need to bring copies of their baptismal certificate (unless they were baptized at St. Patrick).

Attention Adults – single/married (Age 19-40+)

Theology on Tap – Sept. 7

Decoding the DaVinci Code by Fr. Bob Knippenberg

6:45 p.m. – dinner and drinks – Tejas Café, Victoria

7:30 p.m. – speaker followed by questions/answers

Guests pay for their own meal and drinks. The talk is free. It is a casual forum of straight talk, hard facts, and real answers on living our faith.

Turkey Dinner - Meat Donations

Juanita Madrigal, M/M Gregorio Rodriguez, Alex Cortina, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Canchola & Family, Leonila Pena. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Martin.

Parish Collection Information

Last Sunday's Collection:

General: \$966.00

Second Collection: \$984.71

Holy Day (Assumption): \$245.00



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 5:15 - 5:45 P.M. *And by Private Appointment*

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Godparents should be practicing, churchgoing Catholics, who have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill.

New Parishioners

Welcome. Please stop by the parish office to register.

The bulletin is provided for the explicit purpose of communicating information weekly to the people of God in Bloomington, Texas concerning the pastoral mission of the parish. For more information or to have something included, please call the pastor.

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Quinceañeras

Young ladies approaching their fifteenth birthday, who are members of the parish, are attending religious education classes, and have been enrolled for three years, may contact the pastor six months in advance to arrange the celebration.