

A reflection from the Pastor

Peace. "If you do not repent, you will all perish as they did..." Jesus in today's gospel. Quite strong language coming from our Lord, but there is in him no ambiguity. We often couch ourselves in thought and language - oh, he'll forgive us anyway, or he couldn't possibly let us be damned - as we continue to sin. Yet, the reality of TRUTH, that is God, is that His word is the real thing. Therefore we should take to heart what he says - we must repent. How and what does this mean. It means looking sincerely at past and present actions that go against his law of love - of Him and neighbor - and our first, acknowledging the misdeed, then asking for forgiveness and finally trying not to do it again. Real repentance takes work. Let us pray in this week that we might know what we need to repent of and then let us do it.

Please be mindful of the times for Reconciliation. Don't all try to go at once. Again, I encourage you to bring your family for the stations of the cross each Friday evening. If you would like to come and pray during the day, they are printed in both languages beginning on page 244 of the missalette.

As you may know, the Parish Hall and Heritage Room floors were stripped of all old wax and grime and waxed - and look wonderful. This two day event (Thursday and Friday) really makes it a place of welcome. Thank you to all who helped move the furniture. This has been one thing I really wanted done and its finally been realized. Come by this Saturday for the parish feast and take a look.

On another note, we just received our assessment for the Diocesan Services Appeal. It has increased 25%, from just over \$12,000 to \$16,291.32 for this year. I am in the process of reviewing our options. I will keep you posted. May you have a blessed week. Fr. Ty

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions

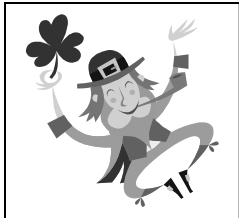
March 13 - March 18

Tuesday, 13th	4:50 p.m.	Adoration	
	5:50 p.m.	Benediction	
	6:00 p.m.	Angelus	
	6:05 p.m.	Mass -	<i>Elidia Gonzales + by M/M Harold DeLeon</i>
Wednesday, 14th	8:00 a.m.	Mass -	<i>Irene Obsta + by Eleanora Jelinek</i>
Thursday, 15th	8:00 a.m.	Mass -	<i>Frank & Elle May Fossati +</i>
Friday, 16th	8:00 a.m.	Mass -	<i>Leo Krause Jr.</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
		<i>Day of Abstinence-No Meat</i>	
Saturday, 17th	4:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Penance	
<i>Parish Feast Day</i>	5:40 p.m.	Rosary -	<i>leader:Bebe Canchola</i>
<i>St. Patrick</i>	6:00 (vigil)	Mass -	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sunday, 18th	7:30 a.m.	Santissima Rosario	
<i>4th Sunday Lent</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass -	<i>Acción de Gracias by Juan Rodriguez</i>
<i>2nd -Ca.Rel.Ser Black Bag</i>	10:00 a.m.	Mass -	<i>Irene Obsta + by Bernadette Bellanger</i>

Readings for Sunday
March 18

First Reading - Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

St. Patrick's Dinner - March 17, 2007 6:45 p.m.



I am planning an informal, pot luck dinner for this next Saturday evening. My goal is to have everyone bring a food that is green in color. If everyone brings green beans, we are going to be in for it! Be creative and I hope you can

come and celebrate the parish feast day.

There will be an **informal celebration (come and go) all day in the hall**. I will have tables set up with pictures from the past to be identified, please write on the paper in front of the picture. And there will be cookies and punch throughout the day. So drop by and identify a picture or two and be sure to come to the dinner after Mass. There will also be informal guessing games, which will result in a prize at the dinner.

If you would like to help set up the hall on Friday, the 16th, please stop by in the afternoon around 1:00 p.m.

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors

Saturday 6 p.m.	Jeanette West, Lisa Canales
Sunday, 8 a.m.	Gloria Cantu, Ted Cabral
10 a.m.	Lupe Olguin, Isabel Rodriguez

Ministers of the Precious Blood

Saturday 6 p.m.	Jeanne Lange, Veronica Garcia
Sunday 8 a.m.	Juanita Canales, Juanita Madrigal
10 a.m.	Ismael and Gracie Perez

Gift Bearers

Saturday 6 p.m.	Lawrence/Pauline Kelly
Sunday 8 a.m.	Fidel/Pat Galicia
10 a.m.	Ramona and Anthony Torres

Ushers

Saturday 6 p.m.	I. Martin, A. Chamberlain, P. Canales, C. Sutton
Sunday 8 a.m.	E. Ledezma, S. Torres, M. Garcia, D. Robles
10 a.m.	J. Troncoso, H. Longoria, C. Martin, M. Gonzales

Altar Servers

Saturday 6 p.m.	Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Sunday 8 a.m.	Maurizio Ledezma, Volunteers
10 a.m.	Angelica, Michael, Isaac, Valeriano

OUR PARISH LENTEN JOURNEY

Review of Activities:

Stations of the Cross: Each Friday of Lent – 7:00 p.m. in the church

Opportunities for Almsgiving:

- Operation Rice Bowl – today the bowls are given out
- The black bag each Sunday for the poor

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation:

- Each Saturday: 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Prayer: The red book of intentions will be located at the entrance of the church. Please pray for those intentions.

Adult Education: The Creed

Fr. Ty will offer these class on what we profess as Catholics and what we prepare to renew at Easter. All are invited to attend. The catechists of the parish are strongly encouraged to attend. The dates are: March 20(Tues.), 29 in the Heritage Rm. 7:00 p.m. –8:15 p.m.

**Mark your calendars - Spring Barbecue
is Sunday, April 29, 2007**

Preparations are being made. If you would like to make a meat donation or donate an item or money for the raffle and auction, please sign the list in the church this weekend. If you would like to help with a particular area please let me know. Thank you

**Victoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Day of Recollection
Saturday, March 24, 2007**

St. Joseph Church in Yoakum, Texas - 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Deacon Warzecha will be the speaker, with Mass with Bishop Fellhauer at 10:45 a.m. Lunch will be provided. No pre-registration. There will be a free will offering. The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is made up of the Catholic women in the diocesan parishes.

Parish office is closed on Monday. Thank you.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:30 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.

YOUTH CORNER

No Religious Education Classes this week

Enjoy the Spring Break!

March 21 – All Grades

Grades 1-5 in their classrooms


Grades 6-12 in the Church – Talk on Sexual Abstinence – Parents are encouraged to attend

Parents of First Communicants: Please make sure to bring the children to Mass each Sunday. Keep reviewing prayers. Also, the date for first reconciliation has been moved to April. The date will be given by Mrs. Perez. Thank you.

Parish Activities Calendar

Mar 13 - 7:00 p.m. CDA Mtg.	Heritage
Mar 15 – 7:00 p.m. KC Mtg.	Heritage
Mar 17 – 9:00 – 5:00 p.m. Come and go reception parish feast day	Hall
7:00 p.m. St. Patrick's Dinner	Hall

Last Sunday's Collection:

General:	\$ 2057.22	Gracias
 Building Fund:	946.00	Merci
Black Bag –	168.00	Danke
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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.