



A reflection from the Pastor

"Master it is good that we are here," St. Peter speaking to Jesus at the moment of the Transfiguration. According to conventional wisdom, Peter had it at least partially correct in wanting to remain in the moment. One of the things we are taught in seminary is to remain in the moment, to be present to the situation. But God the Father moved Peter to his own transfiguration by helping him to realize the bigger picture – his kingdom in heaven. It was after all the Father who sent His only Son to save the world. The voice of the Father reminds Peter to focus on listening to Jesus, not just in getting fixed on the moment. This is a valuable lesson for us this Lent. We can become so fixed on ourselves and the moment of conversion, that we forget conversion continues each and every day until the glory of heaven. Yes, we need to be present to the moment, but we also need to be moving in the direction of listening and finding Jesus in that moment and beyond.

Alas, the Spring Menu has been set: ½ Barbecue Chicken, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Onions, Pickles, Bread, Cake Dessert. Please be praying and considering donating an auction item or a raffle prize, the list is at the entrance of the church.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Saturday, March 6, 2010



There will be a training session for those who are interested in being altar servers (having made their first communion and higher) on Saturday, March 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. It will last until around noon. Current servers may attend to assist and review.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

This Wednesday ALL GRADES Regular Class Schedule

Grades K-6 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Grades 7 – 12 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.

Upper Grades please return your permission forms for *The Passion of the Christ*.

Liturgy / Mass Schedule for the week ahead

Tuesday, 2nd	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Anne Mundine + by Kenneth & Theresa Stolte</i>
Wednesday, 3rd	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Julia Rameriz + by Fernando & Christina Navarro</i>
Thursday, 4th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Beatrice Cantu + by Ernest and Mary Moya</i>
Friday, 5th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Poor Souls in Purgatory Day of Abstinence</i>
	6:00 -6:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Saturday, 6th	3:00 p.m. Mass – <i>50th Wedding Anniversary Lorenzo & Choana Garza</i>
	5:15-5:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance 5:40 p.m. Rosary – leader: <i>Carol Sutton</i>
	6:00 p.m. Mass - <i>Julia Rameriz + by Fernando & Christina Navarro</i>
Sunday, 7th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Pro Populo</i>
3rd Sunday of Lent	10:00 a.m. Mass – <i>David & Paula Escalante + by their sons</i>

Next weeks Readings

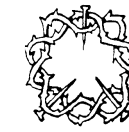
First Reading – Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15
Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 6th, 6 p.m.
Lector Jeannette West
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers P. Canales, J. Canales Sr., R. Brandl, T. West

Sunday 7th, 8 a.m.
Lector Marianela Chapa
Altar Servers April Chapa, Evan Andrade, Mauricio Ledezma
Ushers B. Gonzalez, A. Posada, H. Cardona, T. Cabral

Sunday 7th, 10 a.m.
Lector Ismael Perez
Altar Servers Katie Williams, Derek Folmar, Anaysa Gonzalez
Ushers J. Canales Jr., L. Rivera Jr., D. Hybner, A. Reyes



March Calendar

- 6 Altar Server Training 10 a.m. Church
- 9 CDA Meeting 7 Heritage Rm
- 17 St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Supper
Mass at 6:00 p.m.
Supper at 6:30 p.m. in Hall
- 18 KC Meeting 7:30 Heritage Rm
- 27 Baptism Prep. Class 10-12 Heritage Rm

Future Dates of Baptism:
April 4, May 9, June 6, July 4, August 1

Collection Overview:

Last Sunday: \$ 2101.86
Ash Wednesday: \$ 261.38
Church in Europe: \$ 295.76
RiceBowl: \$ 267.37

* Remember each Sunday of Lent, the second collection is for Operation Rice Bowl.

Congratulations

To the newly baptized on February 14th:
Jacob Andres Martinez
son of Ricardo and Andreanna Martinez
and
Marques Deontay Dilworth
son of Elvin Dilworth and Irmalinda Torres

Diocesan Services Appeal 2010

By now you have received at your homes the pledge cards from the diocese regarding the 2010 Diocesan Services Appeal. The monies collected go toward the programs and services, salaries and operational expenses of the Chancery of the Bishop, which this year will total \$1,349,808. Each parish in the diocese has a goal for each year, which is calculated by averaging three years of parish collections (first). **This year the goal for St. Patrick's is \$21,170.** This is up \$2,434.93 from last year which was \$18,735.07. I encourage you to give. Any money given will offset the amount the parish owes at the end of the year. Last year, individual contributions totaled \$1,255.00. May God bless you in your generosity.

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

The parish pictorial directories have arrived. If your family took a picture, then you may receive one. They may be picked up from Mrs. Ramona Torres at the parish hall from 6:15 – 7:00 p.m. or 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays in the parish hall.

What's Your Catholic IQ?

Last week's question:

To betray Jesus, the chief priests of the Temple paid Judas Iscariot b. thirty pieces silver
This is found in Matthew 26:14-16. Judas later regretted betraying Jesus and tried to give the money back, but the chief priests wouldn't take it. See Matthew 27:3-8.

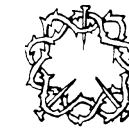
This week's question:

Jesus' tunic was woven in one piece with out any seams, so when he was crucified the soldiers
a. rolled dice to see who would get it
b. ripped it so everyone would get a piece
c. gave it to Jesus' mother
Answer coming next week.

Lenten Reflection O Deus Ego Amo Te

O God, I love thee, I love thee –
Not out of hope of heaven for me
Nor fearing not to love and be
In the everlasting burning.
Thou, thou, my Jesus, after me
Didst reach thine arms out dying,
For my sake sufferedst nails and lance,
Mocked and marred countenance,
Sorrows passing number,
Sweat and care and cumber,
Yea and death, and this for me,
And thou couldst see me sinning;
Then I, why should not I love thee,
Jesus, so much in love with me?
Not for heaven's sake; not to be
Out of hell by loving thee;
Not for gains I see;
But just the way that thou didst me
I do love and I will love thee;
What must I love thee, Lord, for then?
For being my king and God. Amen.

Gerard Manley Hopkins



Begin Preparing for the 2010 Spring Barbecue

Sunday, April 25, 2010

Menu: Barbecue Chicken, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans,
Onions, Pickles, Bread, Cake Dessert

- **Try to find at least one new item for the auction.**

*If each member could bring at least one item, that
would be great. If you can find more, even better.*

*They may be brought to the parish hall, Wednesdays
beginning in April or by calling the parish office.*

- Volunteer to work at the festival

*If you would like to help cook, serve, or assist with the auction
or in any way, please let me know.*

- Donate money or a prize to the raffle.

The list is at the entrance to the church.

- Meat donations will begin next week

Volunteers will be collecting donations before all Masses.

- **NEEDED:** if you, or someone you know would like
to call the auction, please let me know. This is a
volunteer position.

SPRING BARBECUE

\$7

per plate

1/2 Barbecued Chicken
Potato Salad, Pinto Beans,
Onions, Pickles, Bread,
Cake Dessert

Sunday April 25, 2010

Serving begins at 11:00 a.m.

Plates to go at 9:00 a.m.

Auction at 11:30 a.m.

Silent Auction, Kid's Games,
Religious Store, Cake Walk, Toy Walk