

A reflection from the Pastor

Last Sunday those in the synagogue were listening intently to Jesus as he unrolled the scroll in fulfillment of the prophet Isaiah. This Sunday, they attempt to run him off a cliff and kill him. The gospel tells us that Jesus "passed through the midst of them and went away." There are times in our lives when we will be rejected, and maybe even by those who at one time had listened intently to us. The gospel though doesn't say that Jesus changed and told them what they wanted to hear. No, he continued to proclaim the kingdom, and so began the walk to the cross and Calvary for our salvation. In just about two weeks we will begin the discipline of Lent; try to start focusing now, so that when it arrives it won't be like we have to become a different person; and feel like throwing someone over a cliff. Hopefully every

Palms for Burning

Please bring last years palms to the church by February 14th and deposit them in the baskets at the entrances. As we walk with the Lord from ashes to the living font of Easter and Resurrection, we will make the ashes from these palms that have been with us throughout the year, through our ups and downs. As we receive them on our forehead as ashes, we remember how we are called to turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, is February 17th.

ATTENTION MINISTERS OF THE CUP

When approaching the altar, please remain at the side on the main altar floor, feet at the step, facing the altar when coming to assist in distributing the cup. This will continue to aid those with difficulty in not making the step and eliminate the step down for distribution and possible falls. Please note that the credence table is located just inside the server's sacristy, which also eliminates the step. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

This Wednesday

ALL GRADES

Regular Class Schedule

K – 6 6:00 – 7:00

7-12 7:15 – 8:15

Liturgy / Mass Schedule for the week ahead

Tuesday, 2nd 5:30 p.m. Mass – *Poor Souls in Purgatory
Presentation of the Lord*

Wednesday, 3rd 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Anne Mundine +
S. Blase by Alvina Gregorcyk*

Thursday, 4th 8:00 a.m. Mass – *David Escalante, Sr. +
by Arnulfo & Janie Gonzalez &
Family*

Friday, 5th 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Beatrice Cantu +
S. Agatha by David & Frances Perez*

Saturday, 6th 5:15-5:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
5:40 p.m. Rosary – leader: Carol
Sutton

6:00 p.m. Mass - *Mary A. Lerma +
by Mary L. Moya*

Sunday, 7th 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Pro Populo
5th Sunday OT*

*World Day for
Consecrated Life* 10:00 a.m. Mass – *David & Paula Escalante +
by their sons*

Next weeks Readings

First Reading – Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel – Luke 5:1-11

Next Weeks Second Collection

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 6th, 6 p.m.

Lector Jeanette West
Cup Ministers Deacon Fred and Patty Soto
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers P. Canales, J. Canales Sr., R. Brandl, J. Canales Jr.

Sunday 7th, 8 a.m.

Lector Martina Aguayo
Cup Ministers Juanita Canales, Juanita Madrigal
Altar Servers April Chapa, Evan Andrade, Mauricio Ledezma
Ushers D. Robles, P. Guerra, M. Estrada, B. Gonzalez

Sunday 7th, 10 a.m.

Lector Gracie Perez
Cup Ministers Mary Helen Garcia, Margaret Escalante
Altar Servers Katie Williams, Derek Folmar, Analyza Gonzalez
Ushers H. Longoria, C. Martin, M. Gonzales, J. Sanchez

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

If you have a few hours to volunteer, the chancery will be stuffing Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) materials, Monday and Tuesday, February 1st and 2nd from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Large Meeting Room of the Chancery located at 1505 E. Mesquite Lane in Victoria.

Collection Overview:

Last Sunday: \$ 2115.75

Church in Latin America: \$305.97

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

CHICKEN BARBECUE

FEBRUARY 7, 2010

PARISH MEMORIAL HALL

Disciples on the Journey for Lent

The 2010 Disciples on the Journey books are now available. The books may be purchased at the new low price of \$2.50 each at the Chancery in Victoria. The Family and Teen sections are online at www.victoriadiocese.org. Call the Office of Catechetical Ministry at 573-0828 or email dj@victoriadiocese.org for more information.

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Safe Environment Meeting for Parish

Each year by diocesan law, the parish is required to have an informational and program meeting to inform the parish about the Safe Environment Program for our children. This meeting will be held February 2, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room. All are invited to attend.

What's Your Catholic IQ?

Last week's question:

Ancient underground Christian cemeteries are known as: b. catacombs
Catacombs are ancient, human-made underground passageways or subterranean cemeteries composed thereof. Many are under cities and have served during historic times as a refuge for safety during wars or as a meeting place for cults. The first burial galleries to be referred to as *catacombs* lie beneath *San Sebastiano fuori le mura*, in Rome.

This week's question:

What was in the ark of the covenant (answer is in the Book of Exodus)?
a. the rod of Aaron
b. the ten commandment tablets
c. manna (bread) God gave from heaven
d. love letters from Moses to Zipporah
e. a, b, c, d
f. a, b, c

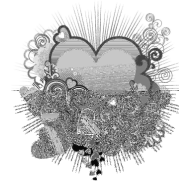
Answer coming next week.

Blessing of Throats – Wednesday Mass 8:00 a.m.

Through the intercession of St. Blasé, bishop and martyr (d. 316), we ask for protection from every disease of the throat and every other disease. It is believed that St. Blasé saved a young child from choking on a fish bone and thus began the blessing following his martyrdom.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY BAKE SALE

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be hosting a bake sale after Masses on FEBRUARY 14, 2010.



Proceeds will go toward their general fund.