

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 2017

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	J. T. DeBord
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	James & Judy Huehlefeld
	10 A.M.	Paul Jimenez
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	M/M Oscar Ward, M/M Leland Tucker
	8:05 A.M.	Marie Luecke
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Sam Sykora
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Victor & Frances Rainosek
	10 A.M.	Leonita Machac
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Richard Schleinschok
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Jerry Welfel
	9 A.M.	Al Sitka
	11 A.M.	Victoria Cervantes

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in thanksgiving for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who visit the homebound, nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ep 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Your Gift to God: March 19th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,176
Online Giving	\$1,220
Building Fund	\$160
Rice Bowl	\$376
St. Ann Parish Support	\$552
Rice Bowl	\$82

May God reward your generosity!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

Operation Rice Bowl

During the season of Lent through Easter Sunday we will have the traditional almsgiving program, "Operation Rice Bowl" taken up as a second collection each weekend.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Dawne Wendel
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Rose Mary Havlik
	9 A.M.	Rocki Grubert
	11 A.M.	Josefina Ceja

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Robert & Rita Pargmann
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Al Sitka Family

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Donna Tolbert, Kim Fikac, Theresa Belicek
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Glenn & Darlene Renken, Bob Arlitt
	11 A.M.	Susie Barrera, Heriberto Castillo, Virginia Amaro

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Ronnie Koenning, Bobby Fikac, JoJo Machalec, Charlie Proschko
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Charles & Diane Havlik
	9 A.M.	David & JoAnn Muehlstein, Blaise Dreitner, Sherri Spaeth
	11 A.M.	Robert Barrera, Raquel Gomez, Gabriel Espinosa, Vicky Vasquez

Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Hannah & Ella Boswell, Alex Hull
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Zachary Raz, Grace Migl
	9 A.M.	Sierra Johnson, Ryan Brewer, Jenna Berkovsky
	11 A.M.	Adriana & Gabrielle Moreno, Alex Gutierrez

SJS: Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph School students will have Stations of the Cross at 3:00 P.M. on Friday's. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Lenten Fridays

During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament each Friday at 6:00 P.M.

"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life."

The Quasimodo "Relief" Benefit

This weekend the folks of St. Ann are hosting their fundraising benefit with a "country store" and Chicken Fried Steak dinner plates-to-go. As has been mentioned, this benefit is to purchase some freestanding heaters for the Pavilion and as well, to automate the bronze bell with a clock and timer. It will allow the rich sound of this mint condition 34in diameter 1906 Stuckstede bronze bell (named in honor of St. James when it was dedicated) to sound the Angelus and be outfitted with a striking toller for funeral usage at the little church on the prairie. This is not an indictment against manual rope pulling to swing the bell...but rather...a way to more regularly utilize this part of the church's history...even old Quasimodo at Notre Dame needed a "relief" ringer every once in a while!

Parish Pictorial Directory

We will be moving ahead with plans for a new Parish Pictorial Directory. The project is in the "works" and photography will probably take place in June. Success is only possible if as many of our families can participate. More information in coming weeks.

Community Worship Service

The Yoakum Ministerial Alliance will sponsor a Palm Sunday Community Service Sunday, April 9th at the Austin Street Baptist Church. The service will begin at 5:30 P.M. and will followed by a meal. Everyone is invited to attend.

Easter Flowers

Those who would like to donate towards the Easter floral decorations are invited to use the envelopes in the church entrances. All memorial/donations will be listed in the bulletin after Easter.

Cemetery Flower Reminder

Easter is just a few weeks away and it's time to remove those Christmas poinsettias and any old, faded and tattered flowers as to keep things looking in good condition.

Via Crucis

Este Miercoles (29 Marzo) vamos a tener el Via Crucis a las 7:00 P.M. en la Iglesia en Espanol. Todos estan invitado a compartir este gran devocion cuaresmal en preparacion para la Fiesta de Pascua que ya se aproximan. Va a terminar al 7:30 P.M. a lo mas tarde para los que estan esperando sus hijos de la doctrina.

Deanery Penance Services

Monday, April 3rd – Sts. Cyril & Methodius - Shiner
Tuesday, April 4th – St. Joseph - Yoakum
Thursday, April 6th – Sacred Heart – Hallettsville
Friday, April 7th – St. Joseph - Moulton

All Services Begin at 5:30 P.M.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

The Institution of the Holy Eucharist
and the Priesthood
Mass – 7:00 P.M.

Nightwatch in the Church until Midnight

Good Friday

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
12:30 P.M.

Recitation of the Rosary for our Country will
follow in the Prayer Garden.

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil – 5:00 P.M.

Easter Sunday

7:00 A.M. – St. Ann's

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M. (Bilingual)

Holy Thursday Collection

A special collection For the Education of our Seminarians will be taken up at the Holy Thursday Mass.

Good Friday Special Collection

A special collection to help support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land will be taken up on Good Friday. This Pontifical Collection allows the Franciscans and

others to continue caring for Christianity's holiest sites and for God's people in the Holy Land.

Catholic Faith Advocacy Day

The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, on April 4, 2017, at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. **If you are interested in participating please let us know ASAP. We are making plans to secure a bus if we have enough people. It will be first come first serve and the bus would leave from Victoria.**

Reserve your spot by calling Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, at (361) 573-0828, email: chancellor@victoriadiocese.org or visit <https://victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day> for more information.

Lenten Day of Reflection & Adoration

"My dwelling shall be with them; I will be their God, they shall be my people." Ezekiel 37:27

Saturday, April 8, 2017

10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

St. Mary's Church, Hallettsville

**Confession, Mass, Adoration, Stations,
Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction**

Please join us, for a day of reflection during Lent, as we pray for our families and our nation. This will be a silent retreat and a day of fasting. Bread and water will be provided. Families are encouraged to attend. Let's make time for our Lord!

For more information call: Lorrie Adamek at 293-1300.

TMIY

That Man Is You continues to enrich the lives of the men who risk a bit more involvement and challenge in their journey of faith. You don't have to start from the beginning--if thinking about it considering a way to more actively engage your faith and strengthen your roots--don't procrastinate! **Come and join us this Wednesday at 6:00 A.M. in the St. Joseph Parish Family Center!**

Palm Sunday

9:00 & 11:00 A.M. Masses

The 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Masses on Palm Sunday, April 9th will begin at the Family Center, weather permitting, with the blessing and procession of palms.



Domingo de Ramos

Las Misas de 9:00 y 11:00 el domingo, 9 de abril comenzará en frente del salón parroquial, el tiempo lo permite, con la bendición y procesión de las palmas.

Holy Week/Easter Office Schedule

The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday, April 12th and reopen on Tuesday, April 18th. **Deadline for the bulletin is noon Tuesday, April 11th.**

Lenten Practices

Daily Mass – Monday thru Friday – 6:30 A.M.

SJS Stations of the Cross – 3:00 P.M.

Every Friday

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament – Every Friday – 6:00 P.M.

Operation Rice Bowl Collection – Every Sunday

**Sacrament of Reconciliation – Every Wednesday
6:30 – 7:30 P.M. & every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.**

ALPHA

¿Quiere crecer en su fe? ¿Todavía busca algo que hacer durante la Cuaresma? ¡Prueba Alpha! Esta serie de videos se le dará la oportunidad de reflexionar sobre los aspectos más importantes del Cristianismo y hacer preguntas acerca de la vida. No se preocupe si le ha perdido alguno de las clases. Todavía usted es bienvenido a venir. Acompañenos las tardes del martes a las 6 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial.

A Note from Principal Mooney

St. Joseph School activities for this week:

March 20-31

Pre-K and New Student Registration

March 31

Stations of the Cross – 3:00 P.M.

If interested in sending your child(ren) to St. Joseph School, please stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney. It is not too soon to be thinking about the 2017-2018 school year.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Every Monday

ALPHA – 6:30 – 8 P.M.

Martes (Every Tuesday)

Espanol ALPHA – 6 P.M.

Every Wednesday

TMIY – 6 A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.

Every Friday in Lent

St. Joseph School - Stations of the Cross – 3 P.M.

The Way of the Cross – 6 P.M. - Followed by
Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

April 2

Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Spring Fling

April 9

Community Easter Service - 5:30 P.M.

Austin Street Baptist Church

April 29

Sacrament of Confirmation – 5 P.M.

Enrich Your Spiritual Life...

ALPHA

Would you like to grow in your faith? Are you still looking for something to do during Lent? Try Alpha! This video series will give you the opportunity to reflect on the most important aspects of Christianity and to ask questions about life. Don't worry if you've missed any classes. You are still welcome to come. Join us Monday evenings at 6:30 P.M. in the Family Center.

Hope to see you Monday evening!

St. Joseph School Sets Registration March 20th – March 31st

St. Joseph School will begin registration for the Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 programs and new students K-8 for the 2017-2018 school year beginning March 20th through March 31st. Parents may register in the school office from 9:00-11:00 A.M. and 1:00-3:00 P.M. Parents are required at the time of registration to present the students baptismal and/or official birth certificates and a complete immunization record. No child will be completely registered unless all of these documents are provided. A registration fee of \$200 per student is required. After the deadline of March 31st the registration fee will be \$225. Parents are encouraged to register students before April 1st. St. Joseph School admits students of any religion, race, color, or national or ethnic origin. **Registration forms are available at the back of the church.**

Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Spring Fling

Sunday, April 2nd

Yoakum Community Center
Doors open at 10:00 A.M.

BBQ Chicken Plates - \$9.00
Serving 10:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Shiner Hobo Band performing
10:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Live Auction 12:30 – 1:30 P.M.

Plant Sale – Desserts – Artisans Market
Balloon Creations – Face Painting

Meal tickets available at First State Bank,
Yoakum National Bank, Bluebonnet
Youth Ranch and at the door.

KJZT Bake Sale

The St. Ludmila #12 KJZT, Sweet Home, will sponsor a Bake Sale on Saturday, April 8th after the 5:00 P.M. Mass and on Sunday, April 9th after the 7:00 A.M. Mass in the Sweet Home Parish Hall. Proceeds benefit "Meal on Wheels" and "Peter's Place".