

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 17, 2013

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Bryan Rodriguez
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Genevieve Bujnoch
	10 A.M.	Edna Manning
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Berney Brzozowski <i>Birthday Blessings!</i>
	8:05 A.M.	Special Intention
<i>Thu.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Joseph Lauer
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Ricardo Rodriguez
	10 A.M.	Henrietta Jahn
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Norbert Vrazel
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Cheryl Delvige
	9 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>
	11 A.M.	Adan Cardosa

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week for our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI.

Prayer List

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

This Sunday's Holy Scripture

Deut 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Your Gift to God: February 10th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,194.05
Online Giving	\$700
Building Fund	\$397
St. Ann Parish Support	\$540
St. Ann Building Fund	\$40

May God reward your generosity!

Lenten Practices

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

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

Operation Rice Bowl Collection – Every Sunday

2013 Youth Spectacular

All students attending the 2013 Youth Spectacular next Sunday, February 24th will leave from the Family Center parking lot at 10:00 A.M.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Gladys Jiral
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Al Janak
	9 A.M.	Bob Arlitt
	11 A.M.	Carolina Caballero

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Vrazel Family
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Patrick Matusek Family

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Dorothy Zabransky, Chris Hull, Annette Hull
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	David & Jo Ann Muehlstein, Mary McQuillen
	11 A.M.	Virginia Amaro

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Albert & Suzanne Sestak, Ronnie Koenning, Rocki Grubert
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Janet & Jason Zabransky
	9 A.M.	Robbie Hagan, Johnny Salinas, Katherine Jendrzey, Joe Machalec
	11 A.M.	Ernest Gomez, Sr., Alice Nunez, Raquel Gomez, Rachel Rodriguez

Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Morgan & Emma Hull, Anna Kvinta
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Luke Adamek, Clayton Zabransky
	9 A.M.	Caroline & Claire Spaeth, Jenna Berkovsky
	11 A.M.	Selena & Pedro Amaro, Tristan Caballero

Altar Servers Training

We will have a training session for "new" altar servers-- boys and girls grade 4 and up--today, Sunday, February 17th from noon to 1:00 P.M. in the church.

Monaguillos

Vamos a tener un entrenamiento para nuevos monaguillos el proximo domingo inmediatamente despues de Misa de las 11am. Va a durar para una hora. Todos ninos-ninas desde el grado 4-12 pueden asistir.

Women's ACTS Retreat

The Women's ACTS retreat will be held March 21-24. Applications are available at the entrance of the Church or online at www.actsretreats.org.

Catholicism Series

The next "Catholicism" Series meeting will be held **Wednesday, February 20th at 6:30 P.M.** in the Meeting Room.

KC Fishing Tournament

Once again the KC's will be sponsoring a fishing tournament to benefit the annual Feast of St Joseph fish fry. The tournament is open to Yoakum K.C. members and their guests and will take place from February 28th thru March 3rd. Entry forms may be picked up at the parish office. For more information please call Kenneth Adamek at 293-1318.

St. John of God "Book Trade"

We will be starting a monthly parish book trade after all Masses the first weekend of every month. If you have any spiritual, religious, or historical books (English or Spanish) that you would like to loan to the "library" please put your name, address, and phone number in each book and drop them off at the rectory during business hours. The first book trade will be held after all Masses on March 2nd & 3rd. Contact Ashley Hermes (361) 293-0700 with any questions.

Yoakum Boy Scout BBQ

Yoakum Boy Scout Troop 228 will have their annual barbeque on Saturday, March 2nd from 4:00-6:30 P.M. at the Community Center. Plates are a \$7.50 donation and tickets are available from any scout, First State Bank and Yoakum National Bank

CDA Centennial Celebration

All Parishioners are invited to attend the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Court #206 and the 70th Anniversary of JCDA Court #206 on Sunday, March 10th at the 9:00 A.M. Mass which will be celebrated by Bishop David Fellhauer. A reception and meal will follow at the Family Center. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by March 1st to: Suzanne Sestak 741-5394 or Charlotte Morrow 293-3454.

Cemetery Upkeep

It's that time where the Christmas decorations are becoming dated and faded--and in some cases unseemly. In the next few weeks we are asking families to remove such decor as mid-Lent we will need to start preparing for Easter.

Marriage Anniversaries

Those observing special anniversaries this year (20, 25, 30, 35, etc.) and who plan to be present at our Parish Feast of St. Joseph celebration on Tuesday, March 19th are invited to call the parish office and add their name to the list.

Make the most of Lent

We are at the First Sunday of this Lenten journey--resolve to make the most of it. In addition to our traditional practices of self-denial, charity through almsgiving with our second collections for Operation Rice Bowl, and prayer practices such as utilizing the Little Black Books...why not consider attending daily Mass? Or attending Friday Stations of the Cross? Setting aside time to attend Eucharistic Adoration on First Friday? Making plans to attend all of the Sacred Triduum liturgies? Fulfilling one's "Easter Duty" and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Volunteering to assist with Religious Education/CCD? Joining the choir or helping with our liturgies by becoming a lector? Volunteering to assist with Nursing Home ministry? The list can go on and on--the point being--these are just a few of the possibilities at your fingertips--you can probably think of many, many more...just don't stop with thinking about it--jump in!!!

Cemetery Regulations Update

It might seem odd that a cemetery has to have rules and regulations--and that they have to be updated. The reality is that such is the necessity. Most of us tend to think in terms of our grandparents, parents and sadly at times, our children who are laid to rest in this consecrated ground. It's easy to forget that generations have come and gone before us, and will come long after our time in this vale of tears. One need only to survey some of the older sections of the cemetery to see the condition of the markers and graves of those who have no family present in the parish to care for their loved one's plots--and the disrepair and damage the ensuing years have left. Such is the rationale for the latest update regarding the rules and regulations. Upkeep and expenses for St. Joseph Cemetery costs approximately \$16,000-18,000 a year. A major portion of this expense is carried by the parish each year as the Cemetery does not generate enough income to cover its own expenses. Thus one can see why there is a differentiation between registered parishioner and non-parishioner. We are very proud of the beauty of our cemetery--but it does pose challenges that we must meet. The pricing remains the same--the major change regards interring cremains in existing burial spaces. Due to record keeping, only one additional interment in a grave occupied by a casket can be made. We have an obligation for those future generations to document such additions as they are--properly speaking--doubling the grave space. The updated rules and regulations are available on the parish website, the cemetery database and through the parish office.

"One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

Matthew 4:46

