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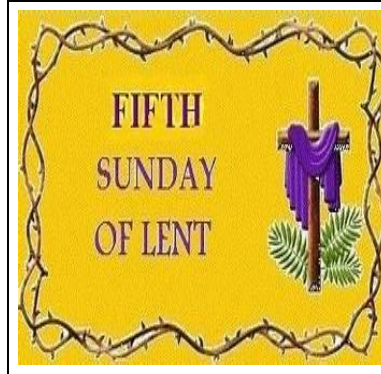
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THE SANCTUARY LIGHT
IS OFFERED
IN MEMORY
OF
BERT AND
ALBENA
NEUGEBAUER

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

5:00 PM

MISSA PRO POPULO

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

9:30 AM

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

+JOE AND TILLIE HEDRICK

Tuesday, March 20, at 9:30 AM

+Clara DeReese

Tuesday, March 20, 10:00 AM - 11 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, March 21, at 9:30 AM

For All Victims of violence

Thursday, March 22, at 9:30 AM

For Priestly Vocations

Friday, March 23, at 9:30 AM

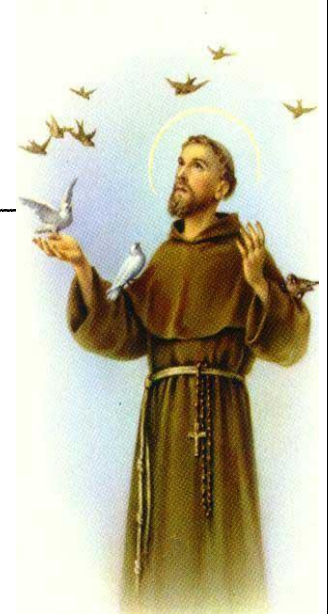
For All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, March 24, at 5:00 PM

Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, March 25, at 9:30 AM

+Joe and Tillie Hedrick



MINISTERS FOR MARCH 24 AND MARCH 25

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday: Cup: Ron Zajac and Kathy Russell

Bread: Henry Dao

Sunday: Cup: Jeanne Kirk and Donna Manthei

Altar Servers:

Saturday: Rowdy Watkins

Sunday: Nate Philipello and Pablo Galvez

Commentators/Lectors:

Saturday: Ron Zajac

Sunday: CYM

Music:

Saturday: Teddy Manthei

Sunday: Everett and Jenny Green

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD



Church: \$2523.00

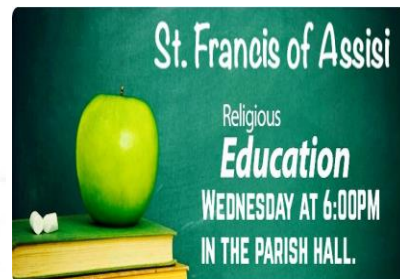
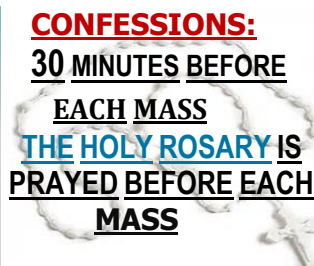
Building Fund: \$25.00

Children: \$5.00

Catholic Relief Services: \$484.00

"For it is in giving that we receive"

- St. Francis of Assisi



KC

KC Council 10555 will begin selling tickets for our Spring Gun Raffle in the next coming weeks, All proceeds benefit Scholarships and other charitable funds. The drawing will be held May 10, 2018. Thanks for all your support. You may purchase tickets from any KC member or the church office.

From Ashes to Easter

We are blessed by the gracious gift of Jesus Christ, who transformed human history by his infinite and compassionate love. Through his Spirit, His grace has been poured into our hearts. With open and merciful hearts we are invited to share our blessings. As we add coins to our Ashes to Easter boxes each day, we together, will bring hope to struggling missions. Please pray a Hail Mary for the missions. Lent boxes can be picked up today after Mass. All boxes should be returned on Easter Sunday and/or the week after.

Lenten Penance Services

- o March 20, 7:00 p.m., St. Mary in Hearne, English & Spanish
- o March 22, 10:00 a.m., St. Joseph / St. Anthony in Bryan, English
- o March 22, 6:00 p.m., St. Joseph / St. Anthony in Bryan, English
- o March 23, 7:00 p.m., Santa Teresa, English & Spanish



COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHEONS

Everyone Welcome! Every Wednesday during Lent, from 12 noon – 1 PM. At the Franklin Methodist Church Sanctuary.

Franklin Food Pantry:

St. Francis of Assisi will be manning the Franklin Food Pantry on March 31 from 9-12. They are still in need of canned meats and tuna. Please place your contributions in the green basket in the church narthex.

Chrism Mass is on Tuesday of Holy Week

The annual diocesan Chrism Mass will be celebrated March 27 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. Bishop Joe Vásquez will bless the holy oils that will be used in parishes throughout the next year. Priests and deacons will renew their vows of obedience to the bishop and their commitment to serve God's people.

Easter Lilies



It is almost celebration time! If you would like to participate in this annual tradition of honoring a loved one, living or deceased, by purchasing an Easter Lily to adorn the Church this Easter Season, simply stop by the office during open hours with \$15 and the name of the person you wish to honor. (Please place your order by March 23)

OPERATION EASTER EGG HUNT

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED!

St. Francis is having the annual Easter egg hunt this April 1st. We are looking for an Easter egg hunt coordinator and volunteers this year. We are also looking for donations of pre-filled plastic eggs, bags of candy, etc. Prayerfully consider helping this year! Contact Sandra in the office.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner:

The Gospel this Sunday points to the self-sacrificing love of Jesus. No fruit can grow without the seed giving up its life for the plant. The social doctrines of the church are difficult for many because they challenge strongly held beliefs. Our teaching on life embraces the unborn and the person on death row; our teaching on solidarity asks that we ask not only about our betterment, but whether the poorest of the world are succeeding; our teaching on the environment calls us to examine how large our carbon footprint might be. This is the season conversion and sacrifice, in the last weeks of Lent what attitude or habit is God asking you to evaluate in the light of the social doctrine of the church?