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# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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**Third Sunday of Lent**

**March 8, 2015**

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Monday-Friday

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## News, Reminders, and Events

The next **Women's Guild Meeting** will be to pamper our members this Wednesday, March 11 at 7 p.m. at Commerce Nails. If you haven't attended, this would be a great meeting to start!

La próxima reunión del **Gremio de la Mujer** será para mimar a nuestros miembros este miércoles, 11 de marzo a las 7 pm en Comercio Nails.

This past week, Fr. Marcus was incardinated into the Dicoese of Dallas. Previously, he was considered part of the Diocese of Awka, Nigeria. He is now officially a priest of our Diocese.

La semana pasada, el Padre Marcus fue incardinado en los Dicoese de Dallas. Anteriormente, se consideraba parte de la diócesis de Awka, Nigeria. Él es ahora oficialmente un sacerdote de nuestra diócesis.

Don't forget to buy your tickets to the **2015 Bishop's 22nd Annual Pro-Life Dinner Raffle**. First prize is a \$15,000 MasterCard gift card! The drawing will be held at the dinner on April 18 in Irving, and winners do not need to be present. Chances are \$20 each, four for \$60, or eight for \$100. See Bob Lucero or a member of the K of C for more information.

No te olvides de **comprar sus boletos al 22 de Pro - Vida Cena Rifa Anual del 2015 del obispo**. El primer premio es una tarjeta de regalo de \$ 15 000 MasterCard! El sorteo se llevará a cabo en la cena el 18 de abril en Irving, y los ganadores no necesitan estar presentes.

In coordination with Spring Break, there will be **no CCD classes Sunday, March 15 or 22**. Classes will resume Palm Sunday, March 29. We hope you enjoy your time off but hope to see you at mass!

Vacaciones de primavera! Woo! **No habrá ninguna clases de CCD para los próximos 2 fines de semana**. Las clases se reiniciarán el 29 de marzo, Domingo de Ramos. Estamos emocionados de que tener un descanso, pero todavía esperamos verlos en masa!

Thank you for your generous response **to the appeal that we made for Stella** last weekend. We have currently raised \$760 toward our \$2,000 goal. Once again, you are an amazing, caring and kind group and we are so grateful!

Gracias por su generosa efusión en la apelación que hicimos para Stella este fin de semana. Actualmente hemos planteado \$760 hacia nuestra meta de \$2.000. Una vez más, son un grupo increíble, cariñoso y amable y estamos muy agradecidos!

The **application deadline for The Knights of Columbus Council 7348 High School Scholarship** is fast approaching.

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### **TODAY'S MASS MUSIC**

Opening: #466 I Heard the Voice of Jesus

Preparation: #436 You Are Near

Communion: #137 Beyond the Days

Closing: #616 Your Grace is Enough

<b>Saturday March 7</b> 5:30 p.m. Mass John Wieland by Linda Weiland  Youth Group Field Trip Leave at 7 p.m.  The usual stipend for a Mass is \$5.00.	<b>Sunday March 8</b> 9:30 a.m. Mass	<b>Monday March 9</b> No Mass	<b>Tuesday March 10</b> 6:30 p.m. Mass	<b>Wednesday March 11</b> 6:30 p.m. Mass Doc & Mary Flesher by The Salisbury Family CSO meets after mass Women's Guild Meeting 7 p.m. at Commerce Nails	<b>Thursday March 12</b> 8 a.m. Mass  RCIA meets at 7 p.m.	<b>Friday March 13</b> 8 a.m. Mass  Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.	<b>Saturday March 14</b> 5:30 p.m. Mass Fred Isenbart by The Salisbury Family
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## Pastor's Corner by Fr. Marcus Chidozie\_\_\_\_\_

“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” This was the response Jesus gave to the Jews who questioned his authority. When he visited the temple in Jerusalem, Jesus was visibly upset. The merchants and money changers were buying and selling in the temple area, which ideally, was supposed to be a place of worship, a sacred place. So, moved with righteous indignation, Jesus made a whip and drove those merchants, money changers, sheep, oxen and doves out of the temple. He overturned their tables saying “stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.” Of course, we know that Jesus was speaking about His approaching passion, death, and resurrection.

Looking at the bigger picture, today’s readings invite us to examine our lives to determine what constitutes an obstacle or stumbling block in our relationship with God and with one another. Our first reading says “...you shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below,... you shall not bow down before them or worship them.” Try using today’s readings as a checklist for self-examination to determine what is preventing you from giving yourself wholeheartedly to God. Is it pride, self-indulgence, indifference, ingratitude, despair, presumption or doubt? These are sins against the first commandment. How do you repay God for his goodness to you?

**Our Parish Weekly Need: 2,771.60\***

Las necesidades semanales de nuestra parroquia: \$2,771.60\*

**Last Sunday, February 15, 2015: \$2,323.75**

Recaudado el domingo pasado: \$2,323.75

Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$3,402.50

Pago mensual de hipoteca: \$3,402.50

Last Sunday's Building Fund: \$983

Fondos recaudados el domingo pasado: \$983

Building Fund March Total: \$983

Total de fondos en marcha: \$983

Mass Attendance: 323

Cantidad de asistentes: 323

\*What it takes to function not including the Mortgage Payment.

\*Lo que se requiere para el funcionamiento de la parroquia, sin el pago mensual de la hipoteca.

## News, Reminders, and Events from page one\_\_\_\_\_

The deadline is April 15th. For more information, contact Maximino Plata (903)217-4485 or mpdmp1962@yahoo.com or see Bob Lucero after mass.

Los caballeros de Colón Greenville Consejo 7438 ofrece becas para graduados de la high School secundaria de 2015. Fecha límite es el 15 de abril de 2015. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Maximino Plata (903) 217-4485 o mpdmp1962@yahoo.com.

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