

READINGS

March 15, 2015

4th Sunday of Lent

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 36: 14-16, 19-23

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3: 14-21

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection March 8th.....\$1,955

Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to the their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

REFLECTION During the years when slavery was legal in the United States, a gentleman happened upon a slave-bidding in a crowd street. He saw a young girl standing at the back. She looked so frightened. As the auctioneer opened the bidding for the girl, the gentleman shouted out a bid that was twice the amount of any other selling price offered that day. There was silence for an instance, and then the gavel fell as, "sold to the gentleman" was heard. Suddenly she looked up and spat in his face. Silently, he smiled gently at the young girl and said, "Follow me". She followed him reluctantly. The gentleman paid the purchase price and signed the documents. When the transaction was complete, he turned to the young girl and presented the documents to her. Startled, she looked at him with uncertainty. Her narrowed eyes asked, what are you doing? The gentlemen responded to her questioning look. He said,

"Here, take these papers. I bought you to make you free. As long as you have these papers in your possession, no man can ever make you a slave again. The girl looked into his face. What was happening? Slowly, she said, "You bought me, to make me free?" "You bought me, to make me free?" She fell to her knees and wept at the gentleman's feet. Through her tears of joy and gratitude, she said, "You bought me, to make me free....! I'll serve you forever!" You and I were once bound in slavery to sin. But the Lord Jesus paid the price, to make us free, when He shed His Blood at Calvary. How often have we spat in our Master's face -- He who paid His all, for our freedom?

Adapted from en.radiovatican.va

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus recalled Moses lifting the serpent so the Israelites could be healed of their snakebites. Consider spending some time in prayer this week for those who need healing.

PLEASE CONSIDER POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:

That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person ...

AND

That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always ...

BISHOP VASQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:

For students, teachers and faculty who are on Spring Break, that they may have safe travels and be spiritually refreshed ...

CENTENNIAL CORNER

Our centennial year has officially begun! Be sure to look here, our website and social media outlets for the latest updates.

Key Events to remember:

Summer BBQ: Sun., June 14th
Gala: Sat., November 7th
Start participating in 100 Acts of Kindness! #100ActsofOLOW
Follow us on Twitter for details @OLWisdom

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ROSARY every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesdays 5:45-9pm and Mornings Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

NIGHT PRAYER hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

FREE LUNCH every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

BOBCATS FOR LIFE 2nd & 4th Thursdays 6pm in the Library

WISDOM PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7pm up stairs

BIBLE STUDIES every day!

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION
www.txstatecatholic.org

ASHES TO EASTER

Ashes to Easter annual Lenten Mission project has begun. Each family is invited to pick up a box in the Lobby. Put in some coins each day during Lent and pray for missions worldwide. Return your box on Easter.



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Be spiritually prepared for Easter!

Penance Service at St. John's in San Marcos on Fri., March 27th. All Penance Services begin at 7pm.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Good Friday, April 3rd starting at noon at OL Wisdom through campus and ending back at OL Wisdom. All are welcomed.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Please join us for veneration of a 1st class relic of St. Faustina followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Sunday April 12th at 2:30pm in the Chapel. All welcomed!



at the Pines camp in Big Sandy, near Dallas, on the weekend of April 10th-12th. Cost is \$100. Please sign up by Friday April 3rd.

Www.focus.org/spiritual-impact/sign-ip-for-a-boot-camp.html. Call Andrew Nistler at 406-202-1270 or Morgan Rolfes at 712-541-1474 with questions.

HEALING MASS sponsored by the Charismatic Renewal on Fri., March 20th, 7PM St. Patrick Catholic Church 2500 Limmer Loop Hutto by Fr. Robert Becker Contact: Christina Turullois 512-563-7851 event@ccraustin.org

HEART OF MARY

discernment retreat All women, ages 18-45, are invited to April 24th-26th, at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will be led by the Consecrated Sisters of the Apostles of the Interior Life (AVI). Contact the Vocation Office at (512) 949-2430. Cost is \$35. Register by Mon., April 20th at www.austinvocations.com



SPRING BREAK SCHEDULE

March 14th – 22nd
Sunday, March 15th & 22nd 10am, 5pm, & 7:30pm
NO DAILY MASSES OR SERVICES DURING THE WEEK EXCEPT Friday March 20th there will be noon Confessions, 12:30pm Daily Mass and Stations of the Cross will follow

OFFICE and BUILDING will be closed March 14th - 21st Except for scheduled Mass