

READINGS

March 29, 2015

Palm Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

STEWARDSHIP

March 15th Collection.....\$1,539
March 22nd Collection.....\$1,835
St. Vincent De Paul Collection.....\$675
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 their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

HOLY WEEK:

Lent is a time that is as if we move from joy and celebration to utter defeat and emptiness. However, that is the essence of our entire journey, and our beginning of Holy Week, which is today. During this holiest of weeks we are beginning, Christ presents the great contradiction of the way He was praised and loved by some and reviled by others. Just as this Palm Sunday opens with joy and closes with seeming sorrow, our Holy week follows the same formula — including His death for us on the Cross, but closing with a complete sense of triumph.

This Gospel is vivid; it is, so to speak, a “slap in our faces.” The joy of the beginning of the Mass is contrasted against the betrayal of Jesus by a trusted friend... His bloody suffering at the hands of Pilate and the Romans... His utter humiliation as He carried a Cross through the city to a jeering crowd... and His final pain and degradation as He is nailed to the Cross and He dies.

The steward understands that she/he travels with the Lord every step of the way, from the highs to the lows, from triumph to evident disaster. Throughout Lent we have been striving to deepen our relationship with Him. Nevertheless, when it comes right down to it, we may resist His invitation to us because it can mean pain, sacrifice, and suffering. That is why we must experience Lent. That is why we must experience His Passion. And that is why next week on Easter Sunday we will arise with the Lord in triumph, joy, and celebration. Truly, “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.”

Adapted from catholicsteward.com

GOSPEL REFLECTION

A woman prepares Jesus for his funeral by anointing him with expensive perfume. During this Lent, how have you prepared yourself for Christ's Passion and Resurrection?

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 an end to violence and terrorism in the Holy Land ...

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
Campus Walk and Mass: Sat., August 29th

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 upstairs

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 coins each day during Lent and pray for missions worldwide. Return your box on Easter.



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.

PALMS from previous years to be burned at the Easter Vigil Mass may be placed in the basket in the Lobby before Saturday, April 4th.



GOSPEL OF MARK weekly Bible Study begins Friday, April 10th at 1:00pm in the Library. Open to the whole parish community. We will use the Ignatius Catholic Study guide. For more information contact Carol Rainbolt 512-557-6516 mikera8@yahoo.com

CHRISM MASS

Will take place on March 31 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. All are welcomed!
www.austindiocese.org/chrism2015

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

which begins on Good Friday April 3rd. Is suggested to pray in preparation of **Divine Mercy Sunday**, which was designated by St. John Paul II as the Sunday after Easter. **April 12th**. The Novena is available on the table in the Lobby.



Holy Thursday

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 6:30pm

Good Friday

LIVING STATIONS THROUGH CAMPUS Noon

PASSION OF THE LORD 3:00pm

Holy Saturday

EASTER VIGIL MASS 8:30pm

Easter Sunday

EASTER SUNDAY MASS 10:00am

CURSILLO – A 3-day course in Christianity. The following are the dates for **English Speaking**

Women's April 16 –19, 2015
Men's May 21 – 24, 2015
For more information or to register, please call Robin Spencer, Lay Director, at (254) 220-3883 rob-ins@hotmail.com or Sharon Ganslen, Pre-Cursillo Chairperson, at (245) 698-2594 sganslen@hotmail.com

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