



SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

- 1) Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15
- 2) 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
- 3) Luke 13:1-9

FOCUS: Jesus calls us to repent so that we might bear good fruit. God's ways are not our ways. In order to bear good fruit, we must allow him to shape and mold our lives. This was not a new message that Jesus shared, but an affirmation of the covenant that God made with his people from the beginning. God is faithful – and so we are

called to be. When we stray and wither or produce bad fruit, we have the opportunity to repent and try again.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading from Exodus, God speaks to Moses from the burning bush, announcing his presence as the God of his father, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. In Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, he speaks of the Old Testament ancestors, many with whom God was not pleased. In today's Gospel, the crowd tells Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate mingled with their sacrifices. Jesus calls them to repentance and tells them a parable of the fig tree that produces no fruit.

Reading for the following Sunday

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- 1) Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
- 2) 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
- 3) Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS: St. Mary's Altar Society is now accepting donations for Easter Flowers. Any donation made in honor of or memory of your loved one(s) is accepted. Forms and envelopes are located on the back of the last pew on either side of the church. Please complete and return in the collection basket, to the church office, or mail to the address shown on the envelope. Please assist in decorating our church this Easter. Donations received after Monday, April 15, 2019 after 4:30 P.M. will not be published in the Easter Weekend Bulletin insert.

Penance Service

<i>St. Mary's</i>	Wednesday, April 3	2:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Sorrows,	Thurs., April 4,	6:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Victory,	Mon, April 8,	6:30 p.m.
Holy Family,	Tuesday, April 9,	6:30 p.m.
St. Patrick,	Wednesday, April 10,	6:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Lourdes,	Thurs., April 11,	6:30 p.m.

Please note, the change in the time of our penance service. This is to assist with those in the Victoria area and our own parishioners who are unable to drive after dark.

Other church penance services will remain in the Evening. Thank you for allowing this change to our normal schedule.

Lenten Soup

On Fridays during Lent the following organizations have volunteered to make the Lenten Soup. To schedule for the *last* soup supper please call the Rectory at 573-4328.

The current schedule is as follows:

- March 29 – CCD Education
- April 5 - St. Mary's Choir
- April 12 – **AVAILABLE**

Friday Stations of the Cross & Confession

This Lent father will offer confessions during the Stations of the Cross. Deacon Jim and our Deacon Candidate Richard Evans will lead us in the Stations. Come join our family in prayer at 6:00 p.m. (no Mass) in the Church followed by the Lenten Soup.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Liturgy Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 23

7:00 †Sharon West Bauer
4:00 Theresa Wearden 90th Birthday

Sunday, March 24, Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 †George Boedeker, Jr.
10:30 People of the Parish

Monday, March 25, The annunciation of the Lord

6:30 Incarnate Word Sisters
12:05 †Mary Hyak

Tuesday, March 26

6:30 †Ernest Innocenti
12:05 †Theofil Kocian

Wednesday, March 27

6:30 †Dec. Mem. of the Innocenti Family
12:05 †Walter Stevens

Thursday, March 28

6:30 Prayer and Communion Service
8:10 †Jason May —Nazareth Academy Children's
Liturgy
12:05 Prayer and Communion Service

Friday, March 29

6:30 †Regina Bianchi
12:05 †Beverly Cuellar
6:00 Station of the Cross

Saturday, March 30

7:00 †Juanita Moore McDowell
4:00 Juliet Rangnow

Sunday, March 31, Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:00 People of the Parish
10:30 †John Stockbauer, Jr.

Weekday Mass Schedule

6:30 AM Monday-Wednesday & Friday
12:05 PM Monday-Wednesday & Friday

***NOTE: NO MASS OR CONFESSIONS ON THURSDAYS** (unless specified)

PARISH CHOIR: Regular practice after the 8am Mass on Sundays. The choir also practices on Thursday evenings in the church from 5:30 to 7:00pm in preparation for Lent and Easter services. Anyone interested in participating in music ministry is encouraged to join the choir.

LECTORS

Saturday, March 30

4:00 p.m. Heather Zamykal

Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Shane Morris
10:30 a.m. Cynthia Brewer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, March 30

4:00 p.m. Denise Bednorz, Henry Schramek

Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Howard Pagel, Libby Ramirez
10:30 a.m. Bertha McDowell, Lucinda Cav
azos

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, March 30

4:00 p.m. Larry & Linda Lala, Denise Gainer,
Frank Smolka

Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Roy Jurica, Stella Silva, Paul
Janacek, Bohumil Vrana
10:30 a.m. Greg & Pam Fanelli, John
Cavazos, Greg Brewer

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, March 30

4:00 p.m. Emily Janak, Z. Zamykal

Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m. M. A. & G. Morris
10:30 a.m. J. J. & E. Rangnow

Cenacle of Divine Mercy of the Holy Rosary
meet every Tuesday, at 3:00 p.m. in the Adora-
tion Chapel. All are welcome.

**Altar Care for March be
Al & Dorothy Bomba**

**Calling All Our Lady of Sorrows CYO Ballet
Folklorico Members & Parents**



OLS Ballet Folklorico will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in 2020. We are reaching out to anyone who was ever involved in anyway. Please visit their website: www.olsvictoria.org OR go to their Facebook Page "Our Lady of Sorrow Ballet Folklorico" for contact information.

6 Day Pilgrimage with Fr. Stephen Vacek

June 9-14

Fr. Stephen Vacek will lead a 6-day pilgrimage to EWTN (Alabama) by motorcoach. The pilgrimage includes Mass and a visit to St. Anthony of Padua Cathedral in Beaumont; an overnight stay in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; visiting the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament/Our Lady of the Angels Monastery and the tomb of Mother Angelica; attending a live recording of Fr. Mitch Pacwa's show "Scripture & Tradition" and attend Mass at EWTN Studios which will be broadcast live on June 13. The group then returns to Victoria making an overnight stop in New Orleans where they will attend Mass at the National Shrine of the Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos.

The \$939 per person cost includes daily breakfast and dinner and one lunch. *Deadline for reservations is April 1, 2019.* For a more detailed itinerary or if you have any questions, contact Dora Silva at dsilva4415@gmail.com or 550-0103.

Dynamic Catholic Bible Study continues through Lent and beyond. We meet on Sunday in the Annex at 9:00 a.m. and again on Wed. at 6:00 p.m. in the Annex. Please join us.

Jesus is in Need of Adorers

St. Mary's Adoration Chapel is in need of adorers **8 to 9 a.m. Monday and Friday**
5 to 6 p.m. Friday.
Please call the church office (361) 573-4328 or Cindy Brewer (361) 571-6510 to sign up and receive the new code for the chapel.

Saying farewell to Fr. Stephen.

There will be three opportunities to bid Fr. Stephen farewell and thank him for all he has done for our parish in a very short time. A catered meal will be held on **April 6th** after the 4:00 P.M. Mass. **Reservations are required.**

Please contact the church rectory 573-4328 or Stella Silva 550-0387 to make your reservations. Reservations must be made prior to April 1st @ 4:30 P.M. Two additional socials will be held on Sunday **April 7th**; after the 8:00 and 10:30 A.M. Masses. These will be coffee, doughnuts, fruit and juice socials. Come and spend time with Fr. Stephen and wish him well on his next assignment at Our Lady of Victory which will begin on April 29th

Nazareth Academy is currently enrolling students in PK3 - 8th grade for the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in learning more about the school, visit our website at www.nazarethacademy.org. To set up a tour or shadow time for your child, please call Debbie Michalski at 361.573.6651 or email her at dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org. We would love to have you join our school family! Put your faith in us!

**Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name Society
Sponsors 54th Annual Chicken / Sausage
Dinner**

Sunday March 31, 2019, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 105 N. William St. - 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
BBQ Chicken or Sausage, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad and Beans \$10.00 per plate All Plates are to go Plates may be taken into the basement to eat.

Pray for our Seminarians/Diaconate Candidates:

Seminarians: Tran Dinh, Philippe Dubourdiu, James Dvorak, Dalton Ervin, Shane Goertz, Chase Goodman, Ryan Kapavik, Caleb Krischke, John A. Le, Aaron Padilla, Luke Pihoda, Joey Sablatura, Adam Shimek, & Richard Barfield.

Diaconate Candidate: Richard Evans

KJZT #101 will have a Bake Sale at Holy Family on March 23-24 before and after all the Masses. All proceeds will go to **Sister Rebecca - Promise Pointe**

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CCD NEWS:

Classes: March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24 Last Class

Quarterly Bunco Party

hosted by the *Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church* will be Thursday, April 4, from 9:30 a.m. till noon at the Basement Hall. Lunch and door prizes provided. Sign-in is at 9:00 am. Please call in your reservations to Elaine Mayer 575-5040

Amor Meus Spirituality Center

Solemn Lenten Vespers: March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Incarnate Word Convent Chapel 1101 N. E. Water Street, Victoria. Solemn Vespers is the Liturgical Evening Prayer of the Church. This prayer focuses on praying the psalms, giving thanks for the day and offering praise to God. Vespers closes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. For more information contact Sr. Emilie Eilers 361-575-7111.



QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER Interested in learning how to quilt or craft?

Come meet on Thursday, March 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex. The Altar Society Quilters are looking for old or broken jewelry or one of a kind pieces. You can bring the items to the office or there is a box in the entrance to the church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP MARCH 9-10

Sunday Collection.....	\$4,739.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 981.31
On-line giving.....	\$ 400.00
Total.....	\$ 6,120.31

RCIA

(the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Tuesday, March 26—ch. 9-Prayer and the life of the Spirit



FREE SHOWING!!!

Sunday, March 24, 2019 at 2PM
Holy Family Catholic Church, Victoria
704 Mallette Drive, Victoria, TX 77904

Sunday, March 31, 2019 at 2PM
Holy Family Catholic Church, Wharton
2011 Briar Lane, Wharton, TX 77488

Sunday, April 7, 2019 at 2PM
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church,
Schulenburg
1010 Lyons Ave, Schulenburg, TX 78956

“Power In My Hands” is a film that uncovers the beauty, timelessness and power of the rosary. Its primary purpose is to help viewers understand the power to revitalize America – a society in spiritual crisis, and instill an active response to the Blessed Mother’s plea for prayer. Hope through Jesus Christ is the ultimate goal of this film.

ALL SHOWINGS ARE FREE

VIEW TRAILER AT
www.powerinmyhandsthemovie.com

Singles
Couples
Families

Everyone is welcome!

Call 361-827-7171 for more information.



The Emmaus Center provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic

perspective. To schedule any appointments or for information call (361) 212-0830.

Forgiven : Transforming Power of Confession
Have you ever received a "wake-up call" that inspired you to make a change in your life? Maybe it was something significant like a health issue that forced you to make better choices. Thankfully, God doesn't ask us to do it on our own. He not only calls us home, but He also walks with us every step of the way.



**Knights of Columbus
Council #1329
Bingo Night**

Every Wednesday evening;
Hall opens 6:00 pm; Bingo Games 7:30 pm until 10:00 pm. \$10.00 per Bingo sheet pack for 10 games. Food and drinks available. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. For info, call the hall Wednesday evening at 575-9214.

Come out, have fun and meet friends



**Reporting Procedures for Suspected or
Known Sexual Abuse of a
Minor (person under 18 years of age) or
Vulnerable Adult by a Member of the Clergy**

Contact:

• The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, within **48 hours**, at (800) 252-5400, www.txabusehotline.org, or local police department. **If person is in immediate danger call 911.**

and

• Vicki Pyatt, LMSW, Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach, Diocese of Victoria, (361) 827-7186, pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.

or

• Bishop or Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, (361) 573-0828.
Written allegations can be mailed to Office of the Bishop, P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903 marked "Personal and Confidential".



If sexual abuse by a member of clergy has occurred in another diocese, the Diocese of Victoria will help bring your concerns to church officials. For assistance contact Vicki Pyatt at (361) 827-7186 or pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.

DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

Adoration Chapel	Cynthia Brewer	571-6510
Altar Servers	Emily Janak	573-1874
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Baptism Prep.	Diana Starnes	550-9533
Bereavement Group	Geraldine Jurica	573-3949
Vacation Bible School	Marie Immenhauser	572-3863
Disciples on the Journey	Laurie Bautista	573-9561
Festival Committee Chairs	Kevin & Joan Pfister	576-9638
Funeral Meals	Adele Donalson	573-4455
Liturgical Ministers	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
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Music Ministry	Cathy Lowe	935-1068
Natural Family Planning	Susanne Koch	(979) 488-4528
Quilters	Jo Ann Bone	578-7629
RCIA	Sr. Frances Cabrini	575-7111
Religious Education	Diana Starnes	550-9533
Rentals	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
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Weekly Rosary & Divine Mercy Cenacle	Tina Rabalais	541-9295

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