

## Second Sunday of Lent March 12, 2017

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death  
and brought life and immortality  
to light through the gospel.

— 2 Timothy 1:10b

Masses for  
the Week



**SUNDAY- March 12 - Second Sunday of Lent**  
7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family  
10:00 am - Francine Murray †

**MONDAY - March 13**

8:00 am - Joe & Suzie Ryan: 35th Wedd. Annv.

**TUESDAY - March 14**

8:00 am - Charlie Tater, Jr. †

**WEDNESDAY - March 15**

8:00 am - Buddy Waida †

**THURSDAY - March 16**

8:00 am - Edward Sablatura †

**FRIDAY - March 17 - St Patrick, Bishop**

8:00 am - Gaylan Duncan †

5:30 pm - Carolyn Goldman †

**6:00 pm - Stations of the Cross**

{followed by Lenten Soup Supper}

**SATURDAY - March 18 - St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop,**

8:00 am - Souls in Purgatory †

5:00 pm - Gene Jolly †

**SUNDAY- March 19 - Third Sunday of Lent**

7:30 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

*Sun:* Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

*Mon:* Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

*Tue:* Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

*Wed:* Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

*Thu:* Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

*Fri:* Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

*Sat:* Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

*Sun:* Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

**NEXT WEEKEND - March 18 & 19, 2017**

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

and **LECTORS**

**Sat. 5:00 pm** - Geriann Neuman, Greg Richter  
Pat Brennan, Helen John

**Sun. 7:30 am** - Martha Nichols, Emily Yeary  
Cliff/Yvonne Moczygemba

**Sun. 10:00 am** - John Vecera, David Post  
Howard/Carol Bludau

### ALTAR SERVERS:

**Sat. 5:00 pm** - James Record, Carson Miller, Suzie Ryan

**Sun. 7:30 am** - Katelyn John, Cameron & Jenny Marbach

**Sun. 10:00 am** - Eric & Reice Tibiletti, Cy Richter

### USHERS:

**5:00 pm** - James Hill, Norman Schoener

**7:30 am** - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl

**10:00 am** - Kenny Spann, Alvin Schoener, Harrison Raska

**DAYLIGHT**



**SAVING TIME**



*This Week*

**SUNDAY- 2nd Sunday of Lent - Almsgiving: Rice Bags**

2nd Collection: D. S. A.

**MONDAY - Holy Name Society meeting - 7:00 pm**

**TUESDAY - Sewing Circle - after 8am mass**

**WEDNESDAY - RCIA 7:00 pm - R.E. Bldg.**

**FRIDAY - 8:00 am Mass & 5:30 pm - Mass**

**6:00 pm - Stations of the Cross**

**6:30 pm - Lenten Soup Supper:**

*Prepared & served by members of the Altar Society*

**SATURDAY - Confessions: 4:00 - 4:30 pm**

**SUNDAY- 3rd Sunday of Lent - Almsgiving: Rice Bags**

ExtraEnvlps: Altar Servers' Edu. Schlr. Fund

<i>Weekly Offering</i>	<b>WEEKEND of 03- 4/5 -17</b>	<b>Count - 487</b>
	<b>Total Operating Income.....</b>	<b>\$ 4,339.0</b>
	<b>Rice Bowl: \$ 396.00 &amp; 2nd Coll:...(Bldg.Fund)....</b>	<b>\$ 997.50</b>
	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>Count - 279</b>
	<b>Aid to Church:Cent.&amp; East. Europe.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,319.50</b>
	<b>Thank You! Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.</b>	


### THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION

"We used to be such good friends. How is it that you've moved so far away?" one man asked another. "Perhaps," the other replied, "you have moved away. By standing still." This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God's will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life's difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering—or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God's will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Tina Moya, Cheryl Barker, Amy Bernhard, Amy Jo Wuest,  
Jewell Correll, Shirley Coghlan, Cecilia Edwards, Kite  
Bomersbach, Luke Wenske, JoAnn Hough, Clifton Lau,  
Betty Escheveste, Dora Schilhab, Ann Hagel,  
Patsy Wieland, Fr. John Kollannur, MaryAnn Leblanc,  
Ben Mikulik, Jr, Mimi Waida and Fr. Frank Lenz



**Generations of Faith ~ GOF**  
**Religious Education Classes**

Mar 5 GOF Class—1st Sunday of Lent  
 Mar 12 No GOF Spring Break  
 Mar 19 No GOF Spring Break  
 Mar 26 GOF Class  
 Mar 26 *Meeting with 1st Communion Parents*



**DISPENSATION FROM THE LAW OF ABSTINENCE**  
**On Friday, March 17, 2017**  
**RESCRIPT FROM BISHOP BRENDAN J. CAHILL, S.T.D.**  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas*

In response to several requests, I hereby issue this rescript and I grant a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence **on Friday March 17, 2017**, which is the commemoration of Saint Patrick, for all those so desiring it. I encourage the faithful to exercise due moderation and temperance in festivities and celebrations honoring this great saint, in keeping with the penitential nature of our Lenten observance, and to perform some other salutary work of penance or charity on that day or another chosen day. This dispensation is for all the Catholic faithful who reside in the Diocese of Victoria in Texas and all present in this diocese on March 17, 2017.

+Bishop Brendan J. Cahill



**Lent 2017 at OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

**ALL Fridays in Lent** *Abstinence*

- ♦ 8:00 am Mass
- ♦ 5:30 pm Mass
- ♦ 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross
- ♦ 6:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper



**Save the Dates**


**MARCH 26 - 29, 2017**

**PARISH LENTEN MISSION**

*Check your Bulletin weekly for more information.*

**What are you giving up for Lent this season?** Consider giving up a **CAN** of food each **DAY** for **"40 Cans for Lent"** Many people are faced with hunger. Through the **Food for Families** program, you can help the St. Vincent de Paul feed the hungry of our community. The **Knights of Columbus** are in a position to help. For those wishing to donate, simply drop off your canned good or non-perishable item here at church. There is a drop box located at the entrance of the church. Need more information? Please call 361-550-9746.

**40 Cans for Lent... Supported by Council 1329**



**VOCATION CRUCIFIX**

At the **10:00 am Mass** the family of **Grant & Krystal Murray** will take possession and continue our prayers.

**Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**  
 Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the special collection. As a parish, we collected \$1,319.50 to help **restore the Church and build the future** in over 20 countries. If you missed the collection it is not too late to give, visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections), and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

*News Around Town*

**ALL YOUR PREPARATIONS FOR EASTER ARE WAITING FOR YOU at the Sisters gift shop.....** Shop for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA and all occasions at the **Incarnate Word Religious Goods Shop**, 1101 N.E. Water St., Victoria, TX. M-F 8:30a-4:30p & Sat. 9:30a-3:30p.

**St Joseph High School OPEN ENROLLMENT** for grades 9-12--space is limited! Campus tours Mon-Thurs 10a - 2p. Contact Jen Korinek to schedule tour, 573-2446x217 or [jkorinek@stjvictoria.com](mailto:jkorinek@stjvictoria.com). Visit [STjvictoria.com/admissions](http://STjvictoria.com/admissions)

**NAZARETH ACADEMY** is enrolling new students for the 2017 -2018 school year. Nazareth would be proud to assist parents with their children's education. Call 573-6651 or visit [www.nazarethacademy.org](http://www.nazarethacademy.org) for more information.

**KJZT 101** will have a **Bake Sale** at Holy Family Church on March 18 and 19. All proceeds go to Christ Kitchen.

**Lead Me Retreat - God's Embrace Ministries** invites you to attend this retreat to be held at God's Embrace Retreat Center located at 1601 High Hill Rd. Schulenburg, TX. Come from wherever you are to experience a deeper walk with Jesus. The Retreat weekend begins 5 pm Friday, March 24, and concludes Sunday March 26 with 12:30 pm Mass held at St. Mary Catholic Church in High Hill. Open to couples and singles. Call 979-561-8883. Space limited.

**VICTORIA GABRIEL PROJECT** General Meeting on Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 pm, 101 Convent St., Victoria, TX. Anyone interested in saving the least among us, our vulnerable unborn babies, come, hear and become informed. All are welcome and a light supper is provided.

**KofC Council #1329 BINGO NIGHT** - Every Wednesday evening. Hall opens 6:00pm. Bingo Games 7:30p until 10p. \$10/per Bingo sheet pack for 10games. Food & Drinks available. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. Info? Call the hall at 575-9214 Wednesday evening.

**CATHOLIC FAITH IN ACTION ADVOCACY DAY 2017**

The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, on **April 4, 2017** at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join with thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. If you are interested in participating, call Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, at 361-573-0828. For more info email: [chancellor@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:chancellor@victoriadiocese.org) or visit website at: <https://victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day>

**CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

Today's man faces many challenges and is in search of the good for himself, his family, and his future. Come to the San Antonio Catholic Men's Conference for men of all ages on March 18 in Bill Greehey Arena at St. Mary's University. The Conference will offer powerful speakers, BBQ lunch, Mass with Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, and much more! Check out [CMCSanAntonio.com](http://CMCSanAntonio.com) or call the Pilgrim Center of Hope for a brochure: 210-521-3377. This event has sold out the last four years - Don't miss this one!