



FEBRUARY 18, 2018
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every Wednesday 7:30am - 6:30pm
Every First Friday 7:00pm to 8:00pm
To schedule an hour with Our Lord
please contact MaryAnn or Phil Everett at
254-721-0931 or 254-721-8142 or
Helen Marie Kreitz at 254-773-6946.

*Come to Me, all you who labor and are
heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*
Matthew 11:28

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Thank you to our families; your prayers strengthen
those being called by God to live out their vocation.

Feb 25	J & C Oakes	11:00am
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Parish Festival, Sunday, April 15, 2018

We need lots of help! We need YOU!

Items for the parish festival are now being collected
at the Parish Office during business hours. Items
needed are the following: 2 liter drinks, wine/spirits,
prizes for the games – new toys and stuffed
animals, bingo items, country store items, live and
silent auction items.

Also, get your yard signs ready and help spread the
word.

Looking for a Vice Coordinator.

Consider volunteering and enjoy planning with
fellow parishioners to make our festival an
awesome family day!



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In today's Gospel, Jesus is spending forty days in a
desert – dry, dusty and most likely free of much
color or scent of spring. He is alone, unlike what we
see with Noah, there is no apparent conversation
with God, but there are temptations from Satan.
Jesus is not part human and part divine, he is fully
human and fully divine, and he comes to us, with a
fully human nature, and initiates the kingdom of
God on earth. But prior to his final victory, he
spends time in the desert to pray and fast to
prepare himself for his ministry, death and
resurrection. This is the second way that nature
“speaks” to us today; in his time before his glory,
Jesus is in the dry, arid and naturally dead
environment of the desert. Our forty days of Lent
as Jesus' forty days remind us of the desert of
death and sin, even in a world where rainbows
grace the sky and vegetation springs from flood-
receded plains. Compared to the kingdom, this
earth, even as just described, is a desert. But once
Jesus had died and was raised, the valleys of the
shadow of death were transformed into green
pastures, the pastures where we, too, hope to dwell
in the house of the Lord forever. This Lenten
season may we open our hearts and minds to hear
the ways in which we are called to live out the
Gospel.

Fr. Steve



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Forgiveness, too, is a gift from God. Freed from the paralysis of sin, the man in today's Gospel was able to stand and give witness to the power of God. How do I let sin cripple me? Am I a good steward of the gift of God's forgiveness?

YOUR GIFT TO GOD

February 11, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$	8,544.66
Catholic Higher Ed	\$	1,375.00
School Fund	\$	254.00
World & Home Missions	\$	155.00
Building Fund	\$	115.00
Helping Hands	\$	110.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	55.00
Family Life Center	\$	50.00
Children's Collection	\$	35.66
Flowers	\$	15.00
Total	\$	10,709.32

Note: totals include online giving

From Ashes to Easter

The annual diocesan Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign has begun. Each family is invited to pick up a box and keep it on or near the family dining table or by their bedside table. Put in some coins each day during Lent, and pray for missions worldwide. Contributing coins each day is a corporal work of mercy that will help shelter the homeless and a spiritual work of mercy that will help comfort the sorrowful. The money collected helps local missionaries and missionary projects from our diocese.



40 CANS FOR LENT

To benefit the hungry in our area, the Knights of Columbus, Council #3444 are asking that you collect a canned good for every day of Lent. You may drop off your canned goods at Bingo or Fish Fry's during Lent, at the Columbus Club Hall. Or, you may drop off your canned goods the weekend of April 7-8 at the Ave Maria Building before or after Mass. If you can't do 40 cans, we will accept whatever you may offer.

The Week Ahead

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon Feb 19 th	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Room	9:00am
	Baptism Preparation Class	Regina Caeli Room	6:30pm
Tues Feb 20 th	Knitting & Crocheting Group	Regina Caeli Room	10:00am
	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli Room	1:30pm & 6:00pm
	Capital Campaign Meeting	Parish Hall	6:30pm
	Men of Joseph	Ave Maria Room	7:00pm
Wed Feb 21 st	ADORATION	Church	7:30am
	Religious Education Classes	O'Reilly Bldg. & Ave Maria Bldg.	6:30pm
Thur. Feb 22 nd	RCIA	Regina Caeli Room	7:00pm
Fri. Feb 23 rd	Stations of the Cross	Church	2:30pm & 6:30pm
Sat. Feb 24 th	Wright 50 th Anniversary Wedding Blessing	Church	5:30pm

GOT LENT?

You still don't know what to give up for Lent? Candy? Soda? Why not give a little time back to the Lord: join the 9:15 Choir through the Lenten season. Thursday practice, no long-term commitment, just one week at a time. For information, see Bill after 9:15 Mass or call/text (254) 624-7408.



FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

This is a well stated explanation as to why it is important to follow Catholic teaching, attend mass regularly and to live how God has called us to: *“The kingdom of God is at hand. Whenever we encounter Jesus, his kingdom is made real for us. We participate in the kingdom when we accept his teaching and live in a way that is consistent with conversion. He reveals himself to us foremost in the Scriptures and in the Sacraments, with enough ambiguity that we need to make acts of faith and believe he is alive. Our devotion to his Eucharistic presence is one such act of faith”, Repent and believe. What do we repent from? From life without God, from sin: those thoughts and actions which are opposed to God’s plan (e.g., pride, wrath, envy, sloth, greed, lust, and gluttony). We choose to believe that God really did give us a plan and commandments to follow, that God really demands total adherence to him alone, and that the gospel is God’s good news, that he is reaching out to us, to rescue us from death and restore us to life, to be close to his people.”* Fr. Aaron Kuhn.

Blessings,
Patricia St. Amour, DFF

All Basic Faith Formation classes toward certification have been postponed until further notice. Future dates will be posted once decided. Thank you for your patience.

The next Baptismal Preparation class is: Monday February 19th at 6:30 pm in the Regina Caeli Room.



EIM Training

Feb. 18th 1:00pm St. Mary, Temple

If you need to be EIM qualified or it’s time for renewing your status, this date is now open for registration. Class is in the Regina Caeli Room.

*** NO children are allowed to be present & childcare NOT available. ***



FALCON’S CORNER

Please join us this Sunday from 2:00-4:00 at Wildflower Country Club. Our PTC will be sponsoring a **Kendra Scott Trunk Show**. Twenty percent of the proceeds will benefit our school. Credit card and gift card only.

We are currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. If you would like to visit the school and take a tour give us a call 254-778-8141 or simply stop by on our Welcome Wednesdays. Welcome Wednesday are from 9:00-3:00. No need to make an appointment.

Please join us for Stations of the Cross, each Friday at 2:30, during Lent. Our Living Stations will be Friday, March 23rd. All Stations of the Cross will be in the church.

Important Dates to Remember

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| Sun. Feb. 18 th | Kendra Scott Event
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Wildflower Country Club
4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple |
| Mon. Feb. 19 th | Presidents’ Day: No School
Inclement Weather Day |
| Fri. Feb. 23 rd | All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m. |
| Sat. Feb. 24 th | 5-K Run |
| Thurs. March 1 st | School Science Fair |
| Fri. March 2 nd | All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m. |
| Sat. March 3 rd | PSIA District Meet
(Private Schools Interscholastic Association) |

FEB 24th – FEB 25th, 2018

5:30 PM MASS

Lector: D. Rendeiro
EM: C. & S. Guenat
Greeters: B. Goonan, J. Sladeczek, B. Lenart
Altar Servers: A. Cantu, M. Cruz, J. Naumann,
V. Obregon

7:30 AM MASS

Lector: A. Castillo
EM: P. & K. Cameron
Greeters: S. Motl, R. Castillo, L. Lagut
Altar Servers: M. Maldonado, D. Nguyen

9:15 AM MASS

Deacon: B. Rodriguez
Lector: J. Bartz
EM: T. Leos, L. Grygar
Greeters: K. Bartz, M. & B. Hoelscher,
E. & T. Degenhardt
Altar Servers: S. & R. Mosmeyer, C. Britten,
A. Tavernier

11:00 AM MASS

Deacon: B. Rodriguez
Lector: JA Mason
EM: A. Payne, R. Morales
Greeters: Anton Pechal, R. Krumnow,
B. Stewart
Altar Servers: H. & B. Payne, K. Waller,
MB Garcia

Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound

Feb 25th, 2018

A. Payne, C. Oakes, P/K Cameron,
D. Kaminski, M/K Walters, C/S Guenat

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Ladies! Please turn in by Feb. 20th your volunteer hours for the period from February 2017 to February of this year for the deanery. Call Rachel at 254-718-7386 to submit them. We have a nominating committee for our new officers. Call Kathryn Lenart if you would like to serve as president, recording secretary, correspondence secretary, or if you could finish a half term as vice president (one year). The Altar Society needs you!

FEBRUARY 19th TO FEBRUARY 25th

Monday NO MASS
Tuesday 12:10PM † Beauford Wilde
Wednesday 7:00AM † Charles Janak
Thursday 7:00AM † Doris Kuban
Friday 8:15AM Maria Isabel Alban
Birthday
12:10PM † Garrett Coppin
Saturday 7:30AM † Morris Albers
4:00PM Confessions
5:30PM † Albert & Frieda &
Lee Tschoerner
Sunday 7:30AM † Joe Cervenka
9:15AM For the People
11:00AM Jhofrey Alban
Birthday



Camino de Santiago/Fatima Pilgrimage

Please join other Catholics from the Galveston/Houston/Austin area to hike the Camino de Santiago along the countryside of Spain. This tour begins in Sarria, the most popular Camino starting point, covering the last 100km of the Camino Francés to converge on Santiago de Compostela. An additional stop in Fatima and Porto is included. There are spots available for the following 2018 dates: June 4-16 & June 25-July 7. If you are interested in joining this spiritual journey, contact Jane Lakatos at jhlakatos@gmail.com.

Free In-Person Tax Preparation Service

Location: Rose Hall – corner of West Adams & North 9th Street

Feb. 1, 2018 thru April 12, 2018

Time: Mondays 8:00am to 12:00pm
and Thursdays 8:00am to 12:00pm

Questions: (254) 718-1072

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is offering free tax preparation to anyone of any age-especially if you are 50 or older or can't afford paid tax preparation. (You do not have to be a member of AARP.) Must have photo ID and Social Security Card.