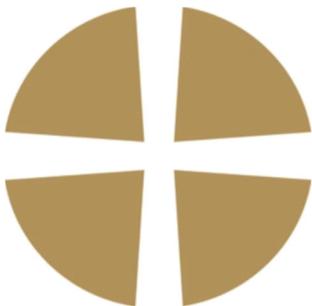


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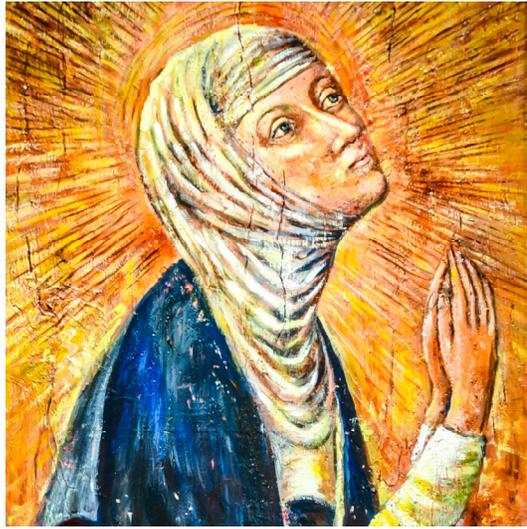


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## Third Sunday of Lent

Dear Friends,

We are quickly coming to the end of our Religious Education Program (CCE) for this semester; there are only 4 more classes before Easter, and then we give everyone a well-deserved rest until next school year. We found over the years that most, if not all the kids, are coming to their end-of-school-year assessments and all that entails - graduations and God knows what else, which result in most (including the parents) being rather frazzled and at their wits' end! So, let's not add to your burdens or have you going in unnecessary circles. Take a breather and focus on the end of the school year and its busy-ness.

### MASS TIMES

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday, 12:15 PM

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday -  
10:00 AM



Friday -  
4:00 PM

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The calendar across the page is not always the most up-to-date schedule of parish activities because the bulletin must go to the printers by Tuesday night or, in an emergency, on Wednesday morning every week. The calendar on our webpage updates within hours of events being posted. For example, I had Jury Duty (wasn't chosen) last week, and if I had been chosen, the only way to let you know that the weekday Mass was cancelled was to post it on the parish calendar on our webpage. The Scripture references for our remaining four Bible classes will also be posted there. This might not be a bad time to get used to checking the parish webpage!

Start getting ready for the great end-of-school-year excitement, and begin looking forward to a summer of, hopefully, somewhat diminished activities.

God bless,

### Condolence Henry Davis

Our heart-felt condolences to the family and friends of Henry Davis who died tragically last week. May the outpouring of sympathy and the kindness of friends comfort and help you through this most difficult time.

Lord of all gentleness, surround them with your care and comfort them in their sorrow as they grieve the loss of their child. As you washed Henry in the waters of Baptism and welcomed him into eternal life, so call us all one day to be united with him and share forever the joy of your kingdom, where there is no more suffering, tears or death.

March 24, 2019

## Club 55 + Bus Trips

Due to high demand for the Club 55+ bus trips, we are announcing the April and May trips now:

On Thursday, April 25 we have a boat tour of the Houston Ship Channel on the M/V Sam Houston, followed by lunch at the Monument Inn and time to visit the San Jacinto Monument and Museum. We will leave the church at 8:45 am and should return by about 5:00 pm. The cost is \$15 per person not including lunch.

On Sunday, May 19 we will travel to the Navasota Theatre to watch a performance of Greater Tuna followed by an early dinner at a nearby restaurant. Tickets are \$10 per person not including dinner. We will depart the church at 12:15 pm and should be back by 7 pm.

To reserve your seats, please mail your check(s) payable to Diane Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041 along with your email and phone number. Contact Diane at [diane@goyette.info](mailto:diane@goyette.info) or 713-540-7884, or Henry at 281-684-7030. As always, the bus trip is open to everyone age 50 and over.

## Treasures From Our Tradition

Hollywood has given us an image of Moses slipping off his shoes before a burning bush. God has just called Moses by name, and so that Moses doesn't miss the meaning of this breakthrough in human history, God requires that all barriers to the experience be eliminated. If you've ever tried to maneuver barefoot across hot sand, or pick your way along a rocky beach, you know how sensitive feet can be.

Within the Church, there are religious orders with a custom of going barefoot, not merely to show poverty, but to be an outward sign of a desire for connection with creation, a desire to go through life alert to what God is doing. In early days, when reconciliation was a once-in-a-lifetime possibility, penitents often went barefoot for a long period of time as a sign of their conversion. Even today, people follow an ancient practice of slipping off their shoes to walk in the procession to the cross on Good Friday. It is striking that the first use of our newly-scrubbed feet from Holy Thursday night is to walk resolutely in the footsteps of Christ to the cross.

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# PARISH CALENDAR

## Third Sunday of Lent

- SAT 23** Funeral Mass Henry Davis  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM  
**5:00 PM Vigil Mass**
- SUN 24** **8:30 AM Sunday Mass**  
CCE 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM  
**11:15 AM Sunday Mass**
- MON 25** OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- TUES 26** **12:15 Weekday Mass**  
**† Hugo Vrsalovic**  
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
First Penance II 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- WED 27** **12:15 Weekday Mass**  
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Bible Study: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM  
John 18:1- 19:42
- THURS 28** **12:15 Weekday Mass**  
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Bible Study: 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
John 18:1- 19:42
- FRI 29** **12:15 Weekday Mass**  
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

- SAT 30** **5:00 PM Vigil Mass**  
Catholic Relief Services Collection  
(Second Collection)
- SUN 31** **8:30 AM Sunday Mass**  
CCE 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM  
**11:15 AM Sunday Mass**  
Catholic Relief Services Collection  
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