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(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2020



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

PASTOR:

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.

Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.

9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.

11:35a.m. - 12:00p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choirs

Judah Choir:

Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.

God's Chosen Choir:

Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

Youth Choir:

Saturday-12:00pm (Harris Center)

Thursday before the 4th Sunday-7:00pm (In Church)

BIBLE STUDY/

ADULT CATHECHISM:

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.

CHOIR DIRECTORS:

Jerry Givens 281.772.9276

Daniel Guerrero 281.723.9948

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

WELCOME VISITORS AND

NEWCOMERS

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MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. 03/14/2020 5:00PM
Anthony P. Gallien (D)
 Theresa G. Savoy
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends
Jasmine N. Johnson (L)
 Wanda Johnson
Joseph & Earlene Duplechaine (D)
 The Duplechaine Family
Rev. August Thompson (D)
 John & Mary Richard

SUN. 03/15/2020 7:30AM
Gloria Nichols (D)
 SFX Sisters in the Spirit
Francis Hazzard (D) – Theresa G. Savoy
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends
Rev. August Thompson (D)
 Cynthia King
Loreen Johnson (D) – Chaney Family

SUN. 03/15/2020 10:00AM
Donald Henderson (L) - Theresa G. Savoy
Biagas Family (L) – Patricia Session
Herbert Goodwin, Jr. (D)
 The Goodwin Family
Rebecca Jiles (D)
 James & Bonnie Jefferson
Roger & Ella Reed (D)
 Theresa Chambers

SUN. 03/15/2020 12:15PM
People of the Parish

MON. 03/16/2020 7:00AM
Bettie Nobles (L)
 SFX Sisters in the Spirit
Blaze & Mable Allen (D)
 Lucille Barriere


TUE. 03/17/2020 7:00AM
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends

WED. 03/18/2020 7:00AM
Vocations

THUR. 03/19/2020 7:00AM
John & Mary Buckman (D)
Elizabeth Nyankah (D)

FRI. 03/20/2020 7:00AM
Beatrice Dugas Foreman (D)
 Shirley & Belinda Foreman

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

 We encourage all parishioners to take the chalice home for a week and pray for vocations. The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on March 7th and 8th was **409**. Please come worship with us and bring a friend.



Deacon Alfred Abram, Algy Alfred, Margaret Cadoree, Nancy Calvin, Mary Augustine Chenier, Nora Coleman, Nicole Fontenet, Leon Francis, Ursula Gross, Jimmy Harris, Willie Mae Henderson, Harold Hudson, Lucas Jones, Brooke Joseph, Gaston Joseph, Helen Kennison, JoAnn LaSane, Hazel Lewis, Laurenzia Lewis, Eugene Mallery, Cynthia Ann Malone, Patrick Martell, Barbara Martin, Shannon Martin, Willie Martin, Jr. Dorothy Milstead, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Betty Patrick, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Leo Prescott, Marcelle Prevost, Evelyn Roberts, Oliver Rose, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Lorraine Walker, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

Let us Know

Please let us know when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery, especially if the illness or surgery is serious. Call the Parish Office so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers and/or visitation if needed. **After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.**

Lord, we pray for all our current military service members and first responders who put their own lives on the line every day in order to protect our families and our country.

Army:

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, David Stagnoli, Jordan T. McCorkle, Essence L. Casteel

Navy:

Alvin Balthazar, Debreaanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell, Christian Johnson, Hope Bethany Johnson

Air Force:

Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Bena Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q Valiare II

Marines

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward



Bible Study Classes are **Tuesday's at 6:30pm** in the Harris Center Auditorium. Come study the God's Word and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Bring your Catholic Bible and a friend.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus Talks With a Samaritan Woman



Water takes center stage in scripture today. The Chosen People grow thirsty in the desert and the LORD provides water from the rock in Horeb.

The Psalmist recalls this event to urge us not to harden our hearts as they did. Paul suggests the image of water in stating that the love of God has been poured in our hearts. A thirsty Samaritan woman realizes that in Jesus she has received living water. Let us quench our thirst with God's word.

READINGS

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday – March 15

Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

John 4:5-42 or

4:5-15, 19-26, 39-42

Monday – March 16

2 Kings 5:1-15

Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3,4

Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday – March 17

Saint Patrick, Bishop

Daniel 3:25, 34-43

Psalm 25:4-5, 6, 7, 8-9

Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday – March 18

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop &

Doctor of the Church

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9

Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20

Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday – March 19

Saint Joseph,

Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Samuel 7:4-5, 12-14, 16

Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24 or

Luke 2:41-51

Friday – March 20

Hosea 14:2-10

Psalm 81:6-8, 9, 10-11, 14, 17

Mark 12:28-34

Saturday – March 21

Hosea 6:1-6

Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21

Luke 18-9-14



DATES TO REMEMBER
 March 16th-21st..... Spring Break
 NO CCE Classes
 March 23rdCCE Classes Resume
 9th & 10th Jeremiah Training Rm 119
 March 28th CCE Classes Resume
 PreK-5th Classes

RCIA

Thinking of becoming Catholic?

- If you're not a Catholic, we invite you to explore the possibility of becoming a member of our Catholic Faith and Community through RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).
 - If you are a baptized Catholic lacking Confirmation and Eucharist, RCIA is for you.
- To **REGISTER** contact the Parish Office at 713-738-2311.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Purpose and Mission

The Young Adult Christian Ministry is a Social Group that will Strengthen our relationships with God, Support each other, Serve the Community and the Church. (21 years and older)

Join Us:
First Saturday of the Month
 Service Projects
Second Saturday of the Month
 Worship & Social Events
 Contact the Parish.....713-738-2311



Meetings This Week

IGNITE Reception 1...Wed - 7:00pm
 IGNITE Reception 2..Thur - 7:00pm
 Lector's Quarterly.....Sat - 11:30am

YOUTH choir The Youth Choir will rehearse on Thursday, **March 19th at 7:00pm** in the Church and Saturday, **March 21st at 12:00 Noon** in the Harris Center.

FISH FRY!

Every Friday during
Lent in the Parish Hall
 11:00am – 6:00pm
 Call (713) 731-2725 to place your order.

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NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION
 Next week, our parish will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC)**. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE PREVENTIVE MEASURES

The following precautions are being implemented around the Archdiocese and at St. Francis Xavier Church until further notice:

- Be attentive to instructions of our public health officials, the CDC and health providers, including use of an alcohol-based hand sanitizer when washing with hand soap isn't possible.
- Discontinue holding or shaking of hands at the Our Father & Sign of Peace. A bow, wave, or saying "Peace be with you" are all acceptable expressions.

INEZ Y. BOWMAN
LIVING LEGEND LUNCHEON
 The luncheon will be held Saturday, April 18, 2020, at 11:00am at The Power Center, 12401 S. Post Oak Rd., Houston TX 77045. Donation is \$50. For tickets, contact Ollie Duplechaine at 713-734-0861.

Stations of the Cross/Benediction
(In the Prayer Garden)
 Every Friday during Lent
 6:00pm
Laetare Sunday (Wear Pink/Rose)
March 22
Holy Week
Palm Sunday – April 5
 Palm Procession - Prayer Garden to Church
Holy Thursday – April 9
 Mass7:00pm
 (No Morning Mass)
Good Friday – April 10
 Passion Play 3:00pm
 Outdoor Stations..... 4:00pm
 Good Friday Service.....5:00pm
 (No Mass)
Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)
April 11
 Mass.....8:00pm
 (No 5:00pm Mass)
Easter Sunday - April 12
 Regular Mass Schedules

SAVE THE DATE
KPC 138 Black & White Charity Gala
Saturday, June 6, 2020, 7pm-12am
 SFX Parish Hall at 4600 Reed Road
 Donation: \$45
 Contact Helen Gobert at 281-450-9713 or Curtis Jones at 713-417-8341 for tickets.

IGNITE
 Our Faith, Our Mission

Father Michael Invites you to a Campaign Reception!

Campaign Receptions will be held on the following dates:

- ☐ Wednesday, March 18th at 7 pm
- ☐ Thursday, March 19th at 7 pm

All receptions will be hosted in the Parish Hall.
 Please R.S.V.P by calling (713) 738-2311, or by emailing stfrancisshou@stfxhouston.com



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