

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024

Mass Intentions

Sat.	3/9	5:00 p.m.	†Dolores Hillock By: Antos Doherty
Sun.	3/10	9:00 a.m.	†Marlene Thomas By: Greg Thomas †Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Mon.	3/11	8:30 a.m.	For: Thanksgiving for Family By: Liz & Bob Conces
Tues.	3/12	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/13	8:30 a.m.	†Deceased Members of Walter Bartosz Family By: Antos Doherty
Thurs.	3/14	8:30 a.m.	†Dolores Hillock By: Antos Doherty
Fri.	3/15	8:30 a.m.	†Deceased Members of Walter Bartosz Family By: Antos Doherty
Sat.	3/16	5:00 p.m.	†Dolores Hillock By: Antos Doherty
Sun.	3/17	9:00 a.m.	For: A Safe Spring Break By: Mary Ann Hajek
		11:00 a.m.	†Chris Ferguson By: Rick McMurray

40 CANS FOR LENT FOOD DRIVE

Catholic Charities Lenten Appeal
Please donate healthy canned goods, dry goods,
non-perishables or monetary donations.
February 14—March 31

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact
the Parish Office.

Welcome to Online Giving

To Register for On-Line Banking go to
the following link:
<https://osvonlinegiving.com/1896>



LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	3/9	5 pm	Liz Conces/Roger Schill, Yvonne Schill, Julie Winkelmann
Sun.	3/10	9 am	Laura Peterek/Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Mary Jo Matthews, Juan Pablo Lozano Pena, Ken Chesshir
Sat.	3/16	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Charlie Hutchins, Nick Winkelmann, Julie Winkelmann
Sun.	3/17	9 am	Marvin Murray/Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir

Did you know about the Saints: On March 15, the Church has historically celebrated the feast of Saint Longinus. Longinus is the Roman Centurion who pierced the side of Jesus while he was on the cross. It is recorded in the Gospels that after blood and water fell into the centurion's eyes he stated, "Indeed, this was the Son of God!" Longinus soon after converted and was instructed by the apostles. He was arrested for his faith and beheaded. A statue of Saint Longinus, sculpted by Gian Lorenzo Bernini, is one of four beneath the dome of the altar at Saint Peter's Basilica. A spearpoint fragment said to be from the Holy Lance is also preserved in the Basilica. Each year, there is a procession during the first week of Lent with the relic of the Holy Lance which reminds the faithful of Longinus and his life of devotion, sacrifice, and healing. After 1969, his feast day was moved to October 16th.

Please Pray For the Sick: Michelle Wilkerson, Christina Watson, Sandy Reed, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Diane Bean, Helen Skrovan, Brian & Robin Hempstead, Rosa Guajardo, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Patti Hyland, George Snell, Elvia Tamayo, Shirley Culp, Jim Koenig, Tony Paschal, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased: Joseph Alexander, Jr. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says: Pride is the 'great queen' of all the vices. Those who give in to this vice are far from God, and it takes time and great effort to correct this evil, more than any other battle to which the Christian is called.



Pastor's Note: Called to live faithfully.... God is calling us, during this Season of Lent, to return to him and to be transformed by his merciful love. All the readings today talk about a God who is merciful and caring, in spite of the failures of people to be faithful to him. The Responsorial Psalm sets the tone, when it states, "Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you." This Psalm is situated at a time when the people are in exile in Babylon. The attack by foreign nations on the people of Israel, the destruction of the Temple and the deportation to a foreign land, were all considered as a punishment for the failure of Israelites to be faithful to God. It was God who has been guiding them, providing them the land they lived in, after having freed them from slavery in Egypt. God has been faithful to them always. Now that they have been driven from their land, and have been forced to live in a land not their own, they realize how precious their land has been and how loving the God who provided them that land. How can they ever forget this God, is what they are asking themselves. They know that redemption is still possible, if only they remain faithful to God. It is this remorse that led to the eventual defeat of the Babylonians by the Persian King, and the permission they got to return to their land. Once they returned, they were able to rebuild the Temple, with the help of King Cyrus of Persia. It was their unfaithfulness and doing abominable things in the Temple that had led to its destruction. Now that they are sorry, they are once again restored to their original glory, by the God of Love. St. Paul reiterates the merciful love of God, expressed through the sacrifice of Jesus, that led to our salvation. It is because of the love shown to us by God that we have been saved and, therefore, we ought to walk in God's ways. Jesus himself proclaims the merciful love of God in the Gospel passage. God showed his love for the world by sending his Son to save the world. And because we belong to this God of love, we have to live as children of light. If we truly belong to him, we will strive to radiate his light by doing works that reflect his Goodness. It is a call to belong to him again.



Stations of the Cross
Will be held on
Fridays after Mass
During Lent

Entering the Desert through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving

Lenten Mission offered by
Father Charles Silvas

St. Joseph Church, Port Aransas
Tuesday & Wednesday
March 19-20 5:15-6:15 p.m.

St. Andrew by the Sea, Corpus Christi, will have Lenten Confessions on Monday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Holy Week Schedule

3/20	Thurs.	6 pm	Lenten Confessions
3/28	Thurs.	6 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
3/29	Fri.	3 pm	Good Friday Service
3/30	Sat.	6 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
3/31	Sun.	9 am	Easter Mass
		11 am	Easter Mass

The second collection this week-end is for the
Catholic Relief Services.

Collection for March 3, 2024

Loose Collection	\$ 2,022.30
Envelope Collection	\$ 1,455.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,645.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,525.00
Total	\$ 6,647.30
Thank you for your generosity.	

HAVE A LAUGH: A child came home from Sunday School and told his mother that he had learned a new song about a cross-eyed bear named Gladly. It took his mother a while before she realized that the hymn was really "Gladly The Cross I'd Bear,"