



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

February 25, 2024

The Second Sunday of Lent, Year B



The Transfiguration, Giovanni Bellini. , 1478-1479.

Museo di Capodimonte

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, in striving to be like Christ, are committed to living the Gospel by participating in the Sacraments, promoting spiritual growth and religious education, and being an example of His Eucharistic love.

MASS TIMES

Saturday
Reconciliation 3:30PM - 4:30PM
Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM,
1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

Holy Days

7:00 AM, 12 Noon and 6:30 PM

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

To see Jesus transfigured before them was quite an education for Peter, James, and John. They learned that their teacher, Jesus, was so much more than simply a wise Rabbi who could provide answers to their many questions – they learned that Jesus was the son of the Most High God, that he was the fulfillment of the law and the Prophets (Moses the law-giver, and Elijah, the greatest prophet). The apostles learned there was so much more to this Christ than they had first thought. He led them to a higher place.

Jesus does the same thing for us. He is constantly leading us to a higher, better, holier place in our lives. Somehow, however, we resist this gentle leading, and we try to make Jesus more “in our own image and likeness” rather than to be lifted upwards with Him. St. Peter struggles with this himself. When Peter is confronted with the power of Jesus transfigured, his words falter, and he says something equivalent to: “Let’s decorate a Christmas tree for each of you!” He struggles to understand what is happening at first, but then he ponders and meditates and discusses these holy things with his close friends.

This should be our relationship to our Divine Lord as well. He came to be like us in all things but sin, but His purpose was to make of us an acceptable sacrifice to the Father. Like Abraham in the Old Testament, Jesus came to prepare us to be offered to the Father for our salvation. And also, like Abraham, Jesus will not be required to offer our life for this sacrifice, but He offers His own life that we might live forever.

Break free from the constraints of “practicality” this Lent. Try to see Jesus as he truly is, the Eternal Son of the Father, the second person of the Trinity, a Lord and Savior that teaches and saves with His own sacrifice. All too often, our vision is limited to the selfish and individualistic desires we have, trying to manipulate this world into something more pleasing to us. Rather, we should surrender ourselves to this Messiah and His teachings and be caught up in the more perfect mystery of His love. We should always be ready to have our vision transfigured by Jesus at any moment of our lives. Come up to that high place in the Mass, where Jesus is transfigured before us in the Holy Eucharist!

Heartfelt blessings to you all!

Fr. John

Here are three tips to deepen your relationship with God during the 40 days of Lent.

- 1) Participate in the sacraments.
- 2) Help those in need around you.
- 3) Sacrifice something that's hard for you.

Parishioners enjoy the
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry





Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Life Center Pledged: \$526,765.20
Total Collected Last Week: \$3632.00
Total Collected Overall: \$600,617.00



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Second collection for One Voice

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This Week

Monday

St. Hildegard's Health and Wellness group will meet at 10am

Tuesday

Choir Practice 6:00pm-church
 Scouts 6:00pm-8:00pm-Activity Center

Wednesday

Religious Education Night-6pm

Friday

Adoration-Exposition 8am
 Stations of the Cross 5:30pm
 Benediction 6:00pm
 Knights of the Columbus Fish Fry 5pm-7pm

Penance Service

Thursday, March 14th
 6:00 pm



Sacred Heart Choir presents

SEVEN LAST WORDS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 6:30PM

Easter Flowers

If you would be interested in donation flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please donate on our website at sacredheartanniston.org or complete a form in the vestibule and place it in the purple box. You can also scan the image below to donate digitally. There will be a special insert in the Easter Bulletin listing those names.



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The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and Ignacius press



Join Us!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

FRIDAY, FEB. 16TH-FRIDAY MARCH 22ND

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, February 24th

5pm-----+Leo Elmore

Sunday, February 25th

9 am ----- Parish Family

11am -----+Leo Elmore

1 pm -----+Guadalupe Morales

(Misa en Español)

Tuesday, February 27th

7am----- +Charles Fippen

Wednesday, February 28th

7am----- +Mark Johnson Sr.

Thursday, February 29th

7am-----Mark Johnson Jr.

Friday, March 1st

7 am -----+Donald Murry

Saturday, March 2nd

5 pm ----- Jeannie Brown

Sunday, March 3rd

9 am -----Roberta Fippen

11am -----Parish Family

1 pm ----- +Juan Jose Becerra

(Misa en Español)

Grass Cutting Ministry



It's time to sign up to be a member of the grass cutting team! If interested please contact the church office.

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

March 2nd and March 3rd

Lectors

5 pm ----- Lanelle Cova

9 am -----Matthew Graessle

11 am ----- Teresa Scheuring

Eucharistic Ministers

5 pm ----- Jesse Edwards

9 am ----- Sonja Deno

9 am (choir) ----- Cathy Fockele

11 am-----Margaret Roberts

Ushers

5 pm --James Coverstone, Joe Fox

9 am ---John Deno, Mark Proper

11am ----Thom and Laura Pratt

Sacristans

5 pm ---- Jorge Martinez, Susan Watson

9 am ----Yvonne Boothe, Lindsay Tyson

11am---Glori H Whitaker, Kelly Matson

Hospitality

5 pm -----Mary Snyder

9 am ----- Terry Hughes

11am -----Kim Johnson

Hospital Ministry

Feb 27th-March 4th--Toni Zinn

March 5-March 11th--Sharon Anderson

Mass Attendance

January 27th-28th

5:00 pm-----150

9:00 am -----225

11:00 am -----175

1:00 pm -----451

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 1st&2nd

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17

Psalm 116:9-18

1 Cor 1: 22-25

John 2:13-25

Weekly Offertory

Offertory:\$10,447.00

Online:\$2,168.13

Total 12,615.13

Black and Indian Missions

Collection: \$3,457.00

Online: \$160.00

Total: \$3617.00

Online Giving

You can make your offertory gift by scanning the QR code which links directly to our online giving website.

SCAN ME!



Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, John Winn, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, Greg Bavonese, Nan Estes, Carolyn Brouillette, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Brenda Marcelino, Connie & Everett Pollard, Bobby Yates, Lillian Jennings, Jessica Haas, Benny & Marilyn Holderfield, Gail Foster, Cirilo Vizcaya, Stephanie Velasquez, Dan and Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Brandon Mancillas, Alex Navarro, Elizabeth-Anne Heathcock, Diane Seales, Debbie Buzan, Julianne & Oliver Semmes, Tom Beam, Sharon Coverstone, Chris Warden, Michael Ingram, Sandie Pasquinelli, Bob Anderson, Allison Doyal, Sandy Demarois, Sheri Ballard, Mark Scheuring, Beverley Pletcher, JoAnn Nelson, Manuel Becerra Acevedo

"Everyone needs to make a good communion: the good to stay good, and the naughty to become good."

-St. John Bosco



Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention



For the terminally ill.

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.