

Lenten Examination of Conscience

Pride

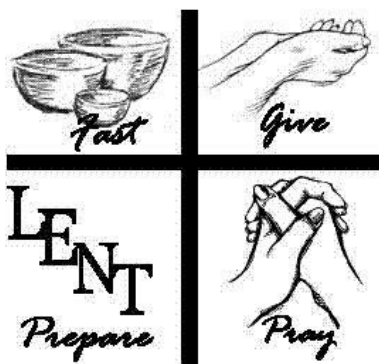
Pride is the mother of all sin. It is a craving for excellence beyond what is reasonable. It makes a person hate being equal to others, and hate being less than God.

- Have I refused to admit my own weaknesses?
- Have I dwelt on the failings of others?
- Have I judged others, in my thoughts or words?
- Have I ranked myself better than others?
- Have I borne hatred for another?
- Have I refused to learn from others?
- Have I been stubborn? Refused to admit I was wrong?
- Refused to accept that another person had a better idea?
- Have I been arrogant?
- Have I held others in contempt?
- Have I neglected to use the talents that God has given me?

Avarice/Covetousness

Avarice is the excessive love of possessing things.

- Have I been overly concerned about my own comfort and well-being?
- Have I been resentful of my lack of money?
- Have I been generous in giving? Have I given with a cheerful heart?
- Have I cheated or stolen, or failed to pay my bills on time? Have I cheated on my income tax?
- Have I used people for my own ends and advantage?
- Have I wasted money?



Abstinence

Abstinence from meat is to be observed on all Fridays of Lent by all who have celebrated their 14th birthday.

Stations of the Cross

We will have Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays (Spanish) at 6:45pm and Fridays (English) at 7:00pm in the Church.



Lenten Masses

During the Season of Lent we will have a 7:00pm Mass in English on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays of every week.

Knights of Columbus

Fish Fry



The KC will be hosting an “All you can Eat” Fish Fry Dinner every Friday during Lent from 6:00 – 8:00pm in the Parish Hall. The cost (includes tea and dessert) will be \$10 adults and \$5 children (12 and under). See you there!

Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts on Sunday after the 8:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.



St. John’s Senior Group

The St. John’s Senior Group will meet *Tuesday, February 20th* starting at 10:15 am in the Parish Hall. The program portion of the meeting will begin at 11:00am. This month’s guest speaker is Andreaia Reese, a local financial advisor. She will teach us about the new scams and frauds that have been infiltrating our financial activities as well as other public activities. Bring a friend or a neighbor if possible. Lunch will be covered dish followed by bingo.

Last Week’s Collection

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| Last Week’s Collection: | 6,277.39 |
| FY’ 17-18 Budgeted Average: | 6,500.00 |
| FY’ 17-18 Average Sunday Coll. thru 01/31/18: | 7,491.02 |
| Attendance: | 832 |

Prayer Requests



Richard Collier
 Richard Lozano Sr.
 Kenny Montgomery
 Nancy Bardsley
 Curtis Rushing
 Paul Smith
 Maria Carmona
 Paul Gumler
 Olivia Nicole Yates
 Stanley Quist
 Sonia Rodriguez Cadena
 Brenda Larsen
 Carol Dossey
 Cindy Kinkaid
 Rosann Kinkaid
 Juan Cleto Castillo
 Patti Sikors Garrett
 Angel Gabriel Godinez
 Tomas Samuel Garcia
 Barbara Sikors Hendricks
 Myra Arrellano
 Ma. del Refugio Mendoza
 Marianne Marsden
 Maria Landaverde
 Casandra Lopez Ramirez
 Luisa Regina Ramirez Pérez
 Jovita De la Garza
 Bob Rowland
 Judy Aloï
 Gayla Jackson
 Oscar Ramirez Robles
 Amie Voigt
 Maria Guillen
 Darlene Blankenship
 Bacilisa Garcia
 Richard Lyon & Family

Nick Morales, Sr.
 Lee Wilde
 Vicki Stevens
 Brenda Newburn
 Henry Taft
 Joyce Salisbury
 Jose Ivan Ramirez
 Mason Gumler
 Lois LaDay
 Joe Wages
 Ziggy
 Margaret Wages
 Sheila Wages
 Kevin Huggins
 Johnnie B. Malouf
 Pascual Meza
 Robert Repka, Sr.
 Michelle Elliott
 Crystal Sanchez
 JoAnn Martinez
 Warren Terry
 Elmer Marsden
 Odin Kizer
 Claire Taft
 Jackie Petricka
 Claudia Aronoff
 Efrain Valenzuela
 Colleen Eldred
 Shirley Taft
 Jose Aramil
 Bruce Leleux
 Jackie Hull
 Daniel Guillen
 Blaine Miller
 Consuelo Luna
 Bill Blankenship

**Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of
 February 24/25**

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson/Cathy Burton
 Sun. 8:00am Linda Faulkner-Johnston
 Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Shelilah Dean

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sat. 4:00pm Michael Gumler/Karen Mathers/Suzy McCook
 Sun. 8:00am Chris Probst/Dan Probst
 Robin Truett/Paul Willy
 Sun. 10:30am Tammy Guerra/Shelilah Dean
 Bud McClure/Bill Bedrick

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Sherry Goelden*/Debbie P./Paul M./Steve R.
 Sun. 8:00am Cindy Kelley*/Conrado A./David B./Abby H.
 Sun. 10:30am Steve Hernandez*/Dennis C./Kevin P./Erik A.

††† Masses
 For The Week

Saturday, February 17

4:00 PM †Elton Kinkaid (brother of Rod Kinkaid) by Frank & Elaine Kasper

Sunday, February 18

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Paulita Nevares by Norma & Nick Morales

12:15 PM †Ramiro Velazquez Int. de Esposa e Hijos

Monday, February 19

7:00 PM Patti Sikors Garrett by James & Melody Zimmer

Tuesday, February 20

7:00 PM Darlene Blankenship by James & Melody Zimmer

Thursday, February 22

7:00 PM For an end to abortion and a greater respect for Human Life at all Stages by Sherry Goelden & Lucy Krouskop

Friday, February 23

8:00 AM Rosann Kinkaid by Sherry Goelden

Saturday, February 24

4:00 PM The Lyon Family by Barbara Hendricks

Sunday, February 25

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Juan Carlos Valle – In Memory of his 2nd Anniversary of Death by Parents

12:15 PM †Evangeline Peguero – En Memorial de su 1^o Año de Fallecimiento Int. de sus Padres y Hermanos

Mass Intentions



Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.

Anointing of the Sick



Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.



The First Week of Lent

First Sunday of



Sunday, February 18

9:15 AM R.E. classes

Monday, February 19

1:00 PM NO Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John

7:00 PM Grupo de Oración @ Casa St. John

Tuesday, February 20

8:00 AM Daily Mass

6:30 PM R.E. classes

Wednesday, February 21

6:30 PM R.E. classes

6:45 PM Via Crucis

Thursday, February 22

7:00 PM RCIA class

7:00 PM Daily Mass

Friday, February 23

8:00 AM Daily Mass

6:00 PM KC "Fish Fry" @ Parish Hall

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Calendar for February:

Sunday Classes: 18, 25

Tuesday Classes: 20, 27

Wednesday Classes: 21, 28

Calendar for March:

Sunday Classes: 4, 18

(11 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(25 - NO CLASS - HOLY WEEK)

Tuesday Classes: 6, 20

(13 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(27 - NO CLASS - HOLY WEEK)

Wednesday Classes: 7, 21

(14 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(28 - NO CLASSES - HOLY WEEK)

CONFIRMATION RETREAT - 8TH GRADE

Sat. March 3rd - Sun. March 4th

On the **First Sunday of Lent**, as we begin our Lenten journey, remembering how God re-established the covenant after the flood, and we reflect on how Jesus began his public ministry with a retreat of forty days - driven to the desert by the Spirit.

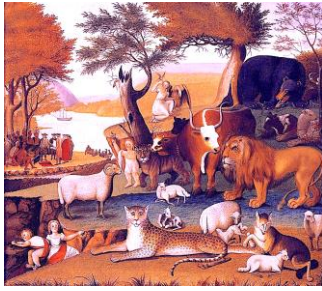
After last week's first four days, the next three weeks of Lent represent a period of instruction, originally designed for the Catechumens (those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil). We can read these readings as a catechism of renewal for us all.

The first weekday reading of week one is the great giving of the Commandments: "Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy." Jesus gives the great parable about the last judgment - separating the charitable from the uncharitable: "whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Then, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray. He says that it is an evil generation that looks for "signs." He's the sign - a call to repentance. On the day we hear the desperate but faith-filled prayer of **Esther**, Jesus tells us to pray confidently. And he sums up the whole law and the prophets for us: "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you." Jesus says our holiness has to go beyond the letter-of-the-law holiness; it must touch our anger, our judgments of others, and be reconciled with those we've wronged. The holiness Jesus proposes for us calls us to love our enemies, even to pray for those who persecute us. We are called to love the way God does.

Thursday is the **Feast of the Chair of St. Peter**.

Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.



“Ésta es la señal de la alianza perpetua que yo establezco con ustedes y con todo ser viviente que esté con ustedes.” (Primera Lectura)

Abstenerse: Se les obliga abstenerse de comer carne todos los viernes de Cuaresma a personas mayores de 14 años.

El Vía Crucis: Todos los miércoles durante la Cuaresma tendremos el Vía Crucis en español a las 6:45pm en la Iglesia.

Misas Cuaresmales: Durante la Cuaresma tenemos Misa los Lunes, Martes y Jueves de cada semana a las 7:00pm en Ingles.

Los Caballeros de Colon: Los Caballeros de Colonvan a tener cena de “Pescado Frito” cada viernes de Cuaresma comenzando el 16 de febrero de 6:00-8:00pm en el Salón Parroquial. El costo: \$10 adultos y \$5 niños (menores de 12 años).

Grupo de Oración

El Grupo de Oración se reúnen cada lunes a las 7pm en la Casa St. John.



Clases de Pre-Bautismales

Tenemos clases Pre-Bautismales cada primer sábado de cada mes en el Centro Parroquial a las 6:00pm. Favor de llamar a la oficina (972-563-3643) para más información.



Cuaresma
Camino hacia la Pascua

Cuarenta días para crecer en el amor de Diós y del prójimo



“EL REINO DE DIOS YA ESTÁ CERCA. CONVIÉRTANSE Y CREEN EN EL EVANGELIO”

El pasado Miércoles de Ceniza iniciamos como Iglesia nuestro camino de preparación – de este 2017-para la Pascua del Señor.

- ❖ En el evangelio de hoy se nos habla de que, impulsado por el Espíritu Santo, Jesús pasó cuarenta días en el desierto, antes de iniciar su predicación.
- ❖ Su condición de Hijo de Dios no lo eximió de ser tentado por Satanás, sino todo lo contrario.
- ❖ Al concluir esta etapa, Jesús parte para Galilea y anuncia la cercanía del Reino de Dios e invita a la gente a convertirse y creer en el Evangelio.
- ❖ Esta invitación de Jesús nos la hace también hoy a cada uno de nosotros.
- ❖ El Catecismo de la Iglesia católica nos enseña: El movimiento de retorno a Dios, llamado conversión y arrepentimiento, implica un dolor y una aversión respecto a los pecados cometidos, y el propósito firme de no volver a pecar. La conversión, por tanto, mira al pasado y al futuro; se nutre de la esperanza en la misericordia divina” (CEC 1490). Esto nos ha de llevar a la confesión sacramental.

“Porque el Señor es recto y bondadoso, indica a los pecadores el sendero, guía por la senda recta a los humildes y descubre a los pobres sus caminos”.

LA DOCTRINA...

Calendario para el mes de Febrero:

Clases de Domingo: 18, 25

Clases de los Martes: 20, 27

Clases de los Miércoles: 21, 28

Calendario para el mes de Marzo:

Clases de Domingo: 4, 18

(11 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)
(25 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)

Clases de los Martes: 6, 20

(13 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)
(27 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)

Clases de los Miércoles: 7, 21

(14 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)
(28 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)

RETIRO DE LA CLASE DE CONFIRMACION – 8 GRADO

Sábado 3 de Marzo - Domingo 4 de Marzo