



Fasting and Feasting

- Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ indwelling in them.
- Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.
- Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light.
- Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.
- Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.
- Fast from anger; feast on patience.
- Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.
- Fast from worry; feast on trust.
- Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.
- Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives.
- Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.
- Fast from hostility; feast on nonviolence.
- Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.
- Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal truth.
- Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.
- Fast from facts that depress; feast on truths that uplift.
- Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.
- Fast from suspicion; feast on truth.
- Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.
- Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.

Gentle God, during this season of fasting and feasting, gift us with your presence, so we can be gift to others in carrying out your work.

Amen.

Last Week's Collection

Last Week's Collection:	7,039.88
2 nd Coll. (Parish Improvement Fund):	3,795.97
FY' 17-18 Budgeted Average:	6,500.00
FY' 17-18 Average Sunday Coll. thru 02/28/18:	6,588.35
Attendance:	995



The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (Gospel)

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 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 have a 7:00pm Mass in English on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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.





Extraordinary Ministers are needed to visit the Sick and Homebound. If you would like to be a part of this grace-filled ministry, please call the church office (972-563-3643).

Prayer Requests



Brenda Larsen
 Richard Lozano Sr.
 Kenny Montgomery
 Nancy Bardsley
 Curtis Rushing
 Paul Smith
 Maria Carmona
 Paul Gumler
 Olivia Nicole Yates
 Stanley Quist
 Sonia Rodriguez Cadena
 Consuelo Luna
 Bacilisa Garcia
 Cindy Kinkaid
 Rosann Kinkaid
 Juan Cleto Castillo
 Richard Lyon & Family
 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
 Darlene Blankenship
 Oscar Ramirez Robles
 Amie Voigt
 Maria Guillen
 Garry Yancey
 Sheldon Schlebach

Nick Morales, Sr.
 Lee Wilde
 Benita Herrera
 Brenda Newburn
 Henry Taft
 Joyce Salisbury
 Jose Ivan Ramirez
 Mason Gumler
 Lois LaDay
 Joe Wages
 Ziggy
 Margaret Wages
 Sheila Wages
 Blaine Miller
 Johnnie B. Malouf
 Pascual Meza
 Bill Blankenship
 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
 Joan Bohl
 Larry Woodall

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of March 17/18

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Cathy Burton/Karen Mathers
 Sun. 8:00am Linda Faulkner-Johnston
 Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Tammy Guerra

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sat. 4:00pm Karen Mathers/Rick Salisbury/Argie Benavidez
 Sun. 8:00am Robin Truett/Paul Willy
 Lou Roberts/Donna Roberts
 Sun. 10:30am Karie Hammond/Bud McClure
 Bill Bedrick/Shelilah Dean

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Suzy McCook*/Steve R./Paul M./Debbie P.
 Sun. 8:00am Robert Brown*/Michael G./Cindy K./Rachel H.
 Sun. 10:30am Kevin Prouty*/Dennis C./Richard Jr./Erik A.

††† Masses For The Week

Saturday, March 10

4:00 PM David & Bobbie Goelden – In Honor of their
 53rd Wedding Anniversary by Sherry Goelden

Sunday, March 11

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Thomas W. Ferguson by Mom & Family

12:15 PM †Felix Ramirez Int. de la Familia Ramirez

Monday, March 12

7:00 PM Special Intention

Tuesday, March 13

7:00 PM †Dewey Samuels by Martha Kasper

Thursday, March 15

7:00 PM Lois LaDay by Norma & Michelle

Friday, March 16

8:00 AM Fr. James Orosco

Saturday, March 17

4:00 PM †Deborah Burnett by Felipe & Becky Caballero

Sunday, March 18

8:00 AM Gail Owen – In Thanksgiving by Patricia
 Chilcoat

10:30 AM †Paul Nevares by Felipe & Becky Caballero

12:15 PM Pro Populo

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 Fourth Week of Lent



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so that whoever
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Sunday, March 11

9:15 AM NO R.E. classes (SPRING BREAK)

Monday, March 12

1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
7:00 PM Grupo de Oración @ Casa St. John
7:00 PM Lenten Daily Mass

Tuesday, March 13

6:30 PM NO R.E. classes (SPRING BREAK)
7:00 PM Lenten Daily Mass

Wednesday, March 14

6:30 PM NO R.E. classes (SPRING BREAK)
6:45 PM Via Crucis

Thursday, March 15

7:00 PM RCIA class
7:00 PM Lenten Daily Mass

Friday, March 16

8:00 AM Lenten Daily Mass
6:00 PM KC "Fish Fry" @ Parish Hall
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Calendar for March

Sunday Classes: 18

(11 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(25 - NO CLASS - HOLY WEEK)

Tuesday Classes: 20

(13 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(27 - NO CLASS - HOLY WEEK)

Wednesday Classes: 21

(14 - NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK)

(28 - NO CLASSES - HOLY WEEK)



Plastic eggs and bags of individually-wrapped candy are needed for the Easter Egg Hunts. Please drop these off in the parish office during the week. Thank you for helping to make the Egg Hunts a fun experience for the children.

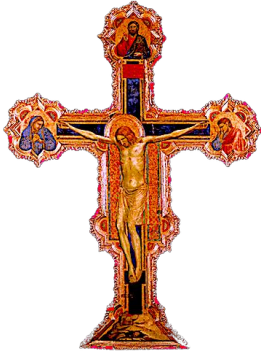
On the **Fourth Sunday of Lent** we read Jesus' words to Nicodemus in the **Fourth Gospel**. Jesus will be lifted up on the cross to heal us from the power of sin and death. This gospel, which is written like a trial, tells us the verdict. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

Monday is the **Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, with its own special readings.

Our gospels this week are all from **John's Gospel**. After two days of healing stories, the opposition against Jesus builds. In Cana, in Galilee, Jesus heals the son of a royal official. Back down in Jerusalem, he heals a man who was sick for 38 years, incurring the wrath of his enemies because he did it on the Sabbath. Because of this, and because he called God his Father, they now plot a way to kill him. Jesus says his opponents do not want to come to him for life. He calls God his father and says, "I have testimony greater than John's." Unafraid of his opponents, Jesus goes to Jerusalem for a feast and openly tells people that he has come from God. They did not arrest him then, "for his hour had not yet come." Thinking they know where Jesus is from (in both senses: where he lived now and his origin in heaven), his enemies insist that Jesus can't be a prophet: "Look and see that no prophet arises from Galilee."

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.



QUE EL RECUERDO DEL SEÑOR SEA NUESTRA ALEGRIA



Así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna. (Evangelio)

En su diálogo con Nicodemo, Jesús le hace ver que fue tanto el amor de Dios por el mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único para que el mundo se salve por medio de él: “Así como Moisés levantó la serpiente en el desierto, así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna”. De la Cruz de Cristo nace una humanidad nueva.

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 tenemos 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 Colon van 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.





- El signo de la Cruz nos distingue como discípulos de Cristo: por eso en cada iglesia y en los hogares cristianos podemos encontrar varias de ellas.
- Cuando miremos una imagen de Cristo crucificado, hagámoslo con gratitud y reconozcamos el gran amor de Dios.
- Antes de cada momento importante del día, hagamos la señal de la Santa Cruz sobre nosotros y nuestras familias.
- No olvidemos jamás que el camino de la resurrección tiene que pasar por la Cruz.
- La conversión a la que estamos invitados en la Cuaresma está basada en que Dios está de parte de la humanidad, aunque ésta prefiera alejarse más de él. A los cristianos nos toca comunicar el verdadero rostro de Dios, que siempre es fiel a su Palabra.

¡Alegrémonos, porque Dios nos ha manifestado su amor en la Cruz de su Hijo!

LA DOCTRINA...

Calendario para el mes de Marzo:

Clases de Domingo: 18

(11 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)

(25 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)

Clases de los Martes: 20

(13 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)

(27 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)

Clases de los Miércoles: 21

(14 – NO HAY CLASE – VACACIONES PRIMAVERAL)

(28 – NO HAY CLASE – SEMANA SANTA)



Necesitamos dulces enbolsados para el Easter Egg Hunts. Favor de traerlos a la oficina de la Doctrina durante la semana. Gracias por su ayuda en hacer esta experiencia muy divertido para los niños.