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7° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO * 23 DE FEBRERO

WEEKLY	WEEKLY	SPECIAL	FIRST FRIDAY/FIRST SATURDAY
Tuesday 8:00 - 9:00 am	Saturday 5:00 pm English Spanish	First Friday Holy Mass 8:00 am English Spanish	First Friday 7:00 pm Holy Mass (Spanish) - Sacred Heart of Jesus
Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am English Spanish English	7:00 pm English Spanish	8:00 pm Exposition/Consecration Prayers
Thursday 8:00 - 9:00 am 6:00 - 6:45 pm	Monday 7:30 am English	Daily Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday-Friday Benediction 9:00 pm	8:30 pm Scriptural Rosary (Sorrowful) Confession (ongoing)
Friday 9:30 - 10:30 am	Tuesday 7:30 am English	7:00 am Dedicated adoration sign-up sheets are in the church foyer.	9:00 pm Scriptural Rosary (Joyful)
First Saturday 8:00 - 8:45 am Other Saturdays 8:00 - 10:00 am	Wednesday 7:30 am English	9:00 pm	9:30 pm Nine Offices of Sacred Heart of Jesus
	Thursday 7:30 am English Spanish	First Saturday Holy Mass 9:00 am English	11:30 pm Scriptural Rosary (Luminous)
	Friday 8:00 am English		Saturday 12:00 am Office of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
			12:15 am Blessed Sacrament Procession/Rosary (Glorious)
			12:45 am Benediction/Divine Praises/Repose the Blessed Sacrament
			1:00 am Holy Mass-Immaculate heart of Mary
			2:00 am End Two Hearts Communion of Reparation Vigil

**Any temporary adjustments to this Mass schedule can be found inside the bulletin on the next page.*

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YEAR OF PRAYER—AÑO DE ORACIÓN

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In today's Gospel, taken from the sixth chapter of Luke, Jesus offers a very challenging, seemingly impossible approach to daily life. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak do not withhold even your tunic." It makes one want to say, "Seriously, Lord?" And He doesn't stop there. Jesus adds, "Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back."

It seems so unfair! That is, unless we look at this way of life from a stewardship point of view. Then, not only does it seem doable (though challenging), but it also actually makes perfect sense. A steward understands clearly that all he has and all that he is — his very life — is a gift from God given to him from an unfathomable abundance of love. This changes everything! This means "my" cloak, "my" tunic, "my" money, and time — all of it ultimately belongs to God. He has entrusted these things to each of us in love to use for His purposes and His glory.

Does this mean we are to be passive "doormats" to anyone who wants to take advantage of us? Certainly not. Jesus explains this in the next verse of this passage when He says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." There is nothing wrong with loving oneself since God loves us and has made us in His own image and likeness. Jesus is simply asking that we also approach others, and the sharing of our gifts, with this same attitude. He is giving us a definition here of real love, a steward's love!

Fr. Denizil



DE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR

En el Evangelio de hoy, tomado del sexto capítulo de Lucas, Jesús ofrece un enfoque muy desafiante y aparentemente imposible para la vida diaria. "Amen a sus enemigos, hagan el bien a quienes los odian, bendigan a quienes los maldicen, oren por quienes los maltratan. Al que te golpee en una mejilla, preséntale también la otra; y al que te quite el manto, no le niegues ni siquiera la túnica". Da ganas de decir: "¿En serio, Señor?". Y no se detiene allí. Jesús agrega: "A todo el que te pida, dale; y al que tome lo que es tuyo, no se lo reclames".

¡Parece tan injusto! Es decir, a menos que miremos esta forma de vida desde el punto de vista de la administración. Entonces, no solo parece factible (aunque desafiante), sino que también tiene mucho sentido. Un administrador entiende claramente que todo lo que tiene y todo lo que es —su propia vida— es un regalo de Dios que le ha sido dado a partir de una insondable abundancia de amor. ¡Esto lo cambia todo! Esto significa que "mi" manto, "mi" túnica, "mi" dinero y tiempo, todo pertenece en última instancia a Dios. Él nos ha confiado estas cosas a cada uno de nosotros en amor para que las usemos para Sus propósitos y Su gloria.

¿Significa esto que debemos ser "felpudos" pasivos para cualquiera que quiera aprovecharse de nosotros? Ciertamente no. Jesús lo explica en el siguiente versículo de este pasaje cuando dice: "Traten a los demás tal como quieren que los demás los traten a ustedes". No hay nada de malo en amarse a uno mismo, ya que Dios nos ama y nos ha hecho a Su propia imagen y semejanza. Jesús simplemente está pidiendo que también nos acerquemos a los demás y compartamos nuestros dones con esta misma actitud. ¡Él nos está dando una definición aquí del amor verdadero, el amor de un administrador!

P. Denizil

Prayer Request

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...

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CÓMO HACER LA CUARESMA: Esta es una gran serie guiada por Solenne Santiago, ya que ella nos brinda las herramientas para comprender y practicar los pilares de la Cuaresma: oración, ayuno y limosna para ayudarnos a tener la mejor Cuaresma posible.

"But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." Luke 6:27-28
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 Saint Vincent de Paul Meeting Change
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Monday 2/24:	Sir 2:1-11 / Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday 2/25:	Sir 2:1-11 / Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday 2/26:	Sir 4:11-19 / Mk 9:38-40
Thursday 2/27:	Sir 5:1-8 / Mk 9:41-50
Friday 2/28:	Sir 6:5-17 / Mk 10:1-12
Saturday 2/29:	Sir 17:1-15 / Mk 10:13-16
Sunday 3/01:	1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

SAINTS & FEASTS OF THE WEEK—FEBRUARY 2025

23	Sun	Saint Polycarp
24	Mon	Saint John Theristus
25	Tue	Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio
26	Wed	Saint Porphyry of Gaza
27	Thu	Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows
28	Fri	Saint Oswald

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7:00pm † Santos Escobedo by Carlos Escobedo
Margarita Bondad by MariLou Miller Esteves
† Mario Flores Villarreal by Ninfa Hernandez
† Manuel Padilla by Fam. Padilla

Sunday, February 23
9:00am † Dominico Dad by Family
† Dominico Brother by Family
† Harold Sabin (Birthday) by Charleyne Sabin
11:00am † Maria Guadalupe Aguilar by Agustin Aguilar & Fam.
5:00pm † Bertha Aguilar by Fam. Aguilar

Monday, February 24
7:30am Alejandra Jasso (Birthday) by Family


Tuesday, February 25
7:30am Lupe Guerrero (Birthday) by MariLou Miller

Wednesday, February 26
7:30am † Ignacio Barrios by Maria Olivares

Thursday, February 27
7:30am † Molley Hickey by Mac & Joann McDonald
7:00pm † Osvaldo Madera by Maria Olalde
Animas Benditas del Purgatorio by Maria Moreno

Friday, February 28
8:00am † Betty Soderquist by Sheila Soderquist

Saturday, March 1
9:00am **First Saturday Holy Mass**
5:00pm † Raul Guerra by Maria Olivares
7:00pm † Faustino Delgado by Bibiana Escobedo
† Federico Chairez by Fam. Marquez
† Rita Flores by Fam. Marquez
† Manuel Padilla by Fam. Padilla



Lenten Retreat


Join the Mineola, Texas Legion of Mary for a Saturday retreat.

MARCH 8, 2025 SATURDAY, 8:30 A.M.

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
203 Meadowbrook Drive
Mineola, Texas

8:30 AM Holy Mass
9:15 AM Retreat starts in PARISH HALL
Light Breakfast will be provided.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
PATTY MONE 815-546-4906



NEW RELEASES FOR LENTEN SEASON FOR ADULTS FREE FOR ALL PARISHIONERS!

How to access? EASY as 1,2,3!
 1. Go to www.formed.org/signup,
 2. Enter zip code 75901 or search St. Patrick Lufkin,
 3. Enter your name and email address

There are 2 new adult series for Lent 2025:

FORETOLD: Dr. Sean Innerest weaves the scripture stories of the Old Testament and the New Testament, highlighting the connecting threads of prophecy of old with the fulfillment of the new. **FORETOLD** will help us see that our sacred history is about our story and how God cares for each of us.

HOW TO LENT: This is a great series guided by Solenne Santiago, as she gives us the tools to understand and practice the Pillars of Lent: Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to help us have the best Lent possible.



40 DAYS OF ADORATION

ALL INVITED!
40 DAYS (NIGHT & DAY) OF ADORATION TO OUR LORD PRESENT IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?
EASY! SIGN UP FOR 1 HOUR A DAY, 1 HOUR EVERY OTHER DAY, OR 1 HOUR A WEEK. THIS IS FOR THE LENT SEASON ONLY!
MEN NEEDED TO COVER THE NIGHT HOURS!



Join us for a POT LUCK LUNCH

60-5 SOCIAL

BRING YOUR BEST CULINARY CREATION!

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, NOON
FAITH FORMATION HALL
COME JOIN US!

\$1 Fee - \$1 Games



THE AXE RETREAT A MEN'S RETREAT

"IRON IS SHARPENED BY IRON; ONE PERSON SHARPENS ANOTHER." PROVERBS 27:17

Saturday March 1st 10a-Vigil Mass
Sacred Heart - Nacogdoches

Sign up at:


Attention! Contact Information Update Request

Please ensure that your contact information with the Church is current.

It's easy! Scan the code and complete the form online
or come by the Admin office M-F 8am - 4pm, closed 12-1pm for lunch.



SCAN ME



St. Patrick's Pot Luck Celebration

16th March, Sunday

Door Prize Donations Needed

Accepting new or gently used items for our celebration.

Please ensure the items are something you'd be excited to take home yourself.

Drop-off location: Church Admin Office
When: now - March 14th

Thank you for your support!

Are you new to our Parish? Welcome to St. Patrick!!

Please complete the information below and return this to the Parish Office so we can be in contact with you.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Baptism Formation Classes In English

For Baptisms and class information, please contact the Church Office at 936-634-6833. We will give you the forms & instructions when you come to pick up the forms and you must register for the class.

Baptism Classes in English are held on the last Thursday of the month in the Faith Formation Hall at 6pm with Deacon Ray Vann

PRÓXIMA CLASE BAUTISMAL EN ESPAÑOL

Domingo, 9 de Marzo de 6pm-8pm con el Padre Jose Marin

¿Dónde? En el salón de Formación de Fé
Las clases en Español serán el **segundo** Domingo de cada mes. **Por favor llamar a la oficina para registrarse y confirmar su asistencia antes del día de la clase al 936-634-6833**

Christian Initiation Corner Rite of Election and Calling to Continuing Conversion

Spring of Life: Awakening

Spring is a time of blossoming, a season full of promise and possibilities. On a spiritual level, spring involves "waking up" to the discovery of God in a personal way ... God as friend, companion, loving Father or brother ... the discovery of God as real. This Journey of the Lent - this springtime - this time of blossoming - invites us to "come and see". Getting to know the One we are drawn to love, leads us to prayer and the Scriptures.

Patricia Cooney Hathaway

Ash Wednesday is just around the corner - March 5th! Let us join our catechumens and candidates in this discovery as they enter more deeply into their personal relationship with Jesus. During these Lenten days they are preparing for Rite of Election and Calling to Continuing Conversion on March 9th that lead to their receiving their sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

The purpose of the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

The Rite of Election is primarily for the unbaptized Catechumens preparing to receive their sacraments at the Easter Vigil. **All** baptized Christians, Catholic or other Christian traditions have — through the grace of baptism — been made ready for discipleship. All baptized Christians have already been chosen — been "elected", but are invited to celebrate the rite to remember that they have already been chosen through their baptism and to remember that they have already been called to be disciples.

Please remember these Catechumens and Candidates in your prayers during this Holy Season of Lent:

**Catechumens
Preparing for Baptism,
Confirmation and Eucharist**

Diego Axel Zarate Flores
Itzell Zarate Flores
Damaris Dalia Garcia
Alejandro Antoinio Garcia
Andrea Alejandra Garcia
Daisy Gurrola
Noelia Castro-Hernandez
William Castro-Hernandez
Jesus Lopez
Hector Martinez
Jazlynn Alexa Segura

**Baptized Candidates
Preparing for Confirmation
and Eucharist**

Allison Chantal Moran
Jose' Angel Vidal
Cristian Eduardo Gutierrez
Gustavo De La Paz
Verania Martinez
Anita May
Marco Gonzalez