

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

Catholic Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipation) ----- 5:00 p.m.
Sunday ----- 9:00 a.m.
Monday at Ganado Nursing Home ----- 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday ----- 6:00 p.m.
Thursday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Friday ----- 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Sunday ----- 8:15-8:45 a.m.

Youth Minister ----- Joey Sablatura
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Parish Secretary ----- Karen Klaus
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: ----- 8:00 a.m. – Noon & 1:00-5:00 p.m.

New Members

Welcome to Assumption Parish!
Please call or stop by the Parish Office to register.

Holy Communion to the Home-Bound

Each Wednesday and Friday. If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents and Godparents are required to attend a baptismal class. Call the Parish Office to ask about requirements for Godparents, and to register for a class. 2018 Baptism class schedule: **April 3, July 24, October 16.**

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please make an appointment with the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date. No wedding date will be firm until after the initial meeting with the Pastor.

March 4, 2018

The Third Sunday of Lent

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 20:1-17. *The law was given through Moses.*

Psalm 19. *"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life."*

1 Corinthians 1:22-25. *We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.*

John 2:13-25. *Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How can I take the mercy of God and pass it on to others in my day-to-day life? Am I providing an example of God's mercy in my relationships with others?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 2 Kings 5:1-15
Luke 4:24-30

Tues: Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Matthew 18:21-34

Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Matthew 5:17-19

Thurs: Jeremiah 7:23-28
Luke 11:14-23

Fri: Hosea 14:2-10
Mark 12:28-34

Sat: Hosea 6:1-6
Luke 18:9-14

Sun: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

During the Lenten Season there are two defining moments, marking our foreheads with ashes, and waving palm branches in our hands. This Third Sunday of Lent is the halfway point between these two ritual actions. Coming to terms with our sinfulness is directly related to the welcoming of Jesus as our Messiah. How quickly we turn away from both.

For some of us, we quickly forget about our need of repentance as soon as the ashes are washed from our faces. Instead of turning towards the Gospel, we move away from it. Simply put, we forget our own mortality. Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return. We should live with that reality always before our eyes.

Like our ancestors of old, we find ourselves rejoicing that God is so near to us that we proclaim Him as Lord. Then, we quickly trample our branches of praise and look for another savior. Or, we put God on a shelf, ignoring Him until we need His assistance. Worse yet, we denounce Him and look for other gods.

On this Third Sunday of Lent therefore, let us remind ourselves of our Lenten observances. Let us rededicate ourselves to the discipline of this holy season. If we have slipped, then recommit. If we have not started, then begin now. Let us not squander this time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Father Kirby Hlavaty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 4

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of Catholic Life Ins. Branch #97

Monday, March 5 (Ganado Nursing Home)

9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

10:00 a.m. In thanksgiving for Annie Lesak on her 100th birthday

Tuesday, March 6

8:00 a.m. Recovery of Neil Astor

Wednesday, March 7

6:00 p.m. †Lydia Spark

Thursday, March 8

8:00 a.m. †I.G. & Ernestine Hajovsky

Friday, March 9

8:00 a.m. †Otto "Sonny" Matus

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 10

5:00 p.m. Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday, March 11

9:00 a.m. †Alvin Kollaja

KJT UNION #71

Will meet today, Sunday, at the KJT Hall immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All members are encouraged to attend.



ATTENTION USHERS

Tuesday, March 6

6:30 p.m.

St. Maria Goretti House

Please come to an important meeting concerning Church **security** issues. All current ushers are invited to attend as well as anyone who would like to join this ministry.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday: 4:00 p.m. with the CCD youth

Friday: 5:30 p.m., led by Guadalupanas

SANCTUARY CANDLE

❖ In memory of Alan Vajdos by friends

BULLETIN SPONSOR

❖ Catholic Life Insurance Ganado-Edna Branch #97 Living & Deceased members

PENANCE SERVICE

Monday, March 12

5:30 p.m. Assumption Church

Five priests will be available to hear confessions. Take advantage of this Lenten opportunity to prepare your heart and soul for Easter.

Third Sunday of Lent

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- **Monday, March 5:** (*permanent change*)
Young Adult Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - JP11
- **Tuesday, March 6:**
Scripture Study 9:30 a.m. – JP11
- **Wednesday, March 7:**
RCIA 7:00 p.m. – JP11
- **Thursday, March 8**
Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m. meal
7:00 p.m. meeting. Cooking committee: Johnny Vesely,
Red Hensley, Andy Byrne, Clint Hensley, Lewis Chanek,
Jason Chanek

SYMBOLS OF LENT

Continuing the Lenten theme we will be adding different symbols each week at the foot of the cross in Church to help us connect more deeply with this holy season.

- **Whip.** Is to remind us of the effects of our sinfulness and our need to do penance.
- **Dice.** Like the soldiers who gambled for Jesus' tunic, it's a reminder that our victory is in Christ alone.
- **Skull.** St. Benedict reminds us, "keep death ever before you." The skull reminds us of our own mortality and the need to be in the grace of God, especially at the time of our death.
- **Nails.** As the 11th Station reminds us, Jesus is pierced for our offenses. The nails remind us of our need for God's mercy.

Spend some time meditating on the symbols of Lent.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays of Lent 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. on March 12
Divine Mercy Chapel

Please call Heather Supak (361-550-1049) for more information.

KC FISH FRYS

March 9, 16, 23

4:45-6:30 p.m. Assumption Parish hall
\$9.00 for Dine in or Plates to Go

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Church code: **YRQXTM**. Check out the offerings for Lent: The Power of Silence; A Lent to Remember; The Last Four Things; Forgiven: the Transforming Power of Confession; The Fourth Cup; The Shroud of Turin, and many more!



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CCD CLASSES:

Wednesdays, MARCH 7 & 21

- ❖ Grades 1-5 4:00-5:15 p.m.
- ❖ Grades 6-12* 7:00-8:15 p.m.

RETREAT for FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Sunday, March 11

For all students preparing to receiving First Holy Communion. Beginning with **9:00 a.m. Mass – 12:00 p.m.** Student must be accompanied by at least one parent. Please keep in your prayers all the children preparing to receive the Eucharist for the first time.

OUR SYMPATHY

Please keep in your prayers the Cahill family and Bishop Brendan, who are grieving the loss of their father, Joe Cahill. Sympathy cards may be sent to Bishop Brendan Cahill, PO Box 4070, Victoria, Texas 77903. Memorial donations may be sent to the Diocese of Victoria (same address), earmarked for the Emmaus Center.

MEMORIALS

In grateful appreciation we want to acknowledge memorials received in February

CHURCH memorial fund:

In memory of Bruce Sulak	\$ 50.00
In memory of Josephine Schneider	\$ 50.00

MAINTENANCE memorial fund:

In memory of Ruth Richards	\$215.00
In memory of Josephine Schneider	\$105.00
In memory of Michele Benavides	\$ 20.00
In memory of Bernice Hajovsky	\$ 20.00

ALTAR SOCIETY:

In memory of Josephine Schneider	\$ 40.00
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CDA DESSERTS

All Catholic Daughters are asked to call **Georgie Kruse (771-6179)** to volunteer to make desserts or a monetary donation for the Fish Frys.

MINISTRIES for MARCH 10 & 11

LECTORS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Jerri Lara
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Terri Morales

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Kevin & Angela Petrash
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Willie & Rosa Hernandez

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Hannah & Stephen Kelly, Peyton Green
Sun.- 9:00 AM – David & Juan Almeda
Tanya & Monica Hernandez

USHERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Joe Verver, Robert Landry,
Harlan Tegeler, Chuck Hasdorff
Sun. - 9:00 AM – Victor Martinez, Mike Roznovsky,
Dale Staff

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

March 3/4, 10/11, 17/18, 24/25, 31/April 1 – Rice Bowl
Holy Thursday – For the Education & Formation of
Diocesan Seminarians
Good Friday – For the Support of the Holy Land

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

February 25

Envelopes – \$3,978.00 Loose – \$564.00
Youth Ministry – \$20.00 Rice Bowl - \$378.47

Monday Morning Bankers – **March 5**
Bea Perez & Georgie Kruse

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bobby Humbird, Kazzie Bedarak, Bill Janecek, Veronica Spalek, Ruth Hubbard Stephens, Billy Allen, Bennie Matcek, Bennie Cykala, Jr., Gayle Engelmohr, Troy Don Jones, Kathy Tomanek, Wanda Porche, Edwin Fiala ❖ Jesse Sanchez, Lad & June Sulak, Steve Drillette, Georgia Housson, Carl Zajicek, Theresa Jo Ann Everett, Jo Ann Andel, Diana McDowell ❖ Theresa Hicks, Sylvia Hubenak, Marty Rucker, Junior Webernck, Danny Morrison, Joseph Janecek, Jr., Marcella Janecek, Lindsey Fowler ❖ Buck Boehm, Ryan & Veronica Watkins & twins Faith & Hope Watkins, Brandon Janak, Joe & Mary Martinez, Terry Harris ❖ All the Unborn and their parents, All people serving in the military, All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Readings for MARCH 11: Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." 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. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.