

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2016

I consider everything as a loss  
because of the supreme good of knowing  
Christ Jesus my Lord.

— *Philippians 3:8*

Masses for  
the Week



### SUNDAY - March 13 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - Donald Yanta †

10:00 am - Joe & Suzie Ryan: *34th Wedd. Annv.*

### MONDAY - March 14

8:00 am - †Gilbert & †Moses Velasquez, Jr

### TUESDAY - March 15

8:00 am - Frances Drost †

### WEDNESDAY - March 16

8:00 am - Vincent Rippamonti †

### THURSDAY - March 17 - St. Patrick, Bishop

8:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

### FRIDAY - March 18 - St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bsp, Doc. of Chrch

8:00 am - Ed Faxlanger † *Abstinence*

5:30 pm - Billy Yandell, Jr † *Abstinence POTLUCK*

6:00 pm - STATIONS of the CROSS - followed by *SUPPER*

### SAT - March 19 - St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am - Margie Brosch †

5:00 pm - Gene Jolly †

### SUNDAY - March 20 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 am - Bea Treviño †

10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - *Clergy*

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

*Sun: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11*

*Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20*

*Tue: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30*

*Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42*

*Thu: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59*

*Fri: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42*

*Sat: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a*

*Sun: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]*

#### NEXT WEEKEND - March 19 & 20

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Geriann Neuman, (Vacancy)

Helen John, *Volunteer*

Sun. 7:30 am - Martha Nichols, Emily Yeary

Cliff/Yvonne Moczygamba

Sun. 10:00 am - John Vecera, David Post

Howard/Carol Bludau

#### ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat 5:00 pm - A. Briseno, Noah Vasquez, Nadia Vasquez

Sun 7:30 am - Katelyn John, Cameron & Jenny Marbach

Sun 10:00 am - Joel Stevens, Jace Stevens, *Volunteer*

#### USHERS:

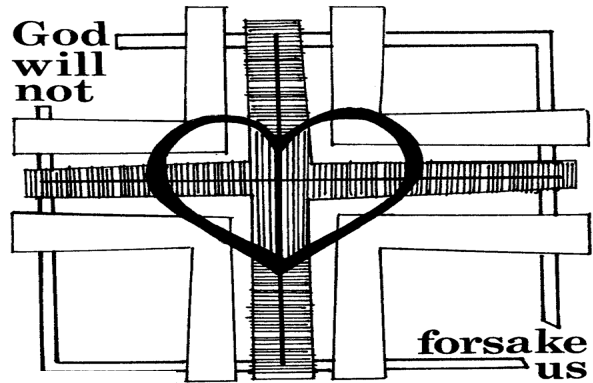
5:00 pm - Norman Schoener, *Volunteer, Volunteer*

7:30 am - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl, *Volunteer*

10:00 am - Howard Bludau, *Volunteer, Volunteer*

#### ALTAR CLEANER(S):

Debbie Sullivan & *Volunteer*



*This Week*

### SUNDAY - Fifth Sunday of Lent

1st Collection: Weekly Stewardship +Rice Bowl

2nd Collection: D. S. A.

MONDAY - Holy Name Society meeting - 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY - R.C.I.A. - 7:00 pm - Rel. Ed. Bldg.

FRIDAY - Masses: 8:00 am & 5:30 pm

6:00 pm - Stations of the Cross - followed by a  
*Lenten Potluck Supper*

SATURDAY - Confessions - 4:00 - 4:30 pm

SUNDAY - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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*ExtraEnvelope Coll: Altar Server Edu. Schlrship Fund*

#### Jubilee Year of Mercy

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2016

How fitting that the first Sunday Angelus of Pope Francis, who has made mercy his papacy's theme, took place the last time today's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the adulterous woman was proclaimed. "Jesus' attitude is striking," Francis declared. "We do not hear words of scorn or condemnation, only words of love, of mercy, an invitation to conversion: 'Neither do I condemn you'" (John 8:11). Francis continued: "God's face is the face of a merciful father who is always patient. Have you thought about God's patience, the patience [God] has with each one of us? That is [God's] mercy. [God] always has patience, patience with us . . . understands us . . . waits for us . . . does not tire of forgiving us" if we return 'with a contrite heart' (Pope Francis, Angelus address, March 17, 2013). Parishes preparing catechumens may proclaim Jesus' raising of Lazarus. Referring to Lazarus, and all those "raised" from the "death" of sin, Jesus defines the community's "mission of mercy"— "Untie him and let him go" (John 11:44).


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Weekly Offering	THANK YOU ..... <i>Your Generosity is Appreciated</i>	WEEKEND of 03-05/06-16	Count - 440
	Envelopes.....		\$ 2,778.00
	Loose.....		848.27
	Other Donations.....		390.00
	<b>Total Operating Income.....</b>		<b>\$ 4,016.27</b>
	Lenten Almsgiving-Rice Bowl.....		\$ 224.25
	<b>Special Collection: Catholic Relief Servs.....</b>		<b>\$ 126.00</b>
	Easter Flower Fund.....		\$ 435.00

#### Please Pray for Our Sick.....


Tina Moya, Betty Esceveste, Cheryl Barker, Cecilia Edwards,  
Fr. Dan Morales, Sharon Traylor, Mary Pawlik, &  
Mary Louise Bittlebrun





**Generations of Faith ~ GOF**  
**Religious Education Classes**

Mar 13 - No Class: Spring Break  
 Mar 20 - GOF Class & Palm Sunday  
 Mar 27 - No Class: Easter *Alleluia!*  
 Apr 3 - GOF Class  
 Apr 10 - GOF Class / Confirmation at 10 am  
 Apr 17 - GOF Class / 1st Communion at 10 am



*News Around Town*

**SOLEMN LENTEN VESPERS: Mar. 13 & 20, 5:00 - 5:45pm**  
 Solemn Vespers is the Liturgical Evening Prayer of the Church. Solemn Evening Praise closes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Location: Incarnate Word Convent 1101 NE Water St. <http://www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org>  
**TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE** March 29, 2016 from 7:00 - 8:00pm  
 IncarnateWordConvent, Victoria, TX - AmorMeus Prayer Room

**GOD'S EMBRACE MINISTRY: UPCOMING EVENTS**  
 Little Chapel of St Mary, 1601 High Hill Rd. Schulenburg TX is offering a **SEMINAR SERIES** directed by:  
**Dr. Michael Fonseca**, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.  
 March 19 - *The Mass*;  
 April 2 - *Catholic Family Life*;  
 April 30 - *Contemplative Prayer: The Cloud of Unknowing*  
 For more information call 979-561-8883 or email [info@godsembrace.org](mailto:info@godsembrace.org)

Now enrolling new students at **NAZARETH ACADEMY CATHOLIC SCHOOL!** Registration forms and information are available at [nazarethacademy.org](http://nazarethacademy.org) or contact the school office at 361-573-6651.

**Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Chicken BBQ** will be held **March 20th from 8:30 am until sold out.** NOTE: selling will not start until 8:30. Prices are \$8 per chicken or 3/\$22. Spanish rice & beans available for \$1.50/pint. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit council charity projects. For info, call Sun. morning at 575-9214.

**INCARNATE WORD RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP** - 1101 NE Water St, Victoria wishes you to consider preparing for the rejoicing of Easter, First Communion, Confirmation, Baptism, RCIA and all occasions by shopping at their Religious Goods Shop. Hours: M-F, 8:30 am-4:30 pm & Sat. 9:30 am-3:30 pm

In conjunction with the *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, **The Gabriel Project** volunteers invite fellow lovers of the Gospel of Life to join us on our pilgrim spiritual journey to the **Holy Door** at the **Monument to the Unborn, Raphael's Refuge, Flatonia, TX** on **March 19, 2016**, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of BVM. Bshp Emeritus David Fellhauer will celebrate Mass at 10:00 am. With the indulgences received in this Holy Year, this spiritual journey is a God-sent, grace-filled opportunity to renew, regenerate and recharge as you go forth in your chosen ministry of upholding the Gospel of Life in all its stages.


**Bishop Cahill Lent Videos...ONLY 3 MORE MESSAGES**  
 Now available for sharing and viewing on Diocesan Facebook page and website. Every Monday of Lent a new message will be added. Please share them.. including your school websites.

If a parishioner would like to receive *The Catholic Lighthouse*, call 573-0828, e-mail [lighthouse@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:lighthouse@victoriadiocese.org), or visit [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org).

**THE EMMAUS CENTER**  
*Counseling in the Catholic Tradition*  
 Diocese of Victoria in Texas  
 1908 N. Laurent Street, Suite 140, Victoria, TX 77901  
 For counseling or spiritual direction appointments, go to [www.emmauscounselingcenter.com](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com)- or call 361-212-0830  
*Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need*

**VOCATION CRUCIFIX**

The Holy Year of Consecrated Life has come to an end, but at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish we will take it from here to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Families will pray while in possession of a dedicated **VOCATION CRUCIFIX**. At the 10:00 am Mass, **David & Regina Palacios & Roro Sanchez** will take possession and continue our prayers.  
**NEXT COMING WEEK (3/19)** at 5pm Mass: Helen & Michael John



**POTLUCK FRIDAY**  
 FEATURING: FOOD & FELLOWSHIP  
 March 18, 2016 - 6:30 pm

By design, there is no one assigned or designated to **prepare** our **FINAL Friday night Lenten Supper**. The evening will be **POTLUCK** Friday and an opportunity for sharing good food and good fellowship with a variety of offerings. Just bring something **meatless** to share and no one will go home hungry. The Church Hall will be open prior to the 5:30 pm Mass for you to be able to leave food for the meal before the services.

**Know Your Finance Committee.... MEMBERS**

**DONALD GOLDMAN \*\* BARTON BRADICICH**  
**JIMMY WHITAKER \*\* CLAUDIA SCHOENER**  
**(JANET WEAVER) - BOOKKEEPER**

**40 Cans for Lent**

What are you giving up for Lent this season? Consider giving up a **CAN** of food each **DAY** for **"40 Cans for Lent"** Many people are faced with hunger. Through the **Food for Families** program, the **Knights of Columbus** are in a position to help. For those wishing to donate, simply drop off your canned good or non-perishable item here at church. There is a drop box located at the entrance of the church.

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION:** Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the *Pontifical Good Friday Collection*, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. **Please be generous!**



**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**  
**RCIA meets each Wednesday**  
 7 pm-9pm ~ in the Rel Ed Bldg.

For more info, please contact: Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561 [laurie.bautista@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.bautista@gmail.com), or Rectory -575-3813