

NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am-5:00pm, Closed 12:00 noon-1:00 pm

Clergy at Notre Dame

Fr. Rafal A. Duda

Dc. Alfredo "Jimmy" Bill, Jr. Dc. Francisco Hernandez Dc. Harold "Sonny" Kaufhold Dc. Roberto Zapata

MASS TIMES:

12:00 Noon Monday 7:00 a.m. Tuesday Wednesday 12:00 Noon 12:00 Noon **Thursday**

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service)

Friday 8:00 a.m.

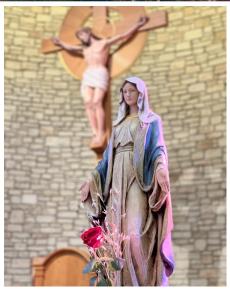
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:45 a.m., 9:15 am (in Spanish)

11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Saturday 3:00 p.m.— 4:30 p.m.





READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday-March 20, 2023

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16, Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22, Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a(543)

Tuesday—March 21, 2023 Ez 47:1-9, 12, Jn 5:1-16(245)

Wednesday-March 22, 2023 Is 49:8-15, Jn 5:17-30(246)

Thursday—March 23, 2023 Ex 32:7-14, Jn 5:31-47(247)

Friday-March 24, 2023

Wis 2:1a, 12-22, Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30(248)

Saturday—March 25, 2023 Ez 37:12-14, Rom 8:8-11, Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17,

20-27, 33b-45(34) Sunday—March 26, 2023 Ez 37:12-14, Rom 8:8-11, Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17,

20-27, 33b-45(34)

Verse to reflect on this week:

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. [His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this,] he spat on the ground and made clay with saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" - which means Sent -. So he went and washed, and came back able to see.



John 9:1-7

The season of Lent is slowly leading us to the Easter Mysteries. We want to learn how to grow in our love for God – especially in the sacrament of the Eucharist, where we can feel and taste God's presence and love.



CCC 1397 To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognize Christ in the poorest, his brethren.

The Eucharist can nourish each of us personally, filling us in the ways we need to be filled. In the New Testament, Jesus Himself gave His people bread to eat. Physical nourishment is often a path by which He leads them to spiritual nourishment and greater trust in Him. Jesus provided food for the crowds gathered in the "deserted place" to which they had come in search of Him. He satisfied them not only to make it back to their homes but first of all to make them wonder at the mighty deeds of God. The Eucharist is for us the source and summit of our faith. It roots us in our relationship with Christ.

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said, "This is why our lives must be woven around the Eucharist. The Christ who gives himself under the appearance of bread and the Christ who is hidden under the distressing disguise of the poor, is the same Jesus."

6 Ways to Deepen Love for Christ in the Eucharist

- 1. Seek Him in daily Mass as well as on Sunday. Consider attending Mass on one or two weekdays. More frequent reception of communion convicts us of our need to be nourished by Him daily.
- 2. Visit Him in the tabernacle or in Adoration. The practice of spending time in the presence of Christ is a powerful way of growing in intimacy with Him.
- 3. Pray the Divine Praises. They end with a reflection on our unity with Catholics throughout the world: "May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time. Amen."
- 4. After receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, make an intentional act of communion. As you return to your pew for silent prayer after receiving Him in Holy Communion, reflect on the awesome mystery that Christ is *truly dwelling within you*. Share with God your love for Him, and thank Him for His presence in your life.
- 5. Offer your reception of Holy Communion on behalf of someone else. Receive the Eucharist with a particular person and his / her intentions in mind. This is a way of uniting yourself to other members of the Body of Christ.
- 6. Think of one concrete way in which you can practice charity after receiving the Eucharist. It can be as simple as St. Teresa of Calcutta's recommendation to smile at others, paying for the coffee of the person in line behind you, or helping a friend or family member with a small task.



Have a blessed 4th Week of our Lenten Journey.

Remembering in my prayer, Father Rafael

MINISTRIES AT NOTRE DAME

MONDAY, March 20, 2023

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m.

School Council—5:30 p.m.

Cursillos—7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, March 21, 2023

RCIA—6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 2023

'St. Joseph's' Men's Prayer Group—6:30 a.m.

Ingles Tambien—5:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m,

Faith Formation—5:15 p.m.

EDGE—5:30 p.m.

Confirmation (Youth) - 7:00 p.m.

Ministerio Santa Cecilia—7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 23, 2023

'That Man is You' Men's Prayer Group—6:30 a.m.

Catholic Way Bible Study—9:00 a.m.

'Blessed is She' Women's Ministry—6:30 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice—6;30 p.m.

M.O.S.T.(Ministerio Oracion Santa Trinidad)—7:00 pm

FRIDAY, March 24, 2023

Divine Mercy—3:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry-4:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross (English) - 6:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross (Spanish) - 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 25, 2023

Reconciliation—3:00—4:30 p.m.

Men's ACTS Dinner/Dance-4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, March 26, 2023

Good Shepherd—9:00 a.m.

Confirmation—6:00 p.m.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for Clemente Alvarado Jr. By Family





The Second Collection on

March 25-26, 2023 will be for Notre Dame School

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 19, 2023-Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:45 am (*Fr. Rafal*) People of the Parish 9:15 am (*Fr. Rafal*) †Antonia Olivares

11:00 am (Fr. Rafal) †Red Anderson

5:00 pm (Msgr. Flood) †Sacramento Lopez

Monday, March 20, 2023

12:00 pm (Msgr. Flood) †Tom Owens

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

7:00 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

Bishop Michael J. Boulette

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Mae Franzen

Thursday, March 23, 2023

12:00 pm (Dc. Francisco)

(Communion Service) †Fr. Joseph Johnston SJ

<u>Friday, March 24, 2023</u>

8:00 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for Joseph Rios

Saturday, March 25, 2023

1:00 pm (Dc. Francisco) Quinceañera Blessing of

Juliana Contreras

5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Red Anderson

Sunday, March 26, 2023-Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal) †Rebecca McCracken

9:15 am (Fr. Rafal) †Jose Cruz Castañeon

11:00 am (*Msgr. Flood*) †Parania Stasyszyn 5:00 pm (*Fr. Rafal*) People of the Parish



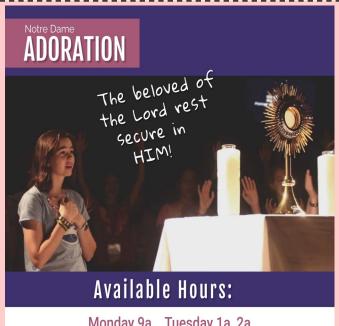
Lent Reconciliation at Notre Dame will be Monday, March 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church.



Friday, March 24, 2023—STATIONS OF THE CROSS—6:00 p.m. in English; 7:00 p.m. in Spanish.

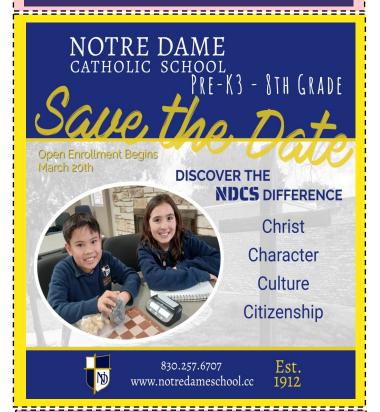
Stations will be in the Church. All are Welcome!

Viernes, 24 de marzo 2023—ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ, 6:00 p.m. en ingles, 7:00 p.m. en español en la iglesia. Todos ¡Bienvenidos!



Monday 9a Tuesday 1a, 2a Wednesday 12p,12a Friday 1a, 2a, 3a, 8a Saturday 11a

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The Daughters of Notre Dame are currently accepting Easter Memorials. A special Memorial Mass will be said on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass; names will be published in the weekly bulletin. Envelopes for donations are located in the back of the church in the Narthex. Donations may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the Pastoral Center. Deadline for intentions is Sunday, April 9, 2023. Please make all checks payable to Notre Dame Church.

From Your Librarians

Books for Lent from your Notre Dame Parish Library are located in the Pastoral Center and open Monday & Wednesday from 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. If you are unable to come during these times, please call Deborah Harris at 214-538-9105 and I will help you get the book you need. For the next several weeks, as this **Lenten season** continues, the library has selected a variety of books which will cover Lent through Easter. We hope you and your family will enjoy reading some of these books. The story about the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ have been told and retold over 2,000 years. To the over one billion of Catholics in the world today, these stories are of endless fascination. We will be reviewing several Lenten books during this liturgical season for publication in your parish bulletin.

The Way of the Cross by Archbishop Georg Ganswein, is the long-time secretary to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and a gifted writer. With the help of powerful meditations, you'll come to feel as if you've been transported all the way back to Jerusalem, to that grim day in A.D. 33, and stand there now, a direct witness to it all. The stunning reflections on the Stations of the Cross will give life to your own Stations of the Cross devotion and awaken in you love and sympathy for our Lord greater than any you have felt before.

The Pain of Christ and the Sorrow of God - Lenten Meditations by Gerald Vann, O.P, will explain what the Agony in the Garden tells us about our own struggles, sorrows, and sins, what Christ's betrayal reveals about the depth of our love, faith and devotion, how the scourging teaches us to rule our flesh rather than it ruling us, and what the difference between the two thieves teaches us about the glory of God.

33 Days to Greater Glory - A Total Consecration to the Father through Jesus Based on the Gospel of John by Fr. Michael E. Gately, MIC, Turmoil is everywhere, in the world, in the church, and also in ourselves. This is a 33 day retreat that aims to help us overcome our turmoil with the peace and joy that the world cannot give. Before we can get to that peace and joy, we first need to face the turmoil. Let's find the greater mercy and greatest in the greatest of the Gospels. Let's set ourselves free from our hypocrisy so we might become authentic witnesses of Christ and the beauty of the Church.

Written by Deborah Harris



Sacramental Preparation First Reconcillation And First Eucharist

PARENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

There will be a meeting on March 30, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Kemper Hall for parents requesting to enroll their child in Sacrament preparation for fall 2023.

Sacraments Overview:

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist takes place on many levels. In the home the children are first nutured, formed and introduced to the traditions of the family and the faith community. In

their religion class and through special workshops and retreats they will further increase their knowledge. <u>In order for a child to have a relationship and grow in their love for Christ it is necessary that they experience the Sunday liturgy on a regular basis.</u> They will come to know and love Jesus by spending time in prayer and listening to Scripture. Bible stories are a good way to introduce children to God and Jesus' ministry.

Requirements to start preparation:

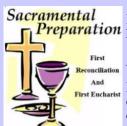
- Must be the desire of the child to receive the sacrament. Your child should know what it is they are "desiring" to receive. A
 deeper understanding will come through their formation.
- 2. Must be enrolled in a 2nd grade or higher religion class through Notre Dame School or Faith Formation with the parish.
- 3. Parents must attend meeting or interview with the child in order to add child to the Sacrament Pending list.
- 4. Must bring copy of Baptismal certificate to meeting.
- 5. Child must have a basic knowledge of prayers; Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Sign of the Cross.
- 6. Regular attendance to the Sunday liturgy is our obligation as Catholics and the Eucharist is the "source and summit' of our faith. It is the parent's responsibility and obligation to take their child for mass. This should not be left up to the child to decide if they want to attend.

For questions, please give us a call at 830.896.4233 or by email:

Denise Jenschke denise.jenschke@notredamechurch.cc or

Lucy Campos lucy.campos@notredamechurch.cc

PADRES—¡MARQUEN SUS CALENDARIOS!



El 30 de marzo a las 6:00 p.m. en Kemper Hall, habrá una reunión para padres que soliciten registrar a su hijo/a en preparación de Sacramentos en otoño de 2023.

Panorama de los sacramentos:

La preparación para los Sacramentos de la Reconciliación y la Eucaristía tiene lugar en muchos niveles. En el hogar los niños son primeramente nutridos, formados e introducidos a las tradiciones de la familia y de la comunidad religiosa. En su clase religiosa y a través de talleres y retiros especiales, aumentarán aún más sus conocimientos. Para que un/a niño/a tenga una relación y crezca en su amor por Cristo es necesario que ex-

perimenten la misa los domingos de manera regular. Ellos llegarán a conocer y amar a Jesús pasando tiempo en oración y escuchando las Escrituras. Las historias bíblicas son una buena manera de presentar a los niños a Dios y al ministerio de Jesús.

Requisitos para iniciar la preparación:

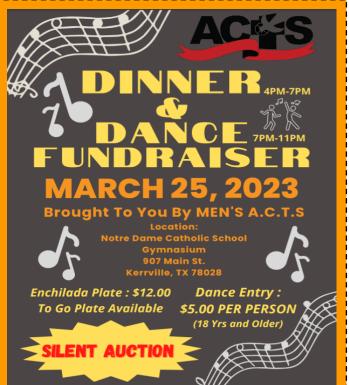
- 1. Debe ser el deseo del niño/a de recibir el sacramento. Su hijo/a debe saber lo que es que ellos/as están deseando recibir. Un entendimiento más profundo llegará a través de su formación.
- 2. Debe estar inscrito/a en una clase de religión de segundo grado o superior a través de la escuela de Notre Dame o la formación de fe con la Parroquia.
- 3. Los padres deben asistir a la reunión o entrevista con el niño/a para añadirlos a la lista de Sacramento Pendiente.
- 4. Debe traer copia del certificado Bautismal a la reunión.
- 5. El/la niño/a debe tener un conocimiento básico de las oraciones; Padre Nuestra, Ave María, Gloria, Signo de la Cruz.
- 6. La asistencia regular a la Misa de Domingos en nuestra obligación como católicos y la Eucaristía es la fuente y cumber de nuestra fe, Es responsabilidad y obligación del padre llevar a su hijo a misa. Esto no debe dejarse a los niños para decidir si desean asistir.

Para preguntas llámenos al 830.896.4233 o mándenos un correo electrónico:

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William Etchison, Bill Gibson, Marci Denton, Regina Kelly, Mauricio Reyes, Tom Miller, Tony Perez, Eloida Garcia, Judy Maurer, Amelia Rios, Brad Druehl, Norman Maurer, Lenora Reyes, George Skipper, Dale Denais, Bernice Kunz, Barney Murray, Jessica Garza Gonzalez, Bill Morgan, Manuela Sanchez, Deodato & Jesusa Ruiz, Brooklyn Raspberry, Christine Shotts, Tyson Herrmann, Andrew

OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 11-12, 2023

CHURCH

Envelopes/Checks \$ 10,529.00

Currency/Coin 3,852.00

Capital Improvement <u>144.00</u>

TOTAL \$14,525.00

Adoration Chapel \$187,907.00

(to date)

TOTAL \$ 187,907.00

Flor y Canto

Songbooks \$ 40.00

St. Vincent

De Paul <u>170.00</u>

TOTAL \$ 210.00

March 6-12, 2023

On-line Giving

Church \$ 3,145.00

School 575.00

Bldg Maintenance 200.00

Adoration 0.00

TOTAL \$ 3,920.00

SCHOOL

Envelopes \$ 817.00

Guardian Angel 700.00

TOTAL \$ 1,517.00

Now is the Time for Mercy - Accept this Offer from Heaven

Divine Mercy Sunday this year is April 16, 2023. From the Diary of St. Faustina, Jesus promises: 'On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet." Learn more at MercySundayMomentum.org



Knights of Columbus Council 6409 Lenten Fish Fry

We will be serving every Friday of the Lenten season except Good Friday

Fried Fish, Coleslaw, Beans, Hush Puppies, And Tartar Sauce

"Drive Thru and Dine in available"
Please join us on Friday for a great meal

Cost: \$15 / Plate

Time: Serving Times from 4:30 PM until 7:00 PM

Location: Monsignor Walsh Hall

Event Center 115 Doris Drive (off Goat Creek Rd.), Kerrville

Note: Please notice the location



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Thank you from the Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus Council 6409 would like to thank everyone who donated diapers, wipes, and/or money to the 15th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive. The Drive was very successful and

so many families in Kerr County will be blessed because of you. We appreciate you and pray for you.

Many diapers and wipes were collected as well as \$2,846.05 to purchase many more in the coming year.

Special thanks to Fr. Rafael for his support, the Knights who helped man the tables, and the volunteers of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and The Parenting Resource Center for distributing the diapers.



God bless you and see you next year!



Please pray for those who have died, and have gone to their eternal rest with the Lord, especially for *Margie Tremper*. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.