

## THIS WEEK

In accordance with the guidelines of President Trump and our local authorities, *I am requiring that priests begin celebrating Masses without a congregation.* All people can join in spiritual communion from their homes, with the assurance that the sacrifice of praise is being offered for the health and salvation of the world. Indeed, the salvation of souls remains the mission of the Church, and we follow these guidelines specifically for that mission.

Our parish churches and missions will remain open for private prayer and Adoration, as long as this does not pose a risk to the public. Protocols for social distancing are to be practiced.

Let's keep each other in prayer.  
Sincerely yours in Christ,  
+Bishop Brendan J. Cahill

<b>SAT, March 21</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>SUN, March 22</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>MON, March 23</b>	St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
<b>TUE, March 24</b>	World Day for Truth Concerning Human Rights Violations
<b>WED, March 25</b>	The Annunciation of the Lord
<b>THU, March 26</b>	Lenten Weekday
<b>FRI, March 27</b>	Abstinence
<b>SAT, March 28</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>SUN, March 29</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>

### ***Pray the Mass by means of radio, television or livestreaming, where possible.***

*The Mass is televised live from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory in Victoria on Sundays at 9 a.m. on KAVU television and live-streamed at [www.olvcathedral.org](http://www.olvcathedral.org). In addition, the 8 a.m. Sunday Mass from Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hallettsville is broadcast on Texas Thunder Radio (99.9 FM) or by downloading the free TUNEIN app to hear the Mass. In addition, there are national broadcasts of the Sunday Mass on various cable networks. Though not able to attend Mass, the faithful are encouraged to pray in their homes. Spiritual Communion can also be made at any time. In doing so, we unite ourselves to God and the Church in prayer, when unable to physically receive the Holy Eucharist.*



# LENT

***Holy Cross doors are open during the day and we are encouraging everyone to come pray. Jesus is waiting for us as always! Let us continue to pray, be compassionate and grateful during this time.***

*We're all feeling an absence. Remember, Jesus is still present in His Church—in tabernacles, with His priests, and, in a very real and powerful way, in Scripture.*

### **The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available!**

Father Roger will be hearing confessions on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:30AM to 12NOON.  
Call the office for your appointment time.  
361-564-2893



"When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice," wrote St. Teresa of Jesus, "by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you."

### **Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer:**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.



## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

March 15, 2020	Holy Cross	San Luis	St. Ann
Saturday/Sunday	\$ 2,189.34	\$ 472.50	\$ 10.00
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## PRAYER LIST



*Please remember in your prayers the souls of all who have passed away last week  
"Eternal rest grant unto them Lord & let perpetual light shine upon them"*



*Also pray for physical and spiritual healing of:*

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*Reminder: If you have listed someone on the Prayer List and they are doing better, please call the office to remove them from this list. Thank you!*

## MINISTRY AT HOME RESOURCES

The following diocesan page has some great resources:  
<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/ministry-at-home>  
You will find links to Masses, Websites and Aps.

### **FORMED.ORG**

You will find audios, videos and books to help you grow in your faith.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Knights of Columbus of Holy Cross** are proud to be partner to the Flag Sales for the **Warrior's Weekend Field of Honor**



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*"Help another's boat across, and lo, thine own has reached the shore"*

**MARCH 22, 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**LIGHT**

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light” (Ephesians 5:14). We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. As always, God never gives up on us, especially those who have “fallen asleep” along the road to conversion. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent. They have the power to shake us out of our sleep. Today’s Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind exposes the real blindness in the time of Christ—the blindness of the self-righteous religious leaders. In a few weeks, at the Easter Vigil, the Church will proclaim “Christ our Light” as the paschal candle is carried into darkened churches throughout the world. May the darkness of sin that still pervades our lives, communities, and world, be dispelled by the Christ who comes to bring sight to the blind and light to the world.

**TODAY’S READINGS**

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).  
Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).  
Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8-14).  
Gospel — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed:  
The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54  
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16  
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47  
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53  
Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

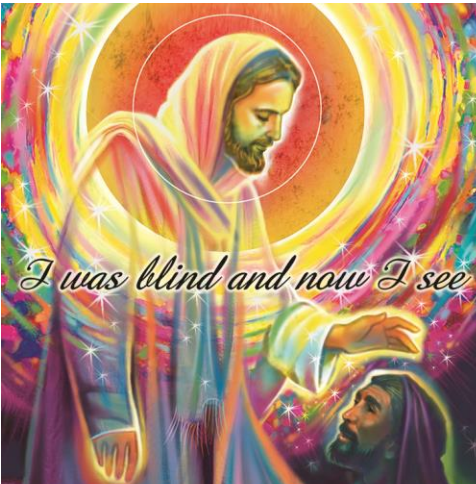
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*I was blind and now I see*