

ST. HYACINTH CATHOLIC CHURCH
Second Sunday of Lent **February 21, 2016**



“Let the Church Say Amen!”

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Lent is a special time of the Church year in which we all deny self so that we may be better to give ourselves to others. Yet, our Lenten practices have to go beyond self-denial to renewing our relationship with God. We are called to reflect on this season how we can be better, do better and increase our faith.

In this Sunday's Gospel we witness the glory of Jesus in the transfiguration and how this transformation foreshadows the glory to be given to all who remain faithful to Him. We are pleasing to Jesus when we live as He did. We experience Jesus' Presence in the goodness and kindnesses of others, in the community gathered for liturgy and prayer and are transformed by that love in which we share.

Are you 18-39 years of age? We want to invite you to a day of prayer, formation and fun. The Archdiocesan Young Adult and Campus Ministry Day will be held on next Saturday February 27th at St. Pius X High School. The theme this year is: "The Door of Mercy: Blessed be the Merciful." Bishop George Sheltz will be celebrating the closing Mass. Registration fee is \$35. Go to Website: www.archgh.org/yacm or call 713-741-8778 for more information.

I want to encourage all the men of the parish to consider attending the St. Hyacinth Men's retreat which will be held March 18th – 20th at Holy Name Retreat Center. This year's theme for the retreat will be: "Mercy: A Glimpse into the Heart of God." To register please visit the website: www.Passionist.org/holynname. Please check the Retreat sign in the church narthex for more contact information.

Beginning Monday evening, March 7th at 7:00 pm, we will kick off our Annual Lenten Parish Mission. STHY will welcome Rev. Deacon Alex Jones. Since his conversion to the Catholic Faith in 2001, Rev. Deacon Jones been called to minister to God's people through preaching the Gospel at Retreats, Missions, Conferences, and all sorts of events as well as leading worship services and fulfilling his duties as Deacon. Rev. Deacon Jones is a dynamic speaker featured on EWTN and gives parish missions throughout the United States and the world. Find out more information about Rev. Deacon Jones at his website: <http://www.alexjonesministries.com/>. Please welcome Deacon Alex Jones to Deer Park and to our Church community.

By now, each family of the parish should have received a copy of "***Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody***" by Dr. Allen Hunt. One reason why I am encouraging everyone here at STHY to read this wonderful book is because it will allow us to know mercy and forgiveness better through the examples of the lives shared in the book. This is the Jubilee Year of Mercy, and I want to encourage everyone to explore the role of mercy and forgiveness in their lives this Lenten season. There still may be some copies left in the narthex. If not, contact the parish office and we will work on getting you a personal copy of this dynamic life changing book.

As we prepare to move into the Easter season, the work on the church complex continues. The Guyot Hall main floor, classroom, and Religious Education foyer floors will be stripped and waxed during the Mission week. We usually only strip the floor once a year, however, due to the increase in usage over the last year, we have to do this project twice a year. Thank you for your contribution to the capital improvement fund. Your generosity is at work.

I have to apologize for the delay in the start of the building of our new marquee. The Archdiocese has to clear all contracts with vendors and now we have signed the contracts with the vendor to start work on our new marquee. It will take the vendor approximately 6-8 weeks for all the parts to come in for the marquee. In the meantime; Mr. Electric (electrical contractor) has been contracted to work on the electrical outlets and power sources to give the marquee power. We will keep you informed on the progress of this great initiative for our parish.

Finally, we are a few weeks away from our Building Faith, Family, Future capital campaign commitment weekend, March 12th and 13th. Commitment weekend will be the time for every family and individual of St. Hyacinth to decide what God would lead us to do in our Capital Campaign. In one way or another, we will all use or be benefited by the construction of our new Church Building. It is going to take every one of us making a sacrificial commitment above and beyond what we now give for the support of our parish. Our commitments should be what God is directing us to do! Thank you for your prayers, time and generosity towards our parish.

God Bless,
Fr. Reginald Samuels

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Parish Life

This week in your Parish

Monday, February 22

7 pm - Boy Scouts Meeting (Guyot Hall)
7 pm - Bible Study (Meeting Room 2)
7 pm - Men's ACTS Leaders Meeting (Library)

Tuesday, February 23

9:30 am - Bible Study (Meeting Room 1)
6-8 pm - Jr. High Youth Night (Guyot Hall)
6:30 pm - CTJ ACTS Meeting (Room C)
6:30 pm - Master Planning Meeting (Room B)
7 pm - Fencing Club (Meeting Room 2)
7 pm - ACTS Community Meeting (Meeting Rm 1)

Wednesday, February 24

6-8:30 pm - High School Youth Night (Guyot Hall)
7 pm - Parish Community Prayer Service (Church)

Thursday, February 25

6 pm - Legion of Mary Meeting (GH Room 4)
7 pm - Young Adult Group (Meeting Room 2)

Friday, February 26

5 - 7:30 pm - KC Fish Fry (Guyot Hall)
7 pm - Stations of the Cross (Church)

Saturday, February 27

8:30 - 10:30 am - Parish Organization Calendar Meeting
(Meeting Room 1)

Sunday, February 28

8-11:30 am - Sweet Shop (Guyot Hall)



**Taco Breakfast TODAY,
February 21st
8 - 11:30 a.m. in Guyot Hall**



**St. Hyacinth Master
Plan/Feasibility Study
And
Capital Campaign
News**
are available on line at
our website,
www.sthyacinth.org.

YEARLY CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Yearly contribution statements for **2015** are
available upon request only.

Please call the parish office, (281) 479-4298,
Ext. 11 or 13, and the statement will be mailed.

Note: To pick up the statement, please call
ahead one day.



**Knights of Columbus
Lenten Fish Fry
Every Friday during Lent
5 - 7:30 PM in Guyot Hall
Adults - \$9 Children - \$6**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays
at
7 PM
in the
Church



through
Friday,
March 18th

Sign up to receive daily emails for Lent 2016

Beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing through the 40 days of Lent, participants will receive daily inspirational emails with short videos from Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic Team members. To sign up visit

<http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/>.

Sweet Shop Next Sunday !

Volunteers Needed!

Help is needed in the Gift Shop on Sunday mornings.

If you can help, please call the parish office at 281-479-4298 to get on the schedule!
Thank you!

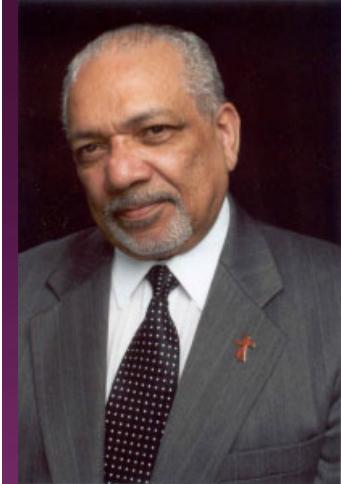
Don't miss out on STHY information!

Sign up for Flocknotes today!

Text "hyacinth" to 84576

Or go to flocknote.com/styhouston
Then join the group "Parishioners"

Parish Life



Mark your Calendar!
Our Parish Lenten Mission is March 7 - March 9
Deacon Alex Jones will be
leading the mission, the theme being,
“The Way of the Cross:
Pursuing Holiness in a
Secular Age”.



STHY Youth invite all to a Parish Community Prayer service this Wednesday, February 24th at 7 pm in the Church. Please plan to join your fellow parishioners in this special prayer event.



The Lights Are On For You
On March 4, 2016
In Celebration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy
The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Will be available at St. Hyacinth
From 9 am - 9 pm in the Church



**Wednesday
March 16th
at 7 PM**

Archdiocesan Happenings



HOUSTON
A MESSENGER
OF HOPE
FROM PADUA, ITALY

St. Anthony of Padua Relic Visit to the Archdiocese February 19-28

The Franciscan Friars invite you to join them in welcoming Saint Anthony of Padua. St. Anthony will be visiting us in the form of a precious relic from his Basilica in Padua, Italy. The relic will be accompanied by a friar from the Messenger of St. Anthony in Padua and the relic will travel to several parishes in the area. For dates and parish locations, please visit www.archgh.org for more information.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS!

Come and join hundreds of young adults ages 18-35 years old celebrate the Jubilee of Mercy at the Archdiocesan Young Adult Day. **“The Door of Mercy” on Saturday, February 27, 2016** from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Get inspired by international and local speakers who are living the works of mercy. Contemplate about the mystery of mercy and forgiveness. Fun, music, prayer and Eucharist with Bishop Sheltz. The door prize for those participating at this event is a trip to World Youth Day in Poland. Presented in English and Spanish. Location: St. Pius X High school 811 W. Donovan Street, Houston, TX 77091. Early Bird \$25 by January 31 or \$35 after February 1. Group Discounts available. Register online www.archgh.org/yacd For more information, call 713-741-8778.

“Merciful like the Father” Archdiocesan Art Contest

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is holding an art contest to mark the Extraordinary Jubilee of the Year of Mercy. Anyone from ages 16 and above who resides in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is invited to submit their faith inspired artworks by April 15. Visit <http://archgh.event.com/YOMArt> or email YOMArt@archgh.org for more information.

Parish Stewardship

Stewardship of our Treasures

Collection Week of February 14, 2016	\$ 13,136.26
Sunday offering	
Ash Wednesday-Social Ministries	\$ 4,174.99
Second Collection	
Black and Indian Missions	\$ 2,836.54
Faith Direct	
Electronic Giving (01/16 - 01/31)	\$ 7,192.00
Visit www.faithdirect.net to securely enroll online by using our church code TX526.	
Diocesan Service Fund	
St. Hyacinth Parish Goal	\$ 84,000.00
Total Amount Paid	\$ 3,995.00
Total Amount Pledged	\$ 7,607.50
Total Number of Participants	38
Average Participant Pledge	\$ 200.20
Paid Over (Under Goal)	\$ (80,005.00)
Pledged Over (Under Goal)	\$ (76,392.50)
Percentage Paid	4.76 %

Thank you for your pledge to our 2016 DSF campaign.



St Vincent de Paul Society Needs Your Help

The SVDP food drive continues. The food barrels are located in the Narthex & in Guyot Hall.

Please be generous and donate what you can to help keep the food pantry stocked for those in need. Some suggested and needed items are: peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, tuna fish, canned meats (spam, Vienna sausages, potted meat), macaroni & cheese, rice, pinto beans (dry), soup, Jiffy cornbread mix and canned fruit. And as always, SVDP appreciates your donations of food all year long!



Thank you for answering the call to express God's love and compassion through your commitment to this year's Diocesan Services Fund. Catholics throughout our Archdiocesan Community are uniting in faith, sharing their blessings and giving gifts in Christ's name. If you have not yet responded, we urge you to consider offering your commitment at this time; each gift helps. With every parishioner's meaningful participation, we will succeed in reaching our goal of \$84,000 and provide hope and help for those among us who are most in need. If you prefer to donate online, visit www.archgh.org/dsf.



At St. Hyacinth we appreciate your gifts, regardless of how they come. To enroll in **Faith Direct**, pick up an enrollment form in the parish office or enroll online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **TX526**.



**St. Hyacinth
2016 Festival
Raffle Tickets**
on sale after all Masses
& available in the Parish
Office!

Amazing prizes!.
Sell some to your friends
and family!

Please stop and get
yours now. Take a
chance for some great
prizes and support your
parish at the same time!



Join the twice a month Saturday morning mission at the Guadalupe Center Food Pantry.

Hands are needed to sort & and hand out food at the Next Food Fair
Upcoming dates are listed below
March 5 & March 19, 2016
For more information contact
Jan & Jim Townsend
281-998-2540 or janjim@jtownsend.com

Prayers and Devotion

Please pray for these members of our parish family and all our loved ones who are ill.

Trini Arrington	Charles Housewright	Bill Miller
Marie Avery	Gonzalo Idalgoe	James Miller
Dawn Brays	Barbara Janacek	David Moore
Pam Callaway	Buddy Janacek	Miriam Moore
Dennis Campbell	Penny Jester	David Owen
Joyce Carver	Alan Johnson	Rosalinda Pena
Kenneth Chemin	Donna Jones	Rita Patterson
Marsha Christjohn	Rose Kaul	Louise Petrucci
Mitch Contreras	Bill Kelly	Mike Pigg
Val Dieter	Diane Kelly	Mark Porter
Hazel Drake (infant)	Jannis Kopec	Richard Saldivar
Robert Duchamp	Camilla Louque	Mary Sarlls
Jacob Duchon	Wally Luke	Mary Schaller
Ed Dworacek	Olivia Martinez	Archer Senft
Margaret Escobedo	Mary McBride	Geneva Sistrunk
Lydia Farias	Tom McCabe	Lynn Sorge
Moses Fernandez	Amy McCauley	Chris Vega
Olivia Gant	Greg McCauley	Maria Vega
Arthur Gonzales	John McCauley	Mary Vera
Georgia Gonzales	James McGee	Evelyn Vidos
Patricia Gonzales	Tomas Mesa	Michael Walla
Nicole Gonzalez	MaryAnn Melton	Rodolfo Zertuche, Jr.
James Griffen	Jesse Meza	
Mollie Hickey	Beverly Miller	



Please pray for the active duty service members listed below and for all our troops and their families.

Lt. Col. Joseph O. Ritter, US Army
Maj. John O. Ritter, US Army
Maj. Bryan Zesiger, US Army
Cpt. Joseph A. Michna, US Army
1LT Chad R. Littlejohn, US Army
Spc. Kevin Vasquez, US Army

Maj. Tony Nicolas, US Marine Corp
Pvt. Keegan Halsey, US Marine Corp
EM2 Martin Demaret, US Navy
Eng. Michael Perry, US Navy
MM2 Ronald Johnston, US Navy
SR Steven A. McLendon, US Navy
SR Caleb A. Rivas, US Navy
Cpt. Jesse Boyter, USAF
1LT. Paxton Parker, USAF

Send us the name your active duty service member to be placed on this list in the weekly bulletin. The name must be sent in by a family member. Call 281-479-4298 or email info@sthycinth.org

Chapel of Perpetual Adoration

5 Open Chapel Hours

Sunday: 4-5 am, Wednesday: 2-3 am & 2-3 pm
Friday: 6-7 pm
Saturday: 3-4 am

5 Chapel Hours Open to Share

Sunday: 9-10 am, 4-5 pm & 11pm - Midnight
Tuesday: 4-5 am & Thursday: Midnight - 1 am

Substitutes Needed

Coordinators Needed - 10 Open Blocks

For information or to commit time please call the Parish Office at 281-479-4298.

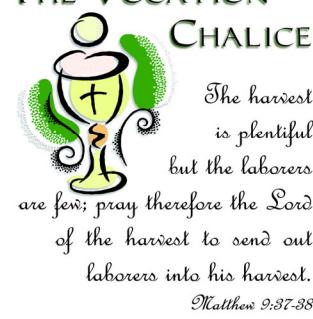
MASS INTENTIONS February 22 - February 28

Monday	No Masses	
Tuesday	8:00 am	Peter Pham †
Wednesday	8:00 am	George Weaver †
Thursday	8:00 am	Angel Rangel †
Friday	8:00 am	Camilla Louque
Saturday	5:00 pm	Shelley Stokes
Sunday	8:00 am	Rose Marie Rossi †
	10:00 am	Gioan Bao Vu † & Vernon Findley †
	12 noon	Parish Intentions

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday:	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

THE VOCATION CHALICE



The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.
Matthew 9:37-38

Chalice for Vocation

If you and your family would be interested in taking the Chalice for Vocation home for one week to pray for religious vocations, call the Parish Office at 281-479-4298 to get added to the schedule.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Second Sunday of Lent
Monday:	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
Tuesday:	St. Polycarp
Friday:	Abstinence

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES IN THE AREA

St. Luke - Feb. 24th	St. Mary - March 9th
St. Clare - March 1st	(League City)
St. Mary - March 2nd	St. Bernadette - March 10th
(La Porte)	St. Paul - March 15th
St. Helen - March 3rd	St. Hyacinth - March 16th
Mary Queen - March 8th	

All services start at 7 pm.

Religious Articles

Come and check out our new

Religious Article Gift Shop!

Open Sundays from 8 am to 1 pm. Come see what is new!

Adult Formation



Evening Bible Study



Lenten Study

"Disciples on the Journey", a special study guide for Lent. Join us at 7 pm in Meeting Room 2. Study booklets are \$5 each. Readings from the upcoming weekend Mass are read and discussed.

Morning Bible Study

On the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each month at 9:30 a.m. in Meeting Room 1. Join us on February 23rd. We are starting a study of the **Gospel of John**.

St. Hyacinth's Men's Retreat

Do you need to reconnect with yourself and your Savior? Are you searching for that calm time to escape to for renewal?

Holy Name Retreat Center invites you to join other men from your parish and community to make a weekend retreat on **March 18-20, 2016**.

For insight into one of our weekends, please contact **Jim King at 281-479-1696** or www.passionist.org/holyname.

St. Hyacinth Catholic Church

Men's Prayer Group

Come
Join Us!

Adorers
Before
Christ

Every Wednesday
At 7 PM
In the Church

Music & Liturgy

Liturgical/Music Practice

Schedule for Palm Sunday through Easter

Saturday, March 19th	Palm Sunday Liturgical practice 10 am - Church
Wednesday, March 23rd	Holy Thursday Liturgical practice 6:30 pm - Church
Thursday, March 24th (Holy Thursday)	Good Friday Liturgical practice After Holy Thursday Mass - Church
Saturday, March 26th	RCIA practice-9 am - Church Easter Vigil/Easter Liturgical Practice - 10 am - Church
Wednesday, March 31st	Cantata Rehearsal - 6:30 pm - Church

Lent, Holy Week and Easter Time Schedule

Friday, March 4th

Reconciliation 9 am - 9 pm
Church

Monday-Wednesday

March 7th - 9th

Parish Lenten Mission
7 pm - Church

Wednesday, March 16th

Lenten Penance Service
7 pm - Church

Saturday, March 19th

Seder Supper
6pm - Guyot Hall

Holy Thursday, March 24th

Mass of the Last Supper
7pm - Church

Good Friday, March 25th

Liturgy - 3 pm & 7 pm Church
Live Stations of the Cross
5:30 pm - Outdoor Stations

Holy Saturday, March 26th

Easter Vigil - 8:30 pm Church

Easter Sunday, March 27th

8 am , 10 am & 12 noon Masses
(overflow masses in Guyot Hall)

Sunday, April 3rd

Easter Cantata - 5pm
Church

Youth/Young Adult Ministry

**YOUTH
FEBRUARY**

High School Youth
Night
Feb 24

Like us on
Facebook



**FAITH
Friendship
& Fun!**

**Junior High
Youth Night
Feb 23**

**Youth Sponsored
Parish Community Prayer Service
This Wednesday, February 24th
at 7 pm**

**Don't forget to check the
Bulletin Board by the Youth Room
for special activities
and
service projects for youth**

Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Young Adults
Debi Tribble: 281-479-8832, ext. 17 or
dtribble@sthyacinth.org

Religious Education

**1st Communion/RCIA for Children
Retreat
Saturday, March 5, 2016
8 am - 1 pm
Check in at Guyot Hall**

**Are you an adult in need of Baptism?
Have you been baptized but have had
no religious education?
Are you interested in joining the
Catholic Church?**

If you want to know more about the Catholic faith, then RCIA is the place for you. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Come and see, each Sunday at 12 noon. Meeting Room II. Call Barbara Mackie @ 281-479-8832 for more information.

Mass Schedule

**Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:00 PM;
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10 AM, and 12:00 Noon**

Tuesday - Friday: 8 AM; 1st Saturday: 8:00 AM

**Confessions: Saturday 3 - 4 pm, and after all
weekday Masses, and by appointment**

Pastoral Staff

Pastor, Fr. Reginald Samuels

**After Hours Emergency Line
(281) 479-4298, ext. 31**

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Parish Sacrament Information

Annulments: Deacon Frank Berntsen 281-479-4298, ext. 20 or deaconfrank@sthyacinth.org

Anointing of Sick: Call parish office (281) 479-4298

Baptism and Preparation: The next baptism is Sunday, April 17, 2016 with preparation sessions on March 29th, April 5th & April 12th, 2016. Pre-register by email at DeaconFrank@sthyacinth.org, or call (281) 479-4298, X 20.

Marriage Preparation:

Couples should contact the priest six months prior to the anticipated date for marriage preparation. Call the parish office to set an appointment with the priest.

Safe Environment (Virtus): Volunteers are required to attend a Protecting God's Children workshop or if it's been more than 5 years, Keeping the Promise Alive workshop. For information contact Jan Townsend at janjim@jtowntsend.com