



Third Sunday of

LENT

A close-up photograph of a fig branch. A large, ripe, purple fig hangs prominently in the foreground, its skin showing some cracking and a small stem at the base. Above it, a smaller, green, unripe fig is visible. The branch is dark brown and textured, with large, green, serrated leaves. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

Luke 13:8-9 *"Let the Church say Amen!"*

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Today, we will be celebrating the first of several rites for RCIA called the Scrutinies of the Catholic Church. These rites are usually celebrated on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent. The Scrutinies are “Essentially rites are composed of prayers of intercession and the laying on of hands so that the Holy Spirit may be invoked and the spirit of evil cast out. They are celebrated purposefully at Mass, so that the whole congregation is given the opportunity to pray for and support those preparing for the Easter sacraments and to make the point that conversion is not only a personal matter but a communal commitment.” Please continue to pray for all those who will be entering the Church during the Easter Season. As we celebrate the Scrutinies this weekend, the Gospel readings will come from readings of Cycle A, and we will resume the cycle B readings next week.

For the Masses with the Scrutinies, the Cycle A readings will be read. In the readings we witness Jesus laying aside all culture rules in dealing with Samaritan women in this week’s Sunday Gospel. After her encounter with Jesus, the Samaritan woman departs to tell others about Jesus. What are we doing in our lives to spread the good news of Jesus? When we encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, our duty is to go forth from the Mass to share our encounter with others so that they may come to a greater relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Yesterday we had our sixth Annual Liturgical Ministries retreat. On behalf of STHY, I want to say a special thanks to guest speakers who came to share their wealth of information on the Liturgy of the Church. Special thanks to our Director of Liturgy and music, Mrs. Pamella Pitman, who planned, organized and facilitated the event for our parish.

Our 2019 STHY parish mission will start on this Sunday evening with our mission host, Bill Wagner. Mr. Wagner is a noted inspirational speaker who has given talks all over the United States, diocesan-wide events, parishes and retreat centers. The topic of the Parish Mission is **“Return to the Heart of Jesus.”** Please welcome Bill Wagner to our Parish.

Mark your calendars for the weekend of April 27th and 28th, for our annual Parish Spring Festival. This will be our seventh Festival/Bazaar for our parish in close to 20 years. The Springs Festival theme this year is **“All Star Weekend”**. Raffle ticket packets are available and tickets are on sale now. I highly encourage you to make your commitment to helping our parish at the festival and pick up a ticket packet to sell.

I want to address an issue that affects the Sunday Weekend Mass in the Church. I completely understand that there are many reasons for people and families to be late for Mass. However, over the last few months, people have been walking into Mass and seating themselves **while** the readings and Psalm response are taking place. This action is **extremely distracting** for those proclaiming the word and for those already seated. I ask, please; if you are late for Mass, **please wait and be seated after the readings for the Mass are completed**. We will give you enough time to find a seat.

For 54 years, St Hyacinth has been building on the foundation of God’s promise of unconditional love for all people. We stand on the shoulders of the saints who have gone before us, and from this remarkable vantage point, we see what we must do to continue sharing the good news of Jesus Christ and welcoming all people to join us on this incredible journey.

There is no greater joy than making a difference in the world and in the Church, and I hope you will pray about the difference you can make through your generous support. To be successful, we need every St. Hyacinth member to participate in our Capital Campaign. Your gift of sacrifice will reflect God’s love at work in the world for generations to come.

Our challenge is great, but, so too is our faith – a faith that has carried our church for a half a century. Just as the saints of the past took leaps of faith, preparing the way for future generations, so too will we take a leap of faith, imagining and building a vital St. Hyacinth for the next fifty years and beyond. Together we will continue Building Faith, Family and the Future..... Our Sanctuary..... Our Home.

God Bless,
Fr. Reginald Samuels

Prayers and Devotion

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

Issac Aguilera	Gloria Gutierrez	Rose Reho
Jackie Anderson	Gale Hanks	Erwin Reimers
Trini Arrington	Cynthia D. Hartwell	Pauline Reimers
David Barta	Amy Hazlett-Jones	Belinda Reyes
Robert Bates	Mollie Hickey	Leonard Riche
Ruth Beran	C.C. Holt	Juanita Risinger
Elton Blanchard	Charles Housewright	Liam Angel Romero
Charles Boudreaux	Joshua Howell	James Rose
Jeanette Bradley	Tony Humphries	Joanna Rubio
Dawn Brays	Gonzalo Idalgo	Richard Rusnak
Pam Callaway	Debra Jimenez	Fidela Salazar
Tisha Carker	Alan Johnson	Angela Salcedo
Mitch Contreras	Ginger Johnson	Kathy Sample
Dorothy Cooney	Donna Jones	Cory Sandoval
Mario Cortez	Michael Knight, Sr.	Mary Sarlls
Carissa Cronan	Lucy Koonce	Joseph Sarro
Sheila Crocker	Riley Koonce	Jack Scarmardi
Emma Ella Cuellar	Jannice Kopeck	Barbara Shade
Frank S. De Leon, Jr.	Jeanne Kopeck	Teresa Sherman
John Delgado	Anne Lantz	Geneva Sistrunk
Narci Delgado	Cecilia Lyssy	Lynn Sorge
Nancy Delperdong	Yvonne Maire	Beth Stahl
Eddie Dominguez	Olivia Martinez	Virginia Starnes
Hank Donovan	Dan Masera	Donna Steuver
Jacob Duchon	John McCauley	John Thomas
Margarita Duron	Dora McLendon	Louis Thomas
Diane Englert	MaryAnn Melton	Cassidy D. Thrash
Margaret Escobedo	Beverly Miller	Tovar Family
Eva Escuero	Deanna Miller	Belinda Turner
Lydia Farias	Diane Mogyorossy	David Turner
Alva Fossem	David Moore	Sid Turner, Jr.
Scott Fossem	Miriam Moore	Jackson Vandevate
Juanita Garcia	Tracy Moore	Elsa Vargas
Robert Garcia, Jr.	Patty W. Moreno	Chris Vega
Juan Garza	Roberto Munoz	Mary Vera
Rosa Garza	Annie Myer	Starlie Vastegui
Sandra Genoway	Susan O'Keefe	Evelyn Verdos
Claudio Gomez	David Owen	Lenard Walla
Juanita Gomez	Joe Painter	Mary Ellen Walsh
Georgia Gonzales	Rita Patterson	Molly Walsh
Gilbert Gonzales	Linda Peak	Mary Louise Welsh
Maria Gonzales	Rosalinda Pena	Jason Williams
Patricia Gonzales	Steven Petty	Easton Wilson
Alicia Gonzalez	Gayle Phillips	Jackie Wituski
Nicole Gonzalez	Paula Pinkos	Joyce Womack
Kathy Green	Ronald Piotrowski	Rodolfo Zertuche, Jr.
James Griffen	David Porter	Rodolfo Zertuche, Sr.
Velma Grimm	Dominique Quinn	Karen Zink

MASS INTENTIONS

March 25- March 31

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am John Reho, Jr. †
Wednesday	8:00 am Steven Perrone †
Thursday	8:00 am Jan Kovac †
Friday	8:00 am Manuel & Aurora Gonzales †
Saturday	5:00 pm Amelia Defrancis †
Sunday	8:00 am Encarnacion Cruz †
	10:00 am Espranza Dolores †
	12 Noon Parish Intentions



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

COL Kevin N. Buras, US Army	CTT3 Andrew J. Oliver, US Navy
MAJ Joseph A. Michna, US Army	Amn Steven A. McLendon, US Navy
MAJ Bryan Zesiger, US Army	CSSN Hannah Kloesel, US Navy
1LT Chad R. Littlejohn, US Army	SR Caleb A. Rivas, US Navy
SGT Tony Chila, US Army	FR Rebecca Milliorn, US Navy
PV1 Alex Abrego, US Army	MAJ Jesse Boyter, USAF
PV1 Justin Perrone, US Army	Cpt. Paxton Parker, USAF
PV1 Thomas Perrone, US Army	1Lt. Nicholas Riascos, USAF
Lt.Col. Tony Nicolas, USMC	SrA Daniel Poncio, USAF
Pvt.Keegan Halsey, USMC	SrA Abraham Pulido, USAF
Pvt Jacob Perrone, USMC	Amado Almazan, USAF
Pvt Bernardo Rodriguez-Tomas, USMC	Jacob Gonzalez, USAF
	Joseph Perrone, USCG

Send us the name of 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@sthyacinth.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have come to rescue them

(Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15) or (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm -- The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103) or (Psalm 95).

Second Reading -- Those who think they are standing secure should take care not to fall (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) or (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel -- I shall cultivate the ground around the fig tree and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future

(Luke 13:1-9) or (John 4:5-42).

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VOCATION CHALICE

Take the chalice home for a week. Put it in a place of honor in your home. Pray for vocations (prayers included)

Sign up sheets are in the back of church, or call Pamella Pitman at 281-479-4298 X21 to get on the schedule.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny
Monday:	Annunciation of the Lord
Friday:	Abstinence

Parish Stewardship

Stewardship of our Treasures

Collection Week of March 17, 2019 \$ 8,771.00

Second Collection

Parish St. Vincent de Paul \$ 2,946.01

Faith Direct

Electronic Giving (02/16- 02/28) \$ 10,500.56

Visit www.faithdirect.net to securely enroll online by using our church code TX526.

Diocesan Service Fund 2019

St. Hyacinth Parish Goal	\$ 84,000.00
Total Amount Paid	\$ 17,190.25
Total Amount Pledged	\$ 32,185.75
Total Number of Participants	92
Average Participant Pledge	\$ 349.85
Paid Over (Under Goal)	\$ (66,809.75)
Pledged Over (Under Goal)	\$ (51,814.25)
Percentage Paid	20.46%

Capital Campaign Fund

Capital Campaign Pledge Goal	\$3,000,000.00
Total Amount Pledged	\$1,022,032.00
Total Amount Paid	\$ 944,675.67
Total Number of Participants	487
Average Participant Pledge	\$ 2,098.63

Thank you for your pledge to St. Hyacinth Capital Campaign Fund.

The Catholic Relief Services Collection

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection, and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Guadalupe Center Food Pantry
326 S. Jensen Dr., Houston, TX 70003

**Hands are needed to sort & hand out food at the
Next Food Fair. 8-10:30 AM.**

Upcoming Food distribution dates:
April 13th

For more information contact
Will Dever, 781-606-1861 or wdever@atgtire.com



St Vincent de Paul Society
Needs Your Help all year round

All that is donated is greatly appreciated.
Needed items are: **Spam, Canned Fruit, Soup, Tomato Sauce, Rice, Beans (dry), Canned Vegetables.**
Please, No Perishables! The need is great right now! Please help if you are able. The food barrels are located in the Narthex & in Guyot Hall. **Please note: we cannot distribute food that has already been opened or has expired.**

Thank you for your generous donations of food for those who are hungry.

Our Sanctuary Our Home



*The gifts we bring make good things happen.
Our prayer is that you will find a comfortable
starting place for yourself.
Challenge yourself to give. You won't regret it.*

Chapel of Perpetual Adoration



Open Chapel Hours

Wednesday: 2 - 3 pm

Sunday: 3 - 4 pm

Open Hours to Share

Monday: 12 midnight - 1 am & 1 - 2 am

2 Coordinators Needed

Friday: 6 am - 12 noon &

Friday 12 noon - 6 pm

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer to cover one of the chapel hours, please contact John Holland, Adoration Chapel Coordinator, at 713-459-8801 or john.holland5657@att.net or Terry Kelley, at 281-827-4232 or terrykelley91@hotmail.com

FAITH DIRECT
inspiring secure giving

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 Spring Festival
Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th, 2019**

Make a positive impact! Support our Spring Festival!

Please consider recognizing someone who has positively impacted your life, or our St. Hyacinth family, with an honorarium or memorial to the St. Hyacinth 2019 Spring Festival.

These honored individuals could include:

- **A Family or Family Members**
- **A Fellow Parishioner**
- **Our Church Leaders**
- **Basketball or Football Coach**
- **Church Volunteer**
- **Or simply our community**

All names will be published in the church bulletin following the Parish Festival.

We appreciate your help in contributing to the overall success of the 2019 Spring Festival.

2019 St. Hyacinth Spring Festival Honorarium/Memorial Form	
Please accept my gift of: \$ _____	
Given By: _____	Telephone Number: _____
Address: _____	

☐ In Honor of	☐ In Memory of
Name: _____	
Please mail this form, place in the offering or bring to the parish office, along with your check made out to St. Hyacinth Catholic Church by April 15, 2019 To: 2921 Center Street, Deer Park, Texas 77536	

This is a tax deductible contribution.

Parish Life

This week in your Parish

Monday, March 25

7 pm - Parish Lenten Mission (Church)

Tuesday, March 26

9-11 am - Scripture Study (Meeting Room 2)

7 pm - Parish Lenten Mission (Church)

Wednesday, March 27

8:30 am - 3 pm - Home School Co-Op

7 pm - Parish Lenten Mission (Church)

Thursday, March 28

6 pm - Legion of Mary (GH Room 4)

6-8 pm - Junior High Youth Night (Youth Room)

6:30 pm - Choir Practice (Church)

Friday, March 29

5-7:30 pm - KC Fish Fry (Guyot Hall)

7 pm - Stations of the Cross (Church)

Saturday, March 30

9 am -12 noon - Baptism Class (Meeting Room 1)

Sunday, March 31

2nd collection - Catholic Relief Services Collection

8-11:30 am - Pancake Breakfast (Guyot Hall)

KC Fish Fry - Every Friday in Lent (Not Good Friday)

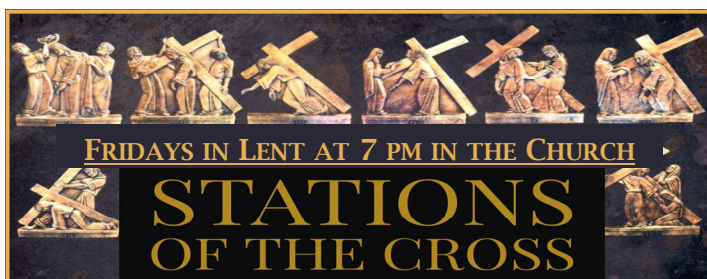
5-7:30 pm in Guyot Hall

Eat in or take out

\$10 adult plate

\$6 child plate

Desserts for purchase
provided by Catholic Daughters



St. Hyacinth Lenten Mission



*Return to
the Heart of Jesus*

**March 24th-March 27th
At 7 p.m.**

**Well, it's finally here! Come One!
Come All! Our parish mission
begins tonight at 7:00 PM. Be
renewed! Be expectant! Be there!
And remember... bring a friend!**

12 DAY SHRINES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE

VENICE - PADUA - FLORENCE - ASSISI - SAN GIOVANNI
ROTONDO - ROME

October 7 to 18, 2019

Spiritual Director, Fr. Reginald Samuels



Flyer and registration form on website
sthyacinth.org.

For more information, contact Gloria Alvarado
ph. # 832.725.7586

Email: gloria_alvarado2002@yahoo.com.

Pamela Johnson ph. # 281.479.4298, ext. 19

Email: pjohnson@sthyacinth.org

6th Annual



Passover is celebrated in a festive meal called a Seder, during which the exodus of the Jews from Egypt is in a sense reenacted. We use Jewish prayer books and provide a somewhat traditional Kosher meal.

The prayers of thanksgiving are beautiful and many of the readings are from the old Testament.

Join us and bring your children to celebrate this ancient tradition.

Saturday, April 6, 2019, 6:00pm in Meeting Room 2 -RSVP: Friday, March 29th by 5pm

Cost is \$8 for individuals, \$15 for families. RSVP to PPitman@sthyacinth.org or 281-479-4298, Ext. 21

Seating is limited - No ticket sales at the door - Reserve your spot now.

Parish Life



**St. Hyacinth
Spring Festival 2019
April 27th & April 28th
"All Star Weekend"**

**Remember to pick up your raffle tickets.
Volunteer to help!
Sign Up sheets to help & raffle tickets available
for pick up after all masses this weekend**



**Donate towards the purchase
of BBQ meats or donate a
brisket!**

**Donation envelopes available in
the Narthex.**

**Donate NEW stuffed animals and
small prizes for game booths!**



**You can also make a donation towards the
Spring Festival as a Memorial or Honorarium.**

**Forms are available in the Narthex, the bulletin
and on-line at sthyacinth.org under
Special Events**

Contact the Parish Office for more information.

BASKETS! BASKETS! BASKETS!



**We need baskets for
the Spring Festival.
You can drop them at
the Parish Office.
Thanks for your help!**

Spring Festival Raffle Tickets on Sale!

Great Prizes! Get Your Tickets Today!

PRIZES:

**1ST - \$3,000 Gift card ~ 2nd - \$2,000 Gift Card
3rd - \$1,200 Gift Card ~ 4th - iPhone X
5th - iPad & Echo ~ 6th - \$500 Gift Card
7th - \$250 Gift Card**

\$6 per ticket or \$30 for Book of 6 tickets

Religious Education

**Interested in sharing your faith
with children
Looking for catechists for
Faith Formation
Please contact Mrs. Johnson at
281.479-8832**

**Day of Reflection
Confirmation I
Saturday, April 6th**

**Day of Reflection
Confirmation II
Saturday, April 13th
9 am - 1 pm**

Youth/Young Adult Ministry

**Junior High Youth Night
Thursday, March 28th - 6 to 8 pm
In the Youth Room**

For Information or to get involved,
contact Steve Sotelo: SSotelo@sthyacinth.org

Music & Liturgy



**Thursday, March 28th
6:30 pm in the sanctuary!**

Adult Formation

**In need of Adult Confirmation? Call 281-479-8832
Classes will be starting after Easter**

**Are you an adult in need of Baptism?
Have you been baptized but have had no
Catholic religious education?
Are you interested in learning more about the
Catholic Faith and/or joining the
Catholic Church?
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the place for
you. Call the Faith Formation office @ 281-479-8832
for more information!**

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Archdiocesan Happenings

Houston Choral Festival

This year, the Houston Choral Festival is being held on March 30 at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Hundreds of youth singers (grades 4-12) from around the Archdiocese and neighboring dioceses will join together to sing one shared repertoire at the Saturday Vigil Mass. For more details, visit www.pcchoirs.org or call 714- 633-7554.

Maria Goretti Support Group

New support group for those afflicted with any type of abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, spiritual or mental) will begin to meet at 7:00 pm on the third Monday of every month in downtown Houston at the Cathedral Centre (1701 San Jacinto Street, Houston, TX 77002). For more info about the Maria Goretti Network that is sponsoring this support group, go to www.mgoretti.org/ or call 713-851-3708.

Women's Spa Retreat
Fri.-Sat., May 10-11, 2019
Mother's Day Weekend



All ladies welcome!

Mothers, Daughters, Sisters, Friends...come early on Friday to enjoy Spa Services from 2:30 - 5:30 pm
Dinner served at 6:00 pm ~ Retreat ends after Mass on Saturday evening.



Spiritual Director, Kim Brown, who has been featured on EWTN, Ave Maria, & Relevant Radio is our retreat facilitator.



Register at www.retreatcentercrc.org

Archdiocesan Young Adult Day Service Project

Come and be the "hands and feet of Christ" with hundreds of young adults ages 18-39 at the Archdiocesan Young Adult Day of service, prayer and fellowship on Saturday April 13. Teams will help serve those in need, the sick, the poor, the hungry, homeless, prisoners and immigrants. The day begins with 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Dominic Chancery followed by teams serving all over the city until 3:00 p.m. FREE event, online registrations required by April 8 at www.archgh.org/yacm or 713-741-8778. Participants can choose from a variety of service projects.

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**

Deacon

Deacon Charles Pitman: cpitman@sthyacinth.org

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Director of Liturgy & Music

Pamella Pitman: PPitman@sthyacinth.org

Director of Evangelization & Catechesis

Pamela Johnson: pjohnson@sthyacinth.org

Office Hours

Parish Office - Monday 1 PM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday - Friday 9 AM - Noon & 1 PM - 4:30 PM

Closed Saturday & Sunday

Faith Formation Office - Sunday 8 AM - Noon

Tuesday - Friday 9 AM - 4:30 PM

Parish Sacrament Information

Annulments: Fr. Reginald Samuels,

Call (281) 479-4298 for an appointment

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

Baptism and Preparation: The next infant baptism preparation class is **Saturday, March 30, 2019** from 9am-12 noon in Meeting Room 1 (enter using P Street glass doors). For more information call (281) 479-4298.

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 (CMG Safe Haven): Volunteers are required to complete the CMG Safe Haven online training program or if it's been more than 5 years since Virtus training, a refresher course at CMG Safe Haven online. For information contact: John Rapacki at 281-479-4298 or jrapacki@sthyacinth.org.