

# Christ Our Light Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday**

9:15am - noon & 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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Other times by appointment

**Website: [www.christourlight.org](http://www.christourlight.org)**

## PASTORAL STAFF

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Deacon Grant Holt, Danny Clark, Richard Krolczyk, and Joe Rangel

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Jessica Herrera

## SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: (English) 8:00am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

## WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

First Saturday 9am

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am

Tuesday 6:00pm (English)

Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

## ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am

Saturday: 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

## RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Tuesday, Thursday and

2nd & 4th Saturdays 5:00-5:45pm

and by appointment 936-825-3920

## RECONCILIACION/CONFESIONES

Los Martes, jueves y el

segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm

y por cita 936-825-3920

**Fifth Sunday of Lent: March 21, 2021**



# Christ Our Light Catholic Church • Navasota, Texas

March 20 & 21, 2021

Under the Patronage of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Guadalupe

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTION

MONDAY, MARCH 22

No Mass

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

6:00 PM Mike Nowak †

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

8:30 AM Kevin Diehl †

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

8:30 AM Cecil Wilde †

6:00 PM\* Oziel Ramirez †

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

8:30 AM Marcelino †, Flora †, & Teresita † Dizon

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

6:00 PM Pete † and Mary † Bolcerek

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 AM People of the Parish

1:00 PM\* Martin Ruiz, Jr. † †

\*Spanish

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

7:00 PM English Choir Practice, CH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

6:00 PM CCE Grades 1-5, SPCC Group B

6:00 PM RCIC, SPCC

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

12:00 PM English, Legion Mary, Cry room CH

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

7:00 PM RCIA, SPH

7:00 PM R. E. Board Meeting, SPH

7:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

5:30 PM English, Stations of the Cross, CH

6:30 PM Spanish, Stations of the Cross, CH

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

9:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, St. Stanislaus Parish Hall

10:00 AM Choir Practice, CH

10:00 AM Palm Sunday Practice for 8:00 AM Mass, CH

4:00 PM Palm Sunday Practice for 1:00 PM Mass, CH

5:00 PM Palm Sunday Practice for 6:00 PM Mass, CH

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

10:15 AM CCE Grades 6-9th, SPCC Group A

10:15 AM CCE Grades 10-12th, SPCC Group A & B

Christ Our Light Catholic Church



The Archdiocese of Galveston - Houston

The Church is open every day from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for people to come stop by and Pray.

## E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

To e-mail Fr. Elias...fr.eli@christourlight.org

To e-mail Nelda: nelda@christourlight.org

To e-mail RE Board: reboard@christourlight.org

Christ Our Light web-site: www.christourlight.org

## BULLETIN DEADLINE TUESDAY 12:00 NOON

Announcements and or articles are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office, or faxed to 825-7612 or e-mailed nelda@christourlight.org.

Events, meeting etc. for the Parish Calendar are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office in advance.

## AFTER MASS WEEKLY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline Tuesday, 12:00 Noon. Announcements are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office. The Pastor reserves the right to pick and choose which announcements are made in this forum as there is a need to keep these to a minimum.

Todos los anuncios deben ser presentados por escrito en la oficina de la parroquia no mas tarde que los martes al mediodía. El Pastor decidirá si las noticias son de importancia para ser pronuncia das.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. For parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, please notify the parish office, 825-3920.

## Sacrament of Baptism Schedule



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English Baptism Class Schedule for 2021: 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM, April 10th, July 10th, & October 9th PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO CLASS. To register please contact Deacon Grant Holt at 936-825-6448 or Lucy Coronilla at 936-419-9296.

Spanish Baptism Class Schedule for 2021: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM, April 25th, July 25th, & October 24th. For Information, call Rosa Torres at 936-419-8974

ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS must be completed and turned in before Baptism Date. SCHEDULED Baptism will be celebrated once a month at 12 noon every 3rd Saturday following completion of the baptismal classes the prior month and Fr. Eli has been informed in advance. The Sacrament of Baptism is a communal celebration. Therefore, private baptisms are not celebrated here.



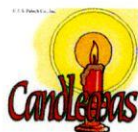


**PRAY for THE CONTINUING  
RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF  
the infirmed and homebound  
members of our community.**

Sarina Alo, Jo Ann Clepper, Frank Crouch, Elizabeth Culmer, Herman Culmer, Eva Estrada, Liz Estrada, Lois Finke, Liz Johnson, Rachel Kammel, Mary Ann Knowles, Liz Kubricht, Glenda Lawrence, John Lawrence, Christian Mills, Leslie Mills, France Munoz, Leon Nowak, Victor Ostiguin, Leona Pasket, Cecelia Pearson, Angelina Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Irene Ramirez, Lucila Rivera, Zek Rueda, Rosalinda Salazar, Josh Sechelski, Dana Sowell, and Krysten Sowell, Jessie Valadez, III, Crystal Winkler.

**Call the parish office** when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 825-3920.

Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, **please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list.**  
*Thank you.*



**New Memorial Candles**

The new Candle Stands are electrical. Anyone wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.



**YOUR PARISH  
SUPPORT  
SU APOYO  
PARROQUIAL**

**TRESASURE YOU HAVE SHARED:**

**GIFTS FOR GOD — YOUR TITHE RESPONDS**

**March 13 & 14, 2021**

(64) Offertory Envelopes/Loose Checks	
On Line Giving, Mail Ins, & Drop Ins	3,252.50
Maintenance Fund	1,727.00
COL Ash Wednesday	50.00
Catholic Relief	20.00

Thank you thank you for Mailing, Bringing In, and On Line Giving your Offertory. Baskets will not be passed during the Offertory. You will be able to place your weekly gift in a basket by the Baptism Font before or after Mass.

**COLLECTION ON APRIL 02, Good Friday**  
**Is for the Holy Land**

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
**April 10 & 11, Maintenance Fund**  
**April 24 & 25, Home Mission Collection**

**In Our Prayers**

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones in active military duty, both in and out of harms way, in the service of their our country. Pray for peace in the world and for our leaders.

SSG Jorge Aguilar, Jr., Alexander Cortez, Jesus Cortez, Spec. SFC Antinia Franco, 1SG, Jason Malek, Antonio Magallon, Jose Rene Milan, Christopher Munoz, Javier Salinas, Sgt. Kevin Seigler, SSgt Allen Thane

**OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS  
FOR MARCH**

**Intention for evangelization — Sacrament of reconciliation. *Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.***



**P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic  
Reparative Adoration)**

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has resumed on Thursdays throughout the Summer following the 8:30 AM Masses on Thursdays and will be reposed before the 6:00 PM Spanish Mass.*

*The "Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease."*

**Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024 to sign up for a time slot on Thursdays.**

**THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND**  
**Web site is FORMED.ORG**  
The Parish Code to access the website is  
**MVMZKF**

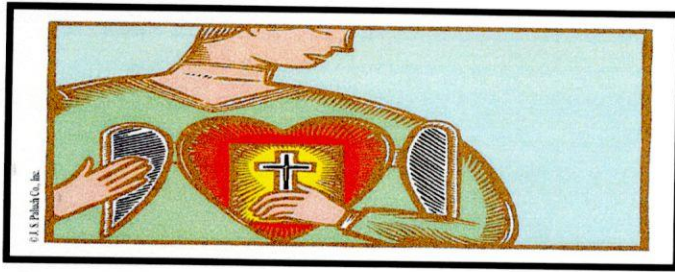
Then register to create an account.

**There are 2 easy ways to connect to  
FLOCKNOTE (pick one):**

**NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.**

1. Visit our church at: [www.flocknote.com/christourlightchurch](http://www.flocknote.com/christourlightchurch)
2. Text SPOLG to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.





## Fifth Sunday of Lent March 21, 2021

I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. —Jeremiah 31:33

### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the

### PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

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to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our Archdiocese.

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### MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence and petition or Special Intention for the week, stop by the parish office for more information.

ParishSOFT  
Giving

### SIGN UP NOW

Sign Up for Christ Our Light  
Online Giving Now

Christ Our Light now accepts online giving. Parish Soft is our parish's online giving program. Enroll at the link below. It is secure and easy to use. You will be able to use Parish Soft for normal tithing and special collections throughout the year. Apps are available, so your cell phones/tablets can be used for online giving.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/dl?uid=chri510191>

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### **CELEBREMOS/LET US CELEBRATE MISSALETES**

Missalette's starting February 17 to April 10, 2021 are available to purchase for \$5.00. Do not leave them in Church. Take them home with you, bring with you each weekday or weekend Masses you will be attending. Stop by the parish office at 510 Manley Street.

### MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July  
Pastoral Council—February and October  
Finance Council—March and September  
R.E. Board—April and August  
Stewardship—May and November  
Choir—June and December

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

**5th Sunday of Lent** — *"I will be their God and they shall be my people."* -Jeremiah 31:33 What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

### Boletín de Mayordomía—Reflexiones

**5to. Domingo de Cuaresma** — *"Yo seré su Dios y ellos serán mi pueblo."* - Jeremías 31:33 ¿Qué significa ser el pueblo de Dios? Significa que reconocemos que todo lo que tenemos y hacemos le pertenece a Dios. No somos los "dueños" de nada, somos simplemente "administradores" de los dones que Dios nos ha dado. Significa que estamos dispuestos a utilizar nuestros dones y nuestras vidas para cuidar a nuestra familia, a nuestros vecinos y a personas que no conocemos, de la misma manera como Dios cuida a cada uno de nosotros.

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### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That, as God's chosen people, we may accept and follow God's plan to generously share our time, talent and treasure with others.

### ORACIÓN DE LOS FIELES

Que, como el pueblo escogido de Dios, podamos aceptar y seguir el plan de Dios de compartir generosamente nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro con otros.

### Words Worth Noting

The only man who never makes a mistake is a man who never does anything. —Theodore Roosevelt



**CCE NEWS:** We are asking that more parents get involved with their child's Religious Education by becoming an aid/assistant in the classroom. We are still looking for aids for the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Even if you don't have a child attending classes please consider helping to educate our students. All are welcome!

## **DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2021**

**DSF Goal \$25,000.00**  
**Gifts Received \$7,045.00**  
**24 Doners**

**Formation toward Christian Ministry/Formacion Para el Ministerio Cristiano:** Formation toward Christian Ministry offers theological formation for various parish ministries for all adults. Knowledge of Scripture, Spirituality, Sacraments, Church History and Doctrine is covered so that parish ministers may better serve their parish communities. The program is three semesters in length, and is taught by approved catechist who hold a Master's Degree in Theology. It is available in various parishes throughout the Archdiocese in English or Spanish

## **IGNITE**

**Ignite Parish Goal \$208,632.00**  
**Gifts Amount Received \$62,339.00**  
**38 Doners**

City of Navasota

Is hosting the Annual Trash Off the morning of April 10th. If you would like to volunteer there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. For more information please contact Lucy Coronilla or Jessica Herrera.

### St. Patrick's Day Picnic



Christ Our Light RE Board would like to invite everyone to our St. Patrick's Day Picnic on March 21st. At 2:30 PM (after the Spanish Mass) at Christ Our Light grounds Please bring your own picnic lunch and drinks. There will be all sorts of yard games and table games set up for all ages. You are welcome to bring games from home as well! We will have a friendly Volleyball Tournament at the picnic. We invite all friends and families who are interested in playing to sign up. There is a team sign-up sheet available in the Narthex. For any questions please contact Jessica Herrera.

## **PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these time of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday).



March 21, 2021

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34 | Heb 5:7-9 | Jn 12:20-33

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Recent news warned of a shortage of seeds this spring, as home gardeners carry on a hobby borne of the coronavirus pandemic. Even those of us not exactly known for our green thumbs jumped in, seeing home gardens as a way not only to stock our pantries, but to sow hope during a time of isolation and, for too many, mourning. In today's readings, we are reminded of an even larger hope – one that transcends optimism and feeling, and is centered in the theological virtue of Hope. God holds us close even on the most challenging of days. We see this in Jeremiah's prophecy of a new covenant, where all shall know God and our sins will be washed away. And today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus, like the grain of wheat, dies so that we may have new life. As we plant our seeds this spring, we will undoubtedly remember the people and things we have lost. Yet, as shoots break through with the warmth of spring, we can be reminded of Jesus, the source of all hope, and his promise that "I will draw everyone to myself."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

As we approach Holy Week, the Gospel prepares us by reminding us that Jesus, like a grain of wheat, must die so that we may have new life: "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life." I don't think that John is telling us to wallow in sadness or live joyless lives. Instead, perhaps he is encouraging us to "lose" those things that are not life-giving and instead focus on what draws us closer to Jesus – such as prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Perhaps as we continue our Lenten journey, we can identify the obstacles that get between us and Jesus, or that divide our families and communities. By letting those go, we free ourselves to be more like Christ, and to share the Good News of God's great love for us with others.

**ACTION** Buy a packet of seeds (if you can find one). Plant seeds in memory of loved ones who may have died this past year, or in remembrance of any type of loss you or your loved ones may have suffered. Offer prayers of thanksgiving for Jesus, the source of our hope.



# St Vincent de Paul Society

*good works*

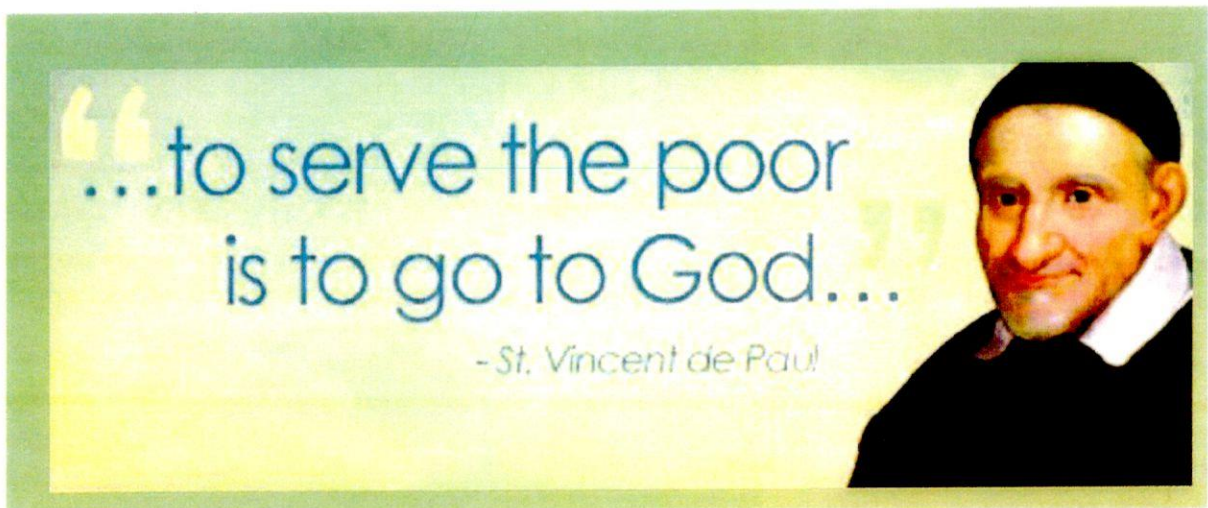
Dear friends,

SAVE THE DATE! The St. Vincent de Paul Society inquiry meeting will be Saturday, March 27 at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall at St. Stanislaus parish. Please come to learn more about this ministry to the poor and help us start a St. Vincent de Paul Society for our community at large.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [lopez.eli68@gmail.com](mailto:lopez.eli68@gmail.com).

Peace and many blessings!

Fr. Eli Lopez



Queridos amigos,

¡RESERVA! La reunión de investigación de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl será el sábado 27 de marzo a las 9:00 a.m. en el salón parroquial de la parroquia St. Stanislaus. Venga a aprender más sobre este ministerio a los pobres y ayúdenos a comenzar una Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl para nuestra comunidad en general.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, no dude en enviarme un correo electrónico a [lopez.eli68@gmail.com](mailto:lopez.eli68@gmail.com).


¡Paz y muchas bendiciones!

P. Elias Lopez

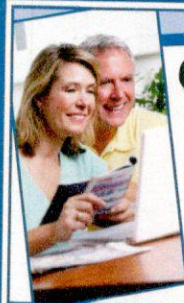


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bathes in an ADVERTISED shower  
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brushes his teeth  
with ADVERTISED toothpaste  
washes with ADVERTISED soap  
puts on ADVERTISED clothes  
drinks a cup  
of ADVERTISED coffee  
drives to work  
in an ADVERTISED car  
and then . . . .  
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**WHY IS IT?**



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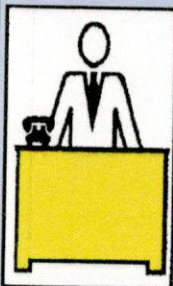
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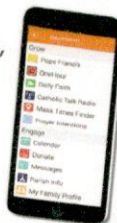
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