First Sunday in Lent March 9, 2025



Because he clings to me, I will deliver him. Psalm 91:14

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Mass Schedule (may vary on holy days)

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am, 3 pm (español)

Tues/Wed: 5 pm

Thurs/Fri/first Sat: 9 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm and by appointment: 985-839-4040

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month, 9:30 am-4:30 pm

Marriages:

Contact Fr Pedro at least six months before anticipated date: 985-839-4040

Baptisms

Contact Fr Pedro: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

RCIA (Inquiry into the Catholic Faith)

Call the office 985-839-4040

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday, noon.



Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

Please pray for FRANK GENNUSA & JAMES BALLARD who died recently.

May their souls and those of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

And may those who love them be comforted by

the sure and certain hope that they will rise again on the last day. Amen.





St. Joseph Altar Volunteers needed!

WE Need YOU!

*Wed. March 12th @ 9 AM- Baking Cookies

*Thurs. March 13th @ 10:45 AM- Icing Cookies

*Fri. March 14th 9:30 AM- Bagging of Cookies

*Mon-Tues. March 17th-18th- Hall Set-Up

Call Judy Gilardi with any questions: 985-773-3051



Parish Lenten Mission with Betty-Ann Hickey, MA, Theo

Join us for a Lenten Mission on Wednesday, March 26th. Mass begins at 5 PM, confessions from 5:30-6:30 and Mission to follow.



Authentic KING KOOKER

SPICE UP YOUR SPRING

Get ready to spice up your spring with our exciting raffle! We're giving

away a King Kooker boiling pot, a sack of live crawfish, and the seasoning you need for the perfect boil. Tickets are on sale now, and the lucky winner will be drawn on April 27th. All proceeds benefit the Friends of St. Francis. Don't miss your chance to win this amazing prize while supporting a great cause! **Tickets are \$5.00** each and are available at the FOSF, Fish Fry, with any member of the FOSF or at the church office.

Thank you for your generosity!

FISH FRY FRIDAYS

KC at the Farmers Market 11am - 1pm

Don't miss out on a delicious lunch and support our Knights of Columbus at the same time.



- Q: How do I have a Mass said or reserve the Sanctuary Lamp for someone?
- A: Just call our office, 985-839-4040. Office hours are on page 1.

Help Jan LaBorde today!!!!!



Replacement Blood Drive for Franklinton resident & Holy Family **Parishioner battling Cancer**

Sunday, March 9

9:30am - 2:30pm

Holy Family Catholic Church
1220 14th Ave - Franklinton

All blood donations will financially help the patient with expenses during her battle! Appointments are priority! Walk-ins are first come first served. To make your appointment



SCAN ME

Speed up your donation by filling out your medical questionnaire using FastLane before you arrive!





TheBloodCenter.org (800)86-BLOOD

St. Joseph Altar

The Feast of St. Joseph is Wed. March 19th. Mass is at 10:00 AM. Fr. Pedro will bless the altar following mass, then the Saints will be served and lastly, the public will be served. A cherished tradition of our St. Joseph Altar is the

Memorial Table, on which are displayed photos of deceased loved ones. Put your name and number on the backs of any photos to be displayed, and bring them to the office by noon on Monday, March 17th.



In your Lenten almsgiving, please remember the Friends of St Francis and the Help Center Food Bank. Please make your check out to them, and place in our collection. Thank you.

Special Collection for March 15th & 16th.



SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND

WHAT IS THE NEED?

Few realize that the Archdiocese has to pay for men to attend Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. This constitutes one of the largest line items in the annual budget for our local Church

WHAT IS THE COST?

One seminarian costs roughly \$124 per-day, \$3800 permonth, \$45,000 per-year. We have 30 men in formation.

WHY IS IT SO EXPENSIVE?

They must receive the very highest levels of training and formation, including academic and pastoral care, along with individual services to aid their personal development.

WHAT IS THE MISSION?

We are committed to this mission and believe now more than ever that the faithful need and deserve the very best the Church can provide.

Please pray for: Judy Ardeneaux Ramona Augustine Belinda Ayo Mickie Ayo **Ruby Ballard** Janell Barnett **Bekemeier Family** Barbara Berlin Sr. Theresa Berlin **Matthew Bolotte** Janet Bourgeois Jim Bradle **Peter Brady** Paul Breaux Mimi Brooks **Donna Bruney** Jase Cannon **Beverly Carriles** Chauvin Family Robert d'Aquin Mary Ann Davis **Coleen Delatte** Holli Delaune **Kenny Denmark Patricia Driver Catherine Dufrene Patsy Evans** Amy Frey **Debby Gennusa** F. Paul Gennusa III **Henderson Family Anna Jambon** Lynnie Kass Jan LaBorde **Lancashire Family Larry Lambremont** Eve LeBlanc **Tina Lirette** JoAnn Magee Mirtha Martin **Cham Mehaffey Michelle Moffitt** Joseph Monaco Fr Jeffrey Montz **Lenny Morel** Ronald Nunenmacher Nick Ordoyne (deployed military) Marie Oswald **Gwen Park** Linda Plaisance **Mickey Power** Jeff Reed **Holly Sanders Lindsey Seals** Robert Christian Seals Terri Schwehm Justin Smith (deployed military) Glenn Snell **Caden Templet Tammy Thomas** Shelly Tramontana Angela Tubbleville Jane Varnado **Patricia Young** Elsa Zeringue Names stay on the list for three

months. To add or retain someone, contact our office: 985-839-4040.

This week's Scripture readings

Mon 3/10

Lenten Weekday

Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-18 Psalm 19: 8-10, 15 Mark 25: 31-46

Tues 3/11

Lenten Weekday Isaiah 55: 10-11 Psalm 34: 4-7, 16-19 Matthew 6: 7-15

Wed 3/12

Lenten Weekday

Jonah 3: 1-10

Psalm 51: 3-4, 12-13,18-19

Luke 11: 29-32

Thurs 3/13

Lenten Weekday

Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25

Psalm 138: 1-3, 7-8 Matthew 7: 7-12

Fri 3/14

Lenten Weekday

Ezekiel 18: 21-28 Psalm 130: 1-8 Matthew 5: 20-26

Sat 3/15

Lenten Weekday

Deuteronomy 26: 16-19 Psalm 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Matthew 5: 43-48

Sun 3/16

Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18 Psalm 27: 1, 7-9, 13-14 Philippians 3: 17—4: 1

Luke 9: 28-36

Stewardship Report



Thank you for your sacrificial giving.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the Real Presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.

It also burns March 9th-15th
For Henry J. Estave and Family
It also burns to remind us to pray
for deceased loved ones.
To reserve a week in memory of a loved
one, contact our office.



Mass Intentions:

3/8	5PM	+Craig Henry Estave Sr. Anna Jambon +Jimmy Perea +Linda Gennusa Schomberg +Jeanne Zoerner +Ronald Zoerner
3/9	8:30 AM	Parishioners
3/9	11 AM	+Bolotte & Guidry Families
-		+Jerry & Esther Cancienne
		+Nelson Chaisson
		+Frank Gennusa
		Lance Ragas Jr.
		+Jimmy & Torry Richoux
		+Craig Stroebel
3/9	3 PM	+Piero Larrea
		Por Todas Las Almas del Purgatorio
	5 PM	+Robert Breland
	5 PM	+Jimmy Perea
-	9 AM	+Jimmy Perea
3/14	6 PM	Anna Jambon

Upcoming events

3/9	CCD/Jr. Youth @ 9:30 AM
3/9	Coffee Social/Honor25th/50th
	Anniversaries
3/9	RCIA @ Noon
3/10	Rite of Election /OCIA 7 PM@ Most Holy Trinity
3/11	
3/12	
3/12	
3/12	Women's Bible Study 5:30 PM
3/12	Family Faith Formation Class 6 PM
3/13	Holy Hour @ 9:30 AM
3/13	Icing of Cookies @ 10:45 AM
3/13	
3/13	Knights Meeting 7 PM
3/14	Bagging of Cookies @ 9:30 AM
3/14	Knights Fish Fry 11AM-1PM @Farmers Market
3/14	FOSF Fish Fry 4-7 PM
3/14	Stations of the Cross 6 PM
3/16	
3/16	Knights Rosary @ Prayer Garden 9:30 AM
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3/17	Set up for St. Joseph Altar begins in hall

The current month's calendar is always downloadable at www.holy fami-lyfranklinton.org/parish-calendar, dated the 1st of the month. Printed copies are on the bookshelf in the church and on the table in the office hallway.