



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

Third Sunday of Lent
March 8, 2026

Mass Schedule

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday-Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays

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A WOMAN OF
SAMARIA CAME TO
DRAW WATER.

— JOHN 4:7 —

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus did not convert the Samaritan woman with miracles. He converted her with presence. He was not afraid of her sins or her failures. He listened to her. He sat with her. Let us learn from this: when we are present to others, we can show them the face of God. ©LPI

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Mass Intentions

Monday, March 9 • St. Frances of Rome

8:30 am Mary Lou Spurlock

Tuesday, March 10

8:30 am Rosalind Hutson, Norman & Verna Millet, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet, Melanie "MeMe" Millet

Wednesday, March 11

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Thursday, March 12

8:30 am Larry Larousse

Friday, March 13

8:30 am Gail Favorite, Gloria & Morris Alexander, Enola & Paul Lacroix

Saturday, March 14

4:00 pm Larry Larousse, Simon Hoa Hai Nguyen, Deceased members of the Crayon & Lato Families, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Rolando Ramon, Verle Loving, Frank Hoffman, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, Debbie Hymel, EJ & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Living & deceased members of the Larousse & Brock Families, Virginia Schumert, Todd "Scrap" Bourgeois, Ellis & Marilyn Torres

Sunday, March 15 • 4th Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Paulette McGill, Ray Robertson, Karen Angelo, Morris "Mickey" Jeandron, Laura Specht, Kelly Stein, Special Intention
10:30 am Mary Lou Spurlock
3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners, Jose Fernando Aguilar
7:00 pm Huey Fontenot



Visit aolparish.org to make your Mass Intention Request online.

CHURCH VIGIL LIGHT - MARCH

In memory of Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind Hutson, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet, & Melanie "MeMe" Millet

CHAPEL VIGIL LIGHT - MARCH

Special Intentions of my loving husband, Greg.

CHAPEL CANDLES - MARCH 8 - 14

Retirement Blessings for peace, joy, and good health for Most Rev. Gregory Aymond, Archbishop Emeritus of N.O.

Prepare yourself for Easter by observing the three pillars of Lent:

Prayer • Fasting • Almsgiving

Stations of the Cross

Lenten Fridays at 6:30 p.m. with Mass & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Lenten Tuesdays at 12:00 Noon

Married Couples' Stations and Social, March 26, 6:30 p.m.

Outdoor Stations, Good Friday, April 3, 2:00 p.m.

Journey through Lent

Small Group Discussion on the upcoming Sunday Readings.

Thursdays in Lent immediately after morning Mass

Confessions:

30 Minutes before each Mass
Wednesdays, March 11, 18, & 25,
5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is open
24 hours a day 7 days a week.



Around Our Church & Our Community



St. Joseph Altar Blessing & Viewing Schedule

Located in Piovan Parish Hall
[enter through gate in Church parking lot]

Thursday, March 19th

Blessing of the St. Joseph Altar in Piovan Parish Hall will follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Open following the blessing until 12:00 noon, and again from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Friday, March 20th

Open from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
The Altar will be dismantled at 12:00 noon.

Italian Cookies, Baked Goods, Wine, Candles, Medals, Rosaries, & Holy Cards are available for a donation.

All proceeds will be sent to the Saltillo, Mexico Missions in honor of our deceased founding pastor, Fr. Benny Piovan.

Framed photos of deceased loved ones, to be placed on the Altar, may be placed in the box in the Church foyer by **Monday, March 16th**. Please tape your name & phone number to the back of the frame.

If you have any questions or to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office at (985) 652-2615.

Evenings of Confession

Wednesdays March
11th, 18th, and 25th
5:00 - 6:30 pm

Confession will be available
in all Archdiocesan Churches
from 5:00 - 6:30 pm
on these days.

Visit www.aolparish.org/lent
for various Lenten Resources

Ascension of Our Lord invites
Married and Engaged Couples to attend

Married Couples Stations of the Cross and Social

Thursday, March 26, 2026

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Church: 1900 Greenwood Drive, LaPlace



If you and your partner plan to attend this event, please kindly RSVP by scanning the QR code to the left. Your courtesy helps us to properly prepare. We look forward to seeing you! God bless!

Stations of the Cross for Married (or Engaged) Couples offer a way to unite the joys, sacrifices, and daily struggles of marriage with the Passion of Christ. The reflections focus on themes like communication, self-gift, forgiveness, and overcoming daily annoyances, aiming to strengthen marital unity through spiritual, shared reflection.



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LENTEN FISH FRY

Fridays in Lent:

Feb. 20 & 27, Mar. 6, 13, 20, & 27

Under the tent in front of the school
from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Fried or grilled fish with
Cajun boiled corn & potatoes*

\$10 and \$13 plates

Drinks available; sold separately



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Easter Memorial Offering

Envelopes for Easter Flower Offerings must be returned in the collection basket or to the Parish Office no later than **March 23rd**. Please **PRINT** the names of your intentions on the envelope or include a list.

Third Sunday of Lent

Parish Activities This Week

Monday, March 9

6:00pm Sacramental Prep Class - School

Tuesday, March 10

9:00am Soldiers for Christ Prayer Group - Church
 12:00noon Stations of the Cross - Church
 6:30pm OCIA - Piovan Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 11

5:00-6:30pm Evening of Confession - Church

Thursday, March 12

9:00am Journey Through Lent - Church (after 8:30am Mass)

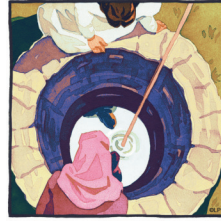
Friday, March 13

10:30am-6:00pm Lenten Fish Plates for sale - under tent
 11:00am Rosary for Peace - Adoration Chapel
 6:30pm Stations of the Cross/Mass/Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church
 7:30pm Spanish Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 14 • Team 3

4:00pm Second Scrutiny for Catechumens

Sunday, March 15 • Team 3



Perpetual Adoration Chapel



ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

Our Adoration Chapel is open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/week.

To commit to an hour, visit aolparish.org or call the Parish Office.

“Our lives change when our habits change. Adopting the habit of Eucharistic Adoration will change every aspect of your life. We tend to emulate the people we spend time with. By spending time in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we become more like Him.”

Matthew Kelly

Kids Corner

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

Sychar	well	truth
woman	worship	faith
drink	Father	Savior

Scyhra	<u>S</u> <u>y</u> <u>c</u> <u>h</u> <u>a</u> <u>r</u>
wroshpi	_____
fatih	_____
wmoan	_____
Fethar	_____
Svairo	_____
wlel	_____
turth	_____
dirkn	_____

Prayer

Lord, give me your water to drink.

Mission for the Week

I will give a cup of water to my family and friends today.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus told the Samaritan woman that when people drink his water they will never be thirsty again. When you are very hot, you would like this kind of water. The water that Jesus gives us to drink is his word which will last forever. It will help us get to heaven. Jesus said that he was the Messiah sent to explain everything. When you want to know the way, Jesus helps you. When you do not understand, Jesus explains it to you.

Now color the picture! →



Sacraments

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE - *Father John Muir*

Recently I received a note from a teenager I met years ago. He wrote, "Dear Father Muir, you probably do not remember me, but I wanted to thank you for your inspiring and humorous homilies at the parish. They helped me appreciate the beauty of Catholicism, which I have now embraced in a personal way." That small note moved me more than he probably imagined. I had no idea my words had taken root in him. I was simply sowing seeds — week by week, Mass by Mass. Someone else — his parents, a youth minister, or God Himself — was doing the deeper work. Now this young man is joyfully reaping a harvest of faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers living water to a Samaritan woman whose life had been full of searching and disappointment. By the end of their encounter, she becomes a bold and joyful evangelist. Then Jesus turns to his disciples and says something easily overlooked: **"One sows and another reaps" (John 4:37)**. He is helping them — and us — understand how evangelization works. Often, the one who sows the seeds of faith is not the one who sees the fruit.

This Lent, ask yourself: Are you in a sowing phase or a reaping phase? If you are sowing — raising children, praying for someone, mentoring — be patient. Your work matters. If you are reaping — seeing someone come alive in faith — be grateful. You are standing on sacred ground, tilled and watered by others.

Lenten challenge: Thank someone who once sowed faith into your life. And keep sowing, even when the harvest is unseen. ©LPi

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

When God Asks for Water

One of my earliest memories is of my mother weeping.

The last few months of her pregnancy with my little brother were tremendously painful for her, and more than once the pain brought her to tears. I have a hazy image of her in my mind, belly swollen with a 12-pound baby lying transverse in the womb, sitting on the edge of her bed, dabbing at her face with toilet paper.

I had brought her the toilet paper. I would do that when I saw her crying, to wipe away her tears. I have a hazy memory of that, too — of the way my heart was wrenched by the sight of her suffering, of my desperation to do something to help, and of my immense satisfaction when she would take the toilet paper, smile and say, "Oh, thank you, sweetheart!" as if I had just airlifted her out of a war zone.

What a powerful gift to give to a child still learning the meaning of compassion and selflessness — the gift of being able to feel that she has, even in some small way, "rescued" a person she worships. Her smile of gratitude lives, immortal, in my mind, along with the swell of satisfaction it produced in the deepest corner of my heart. This was when I learned that it feels good to help people, and this memory is a perpetually replenished well of living water for me. I draw from it daily, three decades later.

This is a gift that Christ gives, over and over again, in the Gospels. He allows us to encounter him tired, afraid, sad and hungry. Omnipotent power subjected to the utter vulnerability of human form.

Before the Incarnation, God looked down from Heaven and said, "You are thirsty. Here is something to drink."

After the Incarnation, God sits down beside us and says, "I'm thirsty. Give me something to drink." ©LPi



LIVING OUR FAITH

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 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, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/
Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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