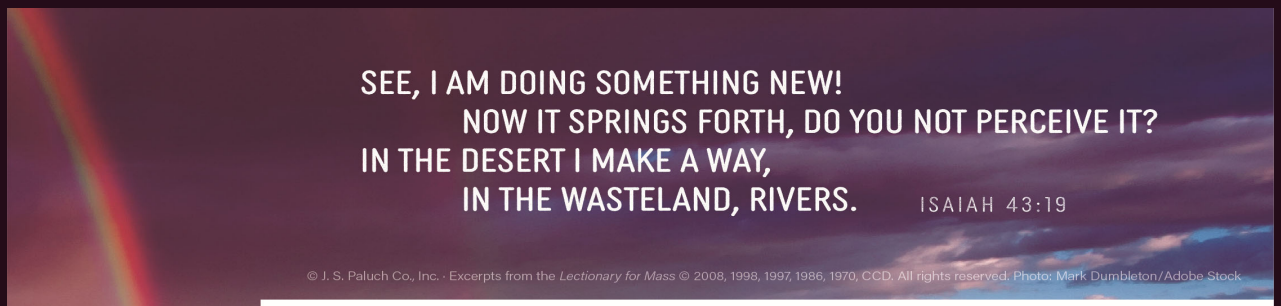


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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 3, 2022

## THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US

Isaiah prophesies for the Lord: "Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!" One of the most dangerous things that we can do is get stuck in our old ways. As individuals, as parishes, as nations we can say, "We've always done it that way," and miss calls to growth and change. Throughout this Lent and our lives, God continues to call us to life, and we should celebrate that! The psalmist reminds us that "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!" Saint Paul realizes this as he explains, "I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus." In the Gospel, Jesus offers a new way of looking at a tricky situation and provides a kinder, less judgmental response.

## AN AGE-OLD STORY OF JUDGEMENT

In our Gospel today we hear an ancient story, but one that feels like it could be taken out of the headlines today. We can be very quick to pass judgment on others, those with different political or cultural backgrounds, or perhaps with a different sexual orientation. Jesus was teaching in the temple, and the scribes and Pharisees did not like the message that he was proclaiming or the popularity he was gaining. When a nearby woman was caught in adultery, they thought it was the perfect chance to trip Jesus up, wondering how he would respond when the Mosaic Law provided clear consequences for such behavior. Many would be able to quote instantly chapter and verse of the law pertaining to the infraction. Instead of answering their question, Jesus turned it back on the accusers: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

## DRAWING IN THE SAND

Awaiting the response of those challenging him, Jesus bent over and wrote in the sand. According to scripture scholar John Pilch, this was a simple technique that peasants used to buy time in a discussion or argument. Instead of looking the scribes and pharisees in the eye, he looked down and did his own thing while they all slipped away. The scriptures do not tell us what the woman was doing during this time. But by not looking at her, Jesus gave her a chance to restore her own dignity. He didn't comment on her innocence or guilt. Rather, he instructed her to go forth and sin no more. It is not our past that matters as much as the choices we make now and in the future. Again and again, God gives us the chance to start our life over. This is our challenge this Lent, to continue to use the opportunities we are given to repent and grow.

### TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 43:16–21
Psalm 126:1–2, 2–3, 4–5, 6, 12a
Philippians 3:8–14
John 8:1–11

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## Welcome

**Whether you are a longtime parishioner, a new parishioner or you are visiting our parish, we hope you feel at home and welcome here. There are many ways to stay connected and to get involved in the parish life (website, parish app and the bulletin). If you need anything or have questions, please contact the parish office and one of our staff members will be happy to help you.**

### Mission

**To spread the Good News to all God's people by word and action.**

## PARISH STAFF, COUNCILS & FAITH FORMATION

**Pastor:** Fr. Kris Bytomski
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Rev. Mr. John Bosquez
Rev. Mr. Guadalupe Casanova
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**Finance Council** Quarterly Meeting Contact-Cheryl Martinez 830-391-6918 Members: Deacon Ralph Guerra, Al Kolodziej,

***Bulletin Submission Deadline Monday by 10:00am***

**Faith Formation**
Jeanette Segura- K-6th Sunday 10:15am-11:15am, Spanish 9-10am 210-620-8661
sacredheartchurchff@gmail.com

Letty Castro-7th-Conf II
lettyshc@yahoo.com 210-371-3680, **Conf II Sunday, 1pm-2:30pm** -*7th-Conf I Wednesday 6:30pm-8:00pm*

**RCIA/RCIC** (Sunday Mass 9am followed by class till 11am) Rene Garza 210-355-9134 Deacon Tito Chavarria 830- 216-7064

**Rito de Iniciacion Cristiana para Adultos Catequistas:** Israel & Veronica Lopez 210-548-9127

**Youth Ministry:** Jimmy Tovar 210 -274-6228, unfresca5@aol.com

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekend Masses**
Sat.: 6pm
Sun.: 7:30am | 9am
10:30am (Spanish) | 12pm

Confessions Saturday 5pm

**Weekday Masses**
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.: 8:15am

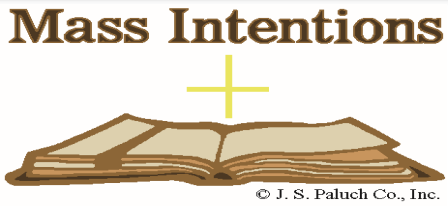
**First Friday Devotion**
First Fri. Adoration: 9am-6pm
Benediction & Mass: 6:30pm
All Thursdays: Holy Hour 6 pm

**SERVICES**
**Ministry to Sick & Homebound**
Call parish for Communion at home or for Anointing of Sick .

**New Parishioners**
Call or come by the office to register.
830-393-6117 830-216-7706

**Sacred Heart Cemetery**
Call the Parish Office 830-393-6117

**Parish Hall Rental**
To reserve hall call office at 393-6117

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| **Saturday** | 6:00pm | †Kim Williams |
| **April 2** | | |
| **Sunday** | 7:30am | People of the Parish |
| **April 3** | 9:00am | †Bennie Jimenez |
| | 10:30am | †Roy Ramirez, Jr. |
| | 12:00pm | Russell Janek |
| **Monday** | 8:15am | †Louis Bayer |
| **April 4** | | |
| **Tuesday** | 8:15am | †Charles A. Zimmerman |
| **April 5** | | |
| **Wednesday** | 8:15am | †Hugh Carr |
| **April 6** | | |
| **Thursday** | 8:15am | † Virginia Rios |
| **April 7** | | |
| **Saturday** | 6:00pm | †Alfredo Lara Resendiz |
| **April 9** | | |
| **Sunday** | 7:30am | †Linda Sue Martinez Rivera |
| **April 10** | 9:00am | People of the Parish |
| | 10:30am | †Basilia Perez |
| | 12:00pm | SH Men's Acts Team & Retreatants |

**Baptism-** Parents must register at the parish office (Official Birth Certificate needed to register) **Parents and Sponsors must attend Baptism* Preparation Classes are held on the 2nd Thursday of month at 7pm. Baptisms are held on the 4th Saturday after the 6pm Mass. All registration paperwork must be completed to schedule baptism.

**Eucharist & Reconciliation–** *Grades K-7th* Jeanette Segura, 210-620-8661 sacredheartchurchff@gmail.com. Class Sunday 10am-11:30am.

*Grades 8th-12th* (Confirmation) lettyshc@yahoo.com 210-371-3680, Class Wednesday 6:30pm-8:00pm.

**RCIA/RCIC–** Rene Garza 210-355-9134, Deacon Tito Chavarria 830-216-7064. Sunday Mass 9am followed by class until 11am.

**Marriage-** Call Parish Office 12 months before to plan date and meet with priest. Marriage Prep classes are offered throughout the year. Call the office to find dates.

**Anointing of the Sick-** The Sacrament is offered by appointment. Please contact the parish office.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ruben Orosco, Elva Machado, Alma Lara, Irma Castoreno, Alex Pruski, Camilla Jean Cervantes, Alejos Aranda, Jr., Fr. Frank Kurzaj, Robert & Mary Barrera, Ethel Dean, Kenneth Bentley, Gregoria Almaraz, David Martinez, Fr. Phil Henning, Oralia Flores, Clyde Pennartz, Lorenzo Tellez, Oralia Vasquez, Paula Courvier, Brian Kleiber, Lupe Arciaga, Rodriguez Family, Teresa Moczygemba, Gaylen Penlerick, Tom Kane, Gilbert Estrada, Elida Flores, Wilfredo Rodriguez, Gavino C. Arriola, Marcelo Castro, Lucy Guerra, Baby Crew Bravo, Juan Pablo Diera, Cap Vajdos, Elpidio "Pete" Martinez, Ruben Martinez, Nash Martinez, Rose Hoelscher, Alex & Janie Barron, Chelsea Lyssy, Meryck Wehe, Sal Toscano, Dora Garza, Sandra Chavez , Carol Pantuso

**We pray for the Deceased who have died since the Feast of All Souls November 2, 2021**

Marcelo M. Castro, Bobby Fulton, Alberto Perez, Sr., Lillie Freeman, Louis Bayer, Ruben Casanova, John Guerrero, Janie Garcia, Alejos Aranda, Geronimo Herrera, Connie Garcia, Rose Mary Ybarra, Robert Martinez, Adela Gomez, Laurie Moczygemba, Silas Pope, Rudy M. Perez, Santiago Garza, Irene Perez, Raymond Sanchez, Fernando Estrada, Thelma Houston, Bernadine Soberoski,

**March 27**

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| Weekend Collection: | $7373.72 |
| Online Giving: | $2066.38 |
| 2nd Collection: | $1553.60 |
| Hall Donations: | $300.00 |

Please remember to use the Hall Campaign Fund envelopes for all Hall donations Thank you.

**Upcoming 2nd Collection**

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| April 3 | SVDP |
| April 10 | Sacred Heart School |
| April 15 | Shrines of the Holy Land |
| April 17 | Rice Bowl |
| April 24 | Catholic Home Missions Appeal |

Thank you for your support of our parish community.

**Get your Summer Raffle Tickets online at our parish site listed below. At the office or from one of our Raffle Team members. All proceeds benefit the parish hall. Don't miss out on these great prizes. Raffle Drawing 6/5/22.**

https://churchsh.weshareonline.org/ or go through the Parish Website www.churchsh.org or the online giving button on the App. A secure and convenient way to contribute to your parish!

## PILGRIM STATUE OF MARY

We thank Julia Castro for receiving the statue of Mary this week and for praying for our families and vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for †Albert & †Viola Sralla (by Family)

The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Lamp is burning this week for †George Garcia (by Family)

## Ministries

**ACTS-** 3rd Thursday 6:30pm in Parish Office. Contact Melissa Kaiser at 210-544-8749

**Altar Servers–** For information call Mark O'Toole 210-459-9900. (New servers must have made Holy Communion.)

**Catholic Daughters-** Monthly meeting on the 2nd Monday at KC Hall. Contact Melanie Prieto Trevino at 210-392-5601

***Jr. Catholic Daughters*** Contact Cynthia Hernandez at 210-269-3642 or Sandra Flores at 210-385-4226

**Guadalupanas-** 4th Tuesday of the month meeting. New members always welcome. Contact Crystal Fernandez 305-479-8513

**Knights of Columbus-** Meeting 3rd Monday 7:30 p.m. Contact Al Martinez at 830-393-2470.

**Legion of Mary-** Meeting Thursdays at 8:45a.m. Mass in Parish Hall. Contact Joe & Lily Martinez at 830-216-7408

**Ministers of the Eucharist** Contact Cheryl Martinez at 830-393-2470

**Proclaimers of the Word** Contact Rachelle Quintanilla 210-788-5382 or Mary Louise Marin 830- 393-4246

**Music Ministry—**For information contact Tom Kane at 830-216-4664

**Ushers** — Deacon John Bosquez & Frances Coulters

**NFP Training for Couples**: Contact Diane & Chris Felux at 210-373-5144.

**SVDP-** Client Services Tues & Thurs 9am-3pm at SVDP Bldg Phone: 830-393-4791– meetings on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 11:45am.

**Spiritual Direction-** Deacon Jesse Nunez 210-705-3029 or jessenunez74@yahoo.com

**Youth Group-** Meets Wednesday 7-8:15pm Sept to May. Contact Terry & Kim McIlvain at 210-827-6978 or Youth Minister, Jimmy Tovar at 210-274-6228

*From the Pastor's Desk*

Today, we celebrate the fifth Sunday of Lent and the topic of the week is the **Sacrament of Confirmation.**

**What is Confirmation?**

It goes back to Pentecost, when Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples and sent them out.

**What are my responsibilities as a confirmed person?**

In the eyes of the Church, you became a disciple. You are responsible to be an example to others. By how you live, act, and speak, you are giving an example of your faith. Also, by being confirmed you can become a god parent and be responsible for the faith of your God Child. It's not an honor, it's a responsibility!

**What do I receive with Confirmation?**

You receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of God. They are not poured into your head like you fill the gas tank. Try to think about it like cloths. We all have different bodies and need different sizes. The body is our nature and the garment is the grace. It will look different on each person and so the Holy Spirit works differently with each one of us. It's all about being open to receive Him and be open to His guidance, which can be difficult because we usually think we know best. Remember, the graces are based on our nature.

"Repent and believe in the Gospel".

Fr. Kris

**Stations of the Cross**

Fridays @ 6:30pm

Good Friday @ 3pm

**Holy Week**

Holy Thursday Mass 7pm

Good Friday Service 7pm

Holy Saturday 8pm

Easter Sunday

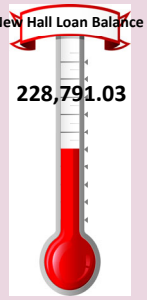
Regular Sunday Mass Times

*Music Ministry Meeting*

*April 5th @ 6:30pm*

**Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners and benefactors, we are quickly approaching the pay-off of our parish hall. Many of you have already given, if you would like to know what donor level you have reached, please contact Liz Hughey at the office or by email at lhughey@churchsh.org. If you would like to give a donation, we kindly ask that you use the red hall envelopes or donate online at (https://churchsh.weshareonline.org/).**

A beautiful donor wall has been created in our hall to recognize the generosity of our parishioners and friends.



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If you have any questions

please contact Liz

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