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SUNDAY OF *Lent*

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHEDRAL WEEKLY BULLETIN

Diocese of Corpus Christi

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Deacon Armando R. Leal Jr.

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick
By Appointment - Call Parish Office

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday - Friday: 11:30am - 12pm
Saturday: 12pm - 1:30pm
By appointment - Call Parish Office

Sacrament of Matrimony
Contact Parish Office **minimum**
6 months prior to wedding date.

Sacrament of Baptism
Call Parish Office (ext. 4)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Thank you for your interest in our parish. If you wish to become a parishioner, please register online at cccathedral.com. Parish Registration can be found under the "About" tab.

Book Store hours

Monday - Friday
11:00am - 1:30pm

Sunday
10:30am - 12:30pm

*Saturday Closed

Mass Times

Monday - Friday 7:00am
Emmanuel Chapel

Monday - Friday 12:05pm
Main Church Chapel

*Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
Main Church Chapel

Sunday Masses

7:00am, 9:30am, 12:30pm
9:30am & 11:00am **Live Streamed**
11:00am Spanish

Access Live Streamed Masses

cccathedral.com
facebook.com/corpuschriaticathedral
9:30am Mass Live Broadcast on KDF-TV & KLUX Radio

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil 5:00pm
7:00am & 12:05pm



A celebration for all 2024 Catholic Graduates.
Sunday April 24, 2024. 12:30pm - 3pm. 4109
Ocean Dr. CC Tx. RSVP @ diocese.org/grads



Parish Ministries

St. Anne's Altar & Rosary Society
Rosanne Norman: 361-215-7299

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*A father's love is
eternal and without
end.*

A Letter from FR. JAMES STEMBLER

Greetings to one and all as we begin this Fifth Week of Lent. Desert journeys certainly unfold quickly!

On Tuesday evening, March 19th at 6:30 p.m., we will have a **Lenten Penance Service** with several priests making themselves available for the celebration of individual confession and absolution within the Penance Service. Our individual sins have an effect on the community as a whole so this form of the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation brings awareness to the truth in the fact that the community gathers for this celebration, the confessions are individual because our sins are only God's and our business along with the absolution, and then we rejoice as a community in the truth that God is a merciful God.

“March 19th is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church”

I hope you can join us in this celebration. March 19th is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, so celebrating this service on the Solemnity of our Patron reminds us that we are one as the Church and we are forgiven of our sins by our loving, merciful God. What are the words to that song, “Our God is an awesome God.”

On Friday morning, March 22nd at 10:00 a.m., we will celebrate a **Special Mass** within which the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered. Again, those who can receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick are those baptized members of the Christian faithful who have reached the age of reason and who begin to be in danger due to sickness or old age. We hope to have some priests join Fr. Peter and I for that Mass. If you meet the sacrament's criteria for the reception of the Anointing of the Sick, you are most welcome to this Mass.

Also, there has been a custom in the Church throughout the United States of taking up, from time to time, second collections for specific needs as approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. We will begin that custom here at Corpus Christi Cathedral. The collection will be announced at Masses the weekend before the collection and following the Universal Prayer on the day of the collection, it will be announced and will be taken up following the reception of Holy Communion.

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity. We have done very well with the 2024 Bishop's Stewardship Appeal so far and that is certainly appreciated! May God bless our Cathedral Parish Community abundantly as we continue to move forward in the path that God is putting before us. God bless us everyone!

Very Reverend James G. Stembler



Lenten

Week Day Schedule

Feb 14 - Mar 27

7am
Daily Mass

11:30am
Confessions (Tues - Fri)

11:40am
Stations of the Cross (Fridays of Lent)

12:05pm
Daily Mass

Lenten Easter Calendar

February 14	Ash Wednesday	7am, 12:05pm Mass and Distribution of Ashes
Saturday, February 17	Lenten Morning of Reflection	9am - 11am St. Joseph Hall, CC Cathedral Hosted by Catholic Daughters of America Court #246 Guest Speakers: Msgr. Michael Howell, and Rev. Jose Salazar
March 19	Penance Service	6:30pm
March 22	Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Mass	10am
March 24	Palm Sunday	Regular Sunday Mass Schedule
March 26	Holy Tuesday	6:30pm Chrism Mass Blessing of the Holy Oils for use during the coming year
March 28	Holy Thursday *No Mass 7am & 12:05am	5pm Confessions 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 11:45pm Compline (Night Prayer) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel
March 29	Good Friday *No Mass 7am	10:30am Confessions 12pm Friday of the Passion of the Lord 5pm Confessions 6pm Live stations of the Cross (by Religious Education Students)
March 30	Holy Saturday	8pm Easter Vigil Mass Reception of Elect & Candidates Sacraments of Christian Initiation
March 31	Easter Sunday	7am, 9:30am, 11am (spanish) and 12:30am Easter Sunday Mass

Mass Intentions

Sponsor of the Week

Monday, March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem

7:00 a.m. For All Souls in Purgatory, Especially Deceased Members of FOSS by Joan Hamill
12:05 p.m. +Lily Valdez by Lamar Childress

Tuesday, March 19 St. Joseph

7:00 a.m. Powell Family by John Powell
12:05 p.m. +Mary Jo Norrell by Tony Norrell

Wednesday, March 20

7:00 a.m. +George B. Cantu by Nora Maria Perez
12:05 p.m. Open Mass
+Olga M. Gonzales by Family

Thursday, March 21

7:00 a.m. Powell Family by John Powell
12:05 p.m. Blanca Konitzer

Friday, March 22

7:00 a.m. For All Souls in Purgatory, Especially Deceased Members of FOSS by Joan Hamill
12:05 p.m. Powell Family by John Powell

Saturday, March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

5:30 p.m. +Gerald F. D'Unger by Claude D'Unger

Sunday, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 a.m. All Cancer Patients and their Families
9:30 a.m. Open Mass
Josie Garza (81 st Bday) by Garza Family
+Frank Garza by Josie Garza & Family
+Russ Heald by Maria Heald
+Msgr. Richard Shirley by David & Patricia Garcia
+Paul Pineda by Wife, Myrna Pineda
+Angie Rossiadis by Mary Lawson
+Lily Valdez by Lamar Childress
+Nathaniel Garcia by Aurora Garcia
+Melba Rodriguez by Rodriguez Family
11:00 a.m. For the People of Corpus Christi Cathedral
12:30 pm +Rodolfo Gonzalez &
+Sylvia C. Gonzalez by Sylvia Gonzalez

*+ is marked for the deceased.

Sanctuary Lamps

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Cathedral Volunteers
Emmanuel Chapel: Priests and Deacons of the Diocese of Corpus Christi



Sponsor of the Week:
Perrone, Trigger & Associates

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Annual Contribution Statements for 2023 will be available upon request only. To request, please reach out to Donald Harris at 361-883-4213 ext. or dharris@cccathedral.com.

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Stewardship for 3 /3/24 Thank you for your generosity!

Collection	\$8,077.55
Electronic Giving	\$1,578.20
The Ark	\$100.00
The Catholic Relief Services Collection	\$403.55

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Weekly Reading

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Monday

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; PS 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Wednesday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday

Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Contact the Faith, Hope, and Charity Ministry to pray for you during particularly trying times by calling [361-883-6650](tel:361-883-6650) for prayers.

The Society of the Body of Christ Ministry spiritually serves the sick, elderly, and dying from conception to natural death. Contact Sr. Anne Sophie at 361-814-7685 or email: savesould@att.net.

Sunday REFLECTION

Exploring Thoughtful Insights on the Divine Word



Father, Forgive Them By Tom Schmidt

The promise made by the Lord in the first reading is very bold. He says that all people shall know him, without having to be taught by others. The way people will know Him is through forgiveness of their sins. Remember, he is speaking to the Israelites: When they broke a commandment or law, they were isolated from the community. So the promise that God would place his law in their hearts meant they would be free to do God's will because they want to, not because they were feared punishment or rejection.

Jesus says something similar in today's gospel. He tells the disciples that his crucifixion would draw everyone to him. Now, Jesus' death showed that he took on the punishment for sins in place of us, who deserve it. By dying on the cross, Jesus shows how much God loves us. By rising from the dead, he shows that we can rise from sin to a new life of faith and love.

Getting back to the first reading, we experience that promise when we bring our sins to God. When we forgive people who have hurt us, we also help them to experience that love. We also help others to know God when we share or experience of being forgiven. The sacrament of Reconciliation gives us the assurance of God's forgiveness, as well as the experience. Along with the other sacraments, it helps us keep God's love in our hearts.

Beloved Saint Joseph By Christine Hanus

"Blessed are those who dwell in your house, O Lord; they never cease to praise you."

This verse before the Gospel reading at today's Mass certainly describes St. Joseph, whose feast day we celebrate today. There is no doubt that his soul dwells in God's house where he gives praise to God. In heaven, St. Joseph and Our Lady are worshiping the son they raised on earth together! Consider the final line of today's Gospel, which says that the twelve-year-old Jesus "went down with [his parents] and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them." Jesus retains an intimate relationship with them, and he allows them to function as powerful intercessors on our behalf. What a great debt humanity owes to the efficacious, perpetual intercession of Our Lady and St. Joseph.

My husband and I belonged to a parish named St. Joseph for many years and, over time, we came to rely on the help and loving concern of our Savior's foster-father. We are convinced that his intercession helped attain great grace for our family.

When my husband's father was diagnosed with advanced cancer, he and my mother-in-law came to live with us. For many years, my in-laws had traveled the country, serving others, praying with others, and sharing the love of Christ whenever and wherever they could. Though they had left the Catholic Church twenty-five years earlier, their faith in Christ was radical and inspiring.

Now, with a terminal diagnosis, my father-in-law was approaching his eternal reward. It was a painful, beautiful time, and my husband, though he had always yearned for his dad to return to the Church, rejoiced in his father's faithfulness to God. Nevertheless, he wanted the absolute best for his dad as he approached the end of his life, so he turned to St. Joseph for help. Every day, my husband would stop by the church and kneel before the Blessed Sacrament asking for the intercession of St. Joseph. He prayed for three things: that his father would be willing to receive the Anointing of the Sick before he died, and that, after he died, he would be given a funeral Mass and then be buried in our parish cemetery.

It is a long story, but, miraculously, all three requests were granted. We believe that St. Joseph's intercession played a pivotal role in this happy outcome. With St. Teresa of Avila, we say, "Would that I could persuade all men to be devout to this glorious saint, for I know by... experience what blessings he can obtain for us from God." Thank you, beloved St. Joseph, for your faithful witness, your tremendous role in salvation history, and your on-going, loving intercession.

News and ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's going on at
CCC this week?

CALENDAR DATES:

30 Catholic Daughters Court #246 Scholarship

For graduating High School Seniors who are members of the CC Cathedral, please complete and submit the application in full and return to Andrea Bell at address on application. Deadline to submit: March 30, 2024 Please contact Andrea Bell if more time is needed.

15 Girls And Boy Scouts Emblem Awards

Scout (Girl and Boy) and JCDA members are welcome to work towards their religious emblem awards. There are emblems for all levels available. Contact Andrea Bell. Workbooks are due on April 15, 2024 to be recognized in the June ceremony.

For more information

Email: andrea.bell1013@yahoo.com or call/text: (361) 799-0799.

Calling All Adorers

Please consider making the commitment to be a regular Eucharistic adorer, and answer Jesus's call to deepen your relationship with him. We are in need of regular committed Adorers to begin offering Adoration once a week at Cathedral. If you would like to commit to an hour of adoration on a regular basis, please call the parish office at (361) 883-4213 and leave your name and contact information for the Cathedral Adoration coordinator, Elda Garcia.

Volunteers For The Seder Meal Needed!

We are accepting monetary donations and volunteers for this years Seder Meal. Please call the parish office (361) 883-4213 to donate or sign up as a volunteer.

The Seder Meal 2024!!

The Seder meal is for Christian families remembering Christ's Jewish Heritage, it is a tradition to celebrate a Seder meal on Holy Thursday in memory of the Last Supper.

The Seder Plate consists of the bone from the roasted leg of lamb, matzos (unleavened bread or crackers), bitter herbs (radishes), haroses (made of apples, nuts, cinnamon, and wine), greens (parsley), and water with salt.

Please RSVP with your family name and number of attendees to the parish office at:

info@cccathedral.com.

Attendees are encouraged to bring one of the following:

If your last name begins with A - G: Side Dish

If your last name begins with H - M: Desserts

If your last name begins with N - Z: Salad

The CC Cathedral Book Store!

Lenten books and gifts available in the book store. Come by and visit us!

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Mon - Fri 11am to 1:30pm
(Sat Closed) **Sun 10:30am to 12:30pm**



Religious Education Calendar

		Seder Meal is mandatory for all Religious Education students who will receive sacraments this year including First Communion, High School Confirmation, RCIA for Children and Adults.
March 17	10:45 am – 12:00 pm	Session 22 Fifth Sunday of Lent
	12:30 pm Mass	3rd Scrutiny Mandatory for RCIA and RCIA-Children students and Sponsors
Wednesday, March 20	7:00 pm Emmanuel Chapel	Presentation of The Lord's Prayer Mandatory for RCIA and RCIA-Children students and Sponsors
March 24	NO CLASS	Palm Sunday of the Lord
	1:30 pm	Session 23 - Family Faith Activity - Seder Meal St. Joseph's Hall
Wednesday, March 27	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Cathedral	Rehearsal for Live Stations of the Cross Mandatory for all Confirmation Students
Thursday, March 28	7:00 pm	Holy Thursday All Sacramental Prep students/parents are highly encouraged to attend

