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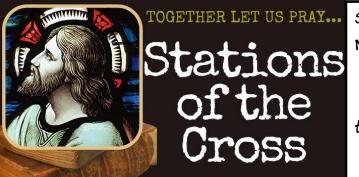


Stewardship Report for Feb. 22 & Feb. 23, 2025

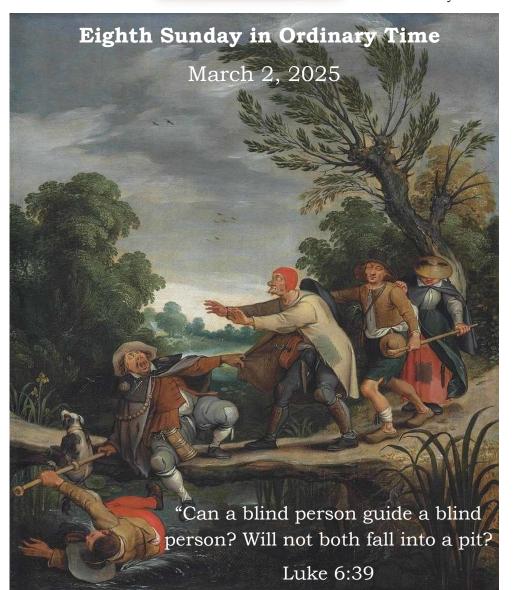
Weekly Goal: \$8,000

1st COLLECTION	SECOND COLLECTION (C/EE)
Sun. 5:00 pm - \$ 691	<b>\$ 162</b>
Sat. 6:30 pm - \$ 943	\$ 344
Sun 8:00 am - \$ 575	\$ 320
Sun 10:00 am - \$ 1,059	\$ 370
Sun 12:00 pm - \$ 1,964	<b>\$ 478</b>
Sun 5:00 pm - \$ 822	<b>\$ 423</b>
Total collected: \$ 6,054	Amount under goal - \$ 1,946

Thank you for your continued support!



Starting on Friday,
March 7, 2025 and
every Friday
during Lent after
the 5:00 pm mass.



# Ways to Support THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

# 1. Securely Online

Scan the QR code or visit our website.







# 2. Bring to Church



Place in the offertory basket or mail to your parish.

# 3. Gift of Stock/ **IRA Distributions**



Call 408-983-0293 for more information.

# 4. Become a Sustaining

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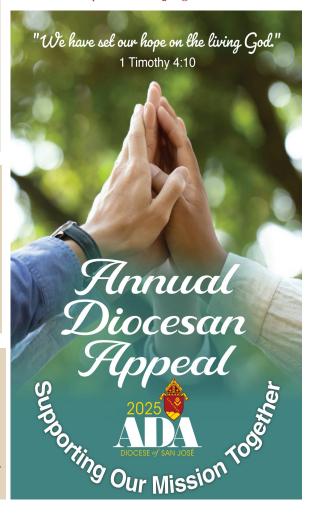
5. Double the impact of your gift to the ADA with a matching gift from your employer. Contact your company's HR department for more information to see if your company offers a matching gift program.



# JOIN THE St. Francis Society

Sustaining gifts are safe and convenient, and they allow the Diocese to better plan for current needs and future growth to make a lasting impact. Once you set up a sustaining gift, it continues monthly from year to year, until you change or cancel it. By making a sustaining gift you will become a member of our new St. Francis Society.

For more information, please visit: DSJ.org/ADA



## **MASS SCHEDULE**

**DAILY - 5:00 PM** 

# **SATURDAY**

5:00 PM - ENGLISH

6:30 PM - SPANISH

### **SUNDAY**

8:00 AM - ENGLISH

10:00 AM - ENGLISH

12:00 PM - SPANISH

5:00 PM - VIETNAMESE

### **CONFESSION**

SATURDAY - 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

### **ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

Every Friday after 5 pm mass till 10 pm

### **FAITH FORMATION**

Contact: Nancy Cordova ext. 15 **FIRST COMMUNION -** 2 year program. **CONFIRMATION -** 2 year program **OCIA -** Order of Christian Initiation for Adult

Contact: Aime Overcamp ext. 18 **BAPTISM** - Once a month. Registration packets & calendar available in the parish office or go to the parish website. **WEDDING & QUINCEANERA** 



### **VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION**

# **How can I help SMP?**

Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in our community? Look no further, because St. Martin Parish is seeking volunteers to share their time, talents, and treasures leading to meaningful change, transforming lives and strengthening our community. Together, we can create a positive impact.

By filling out our volunteer forms, you can use your skills and resources to make a difference in the lives of those around us. Join us in building a stronger, more connected and God-faithful community. Let's make a difference together!"

Volunteer forms are available on the table in the vestibule of the church. After filling up the form, please turn it in to the parish office.

**Note:** We are looking for volunteers to help with the meatless meal preparations. Please call the parish office at 408-736-3725 ext. 12



## **Mass Intentions for:**

# For the week of February 24 to March 2, 2025



Feb. 24 - Chan Kwok Leung †
Dan Callanta - Birthday Blessings

Feb. 25 - Raul G. Lopez † - Heavenly Birthday Chan Kwok Leung †

Feb. 26 - Tran's Family Souls † Chan Kwok Leung †

Feb. 27 - Chan Kwok Leung †

Feb. 28 - Chan Kwok Leung †

Mar 1

5:00 pm - Ed Rausa † - Death Anniv. Bert Rausa † Juana Rausa † Michael Hayward † Chan Kwok Leung †

6:30 pm - For the Parishioners

Mar 2

8:00 am - Francis Xavier Thi Nguyen †
Dominic Thai Hoang †
All Souls in Purgatory †
Thank God for our family

10:00 am - Jose Braga †

12:00 pm - Maria Teresa Luna Santa Cruz †
Manuel Solis †
Anabel Andrade - Thanksgiving for 15th Birthday

## **UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

MARCH 9 - BLACK & INDIAN MISSION MARCH 30 - CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES APRIL 18 - HOLY LAND/GOOD FRIDAY

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

# GATHERING SONG - SING A JOYFUL SONG (Farrell)

### Refrain:

Sing a joyful song to the Lord! Alleluia! Let the heavens and earth rejoice! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The heavens proclaim God's name, and earth in reply echoes back with joyful songs of praise! *Refrain* 

Our God is a mighty God, unequalled in power, yet with gentle mercy covers the earth. *Refrain* 

Sing praise, O Jerusalem! Sing praise to your King, ruling earth with justice age after age. *Refrain* 

# Reading I

Sirach 27:4-7

A Reading from the book of Sirach

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks.

As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just.

The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind.

Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested.

The word of the Lord - Thanks be to God

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

# R (cf. 2a) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, Most High, To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

# R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. They that are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

# R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

They shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be, Declaring how just is the LORD, my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

A Reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians
Brothers and sisters:

When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

\*\*Death is swallowed up in victory.\*\*

\*\*Where, O death, is your victory?\*\*

\*\*Where, O death, is your sting?\*\*

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

The word of the Lord - Thanks be to God

# **Alleluia**

Philippians 2:15d, 16a

# R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 6:39-45

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

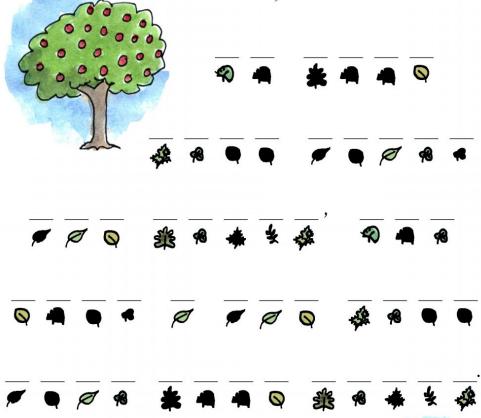
Jesus told his disciples a parable,
"Can a blind person guide a blind person?
Will not both fall into a pit?
No disciple is superior to the teacher;
but when fully trained,
every disciple will be like his teacher.
Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye,
but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?
How can you say to your brother,
'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,'
when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?
You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first;
then you will see clearly
to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.
For every tree is known by its own fruit.
For people do not pick figs from thornbushes,
nor do they gather grapes from brambles.
A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good,
but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil;
for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

# The Kids' Bulletin

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time March 2nd, 2025



In today's Gospel reading Jesus told a parable about trees.
What did He say?
Use the code to find out!







# Movie Night FundRaiseR



# **Americans With No Address**

NARRATED BY WILLIAM BALDWIN

"Well thought out, superbly executed, inspirational documentary"

Movieguide.

"You need to see Americans With No Address ...now!"

"Sobering, yet inspiring. Relentlessly engaging!"









SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025 - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm ST. MARTIN PARISH HALL 593 CENTRAL AVE. SUNNYVALE, CA 94086 \$10.00 Entry Popcorn and Snacks will be available for sale.



Sponsored by: Sampaguita Lions Club Foundation

# www.AmericansWithNoAddress.com

Proceed will be donated to feed the homeless.

### REFLECTIONS

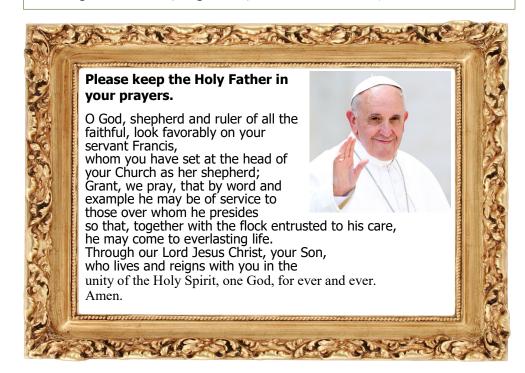
### **The Obvious Choice**

Sometimes, the most obvious answer is the one we find least attractive. I may know that the bathroom needs to be cleaned, but I don't really want to clean the bathroom. So, I find many other things that need doing, pretending that they are more important than cleaning the bathroom. I give myself a false sense of accomplishment while not actually accomplishing the thing that needs doing.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is telling his disciples some pretty obvious things. Blind people don't lead blind people, it obviously doesn't work. You don't go to a bramble bush expecting to find figs. If you are having problems and making a bunch of mistakes, are you really a good person to be pointing out the flaws in others?

What can we learn from these seemingly obvious realities? I think it shows us that Jesus deeply understands the human condition. He is fully human and he experienced all things except sin. He knows how easy it is to share our opinions and advice about how others should live their lives while taking none of it to heart in our own. He knows how we like to deceive ourselves, pretending everything is fine while we blindly follow someone else in their own blindness rather than fixing our gaze on our heavenly Father.

Jesus is trying to wake us up, to cause us to look around and see how stuck in the muck we are. We can only be saved if we realize that we are in need of saving. When we open our eyes and hearts to the reality of our sin, of our shortcomings, of our areas of blindness, we can turn to Jesus in humility and love. He is the one to lead the blind. He is the one to point out our failings. He is the one who will give us the love, forgiveness, and food we seek. By Kate Taliaferro



### What is Lent?

What are your priorities in life right now? Lent is an invitation to rearrange your priorities - to focus on what matters most and leave behind what matters least.

Lent is the season where the Church prepares for Easter. Starting with Ash Wednesday, Lent spans 40+ days until Holy Thursday. In the fourth chapter of Matthew, Jesus spends 40 days in the desert, fasting, praying, and preparing for his mission. Lent is your opportunity for that same focus.

Lent is your invitation to take your spiritual life seriously.

Lent is the perfect time to form life-giving habits and abandon self-destructive habits.

Lent is your chance to discover the abundant life Jesus invites us to at Easter. Take these 40 days to explore God's dream for your life and it will change everything. Are you ready?

### **Traditional Lenten Practices**

We all need a fresh start from time to time. And Lent is the perfect time to embark on that journey.

Maybe you need a fresh start in your personal finances, or perhaps you need a fresh start in your marriage. Maybe you need a fresh start in a relationship with a child or a parent, or possibly you need a fresh start in your health and well-being. It could even be that you need a fresh start in your career. For generations, Catholics have developed different traditions that help them make a new beginning during Lent. Here are just a few examples:

- **1. Give Something Up:** Many Catholics "give up" something for the entire Lenten season. A classic example is giving up chocolate, but you don't have to stop there! You could give up negative thinking, speaking poorly about others, or procrastinating. You could also make a positive swap: like praying the Rosary instead of watching TV, or reading an amazing Catholic book instead of scrolling through social media.
- 2. Join a Spiritual Challenge: One of the simplest ways to transform your Lent is to join other Catholics for a spiritual challenge. You could create a small challenge with your friends, sign up for a local Bible study, or join nearly one million Catholics for BEST LENT EVER - a FREE Lenten video program with Matthew Kelly. Sign up here.
- 3. Deepen Your Prayer: Catholics often will say special Lenten prayers. One of the most popular spiritual practices during Lent is the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross is one of the most simple, yet powerful, ways to prayerfully walk alongside Jesus during his Passion...and encounter him like never before. Click here to learn more about Stations of the Cross.
- 4. Attend a Fish Fry: One delicious Catholic tradition is hosting a fish fry. Since Catholics don't eat meat on Fridays during Lent, many parishes have a pescatarian meal together on Fridays - often inviting the larger community to participate too. St. Martin Parish Fish Fry is scheduled on March 28. Take this opportunity to engage with your community!

Our God loves fresh starts. How is he inviting you to a fresh start this Lent?

# Chúa Nhật Tuần Thứ 8 Mùa Thường Niên (ngày 02 tháng 03 năm 2025)

là những thiếu sót của bản thân, những giới han, yếu đuổi, hay đó cũng có thể là những định kiến ta đặt để nơi người khác. Chúng cản trở ta có cái nhìn khách quan và nhân ái. Lời Chúa soi dẫn cho chúng ta con đường để giúp nhau tránh khỏi tình rang "mù dắt mù".

Ước muốn là một trong những động cơ thôi thúc và định hướng cho hành động. Chúng là những thôi thúc trong ta, xuất phát từ "lòng người". Đức Giêsu đã từng nói: "Chính cái từ con người xuất ra, là cái làm cho con người ô uế' (Mc 7:15). Tâm hồn ta chất chứa, cưu mang điều gì thì sẽ được thốt ra như vây. Nghĩa là lòng cưu mang điều tốt thì sẽ thốt ra điều tốt, cưu mang điều xấu thì sẽ thốt ra điều xấu. Tưa như cây tốt sinh trái tốt, cây sâu sinh trái xấu. Vây tai sao ta lai không cưu mang những điều tốt đẹp để rồi sinh ra những điều tốt đẹp. Việc can đảm lấy cái xà ra khỏi mắt mình để giúp người khác lấy cái rác ra khỏi mắt họ, là một thiên chí được sinh ra từ ước muốn tốt đẹp của một trái tim yêu thượng, không xét đoán.

Chúng ta là những cây nho được trồng trong vườn nho của Chúa là Hôi Thánh. Những cây nho ấy được hút nguồn nhưa sống từ nguồn mạch của Đức Kitô. Vây, phải chẳng cây đời ta ắt phải sinh trái tốt? Lòng người là cái túi không dò thấu nhưng Thiên Chúa là Đấng dò thấu mọi tâm can (x. Tv 139). Chúng ta hãy để cho Lời Chúa hướng dẫn cuộc đời chúng ta và hãy để cho Đức Kitô chiến thắng trong ta. Có như vậy, cây đời ta sẽ trổ sinh hoa trái của Thánh Thần, lòng ta sẽ phát xuất những điều thiên hảo nhờ ấp ủ Lời Chúa trong lòng và nhờ kiên nhẫn mà sinh hoa kết quả mỗi ngày.

# The WISDOM of the SAINTS



"Let nothing disturb you, nothing frighten you; all things are passing; God never changes."

- St. Teresa of Avila



2025 Diocesan Youth Assembly needs



Hospitality (food & beverages), Greeters, Parking, Security, Set-up and Clean-up.\* Please call Moria at the parish office 408-736-3725 ext. 12 to sign-up or just scan the QR code.

# Chúa Nhật Tuần Thứ 8Mùa Thường Niên (ngày 02 tháng 03 năm 2025)



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# **CHƯƠNG TRÌNH MÙA CHAY 2025** Thứ Tư ngày 5/3/2025 Lễ Tro lúc 7:30 PM.

Thứ Sáu ngày 7/3/2025

- Tĩnh Tâm Mùa Chay từ 7:00 PM-8:00 PM
  - Lm. Đaminh Giuse Nguyễn Thiết Thắng, SDD
- Nghi Thức Hòa Giải sẽ bắt đầu từ 8:00 PM.

Thứ Tư ngày 19/3/2025 Lễ kính Thánh Giuse 7:00 PM. Thứ Sáu ngày 28/3/2025 Cơm Chay Công Đoàn Fatima Chúa Nhật Lễ Lá ngày 13/4/2025

# Thông Báo

Khóa Dư Bi Hôn Nhân 2025 sẽ được tổ chức vào các ngày 29 và 30 tháng 3 năm 2025.

Xin liên lac với Ban Giáo Lý để ghi danh.

# Mù mà lai dắt mù được sao?

"Mù mà lai đắt mù được sao?" (Lc 6:39). Đó là câu hỏi Đức Giêsu đặt ra và cũng là vấn đề của mọi thời đại. Đức Giêsu mươn cái cái mù thể lý để hướng cái nhìn của chúng ta về cái mù của tâm linh. Giả như bị mù về thể lý thì sẽ biết được mình cần đến sự giúp đỡ của người khác. Nhưng khi mù về tâm linh thì rất khó nhân biết. Bởi lẽ, trong khi mù tâm linh, chúng ta lai thích hướng dẫn kẻ khác. Trong khi nhìn thấy nơi người khác những điểm yếu kém, những điểm cần phê bình – là cái rác nơi tha nhân – thì chúng ta lại không hề để ý đến cái xà trong con mắt của mình. Đó là tình trang mù nguy hiểm nhất. Nguy hiểm vì ta bị mù nhưng vẫn nghĩ là mình sáng. Vì nghĩ mình sáng nên chúng ta tư tin để nói rằng: "Này anh, hãy để tôi lấy cái rác trong con mắt anh ra" (Lc 6:42) và rốt cục là cả hai có nguy cơ rơi xuống hố.

Đức Giêsu khẳng đinh: "Hỡi kẻ đao đức giả! Lấy cái rác ra khỏi mắt ngươi trước đã, rồi sẽ thấy rõ, để lấy cái rác trong con mắt người anh em." (Lc 6:42). Chỉ khi nhân ra tình trang mù lòa của mình, nhân ra "cái xà to đùng" nơi bản thân và can đảm lấy nó ra khỏi mắt, chúng ta mới có thể biết cách giúp người khác lấy rác ra khỏi mắt họ. Vì đã lấy cái xà ra khỏi, chúng ta sẽ có thể có khả năng nhìn mọi thứ cách khách quan hơn, cảm thông hơn, yêu thương hơn. Cái xà nơi mắt mình có thể

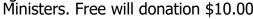


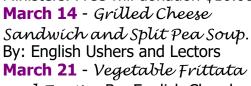
# MASS SCHEDULE

7:30 am - English 12:00 pm - Bilingual (Service Only) 5:00 pm - English 6:00 pm - Spanish 7:30 pm - Vietnamese

# Meatless Meals Lenten Menu

March 7 - Spaghetti Dinner with bread sticks and salad. Includes water, coffee and a cookie. By: English Choirs and Communion





and Fruits By: English Church

**Environment Team** 

March 28 - Knights of Columbus - Drive Thrw

Fish Fry - Tickets are on sale this weekend!

**April 4** - Vietnamese Community **April 11** - Hispanic Community

Parish Hall - 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Call the parish office to pre-order your meal. 408-736-3725 ext. 12





# **OFFERTORY SONG - IN BREAD WE BRING YOU, LORD** (Kevin Nichols)

In bread we bring You, Lord, our bodies' labour, In wine we offer You our spirits' grief. We do not ask You, Lord, 'who is my neighbour?' But stand united now, one in belief.

Oh we have gladly heard Your Word, Your holy Word, And now in answer, Lord, our gifts we bring. Our selfish hearts make true, our failing faith renew, Our lives belong to You, our Lord and King.

The bread we offer You is blessed and broken, And it becomes for us our spirits' food. Over the cup we bring Your Word is spoken; Make it Your gift to us, Your healing blood.

Take all that daily toil plants in our hearts' poor soil, Take all we start and spoil, each hopeful dream. The chances we have missed, the graces we resist,

Lord, in Thy Eucharist, take and redeem.

## **COMMUNION 1** - TASTE AND SEE (Moore)

### Refrain:

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall always be on my lips; My soul shall glory in the Lord for He has been so good to me. *Refrain* 

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us all praise His name.
I called the Lord and He answered me;
from all my troubles He set me free. *Refrain* 

Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that God is good; In Him we need put all our trust. *Refrain* 

## Music is a Gift

The Bible explains that every good gift comes from God (James 1:17). Music is one of God's good gifts. God has given both man and angels the gift of music-making (Genesis 4:21; Job 38:7). The purpose of music and singing is to rejoice in and worship the Lord (Psalm 95:1-2).

# **COMMUNION 2 - ONLY THIS I WANT (Schutte)**

### Refrain:

Only this I want: but to know the Lord, And to bear His cross, so to wear the crown He wore.

All but this is loss, worthless refuse to me, For to gain the Lord is to gain all I need. *Refrain* 

I will run the race; I will fight the good fight, So to win the prize of the kingdom of my Lord. *Refrain* 

Let your heart be glad, always glad in the Lord, So to shine like stars in the darkness of the night. *Refrain* 

# SENDING FORTH HYMN - ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS (Hyfrydol/Dix)

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation,
hath redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own.
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, heaven Thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.

# Will You Sing Unto the Lord?

The Music Ministry is open to all parishioners. It is composed of parishioners who have the desire to sing and worship the Lord. If you play a musical instrument or love to sing and would like to use your talent for the Lord, St. Martin Parish Music Ministry has a place for you. This ministry provides an avenue through which individuals may share their gifts and be an integral part of the worship. Please inquire with the choir if you are interested in joining the music ministry.