Third Sunday of Lent: March 18th & 19th, 2017

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Weekend Masses:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Domingo: 12:00 p.m. (Español)

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday-Friday English Only in Chapel at 7:30 a.m Mass

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Baptism & Marriage\Bautismos & Matrimonios:
Please call the office\Llame a la oficina
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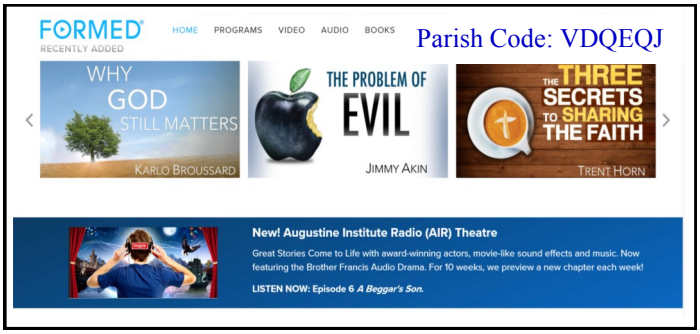
Saturdays\Sabados: 3:30 –4:45 p.m. And
Wednesday\Miercoles 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Anointing of the Sick\Uncion de los Enfermos:
Please call the Office\Llamar a la oficina

Penance Service for Bastrop Deanery
7:00 p.m.

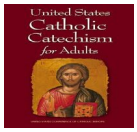
March 27	Sacred Heart - Elgin
March 30	Immaculate Heart of Mary - Martindale
April 3	Sacred Heart - Rockne
April 4	Ascension - Bastrop
April 5	St. Paul - Smithville
April 6	St. Mary of the Visitation - Lockhart



2017 Youth Schedule & Masses

March 26-Youth Mass
April 2-Youth Mass
Saturday, April 8—Confirmation Retreat 8:30 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.
April 9-Youth Mass
April 23-Youth Mass
April 30 Youth Mass and Family Night
May 21--Confirmation Mass at 3:00 p.m.
June 10– Youth Rally for Deanery

Join us for Fish Fry Every Friday during Lent! from Noon—7:00 p.m.



Basic Teaching of the Catholic Faith
Facilitator: Deacon Bill Hobby
Call Deborah Esquivel to RSVP (512)569-4039

We are currently offering a five session course that focuses on the basic teaching of the Catholic Church. This course is highly recommended for persons active in or preparing for church ministry. The topics include Scripture, Creed, Sacraments, Morality and Pray & Spirituality. These classes are being offered on Saturday in the Religious Education Building Room #204. These classes may be substituted for the Echoes of Faith theology classes upon completion of all five session.

REVISED DATES

Scripture Class #1	9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Saturday, April 22, 2017
Creed Class #2	9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Saturday. May 27, 2017
Sacraments Class #3	9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Saturday, June 24, 2017
Morality Class #4	9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Saturday, July 22, 2017
Prayer Class #5	9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Saturday, August 26, 2017

Join us for Stations:
English 6:30 p.m.

Unete a nosotros en el Via Crucis:
Español 7:30 p.m. los Viernes

Lydia Peña
Irma Vazquez
Silvia Trujillo
Dennis Platt
Sara Barkley
David Falcon
Elaine Weiss
David Barkley
Jim Peery
Joann McCoy
Silvia Castillo
Ramon Magaña
Barbara Bienfang
Arlene Does
Collin Camp
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Ronnie Broce
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Deborah Reed
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Mass Intentions and Daily Readings

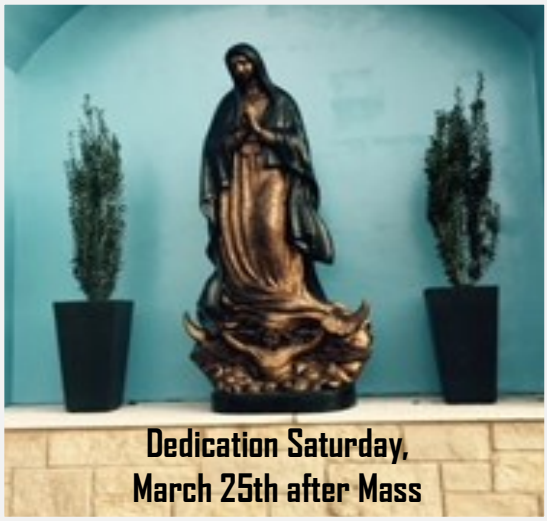
Mon. March 20th 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16\Rom 4:13,16-18,22\Mt 1:16,18-21,24a(543)
Communion Service
Tue. March 21st Dn 3:25,34-43\Mt 18:21-35(238)
†Matthew Ernest Weiss
Wed. March 22nd Dt 4:1,5-9\Mt 5:17-19(239)
†Eraclio Falcon
Thur. March 23rd Jer 7:23-28\Lk 11:14-23(240)
Maria de Lourdes and Family
Fri. March 24th Hos 14:2-10\Mk 12:28-34(241)
Thanksgiving for family
Sat. March 25th Is 7:10-14;8:10\Heb 10:4-10\Lk 1:26-38(545)
In thanksgiving for Liz Hurd's Healing
Sun. March 26th 1 Sm 16:16:1b,6-7,10-13a\Eph 5:8-14\Jn 9:1-41(31)
8: For the people
10: †Luisa, †Gregorio & †Juan Laredo Castillo
12: Jose & Yolanda Balderas 10 Años de Matrimonio
YM: †Bill Weddle

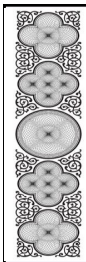
STEWARDSHIP	Week	YTD
Regular Collection	$7,798.58	$103,550.04
Operating Expenses	$6,886.96	$87,642.08
Children's Collection	$156.87	$2,817.90
Youth Mass	$0.00	$2,933.10
Building Fund	$179.00	$3,355.50

Ascension Altar Society: $2,462.35
Thank you for your stewardship and treasure commitments

MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 20th:
6:00 p.m.: CRSP Men Spanish-Hall, RE204
6:30 p.m.: ESL Classes
7:00 p.m.: ACTS Women-RE206
6:30 p.m.: Altar Society Scholarship -REMtg Room
Tuesday, March 21st:
6:00 p.m.: CRSP Women– RE204 206, Parish Hall
6:30 p.m.: Liturgical Committee—RE206
6:45 p.m.: Legion of Mary—RE203
7:00 p.m.: Rey Jesus-RE Meeting Room
7:00 p.m.: Carismaticos-RE102
7:00 p.m.: MMSP-RE201, RE205
Wednesday, March 22nd:
4:30 p.m.: CCD: K-7th Grade
5:30 p.m.: Confessions-Church
6:30 p.m.: CCD: K7th Grade
Thursday, March 23rd:
9:00 a.m.: Devocion de la Sangre Preciosa—Chapel
6:30 p.m.: SAC Prep\RCIA\RCIC
Friday, March 24th:
8:00 a.m.: Eucharistic Adoration
12:00 p.m.: Fish Fry
7:00 p.m.: MMSP—RE 206
7:15 p.m.: Carismaticos-Parish hall
Saturday, March 25th:
3:30 p.m.: Confessions





Jesus asks for so little….
Yet, He gives so much!
Consider this as a personal invitation to you from Jesus
Holy Hour in English
Thursday, March 30, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Gospel Meditation

An encounter is an unexpected experience or meeting. Today several apparent opposites meet. A Jewish man speaks to a Samaritan woman. A thirsty man without a bucket offers living water to a woman drawing water. Someone fulfilling physical needs is transformed by a spiritual reality. The Son of God encounters a searching sinner transforming her into an apostle. Christ encounters us in the most unexpected and ordinary ways. Do we take time to listen and receive the Spirit he offers which quenches and refreshes us like the living water? What truths does Jesus speak to you? Are you listening?

Un encuentro es una reunión o encuentro inesperado. Hoy muchos opuestos aparentes se encuentran. Un judío habla con una mujer samaritana. Un hombre sediento sin una cubeta ofrece agua viva a una mujer que está sacando agua. Una necesidad física satisfactoria se convierte en una realidad espiritual. El hijo de Dios se encuentra con una pecadora en búsqueda de algo y la convierte en un apóstol. Cristo sale a nuestro encuentro en las formas más extraordinarias y cotidianas, ¿Tomamos tiempo para escuchar y recibir el espíritu que Él ofrece que quita la sed y nos refresca como agua viva? ¿Qué verdades le habla Jesús a usted? ¿Está usted escuchando?

Word of Life

"Life is a gift from God and so is his mercy. May we cherish and promote both!" Bridges of Mercy for Post-Abortion Healing USCCB Secretariat of Pro Life

"*A las parejas que no pueden tener hijos propios, Dios no los ama menos; vuestro amor del uno por el otro es completo y fértil cuando está abierto a los demás". San Juan Pablo II,*

Next Pre Baptismal class\Proxima Clase Pre Bautismal

Saturday, April 8th
4:00—6:00 p.m.
Please contact parish office for more information
Favor de llamar a la oficina para mas informacion

LENTEN MISSION

"What Makes It All Worthwhile"
Presentation by Father Dick Sparks, CSP
English 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Sun March 26-Love, No strings attached
Mon March 27-Bad things happen
Tues March 28-Fidelity over the long haul

Refreshments will be served at 7:30 p.m.
Hosted: Legio Maraie, ACTS, KOC,CRSP & AFAS

MISION DE CUARESMA

Jesus, Esperanza de los pecadores
Presentado por el Padre Jim OInhausen
Español 8:00-9:00 p.m.
Domingo 26 de Marzo-Anunciamos tu muerte
Lunes 27 de Marzo—Proclamamos tu Resurreccion
Martes 28 de Marzo-Ven, Senor Jesus

Refrescos seran servidos a las 7:30 p.m.
Cortesia de Legio Marai, ACTS, KOC,CRSP & AFAS

Third Sunday of Lent

We experience at the depth of our being a deep hunger and thirst for the living God. We are invited to know that need, but not to despair as our ancestors did in the desert. God does feed and nourish us. God does quench our thirst, if we let ourselves be open to God's transforming love. Like the Samaritan woman we are called to be open to the waters of life given to us in Christ. Like her we are called to be agents of God's transformative love in our world. Who in our lives needs us to be an agent of God's love for them? What in our world is in need of God's action and transformation?

Tercero Domingo de Cuaresma

Experimentamos en la profundidad de nuestro ser un hambre profunda y una sed por el Dios viviente. Estamos invitados a conocer esa necesidad pero a no desesperar como nuestros ancestros lo hicieron en el desierto. Dios nos alimenta y nos nutre. Dios satisface nuestra sed si nos abrimos al amor transformante de Dios. Como la Samaritana, estamos llamado a estar abiertos a las aguas de vida que nos da Cristo. Como ella, estamos llamados a ser agentes del amor transformante de Dios en nuestro mundo ¿Quiénes en nuestras vidas necesitan que seamos agentes del amor de Dios para ellos? ¿Qué en nuestro mundo necesita la acción y transformación de Dios?

Volunteer of the Month-February

Congrats to Angie Nuñez. She started volunteering in the choir at the age of 8. She took music lessons in order to play the church organ and she has been playing and singing in the choir since high school. She assists with directing and coordinating as well. She has taught RE classes and is very active in the church festivals and funeral food ministry. She was one of the first Junior Ladies of Charity members and is an active member to this day.

Felicidades a Angie Nuñez ella cómenzo a parcipar como voluntaria en el coro a la edad de 8 años. Tomó clases de música para tocar el organo de la Iglesia y ha estado desde entonces ejerciendo éste ministerio y ofreciendo sus talentos de musica a nuestra Iglesia. Ella ayuda a dirigir y coordinar la musica para la liturgia. Ella ha enseñado clases de educasion religiosa y siempre participa en los festivales de la Iglesia. Hace parte del ministerio de atención y apoyo a las familias quienes afrontan la perdida de sus seres queridos. Ella fue una de las primeras miembros de Damas de Caridad. Angie y su familia son miembros activos de nuestra parroquia.

Why are the statues covered during Lent in my parish?

Another Lenten custom is the draping of statues and crucifixes in purple cloth as a sign of mourning. This symbolically hides the heavenly glory realized by the saints. Occurring on the fifth Sunday of Lent, the covering of the sacred images adds to the sense of introspection and contrition.

The roots of the veiling of statues during Lent can most likely be found in Germany where, beginning before 900, it was customary to cover not only statues and images, but the entire sanctuary including the altar with a cloth.

The cloth itself was called the Hungertuch (literally hunger cloth but often translated as Lenten veil). The draping concealed the altar entirely from the faithful during Lent and was not removed until the reading of the Passion at the words "the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom."

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