

Mass Intentions for the week of March 12

MONDAY, MARCH 13

- 6:30 a.m. Alana Castillo (healing)
- 12:05 p.m. Albin Dlabaj +
- 6:30 p.m. Agnes Spaniel Harper +

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

- 6:30 a.m. Maria Manriquez +
- 12:05 p.m. William Marusak +
- 6:30 p.m. Salvador Espino +

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

- 6:30 a.m. Betty Rogala +
- 12:05 p.m. Tony Alvarez +
- 2:30 p.m. Special Intention (Legends)
- 6:00 p.m. Healing Conference

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

- 6:30 a.m. Healing Conference
- 12:05 p.m. Ignacia Reyes +
- 6:30 p.m. Agustin Gonzalez +

FRIDAY, MARCH 17 - Saint Patrick

- 6:30 a.m. Joe Pleiner
- 12:05 p.m. Thelma Pruitt +

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

- 3:30 p.m. Confessions
- 5:00 p.m. Antonie Kubin +

MARCH 19, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

- 7:00 a.m. Mary Ann (Koubek) Kubin +
- 11:00 a.m. Joe W. Spaniel +
- 1:00 p.m. For the Parish Community
- 5:00 p.m. Billy Coplen +

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

- Sun. Mar. 12, 9 am Pascacio Escobar+ & Felicitas Castillo+
- Sun. Mar. 19, 9 am Roberto & Martha Villarreal/Julia Jacinto +

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Entrance: Forty Days and Forty Nights - 411

Offertory: Deep Within - 419

Communion: Hosea - 405

Recessional: No Recessional

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Wesley Honza CPA

**Guidelines for dispensation
on Feast of St. Patrick –
Friday, March 17th**



Lent is a time of increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In light of requests to offer dispensation this year from the requirement to abstain from meat on Friday, March 17, the feast day of Saint Patrick, Bishop Burns grants the dispensation if the person transfers the responsibility of abstinence from meat to the day before or after the feast day of Saint Patrick. That is, Catholics are being asked to either fast abstain from meat on Thursday, March 16 or Saturday, March 18 in lieu of the feast day of Saint Patrick.

Another alternative would be to assume the addition of a spiritual exercise. The Bishop has indicated another option would be for a person to offer a decade of the Rosary for the plight of immigrants/refugees or for the intention of an increase in Vocations to the priesthood. In other words, to recite one Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and one Glory Be to the Father, for these specified intentions.

<https://www.cathdal.org/home/guidelines-for-dispensation-on-feast-of-st-patrick-a-friday-march-17th>

**COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 4 & 5
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct**

St. John Regular Collection	\$18,240.11
Second Collection: Capital Improvement	\$3,656.13
Ash Wednesday	\$2,549.27
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,391.89
Second Collection: Building Fund	\$428.98
Ash Wednesday	\$564.13

IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26

Sunday, March 12

Second Collection: Black and Indian Missions
 NO Religious Ed/ Elementary
9:00 am RCIA/ Rm 101-102
9:30 am RCIA Inquiry/ Rm 104
6:30 pm Life Teen

Monday, March 13

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 am Golden Crusaders/ Cafeteria
10:30 am Little Saints Playgroup/301
5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

NO Upper Room

Wednesday, March 15

No Religious Ed

No EDGE

7:00 - 8:30 pm Spirituality of 2nd half of life/ Rm 101

6:30 pm Passion Movie/ Cafeteria

Thursday, March 16

Friday, March 17

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross/ Church

8:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish) / Church

Saturday, March 18

Sunday, March 19

Second Collection: Altar Server Scholarship

8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary

9:00 am RCIA/ Rm 101-102

9:30 am RCIA Inquiry/ Rm 104

6:30 pm Life Teen

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

Deacon Don presents

SPIRITUALITY OF THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE

Wednesdays from 7-8:30 pm in Room 101

March 15th, 22nd, 29th and April 5th

Please bring pencil, paper, and a bible.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Needed

for both Homebound routes and Mass. To help bring the Lord to His faithful, please Contact Ellene Stout at 972-351-1121 or stoutlittle9@gmail.com.

KJT SOCIETY #35 ENNIS

Graduating 2017 high school seniors that have been members for at least one year are eligible to apply for a local scholarship. Call Joe Landsfeld for applications at 972-875-5443. Deadline is April 30th. **KJT meeting 3/19/17 in KJT meeting room at 1:30 pm.**

GOLDEN CRUSADERS MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, March 14th at 8:00 am. Bingo begins at 9:30 am. Lenten meal of fried catfish- A-J Dessert K-Z Vegetable. Please join us.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING COURSE

Hosted by Clayton & Julie Houston. Meetings will be Sundays at 1:30 pm: March 26th, April 23rd, and May 1st. For more info or to register: http://register.ccli.org/class_series/10724

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: IMPORTANT DATES

March 12th & 15th— NO classes Spring Break

April 9th & 16th — NO classes Holy Week

May 7th & 10th — Last day of classes. Registrations for 2018.

Returning families ONLY.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

CEMETERY CLEAN UP—March 25th

Please review Rules and Regulations on stjohncc.net or come by and pick one up at the office.

CEMETERY RULES YOU SHOULD KNOW:

RULE #1—Grave Decorations: Fresh cut or artificial floral arrangements are permitted at all times, but must be placed in cemetery-approved vases. If placing artificial flowers, a silk arrangement rather than plastic is recommended. The use of wire, rocks, cement, or any material that will damage mowing equipment or injure visitors or maintenance workers is prohibited.

RULE #2—The Cemetery reserves the right to remove any floral arrangements or decorations if they become faded, wilted, unsightly or unseasonable. Items including, but not limited to souvenirs, toys, trinkets, glass vases, fences, are not permitted on graves and markers. Such items will be removed by Cemetery personnel without notice.

RULE #3—Potted plants, summer wreaths, baskets or other appropriate decorations may be placed 7 days prior to the following religious & national holidays. These holidays are: Easter, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, Memorial Day, & All Souls Day. They will be removed 1 week following the holidays. Christmas (winter) decorations may be placed on Thanksgiving and will remain until January 15th. Please collect decorations you wish to save prior to this date.

RULE #4—Unauthorized containers of other objects (ceramic, glass, metal, tin cans, plastic, etc.) are not permitted on graves and will be removed. Toys, statues, crosses, fences, planted materials and other items are not permitted on graves and will be removed. Private planting of trees, shrubs or flowers is not permitted on any grave or plot. Mounding and/or removing grass from graves is prohibited.

Adoration Chapel Open Hours

Sunday: 2 am, 4 am

Tuesday : 2 am, 3 am

Wednesday: 12 am, 1 am

Friday : 1 am

Saturday: 8 pm, 9 pm



ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : March 11 – March 17

In Memory: Johnny F. Vrana & Randy Vrana

By: Vivien Vrana

Altar Candles : March 11 – March 17

For: Zapletal and Muehlstein Families

By: Pat Zapletal

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: March 10 - March 16

For: Parish

By: St. John Altar Society

What Should I Do For Lent? Pope Francis' 10 Tips

Every year Catholics try to answer the age old question: What should I do for Lent? Well, who better to pick for as your Lenten spiritual director than Pope Francis? He has some great ideas for you!

1. Get rid of the lazy addiction to evil

"[Lent] is a 'powerful' season, a turning point that can foster change and conversion in each of us. We all need to improve, to change for the better. **Lent helps us and thus we leave behind old habits and the lazy addiction to the evil that deceives and ensnares us.**" – General Audience, March 5, 2014

2. Do something that hurts

"Lent is a fitting time for self-denial; we would do well to ask ourselves what we can give up in order to help and enrich others by our own poverty. Let us not forget that real poverty hurts: no self-denial is real without this dimension of penance. **I distrust a charity that costs nothing and does not hurt.**" – Lenten Message, 2014

3. Don't remain indifferent

"Indifference to our neighbor and to God also represents a real temptation for us Christians. Each year during Lent we need to hear once more the voice of the prophets who cry out and trouble our conscience. God is not indifferent to our world; he so loves it that he gave his Son for our salvation." –Lenten Message, 2015

4. Pray: Make our hearts like yours!

"During this Lent, then, brothers and sisters, let us all ask the Lord: *'Fac cor nostrum secundum cor tuum'*: **Make our hearts like yours** (Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus). In this way we will receive a heart which is firm and merciful, attentive and generous, a heart which is not closed, indifferent or prey to the globalization of indifference." – Lenten Message, 2015

5. Take part in the sacraments

"Lent is a favorable time for letting Christ serve us so that we in turn may become more like him. This happens whenever we hear the word of God and receive the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. There we become what we receive: the Body of Christ." – Lenten Message, 2015

6. Prayer

"In the face of so many wounds that hurt us and could harden our hearts, we are called to dive into the sea of prayer, which is the sea of God's boundless love, to taste his tenderness. Lent is a time of prayer, of more intense prayer, more prolonged, more assiduous, more able to take on the needs of the brethren; intercessory prayer, to intercede before God for the many situations of poverty and suffering." – Homily, March 5, 2014

7. Fasting

"**We must be careful not to practice a formal fast, or one which in truth 'satisfies' us because it makes us feel good about ourselves.** Fasting makes sense if it questions our security, and if it also leads to some benefit for others, if it helps us to cultivate the style of the Good Samaritan, who bends down to his brother in need and takes care of him." – Homily, March 5, 2014

"Fasting makes sense if it questions our security..." - Pope Francis

8. Almsgiving

"Today gratuitousness is often not part of daily life where everything is bought and sold. Everything is calculated and measured. Almsgiving helps us to experience giving freely, which leads to freedom from the obsession of possessing, from the fear of losing what we have, from the sadness of one who does not wish to share his wealth with others." – Homily, March 5, 2014

9. Help the Poor

"In the poor and outcast we see Christ's face; by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ. Our efforts are also directed to ending violations of human dignity, discrimination and abuse in the world, for these are so often the cause of destitution. When power, luxury and money become idols, they take priority over the need for a fair distribution of wealth. **Our consciences thus need to be converted to justice, equality, simplicity and sharing.**" – Lenten Message, 2014

10. Evangelize

"The Lord asks us to be joyous heralds of this message of mercy and hope! It is thrilling to experience the joy of spreading this good news, sharing the treasure entrusted to us, consoling broken hearts and offering hope to our brothers and sisters experiencing darkness." – Lenten Message, 2014



THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST

SPECIAL MOVIE SHOWING

As we move farther into Lent...

As we move more deeply into our sacrifices...

Wednesday, March 15

Cafeteria

6:30-8:30 PM

Childcare available

Special Time this week
Upper Room
moved to Wednesday
30 minutes
of Adoration and
Praise and Worship
after the movie

TESTIMONIES

from other Healing Conferences

- ♦ "It's like all the dead skin is coming off me."
- ♦ "Powerful! I felt the power of the Holy Spirit from Day 1."
- ♦ "God embraced me when I chose to let him touch my pain."
- ♦ "One of the best spiritual growth experiences of my life!"
- ♦ "I was moved to tell my wife that she is beautiful. I have never done this because of something in my past 40 years ago."
- ♦ "I felt a grace of calmness, like water putting out smoldering ashes."
- ♦ "A priest trained in your ministry led me in confession...strongly impacted me."
- ♦ "I had a physical tremor that has all but gone away."
- ♦ "During Fr. Charlie's adoration meditation, I felt the love of Jesus pour out like water pouring through a porthole on a ship."
- ♦ "I received my own healing as I heard a woman witness about God speaking to her that she is beautiful."
- ♦ "My husband opened up to me about our family situation for the first time in over a year. We both cried together and asked God for help!"
- ♦ "Incredible. I uncovered some lies that have been controlling me for 30 years."
- ♦ "God healed me of inadequacy during the weekend, which then brought physical healing of back pain."
- ♦ "I was able to forgive my father and release the pain of any early childhood experience of abandonment."
- ♦ "Incredible. A real encounter with Jesus, His love, and the liberating power of the Holy Spirit."

CRHP Away Teams

Women's CRHP AWAY Team

The Women's AWAY Team traveled to Athens Texas, February 17-19, to put on the first Women's CRHP Retreat at St. Edward Parish.

Sonia Bartolic	Jill Faith
Julie Houston	Susan Evans
Eva Patak	Jennifer Herrerra
Sara Camarillo	Irene Cardona
Anna Rosales	Ida Chavira
Saundra Zabochnik	Sophia Alvarez
Glenda Valek	Doreen Watson
Barbara Zimmerman	Barbara Kaman
Joan Johnson	Stefania Arreola
Christine Baker	Caryn Spaniel
Joann McClelland	Nancy Martinek
Mary Liska	Anna Padilla
Vanessa Cuevas	Becky Snodgrass
Sandra Puckett	barbie Campos
Tracy Kelley	Sanessa Huerta
Patsy Martinez	Cynthia Billingsley
Joan Trojacek	



Men's CRHP AWAY Team

The Men's AWAY Team traveled to Athens Texas, February 24-26, to put on the first Men's CRHP Retreat at St. Edward Parish.



Ryan Waedekin	Clayton Houston
David Daigle	Joe Galetka
Mateo Garcia	Mike Navaira
Kyle Stuckly	Robert Watson
Rojelio Arreola	Kenneth Holland
Augustin Soto	Kenneth Janousek
Jorge Torres	Kevin Ford
Isaac Camarillo	Chuck Kubala
Stephen Garcia	
Clemente Garcia	
Michael	
Kozlovsky	
Michael Kudrna	
Kendal Pollard	
Jerry Martell	
Raymond Toupal	
Tim Slovacek	
Eddie Martinez	
Ronnie Fira	
Jonas Schwartz	

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jo Ann Dolezalik—3/26/17	JoAnn Strunc—3/26/17	Johnny Joe Lopez—3/5/17	Rose Sladeczek Buckner—3/26/17
Georgie Ann Nekuza-3/26/17	Nancy Escobar—3/5/17	Karen Glaspy—3/5/17	David Maliska—3/26/17
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska	Melissa Patterson—3/19/17	Amanda Wilson—3/5/17	Mary Praslicka—3/26/17
Sr. Redempta Bradley	Evelyn Zmolik—3/26/17	Ed Tysdale—3/5/17	Brenden Ruffin—3/26/17
Rachel Zmolik—3/26/17	Margaret Bohuslav—2/5/17	Ruby Romo—3/5/17	Melody Rejcek—3/26/17
Catherine Roberts—4/9/17	Pam Hammonds—2/5/17	Terry Peyton—3/5/17	Carolyn Claxton—3/26/17
Mildred Trojacek—3/26/17	Jeff Frazier—3/26/17	Lonnie Grace—3/5/17	Priscilla Elizonda—4/2/16
David Trojacek—3/26/17	Jimmy Aguilar—2/5/17	Lillian Barto—3/12/17	Gloria Garcia—4/2/16
Margie Dvorak—3/26/17	Joan Trojacek—3/12/17	Janie Marusak—3/12/17	Carl Fira—4/2/16
Marguerite Patterson-4/9/17	Frank Tapia—4/16/17	Pauline Novy—3/12/17	Harry Fira—4/2/16
Arnold Twins—3/12/17	Lynn Carter—3/26/17	Kadie Hernandez—3/12/17	Alcario Sanchez—4/2/17
Jeanette/Martin Hunter—3/26	Patsy & Jerry Zmolik - 3/19/17	Gabino Guido—3/12/17	Teresa Wiebold—4/2/17
Sherri Longoria—4/9/17	Emily Peppers—3/26/17	Matt Hartley—3/12/17	Nancy Prewitt—4/9/17
Calvin Baw, Jr. —3/26/17	Analiese Mahaley—3/26/17	Don Hartley—3/12/17	Sebastian Cadena—4/9/17
Jennifer Wright—4/9/17	Riley Emerson—3/26/17	Dorothy Sonka—3/12/17	Greg Navarro—4/9/17
Rachel Dyson—2/12/17	Mary Trojacek—3/12/17	Robbin Roberson—4/16/17	Tina Jones—4/9/17
Mary Ludwig—3/26/17	Mildred Kohen—3/19	Larry Christopher—3/19/17	Ashley Harryman—4/9/17
Epi Garfias—3/26/17	Marion Haba—3/26/17	Kenneth Svhelak—3/19/17	Norma Juricek - 4/9/17
Paul Tolliver—3/26/17	Fred Scarbrough—3/5/17	Bonnie Bacak—3/26/17	Eugene Pena - 4/16/17
Joe Barak, Jr.—3/26/17	Mauricio Bravo Pineda—3/5/17	Melody Rejcek—3/26/17	
Geraldine Kubin—3/5/17	Tom Peyton—3/5/17	Joe Barak Sr—3/26/17	