

**Mass Intentions for the week of March 26**

**MONDAY, MARCH 27**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass  
12:05 p.m. Tony & Nacha Zapata ++/Arturo & Mariana Casanova ++  
6:30 p.m. Frankie E. Vrana, Sr. & Margaret Valek ++

**TUESDAY, MARCH 28**

6:30 a.m. Ann Marek +  
12:05 p.m. Emil Toupal +  
6:30 p.m. Simon Giron +

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29**

6:30 a.m. Terilyn Folchert & Zac Cepak (health)  
12:05 p.m. Josephine Ries +  
6:30 p.m. Charlie Flood +

**THURSDAY, MARCH 30**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass  
12:05 p.m. Joe Gobeia & Eloy Galvan ++  
6:30 p.m. Leonardo Mendoza (Salud)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 31**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass  
12:05 p.m. Bob+ & Kim Rombach (birthday)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1**

8:00 a.m. Frank Nelson Dick, Jr. +  
3:30 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Edward & Adell Vrzalik ++

**APRIL 2, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:00 a.m. Theresa Kasowski +  
11:00 a.m. Anton F. Galetka +  
1:00 p.m. Ascension Mendoza, Angel Hernandez, Vicente Gomez +++  
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

**MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH**

Sun. Mar. 26, 9 am Adolfo, Estanislac, Aucensia Gonzalez  
Sun. Apr. 02, 9 am Familia Malagon

**HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 26**

**Entrance:** Forty Days and Forty Nights - 411  
**Offertory:** Deep Within - 419  
**Communion:** Hosea - 405  
**Recessional:** No Recessional

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:** La Michoacana



**Adoration Chapel  
Open Hours**

**Sunday:** 2 am, 4 am  
**Tuesday :** 2 am, 3 am  
**Wednesday:** 11 am, 12 am, 1 am  
**Friday :** 1 am  
**Saturday:** 8 pm, 9 pm



"If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude." - *St. Angela of Foligno*

**CEMETERY GATE TIME CHANGE**  
Cemetery gate will now open at 7:30 am & close at 7:30 pm.

**COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 18 & 19**  
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$19,839.40
Second Collection: Altar Server Scholarship	\$1,707.43
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,163.68

## IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF MARCH 26

**Sunday, March 26**

Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services

**8:30-10:30 am** Ed/ Elementary**9:00 am** RCIA/ Rm 101-102**9:30 am** RCIA Inquiry/ Rm 104**6:30 pm** Life Teen**Monday, March 27****5:30-6:30 pm** Confessions**Tuesday, March 28****10:30 am** Little Saints Playgroup/301**12:30 pm** Altar Society Meeting/ Room 101**5:30 pm** Confessions**7:00 pm** Upper Room**Wednesday, March 29****6:30 - 8:30 pm** Religious Ed**6:30 - 8:30 pm** EDGE**7:00 - 8:30 pm** Spirituality of 2nd half of life/ Rm 101**Thursday, March 30****Friday, March 31****7:00 pm** Stations of the Cross/ Church**8:00 pm** Stations of the Cross (Spanish) / Church**Saturday, April 1**

First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass

**Sunday, April 2**

Second Collection: Capital Improvement

**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 through April 5th.

Please bring pencil, paper, and a bible.

**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](http://register.ccli.org/class_series/10724)**DIVINE MERCY GROUP**

First meeting: 3/27 at 7:00pm in room 101

Meetings will be the 4th Monday of every month  
**EVERYONE is welcome (male, females, couples)****CDA APRIL MEETING**

The Catholic Daughters' Meeting will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in K of C Hall Dining Room. Local Scholarship applications are due at this meeting or you may mail or email to Mary Ann Trojacek at 8911 FM 1181, Ennis, TX 75119 or [maryanntrojacek@aol.com](mailto:maryanntrojacek@aol.com) by April 3, 2017. We are helping with the Silent Auction at the KC Casino night on April 8<sup>th</sup>. CDA members please bring items for the Silent Auction to the meeting or the night of the Casino Night. Six members of our Court will be attending the 50<sup>th</sup> Biennial Texas State Convention in Corpus Christi April 20 thru 23<sup>rd</sup>, please pray for a successful convention. Catholic Women interested in Catholic Daughters are asked to come to our meeting.

## NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

**KJT SOCIETY #35 ENNIS**

Graduating 2017 high school seniors that have been members for at least one year are eligible to apply. Call Joe Landsfeld for applications at 972-875-5443. Deadline is April 30th.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1353**

is sponsoring a Casino Night (closer than Choctaw) on **April 8<sup>th</sup>** at the KC Hall. Come join us for a fun evening with professional dealers, but without the pressure of losing real money. Event attendees will be entered into drawings to win various door prizes. The Knights are selling event sponsorships, entry tickets for the evening (\$25.00 per person pre-sale), and raffle tickets (top prize \$2000 Visa Gift Card) for the drawing to be held at the Casino Night event. Our goal this year is to raise \$5,000 for Helping Hands as well as Boys and Girls Club of Ennis. Funds raised above this goal will be used for other charitable works such as scholarships, seminarian support, Pro-life activities, youth activities, and for local families in need. For more information, please contact Casino Night Chairman David Shackelford at 214-336-6325, or any other member of the Knights of Columbus. Your support to help us meet our goal is greatly appreciated. God bless.

**ST. JOHN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

\$1,000 scholarships: Five to a 2017 high school graduate who is the child or grandchild of a previous St. John High School graduate & five to adults who have been out of high school for at least one year & have not previously received a St. John Alumni Scholarship. Adults must also be a graduate of St. John High School or the child or grandchild of a previous St. John High School graduate, & entering or returning to college or vocational school for additional education. If you have received one of the scholarships before (student or adult), you are not eligible to apply again. Applications may be picked up at Ennis Main Street Hardware (875-2721) from Gladys Zapletal or an electronic copy can be obtained by emailing [stjohnalumni@hotmail.com](mailto:stjohnalumni@hotmail.com). Email must contain your full name, year of graduation from St. John or the parent/grandparent upon whom you are establishing your eligibility, & for which scholarship (student or adult) you are applying. Applications must be **postmarked** & sent to P.O. Box 516, Ennis, 75120 by Friday, April 21, 2017. Applications are evaluated by an independent committee.

**ST. JOHN CHURCH****Sanctuary Light : March 25 – March 31**

In Memory: Adolph Tobola

By: Ed &amp; Margaret Bouska

**Altar Candles : March 25 – March 31**

In Memory: Emil &amp; Antonia Jakubik

By: Ernest &amp; Ramona Jakubik

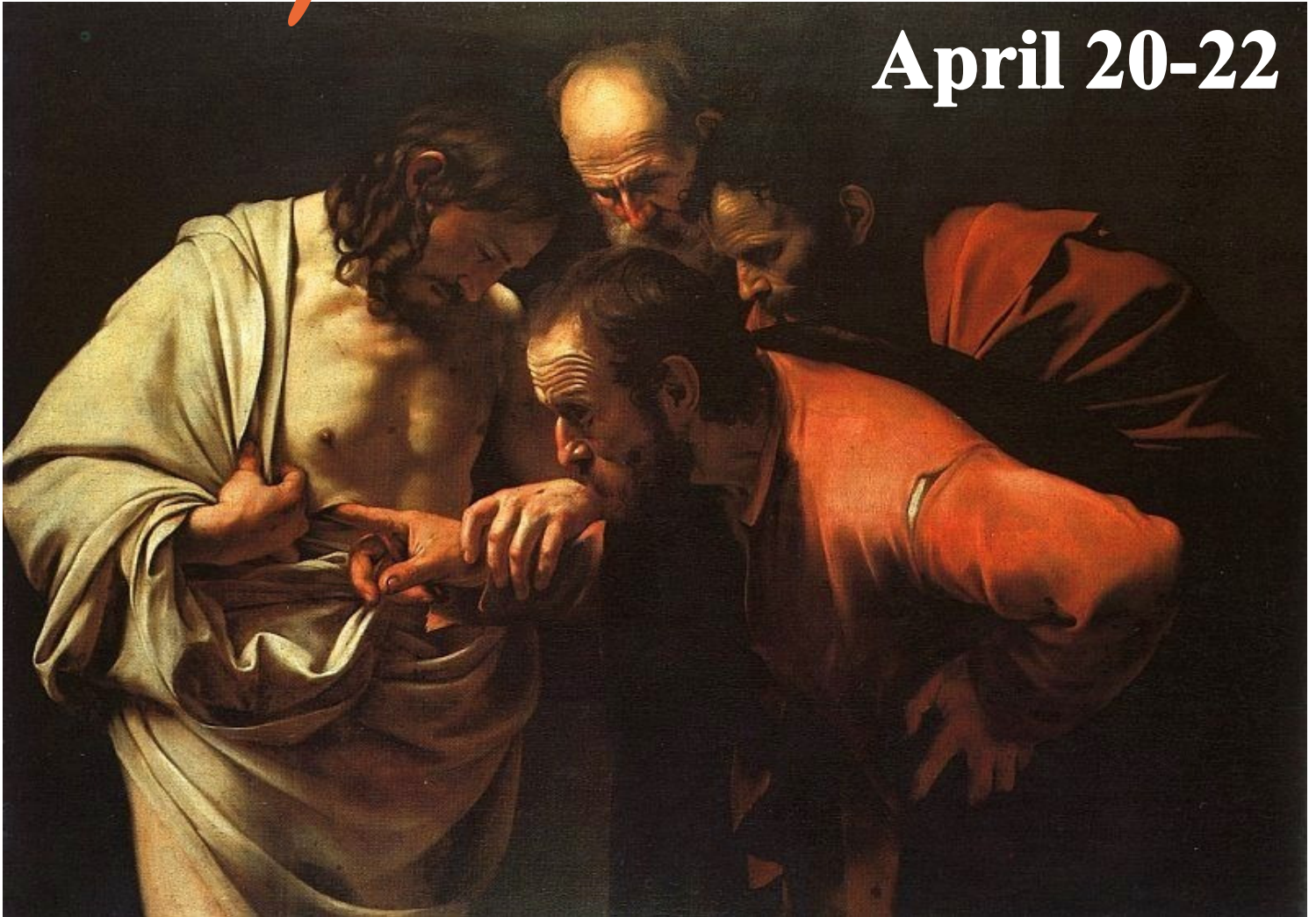
**DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL****Altar Candles: March 17 - March 23**

For: Parish Community

By: St. John Altar Society

# Healing the Whole Person

April 20-22

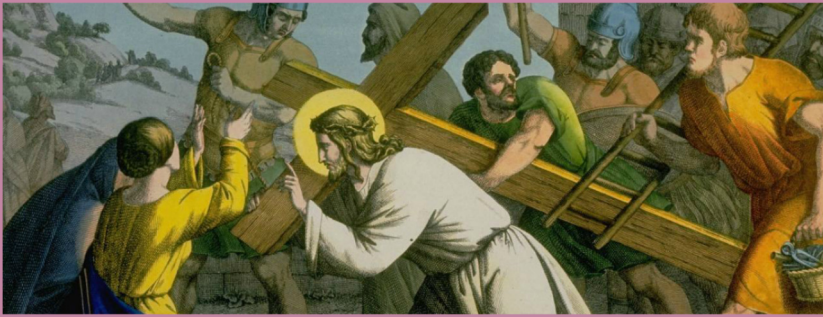


**Go beyond the issues you know, the issues that preoccupy & distract you, to find healing for the deeper issues - the every day knicks and scrapes that keep you from being who you were made to be, from being free, from belonging totally to God.**

**Find the truth of who are in Christ and the freedom that goes with it.**

Presented by: Dr. Bob Schuchts & Team  
Register at: [www.JPIIHealingCenter.org](http://www.JPIIHealingCenter.org)  
Local Questions: Sharon Kudrna [skk72@aol.com](mailto:skk72@aol.com)





# NOT HAVING A GOOD LENT SO FAR? TRY THIS.

By: Gretchen Filz

So, we're almost halfway through Lent . . .

How's it been going so far? Have you been keeping strong with your daily penances and acts of self-denial? What about prayer and almsgiving, are you doing lots more of that, too? Have you made it to confession yet? If you're like me, you started off strong and are now down to a fizzle. You may even keep forgetting that it's still Lent!

Your Lent doesn't have to end on a crash and burn. There is still time to finish it well. Thankfully, Lent is long enough (six weeks!) so that we have time to pick up and start again when we drop off through our own weakness, forgetfulness, or carelessness.

If you struggle to make the big heroic sacrifices, here are simple things that you can do each day of the week to help prepare your soul for Easter. Making different kinds of sacrifices each day, rather than a single 40-day long sacrifice, may be a better way for you to progress through Lent faithfully.

The helpful ideas listed below are adapted from Fr. Peter John Cameron, O.P., editor of the Magnificat.

## ROTATE YOUR DAILY PENANCES THROUGH LENT

- **On Sundays** – *Lectio Divina*

Devote a half hour or so each Sunday to *Lectio Divina*, which is simply reading Sacred Scripture in a slow, prayerful, reflective manner. You can use a Catholic Bible or the daily readings from the Roman Missal.

- **On Mondays** – *Meditative Prayer*

Set aside a small amount of time, anywhere from fifteen to thirty minutes, to pray by yourself and in silence. Use a Catholic meditation book to start off your time of prayer if needed.

- **On Tuesdays** – *Fasting*

Choose *one* day of the week to fast. Offer your sacrifice for specific intentions every time you deny your urge for food.

- **On Wednesdays** – *Charitable Works of Mercy*

Use this day to go out of your way to care for the poor, the needy, and the lonely—even if it is something very small.

- **On Thursdays** – *Eucharistic Adoration*

Bring all your prayer requests and the needs of your family and friends to the Adoration chapel.

- **On Fridays** – *Attend Stations of the Cross*

English Stations begin at 7:00 pm and Spanish Stations begin at 8:00 pm.

- **On Saturdays** – *Confession & Penance*

Let Lent be marked by frequent confession, and practice additional penances on the day you go to confession.

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Of course, any of these days can be switched around to match your schedule. The idea is to do one small thing each day as a reminder that this is still the penitential season of Lent, and that we should be doing things differently than we normally would.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jo Ann Dolezalik—3/26/17	Margaret Bohuslav—2/5/17	Janie Marusak—3/12/17	Nancy Prewitt—4/9/17
Georgie Ann Nekuza-4/30/17	Pam Hammonds—2/5/17	Pauline Novy—3/12/17	Sebastian Cadena—4/9/17
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska	Jeff Frazier—3/26/17	Kadie Hernandez—3/12/17	Greg Navarro—4/9/17
Sr. Redempta Bradley	Jimmy Aguilar—2/5/17	Gabino Guido—3/12/17	Tina Jones—4/9/17
Rachel Zmolik—4/23/17	Joan Trojacek—4/23/17	Matt Hartley—3/12/17	Ashley Harryman—4/9/17
Catherine Roberts—4/9/17	Frank Tapia—4/16/17	Don Hartley—3/12/17	Norma Juricek - 4/9/17
Mildred Trojacek—3/26/17	Lynn Carter—3/26/17	Dorothy Sonka—3/12/17	Eugene Pena - 4/16/17
David Trojacek—3/26/17	Patsy & Jerry Zmolik - 3/19/17	Robbin Roberson—4/16/17	Deanna Richardson—4/23/17
Margie Dvorak—3/26/17	Emily Peppers—3/26/17	Larry Christopher—3/19/17	Jane Rychlik—4/23/17
Marguerite Patterson-4/9/17	Analiese Mahaley—3/26/17	Kenneth Svhelak—3/19/17	Erin Tomlinson—4/23/17
Arnold Twins—3/12/17	Riley Emerson—3/26/17	Bonnie Bacak—3/26/17	Beth Johnson—4/23/17
Jeanette/Martin Hunter - 4/23	Mary Trojacek—4/23/17	Melody Rejcek—4/23/17	Terrilyn Folchert—4/23/17
Sherr Longoria—4/9/17	Mildred Kohen—3/19	Joe Barak Sr—3/26/17	Zac Cepak—4/23/17
Calvin Baw, Jr. —3/26/17	Marion Haba—3/26/17	Rose Sladeczek Buckner—3/26/17	Dorothy Sonka—4/30/17
Jennifer Wright—4/9/17	Fred Scarbrough—3/5/17	David Maliska—3/26/17	Freddy Martinez—4/30/17
Rachel Dyson—2/12/17	Mauricio Bravo Pineda—3/5/17	Mary Praslicka—3/26/17	
Mary Ludwig—3/26/17	Tom Peyton—3/5/17	Brenden Ruffin—4/23/17	
Epi Garfias—4/30/17	Johnny Joe Lopez—3/5/17	Melody Rejcek—3/26/17	
Paul Tolliver—4/30/17	Karen Glaspy—3/5/17	Carolyn Claxton—3/26/17	
Joe Barak, Jr.—3/26/17	Amanda Wilson—3/5/17	Priscilla Elizonda—4/2/16	
Geraldine Kubin—4/30/17	Ed Tysdale—3/5/17	Gloria Garcia—4/2/16	
JoAnn Strunc—3/26/17	Ruby Romo—3/5/17	Carl Fira—4/2/16	
Nancy Escobar—4/30/17	Terry Peyton—3/5/17	Harry Fira—4/2/16	
Melissa Patterson—3/19/17	Lonnie Grace—3/5/17	Alcario Sanchez—4/2/17	
Evelyn Zmolik—3/26/17	Lillian Barto—4/30/17	Teresa Wiebold—4/2/17	