



First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2018

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths.
— Psalm 25:4

Mass Intentions (Feb. 20 - 25, 2018)

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| Tues. | Leo DeBlanc |
| Wed. | Juanita LeBlanc |
| Thur. | Melvin D. Scales |
| Fri. | Sue Garner |
| Sat. | Myra Caillouet |
| Sun: 8 am | Joyce Abshire |
| 10:30 am | For the Parish |

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday: | First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending |
| Monday: | Presidents' Day; Julian Calendar Lent |
| Wednesday: | St. Peter Damian |
| Thursday: | Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday |
| Friday: | St. Polycarp; Abstinence |

GOD'S POWER

We are not in our power, but in the power of God.
—St. Perpetua

ACTS Day of Reflection

The St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica ACTS Core Team and the ACTS Missions Chapter of Beaumont are hosting an ACTS Day of Reflection on Saturday, Feb. 24th from 9:00 am to 3:45 pm at St. Anthony's Parish Center. Becky Voepel and Damon West will be the guest speakers. Cost is \$10 per person and is open to all who have attended an ACTS retreat. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information, call (409) 234-4878 or check online at www.beaumontacts.org/events/day-of-reflection.



Pastoral Council Meeting March 7th at 6 pm.
Meetings are bi-monthly. Deadline to put an item on the agenda is the Wed. before the meeting date. Contact a member.

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| Fr. Steve | 735-2422 | Marie Harris | 670-8050 |
| James Braus | 735-8288 | Deborah Mahan | 549-3521 |
| Darrel Latiolais | 792-9816 | Pat Pate | 749-0609 |
| Tenna Walker | 626-1462 | J.T. Prejean | 670-7599 |
| Judy LeBlanc | 960-1353 | Judy Talbert | 749-4101 |

The next **Baptism Class** is **Tuesday, March 13th at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Office Conference Room. Parents and god-parents are **required** to attend a class. **You must pre-register for the class;** call 735-2422. Parents need to be registered members of the Parish.



Pray for
the sick of

*George Peery Betty Duhon
Carol Faulk Lou Garriga*



Collections for February 11, 2018

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| Envelope Collection | 15,438.50 |
| Loose Collection | 477.00 |
| Total Operating Income | 15,915.50 |

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| Building Fund | 2,881.00 |
| Good Samaritan..... | 221.00 |
| Black & Indian Mission..... | 180.00 |

The Church mailing address is: **PO Box 427, Bridge City, TX 77611.**
We do **NOT** receive mail at the physical address.

The Ladies of St. Henry are raffling off a handmade quilt. Tickets are 3 for \$5. For more info, see the bulletin boards or talk to a member.



The 2018 Bishop's Faith Appeal is underway. It is our hope that every household will participate in this campaign. BFA envelopes are available in the Church and Parish office.

7th Annual Lenten Pilgrimage

Join fellow Catholics for a walking pilgrimage to the Shrines of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, March 3rd. A Traditional Latin Mass will kickoff the event at 9:00 am at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Port Arthur. There will be stops at St. Catherine Church, Calvary Cemetery and St. James Church. The event will end around 2:00 pm at the Queen of Peace Shrine and Queen of Vietnam Church. Shuttles will bring participants back to OLOG. For more information call Marilyn Morrell (409) 338-5317.



Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 6:00 pm.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood (Genesis 9:8-15).
Psalms - Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).
Second Reading - The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).
Gospel - This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:12-15).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46 |
| Tuesday: | Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15 |
| Wednesday: | Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32 |
| Thursday: | 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 |
| Friday: | Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26 |
| Saturday: | Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48 |
| Sunday: | Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10 |



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| 02/19 | SHARE 6:00 pm |
| 02/20 | Legion of Mary 5:30 pm KC Family Night 6:30 pm |
| 02/21 | Adoration 8:00 am - 8:00 pm RE Classes |

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| 02/22 | RCIA 7:00 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm |
| 02/23 | KC Fish Fry 10:30 am - 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm |
| 02/24 | First Reconciliation 10:00 am |

For more info go to:
www.sthenrybctx.org

Our Parish in Action...

Eucharistic Adoration Every Wednesday—after 8 AM Mass until 8 PM. Call Odette Hill at 344-2005 if you are able to dedicate an hour of prayer on a weekly basis.

Legion of Mary—meets each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the RE Bldg. For more info contact Judy at 749-4101 or Annette 735-9342.

10:30 AM Choir—meets for rehearsal every Thursday at 7 PM in the Church. New members are always welcome.

Al-Anon Meetings—meetings are every Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Library of the Education Building. For more information, call Cindy at 749-9036 or Mike at 718-0333.

S.H.A.R.E.—St. Henry Apologetics and Religious Evangelization is open to all men and women of St. Henry and meets Mondays at 6pm in the Education Building. Call Ron Jackson at (409) 351-9876.

Ladies of St. Henry—meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month (Sept-May) at **10 AM** in the Activities Bldg. Call Tenna Walker at 313-6596 for info.

Young at Hearts Group meets the 1st Tuesday each month for a pot luck luncheon in the Religious Ed. Bldg. at 11:30 a.m. Contact Peggy Biddle, Ruth Wallace or Judy Cole for more information.

Bunco meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in RE Bldg. Call Tracey Broussard at 344-2341 for more info.

Knights of Columbus—Officer's Meeting the Wed. before the Business Meeting; Business meetings are the 2nd Tues.; Family Night 3rd Tues. Call Carl Thibodeaux at 238-2116 for more info.

R.C.I.A. - meets on Thursday's at 7pm in the Religious Ed Building.

Bereavement Committee—If you would like to help provide food for families of deceased parishioners, call Barbara Piat at 735-5119.

Social Committee—plans and hosts Parish dinners and receptions at our Parish. Call Debbie Gregg at 988-1243 for more info.

Gather the Children will be every Sunday at the 10:30 am Mass (except for holiday weekends). Contact Alicia Romero (718-6407) if you are interested in helping.

Parishioners preparing to enter the hospital for non-emergency medical treatment or surgery are asked to call our parish office and make an appointment to receive the Anointing of the Sick **BEFORE** entering the hospital, if so desired.

If anointing is desired **AFTER** entry into the hospital, please contact the following:

- For **Christus St. Mary Hospital** contact the chaplain department of the hospital
- For **Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital** contact the chaplain department of the hospital
- For **The Medical Center of Southeast Texas** contact St. Charles Church in Nederland at 722-3413

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH OUR PARISH?

If you are not currently receiving mail from the Parish office, either we do not have your correct address or we do not have you on the Parish roll. All persons who attend St. Henry Catholic Church should be registered with our office and should be using our envelope system. Census forms may be obtained from the Parish office. Please complete and return. If you have a new address, please contact the office with the correct information.

You must be registered to baptize your child, prepare for marriage or enroll someone in our education program. DON'T DELAY!!!

Altar Cleaning for February

Jenny Babin
Judy LeBlanc

Nannette Babin
Ruth Wallace

PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Holy Father usually marks the solemn opening of the Lenten fast with a procession and Mass on Ash Wednesday evening. He walks from the Benedictine monastery, San Anselmo, down the Aventine hill to the Dominican monastery of Santa Sabina. This very old tradition was revived by Pope John XXIII in the late 1950s. Have you ever wondered who gives the pope his ashes? It's the cardinal who has been given the "title" of the church of Santa Sabina. The pope's homily at this Mass states his theme for Lent.

Santa Sabina dates from the fifth century, and is one of the most beautiful churches in Rome. One of the panels on its main doors features the Crucifixion, a scene not normally depicted in art until much later. In the year 1219 the pope gave the church to Saint Dominic for his new religious order, the "Order of Preachers," commonly called the Dominicans, and it remains their world headquarters to this day. That pope, Honorius III, was a member of the Savelli family, and this church was their personal family chapel. Sabina was a wealthy Roman lady who became a Christian and was martyred, and whose home became a place of prayer. Later, the church built on that spot was dedicated to her memory.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



The KC Fish Fry's are every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm. Dinners are \$9.00 each. Dine in or carry out.

Married Outside the Church?

If you cannot receive the sacraments due to marriage outside the Church, and you wish to return to the Eucharist, please make an appointment with a priest or deacon of the parish to determine what canonical process may be possible to remedy your situation. You may call Fr. Steve at 409.735.2422 to get more info.

Parents and Grandparents, please do not let your little ones walk on the seats or stand on the pew backs. We are finding grit and dirt from shoes in the pews and scratches in the wood. Also, please try not to feed your little ones during Mass...stains are appearing on the pews and some are hard to get out. Thank you!!

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