



SECOND SUNDAY
OF LENT

HE WAS
TRANSFIGURED
BEFORE THEM;
HIS FACE SHONE
LIKE THE SUN
AND HIS CLOTHES
BECAME WHITE
AS LIGHT.

MATTHEW 17:2

Scripture Readings & Mass Intentions
March 7, 2009 - March 13, 2009

Saturday, March 7, 2009

5:00 pm St. Paul Parishioners
Mass Readings: Dr 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Mt 5:43-48

Sunday, March 8, 2009 – Second Sunday of Lent

9:00 am St. Paul Parishioners
11:00 am St. Paul Parishioners
12:30 pm St. Paul Parishioners – Mass in Spanish
Mass Readings: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10, 15-19
Rom 9:3 1b-34 Mk 9:2-10

Monday, March 9, 2009

12:00 pm Eucharistic Service
Mass Readings: Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

12:00 pm Javier Barrios (Blessings), Ruben Barrios (Blessings)
Mass Readings: Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23 Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 11, 2009

12:00 pm †Romelia Barrios, Bitalina Barrios (Blessings)
Mass Readings: Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 12, 2009

12:00 pm Georgia Esquivel (Birthday Blessings)
Mass Readings: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 13, 2009

12:00 pm †Horacio Lau, Mary Louise Nunez & Virginia Medina (Healing)
Mass Readings: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Ashes to Easter

Ashes to Easter Lenten boxes are available in the church foyer. This Lenten Project will support National and International Mission Activities. It will also support Lay Missionaries from our Diocese working in Mexico, Honduras, Cambodia, Pakistan, India and the Diocesan Medical Mission. Please return this box to your Parish at Easter Mass.

Please pray for

Sharon Avila, Floyd Anderson, SSgt. Stephen M. Barriga, Analisa, Eric Aranda, Debbie Lobato, Angela Gannucci, Jennifer Gatchel, Rose Marie Gatcheo, Carol Kilgore, Claudette Long, Ann Dothman, Joe Saucedo, Babies Alfieri, Julian Hernandez, Carol Henry, USMC Sgt. Major Payne, Bob Schutze, Maria G. Lopez, Soledad Ceballos, Oscar Paz-Arias, Carisma Goodwin, JoAnne Morris, Rose Lubek, Sgt. Michael Lambert, Maria Luisa Flores, Capt. Rob Ylledes, B. J. Malott, Janet McCubbin, Kent F. Parks, Jr., Eduardo Chapa, John Kuhar, Sergio Fonseca, Maria Gloria Family.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monthly adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Saturday, March 14th after the 5:00 pm Mass. Adoration will continue until 11:00 pm. The Lord invites you to spend time in prayer with Him. Please drop by and ask for his guidance.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.



Lenten Parish Mission

A Lenten Parish Mission conducted by Fr. Charles Van Winkle, CSC will begin March 8th and continue until March 11th.

Date	Time	Day	Title
March 8	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Sunday	The Truth About Love
March 9	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Monday	Completion of the Truth About Love and Father Charles' Personal Testimony
March 10	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Tuesday	Freedom Through Forgiving
March 11	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Wednesday	The Four Steps on the Road to Happiness Now



Stewardship ...

A Christian Steward serves God out of love and gratitude for these gifts knowing that it is not how much we have, but what we do with what we have that is important.

Weekly Tithing Budgeted	\$10,000.00
Weekly Tithing Income Received	\$11,667.75
Over Budget	\$ 1,667.75
Number of Parishioner's Envelopes Used	136
Children's Envelopes	\$ 7.90
Number of Children's Envelopes Used	8
Ash Wednesday	\$ 4,305.30
Number of Envelopes Used	88
Building Fund	\$ 2,374.23
Number of Envelopes Used	34

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Golden Hearts

The Golden Hearts St. Patrick's social will be on Sunday, March 15, 2009. Set-up will be at 4:30 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Please bring your favorite Irish pot luck dish to share. Dessert will be provided. Following the dinner join in the fun and play Bunko if you wish. Come out for a fun evening and enjoy the camaraderie with fellow parishioners. Invite your family and friends too! Any questions, please call Brenda Hester @ 415-4850.



Stations of the Cross & Benediction of The Blessed Sacrament

There will be Stations of the Cross and benediction every Friday, during Lent. Come and spend some prayer time in preparation for Easter.

6:30 pm in English 7:30 pm in Spanish

St. Paul Bible Reflection during the Lenten Season

Come and join us for a bible reflection for the Lenten season celebrating the Year of St. Paul the Apostle, as we study his Letter to the Philippians every Monday, from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in the Upper Room. Cost for materials is \$8.00. Contact the Parish Office or Deacon John for other information.

New Altar Server Training

For anyone interested in becoming an altar server for the church, there will be a meeting on March 24th at 6:30 pm.



Prayer Intention for The Second Sunday of Lent

For those most affected by the economic crises, especially those who have lost jobs and homes, that God's compassion will give them hope.

Por aquellas personas más afectadas por la crisis económica, especialmente quienes han perdido sus trabajos y casas, para que la compasión de Dios les dé esperanza.

From The Diocese of Austin

The Diocese of Austin is sponsoring a Theology of the Body presentation by Christopher West.

March 20, 2009, St. Thomas More Parish, Austin, 9:30 – 3:30 pm
Introduction to the Theology of the Body for Deacons, Catholic Teachers, DREs and Catechists

March 20-21, St. Thomas More Parish, Austin, 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Introduction to the Theology of the Body
Open to the general public.

For more information or to register, visit the Diocese of Austin website www.austindiocese.org or contact Dr. Geri Telepak @ (512) 949-2469.

Religious Education

Ana Jackoskie, Director

Class preparation for adults needing First Communion and Confirmation will begin Monday, April 20th at 7:00 pm in the Upper Room. The class will meet every Monday and end on May 18th. This class is for parishioners who are baptized and if married, married in the Catholic Church. At the time of registration, we will need a copy of your baptismal certificate and marriage license. The registration fee is \$10 for materials. For further information and/or registration, please contact Ana Jackoskie via email ajackoskie@s-p-c-c.org or by phone at 280-4460, extension 122.

There will be NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES March 9th through March 22nd. Classes will resume on March 23rd.

RCIA Rite of Election

The prayerful support and congratulations from the parish to the following catechumens who were presented to Bishop Aymond on March 1st at the Rite of Election at San José Catholic Parish.

The Bishop accepts them in the name of the Diocesan Church, proclaims them elect, those chosen for Baptism at Easter:

Bill Harrison	Michael Chapa
Stephanie Mares	Michael Vasquez
Stephanie Casarrubias	Isabel Portela
Emily Rodriguez	Manuel Hernandez, Jr.
Samuel Durkee	

The Bishop also welcomed the following candidates of St. Paul's RCIA class:

Kate Wood	William Hoagland
Nina Pace	

They are called to continuing conversion as they seek to complete their Christian initiation process at the Easter Vigil.

Children & Family Ministry

Debbi Saunders, Director

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Protecting God's Children Workshop – The Diocese of Austin is committed to Ethics & Integrity in Ministry. To protect our children and volunteers, we ask all who serve our children and vulnerable adults to attend a workshop, complete an application and receive a criminal record background check.

Saturday, March 28, 2009, 2:00 – 5:00 pm (Spanish)
Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Austin

Tuesday, March 31, 2009, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
St. Thomas More Parish, Austin

Thank You to the volunteers, (Mike Flieller, Tim Dowling, Travis Saunders, Gary Phillips, Timmy & Adam Phillips), who helped with the playground on March 1st. Your time and your muscles were greatly appreciated!

Summer Bible Camp & Youth Leadership Camp will be July 13 – 24th. More information about this 10 day camp will be coming soon. Mark your calendars now!!!

Marriage Preparation

Couples planning to marry should contact their priest or deacon at least six months prior to their wedding date in order to begin the marriage preparation process. The Cedarbrake *Together in God's Image* marriage preparation retreat for March is full. The next available retreat is June 12-14. For more information, contact Lynda DeGroot at (512) 949-2495.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Father Glenn Fontana a renowned Healing Priest will be at Santa Cruz on March 21st for the 5:30 pm Mass for Healing Services. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Austin Gabriel Project Life Center – needs donations of size 3, 4 and 5 diapers, baby wash and baby lotion. For more information, contact Briana Feiler at (512) 236-0144.

Vocation Discernment Weekend in Spanish – The Vocation Office is sponsoring its annual Vocation Discernment Retreat in Spanish, April 17-19 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton for women and men (ages 18-40) discerning a vocation to religious life or priesthood. For more information, contact the vocation office at (512) 949-2400. Cost is \$30.00.