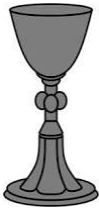


**March 11, 2018 –  
4th Sunday of Lent**



**HYMNS FOR TODAY'S LITURGY—**

**Entrance: #403, Offertory: #420,  
Communion: #459, Recessional: #588**



**Due to the current “flu epidemic”, Communion will be available Hosts (bread) only; the Precious Blood (wine) will not be available this Sunday. This will be a week by week decision based on the prevalence of the flu in our community. (Eucharistic Ministers your services will not be needed today.)**

**OUR SECOND COLLECTION TODAY** is for Catholic Relief Services. The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports Catholic organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Please be generous!

**PRAY FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATES:** Please remember in your prayers our catechumen, Bobby McCaleb and our candidates, Jason Alston, Charlie Artman, Lucy Baessler and Shawn Ingram who are in the final stages of preparation to enter in to full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil. We pray God will guide them on their spiritual journey and open their hearts and minds to do his will in all things.



**FASTING.** Catholics 18-59 years of age who are in good health are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On the weekdays of Lent, the U.S. Bishops strongly encourage the faithful to participate in Mass and to observe a self-imposed fast. The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening. Customarily, the two smaller “collations,” when considered together, should not equal the main meal—and ideally should be eaten only if needed to maintain one’s strength.

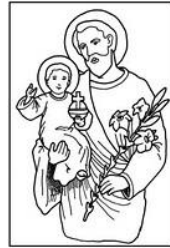
**ABSTINENCE.** All Catholics 14 years of age and older are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent. In their Penance and Abstinence pastoral, the U.S. Bishops declared: “the obligation both to fast and to abstain from meat, an obligation observed under a more strict formality by our fathers in the faith, still binds on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No Catholic Christian will lightly excuse himself from so hallowed an obligation. . . .” They also stated: “we preserve for our diocese the tradition of abstinence from meat on each of the Fridays of Lent, confident that no Catholic Christian will lightly hold himself excused from this penitential practice.”

**PLEASE PRAY for members of our parish, our families and friends who are in need of prayer, especially Paul Aubin, Sandy Brignac, Earlyn Carmody, Warren Davis, Doris Degenhardt, Ryon Degenhardt, Abbie R. Dupont, Geraldine Dupont, Robyn Dupont, Jean Ferguson, Earlene Fletes, Bernice Fontenot, Peggy Gauthe, Thomas Guest, Beverly & George Kehle, Debbie Killebrew, Lacey Madden, Nicole McDonald, Arleen Mink, Martha Faye Minninger, Mike Minninger, Robin Morris, June Schmidt, Maverick Schwarzenburg, Jan Smith, Hazel Strong, Linda Sullivan, Sheila Yeck, Matt & Amanda Cobb family, Patsy Hubert, Janeth Lachmann, Catherine Bratton, Breanna Halley, Rob Edward, Kristen Campbell and our loved ones serving in the military.**



**OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN THIS WEEK IS ANDREW NGUYEN:** Contact Andrew with your prayers and best wishes at his email: [anguyen@nds.edu](mailto:anguyen@nds.edu). Our seminarians need and appreciate our continued prayers!

**PASTORAL/FINANCE COUNCIL ELECTIONS TODAY:** We will be electing **three** members for the Pastoral Council to serve with the returning members, Alicia Baladi, Jim Caskey, and Stephanie Word. *The nominees for the Pastoral Council are: Stephanie Brown, Frank Blossman, Carolyn Erwin, Chad Hirn, Larry Moorehead and Louie Tran.* We will be electing **three** members for the Finance Council to serve with returning members, Eddie Adkins, Patrick Beasley, and Susan Beebe. *The nominees for Finance Council are: Thomas Agostinelli, Tina Dancer, Julia Jesuit, Holly Logue, Monica Price and Rinna Stovall.* Please vote for those individuals whom you feel will best lead our Parish forward over the next two years.



**SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR – NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 18 – BETWEEN THE MORNING MASSES IN THE PARISH HALL!** This is a tradition begun in the Middle Ages in Sicily to show gratitude for the end of a severe drought and famine. **Everyone is asked to bring something for the altar – traditionally no meat is included – but breads, fruits, pastries, and anything else you might want to bring are welcomed.** The altar will be blessed and we will enjoy this reminder of our many gifts and blessings! *The Ladies Auxiliary will be working to set up the altar on Saturday, March 17 at 9:00 am.* We need lots and lots of fresh flowers to adorn the altar, so please bring your flowers on Saturday and assist with the setup! Also, we will be collecting monetary donations and nonperishable food items for Our Daily Bread in Canton.

**MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT – Saturday, March 24, 9:00am-1:00pm, Parish Hall – All Men of the Parish** are invited, light breakfast and lunch will be provided, sponsored by our Knights of Columbus. For additional information, contact Duane Stevens, [duane@stevensmechanical.com](mailto:duane@stevensmechanical.com) or David Madere, [dmadere@comcast.net](mailto:dmadere@comcast.net).



**CRS RICE BOWL:** We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community—and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more information.

**Meetings & Events for the Week of Mar 4 – Mar 11**

- Sun, Mar. 11 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Today – Catholic Relief Service  
No Rel Ed, Confirmation, Adult Ed classes–Spring Break  
Mass - 5:00 pm (int –†Dana Aubin)
- Mon, Mar. 12 KC Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, 6pm, Heritage Hall
- Tues, Mar. 13 Mass, 6:30 am, Chapel (int - †Camille Doiron)  
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary, 9:15 am, Chapel  
Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 am, Heritage Hall
- Wed, Mar. 14 No High School Prayer Group – Spring Break  
Stations of the Cross, 6 pm, Church,  
led by our KC Ladies Auxiliary  
Mass, after Stations, Church, (int –†Christian Kennedy)  
Adult Faith Formation, follows Mass, Heritage Hall
- Sun, Mar. 18 No Rel Ed., Confirmation, Adult Ed. classes–Spring Break  
5:00 pm Mass (int - †Sharon Brock Butcher)  
RCIA classes, 6:00 pm, Room 106

**Weekly Readings**

- Mo, Mar 12: Isaiah 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; John 4:43-54
- Tu, Mar 13: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; John 5:1-16
- We, Mar 14: Isaiah 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; John 5:17-30
- Th, Mar 15: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; John 5:31-47
- Fr, Mar 16: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Sa, Mar 17: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; John 7:40-53

*“God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” -- John 3:17*

**FATHER KEVIN'S NEW HOME:** Recently a house was donated to the Diocese and Father Kevin was offered the opportunity to move into the house and he has done so. Many of our parishioners have helped him get moved in and settled. It was suggested that he have an open house so parishioners can see his new residence. So, TODAY, from 12:30 until 4:00, you are invited to come and check out his new home. 208 Autumn Ridge, Jackson, MS 39211.

**PARISH EMAIL BLASTS** – We are now using MailChimp to send out emails from the Parish Office regarding funerals, changes or cancellations in Mass times due to bad weather, Parish dinners and other events. If you are not receiving Parish Emails and would like to, please contact the Parish Office (601) 856-2054.

**PARISH WEBSITE** – Our website, [www.stjosephgluckstadt.com](http://www.stjosephgluckstadt.com), is back up and running again. Please visit it to download copies of the Sunday bulletin, see posts for upcoming church events. Also, if you click on “About Us” at the top of the Home Page, you can click on “Calendar of Events” to see the monthly calendar. To see current Ministry Schedules, click on “Liturgy” at the top of the Home Page.

**SAVE THE DATE - ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 22, 9:30 am in the church.** All Youth **4<sup>th</sup> grade and older** are eligible to be Altar Servers. We need servers for all Masses! This is an easy way to get service hours for those students who attend St. Anthony, St. Richard or St. Joe. Parents please encourage your children to attend this training class. Those already serving, please attend.

**UPCOMING LENTEN ACTIVITIES**



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Wednesdays** of Lent beginning at **6pm** followed immediately by Mass, **Mar. 14** – led by our KC Ladies Auxiliary.

**SEDER SUPPER:** Monday, March 19, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the church foyer.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Wed, March 21, 5-7pm, Church. There will be additional priests here. Mass will still begin at 6pm.

**MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER:** We need Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors for Holy Thursday & Good Friday; Hospitality & Ushers for Easter Vigil (Saturday, 8:00 pm) and Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Hospitality & Ushers for both Easter Masses (8:15 am and 10:45 am) – please let Pam know if you can help.

**EASTER LILIES:** If you would like to help provide lilies for the altar at Easter in memory of a loved one, please place your donation in an envelope marked with your name and that of the person(s) to be remembered and give it to Pam.

**REMINDER: WE WILL NOT HAVE A 5:00 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1.** Our Vigil Mass will be Saturday, March 31, 8:00 pm, Easter Masses will be Sunday, April 1, 8:15 & 10:45 am.

**YOUTH NEWS**

**OUR NEXT YOUTH MASS IS SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 5 PM** followed by dinner and activities in the Youth Center.

**HIGH SCHOOL PRAYER GROUP** meets this Wednesday, March 14, 5:00-6:00 pm, Youth Center.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** We need lots of Youth volunteers to help stuff eggs with candy on Wednesday, March 28, 5 pm in the Youth Center AND we need lots of volunteers to help with the Easter Egg Hunt between the Masses on Easter Sunday!! Please let Patti know if you can help (601) 540-7635 or [patti@stjosephgluckstadt.com](mailto:patti@stjosephgluckstadt.com).

**PASTORAL COUNCIL** – Alicia Baladi, Stephanie Brown, Frank Blossman, Jim Caskey, Mike Hepburn, Stephanie Word  
**FINANCE COUNCIL** – Eddie Adkins, Krista Andy, Patrick Beasley, Susan Beebe, Mona Cobb, Whitt Whitten

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**Sunday, March 11 -**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

- (8:15) not needed
- (10:45) not needed
- not needed
- (5:00) not needed

**LECTORS**

- (8:15) Susan Dupont & David Flood
- (10:45) Brendan Sheehan & Jon Vargo
- (5:00) Mona Cobb

**HOSPITALITY**

- (8:15) Dennis & Judy Strong
- (10:45) Mike & Cathy Hepburn
- (5:00) Lott family

**USHERS**

- (8:15) Joe Jones & Joe Montalbano
- (10:45) Eric Schirmer & Joe Best
- (5:00) Beebe family

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- (8:15) Olivia Rabalais & Ty Caldwell
- (10:45) Meg Gordon & Forrest Carson
- (5:00) Bella Alimot & Clayton McCarter

**VOCATIONS**

- (8:15) Glenn & Gracie Wilson
- (10:45) Brad & Jane Turbeville

**Sunday, March 18 -**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

- (8:15) Gracie Wilson & Adaire Young
- (10:45) Mike & Cathy Hepburn
- Chad & Kelly Hirn
- (5:00) Dustin Grubb & Richard Johnson

**LECTORS**

- (8:15) Joan Guillory & Paul Guillory
- (10:45) Kristi Thomas & Stephanie Word
- (5:00) Cindy McGraw

**HOSPITALITY**

- (8:15) Doug & Judy Varney
- (10:45) Eric & Lori Kimes
- (5:00) Vice family

**USHERS**

- (8:15) Kerry Minninger & Charles Strong
- (10:45) Bob & Susie Kerley
- (5:00) David & Mona Cobb

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- (8:15) Mercedes Caldwell & Amelia Rabalais
- (10:45) Volunteer & Amelia Agostinelli
- (5:00) Anna Meyer & Whitney McCarter

**VOCATIONS**

- (8:15) Joe & Margret Jones
- (10:45) Nancy Caldwell

**Collection Report**

Week of March 4, 2018

Gen'l: \$15,443.09 Bldg Fund: \$1780.00 MS Catholic: \$150.00  
Our Daily Bread: \$159.00 Black & Indian Missions: \$5.00  
Catholic Relief Services: \$35.00 Holy Land: \$15.00

**MISSISSIPPI CATHOLIC:** It is still not too late to reimburse the church \$20 for your MS Catholic subscription in an envelope marked “MS Catholic”. Thank you.