



**March 17, 2019 –
2nd Sunday of Lent**

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S LITURGY-

**Entrance: #396 vss. 1-3, Offertory: #593
Communion: #596, Recessional: #396 vs. 4**



The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? -- Psalm 27:1



**SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR – TODAY - 9:30 AM -
BETWEEN THE MORNING MASSES IN THE
CHURCH FOYER!** The altar will be blessed and we will enjoy this reminder of our many gifts and blessings!! Monetary donations may be placed in the basket on the altar; canned goods may be placed under the altar.

SEDER SUPPER: Monday, April 8, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall, signup sheets are on the table in the church foyer. (Limit 90 attendees.)

KC FISH FRY: This Friday, March 22, Parish Hall, 5:30 pm until the fish is gone! Plates include fried catfish, french fries, cole slaw, hushpuppies and beverage for \$10; grilled cheese sandwiches will be available for the kids for \$3; desserts are available for an additional donation. All proceeds benefit the Priest Education Fund (Seminarians).

CRS RICE BOWL – In Uganda, we encounter Annet and her family, children forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those worldwide who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Please remember to pick up a Rice Bowl available in the back of the church so that your family can participate in giving hope to those worldwide most in need. Visit www.crsricebowl.org for more information.

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD - It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (3:20). He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body (3:21)." Note that he says body rather than bodies. He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So stand firm in the Lord (4:1). Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

PLEASE PRAY for members of our parish, our families and friends who are in need of prayer, especially Paul Aubin, Finn Blaylock, Catherine Bratton, Sandy Brignac, Earlyn Carmody, Bryan J. Coate, Doris Degenhardt, Donna Dennery, Abbie R. Dupont, Geraldine Dupont, Robyn Dupont, Earlene Fletes, Beth Gaston, Preston Gough, Bill Heller, Patsy Hubert, Teresa Jefcoat, Beverly Kehle, Nicole McDonald, Martha Faye Minninger, Mike Minninger, Robin Morris, Wayne O'Bannon, Nina Price, Dan Riesenbeck, June Schmidt, Olivia Scott, Hazel Strong, Linda Sullivan, Dave Waguespack, Bill Waltman, Preston Williams, Sheila Yeck, Norma Black, Asher Ammons, Lisa Ladner, William Kirksey, Perry Waggener, Richard Macksoud, Dave Doggette, Kenny Webb, Barbara Wells Crews, Sam Roth, Angela Robinson, Laurie Dunford, Gene McKinney and our loved ones serving in the military.



OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN THIS WEEK IS CARLISLE BEGGERLY: Contact Carlisle with your prayers and best wishes at his email: cwbeggerly@gmail.com. Our seminarians need and appreciate our continued prayers!

JESUS, COFFEE AND YOGA - chair yoga and meditation from 9:00 to 10:30 on Saturdays during Lent (ends Saturday, April 13.) We will be using Lenten Devotions from St. Teresa of Calcutta. No charge for this event. Join us for the fellowship, the yoga stretching and the devotion to our Lord during Lent. If you have any questions please contact Teresa Speer at 769-233-1989. And every Tuesday at 6 pm we continue with Gentle Yoga and Lectio Divina.

Weekly Readings

Mo, Mar 18: Dan 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Luke 6:36-38
Tu, Mar 19: 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a
We, Mar 20: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Matt 20:17-28
Th, Mar 21: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Luke 16:19-31
Fr, Mar 22: Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Matt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sa, Mar 23: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Meetings & Events for the Week of Mar 10 – Mar 17

Sun, Mar 17 No Religious Ed (K-Gr.12), Spring Break
No Adult Faith Formation
5:00 pm Mass int - †Marie Spurk
No RCIA
Mon, Mar 18 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 6:30 pm, Parish Hall
Tues, Mar 19 Communion Service, 6:30 am, Chapel
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary, 9:15 am, Chapel
Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 am, Heritage Hall
Yoga Class Tonight, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall
Wed, Mar 20 Stations of the Cross, 6 pm, led by our Choir
Mass, follows Stations, int - †Frank Sheehan
Adult Faith Formation, follows Mass, Heritage Hall
Fri, Mar 22 KC Fish Fry, 5:30 pm, Parish Hall
Sat, Mar 23 Jesus, Coffee & Yoga, 9:00 am, Parish Hall
Sun, Mar 24 Religious Ed (K-Gr.12), 9:30 am
Adult Faith Formation, 9:30 am, Parish Hall
5:00 pm Mass int - †Mary Beth Brock
RCIA, 6:00 pm, Room 106

Important Lenten Dates

Stations of the Cross – Wednesdays, 6pm – March 20 – Choir
March 27 – KCLA
April 3 – Youth
Seder Supper – Monday, April 8, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall
Sacrament of Reconciliation – Wed, April 10, 5-7:00 pm
KC Lenten dinners – Friday, March 22 – fish fry
Friday, March 29 – shrimp etoufee
Friday, April 5 – shrimp poboy
Jesus, Coffee & Yoga – Saturdays during Lent, continues
Sat, March 23, 9:00 am, Parish Hall

YOUTH NEWS

No Religious Ed or Confirmation Classes today, Sunday, March 17 – Spring Break, classes resume Sunday, March 24
Wednesday Group this Wed, March 20, 5-6:00 pm, Youth Center
Respect Life – Our Wednesday Faith team is currently working on putting together our 2019 Respect Life Video. Come share your gifts and talents with us Wednesday nights!!
Stations of the Cross led by our Youth, Wed, April 3, 6 pm

PASTORAL/FINANCE COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Please see the insert in today's bulletin for Pastoral Council and Finance Council nominees. Elections will be next Sunday, March 24. Please prayerfully consider your vote for those you would like to lead our Parish over the next 2 years.

LENTEN GIFT – St. Joseph Catholic Church purchased "Into His Likeness" by Dr. Edward Sri for our parishioners for Lent. The books are on the tables in the church foyer. **Please take one copy per family.** (We will let you know if extra copies are available.)

JOIN OUR TEAM - The 7th annual **Run Up for Downs** event will be **Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 5:30 pm** at the **Madison Healthplex**. Join the St. Joseph Catholic Church team to support The Lily Pad Café in training & employing young adults with special needs & equipping them with the tools necessary to obtain employment in the community. This event kicks off with a kids Fun Run followed by a 5K run/walk and a 0.0 run, live music, food, kids zone, and silent auction. If you don't want to run/walk but want to get the shirt, swag bag, eat some great food and listen to fabulous music, purchase the 0.0 race option for \$25. Food Row wrist bands also available. **Register at <https://runupfordowns.com>.** Click register, then team and search for St. Joseph.

KC AND KC LADIES AUXILIARY CORNER
Knights Meeting – 3rd Monday of each month
Next Meeting – tomorrow, Mon, March 18, 6:30pm, Parish Hall
"In Service to One, in service to all."
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – 2nd Monday of each month
Next Meeting – Monday, April 1, 6:00pm, Heritage Hall
(Note: Date change, due to Seder Supper)
"Helping Knights helping others."

SCHOOL NEWS

ASSISI EARLY LEARNING CENTER - Registration for the 2019-2020 School Year will be open to Catholics in the area (who are not members of St. Francis). If you are interested in registering your child/children for the Infants through 4-year-old program, please come by Assisi Early Learning Center on **Wednesday, March 27th from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.** in order to complete a short application form. These forms will be drawn to fill any vacancies, or if there are no vacancies, your name will be placed on the 2019-2020 waiting list. **You must bring a letter from your pastor/administrator stating that you are an active member of that parish.** If you have any questions, call Assisi at 601-856- 9494.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - is very excited to announce the dates and times of our Spring musical, The Wizard of Oz! Find your courage, ponder with your brain who to bring, and open your heart to enjoy watching our cast, crew, and orchestra perform in this 80th year anniversary of the classic movie that we all love. Please save the dates! **Thursday April 11th at 7pm, Friday April 12th at 7pm and Saturday April 13th at 2pm and 7pm.** Just follow the yellow brick road!

SR. THEA BOWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL DRAW DOWN is on Saturday, April 27 at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$100 and admit 2 persons. Second chance insurance is \$20. Each ticket presents a chance to win \$5000. To purchase tickets visit the Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic School website at theabowmanschool.com or contact the school at 601-352-5441.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Catholic Charities of Jackson, MS is seeking applicants to fill the position of Executive Director. A practicing Catholic is preferred. See our website for a detailed job description at www.catholiccharitiesjackson.org. *Applications will not be accepted by fax, or hand-delivery. No phone calls please. Catholic Charities is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from qualified candidates.*

2019 KC STATE CONVENTION GOLF TOURNAMENT is set for Friday, April 26 at Bay Point Golf Course in Brandon, MS. This will be an 8am, 4-Man Scramble shotgun start golf tournament. Cost is \$65 per player (includes refreshments and lunch.) If you cannot play but wish to make a donation or sponsor a hole, please visit www.kofc-ms.org/convention/2019. Proceeds will support the Retired Priest Fund.

PASTORAL COUNCIL – Alicia Baladi, Stephanie Brown, Frank Blossman, Jim Caskey, Louie Tran, Stephanie Word
FINANCE COUNCIL – Eddie Adkins, Thomas Agostinelli, Patrick Beasley, Susan Beebe, Tina Dancer, Monica Price

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, Mar 17 -
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
(8:15) not needed
(10:45) not needed
(5:00) not needed
LECTORS
(8:15) Joe Baladi & Eddie Adkins
(10:45) Katrina Blossman & Joe Best
(5:00) Larry Moorehead
HOSPITALITY
(8:15) Dale & Michelle James
(10:45) Bobby & Dixie McCaleb
(5:00) volunteers needed
USHERS
(8:15) David Flood & Denton Hartlein
(10:45) Mike & Cathy Hepburn
(5:00) Mike & Angie Carney
ALTAR SERVERS
(8:15) Dylan Wasson & Elaina Price
(10:45) Amanda Hair & Ava Tripoli
(5:00) Anna Meyer & Alexandra Zevallos
VOCATIONS
(8:15) David & Lissa Ruhl
(10:45) Anthony & Mindy Fertitta

Sunday, Mar 24 -
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
(8:15) Gracie Wilson & Adaire Young
(10:45) Whitt & Kim Whitten
Dara Bariola & volunteer
(5:00) Mart Bisek & volunteer
LECTORS
(8:15) Allison Balducci & Miriam Carman
(10:45) Mark Doiron & Stephanie Brown
(5:00) Teresa Speer
HOSPITALITY
(8:15) Joe & Margret Jones
(10:45) Juan & Belinda Vargas
(5:00) David & Mona Cobb
USHERS
(8:15) Buzz Howard & David Danaher
(10:45) Jeremy Erwin & Eric Schirmer
(5:00) volunteers needed
ALTAR SERVERS
(8:15) Ben Picarella & volunteer
(10:45) Augusta Hirn & Mia Morgan Word
(5:00) Makenna Schisler & John Lunardini
VOCATIONS
(8:15) Miriam Carman
(10:45) to be announced

Collection Report

Week of March 10, 2018
General: \$10,947.52 Bldg Fund: \$150.00
MS Catholic: \$85.00 Black & Indian Missions: \$1868.00

"Renounce yourself in order to follow Christ; discipline your body; do not pamper yourself, but love fasting." Saint Benedict