

St. John the Evangelist

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Lent Begins Ash Wednesday — FEB 14

In case you were wondering, Ash Wednesday takes precedence over St. Valentine's Day - so February 14 is a day of fasting and abstinence this year. Please join us for the Mass of Ash Wednesday and Distribution of Ashes.

6:15 am Mass & Ash Distribution
 12:00 pm Ash Distribution only
 4:00 pm Mass & Ash Distribution (English)
 7:30 pm Mass & Ash Distribution (Spanish)

Fasting and Abstinence Info

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.

- And Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.
- For Catholics, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59.
- When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.
- The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards.

Ashes to Easter

Lenten Daily Prayer

Help me Lord, to experience as much as possible the love that moved you to become man, to save us from the drudgery that is life apart from you. Amen.

Stations of the Cross - Friday's 6:00 pm

February 16 and 23, March 2, 9, 16, and 23

Lent and CRS Rice Bowl

Lent is a 40-day journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. *Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl* program supports migrants, refugees and others around the world (including the USA) who are seeking safety and opportunity. This Lent with *CRS Rice Bowl* as our guide, set out to encounter and love our neighbor. Learn more at crsricebowl.org.

Rains County Good Samaritans

Did you know? Here in East Texas 39% of our population are at risk of hunger. Our food insecurity rate is the highest of all the food banks in Texas.

This Lent help our local food bank, Good Samaritans, provide meals to residents of Rains County in need of food assistance. Every \$1 you give helps provide up to 8 meals for our neighbors in need.

\$1 = 8 Meals \$5 = 40 meals \$10 = 80 meals

In lieu of money, Good Samaritans welcomes donations of 1 lb. boxes of saltine crackers. Drop loose change and cash in the donation jar at the back of church. Leave saltine crackers in the donation box.

Good Samaritans Resale Shop has the greatest need for new or very gently used toasters, coffeemakers, pots & pans, and furniture. Everything but furniture can be dropped off at church. Furniture should be delivered directly to Good Samaritans. **Please clean used appliances before donating.**

Parish Collections - 4 February 2018

Combined Mass Total

Attendance.....xxx
 1st Collection\$ 1,489
 2nd Collection - Capital Campaign\$ 1,510
 Capital Campaign Pledges Received74
 Capital Campaign Amount Pledged\$ 224,264
 Campaign Pledges Collected 1-28-2018\$ 20,126

PLEASE PRAY / POR FAVOR, ORAR

... for all who are sick, elderly or alone. / para todos los que están enfermos, ancianos o solos.

John Conder (3/30) Melvin Mann (3/30) Sophie Downing (3/30) Lyn Hoff (3/30) Nancy Edwards (3/30) Flavia Rodriguez (3/30) Fr. Efrén Nano (3/30) Maeanna (Dusty) Forette (3/30) Janice Hays (3/30)

... and for our Military Families / y para las familias militares. William Bell, Kristine Diaz (daughter of Pete & Ivonne Diaz), Maria Homan, Stephen Linn, Jayde E. Mack, Dylan Nix, Gary Robinson, Jr., Mark H. Sutton, Sergio Cardena, Jr (grandson of Deacon & Lupe Espinosa).

Ministry to the Sick

If you are sick or know someone who is unable to attend Mass & would like to receive communion call Maggie Conder 972-679-9330 (English), Deacon Marcelino (Bilingual) 903-474-4692 or Deacon Federico Aguilar (Spanish).

Seeking Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

We have a **real need for more men and women to serve** as Readers at Mass and as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass and at the Nursing Home. Speak to Fr. Victor or Maggie Conder if interested. Do you hear the LORD calling you?

Faith Formation Updates

SACRAMENT CLASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb 17 – 1st Eucharist (Year 2 of 3)

Saturday, Mar 10 – 1st Reconciliation (Year 1 of 3)

Saturday, Mar 24 – 1st Eucharist (Year 2 of 3)

Any questions call Tina Denny at 817-821-8530.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday/lunes, February 12

Tuesday/martes, February 13

Bible Study 10:00am
 Mass 6:30pm
 Faith Formation After Mass

Wed/miércoles, February 14

Mass & Ash Distribution 6:15am
 Ash Distribution Only 12:00pm
 Mass & Ash Distribution 4:00pm
 Mass & Ash Distribution 7:30pm

Thursday/jueves, February 15

Becoming Catholic (RCIA) 7:00pm

Friday/viernes, February 16

Stations of the Cross 6:00pm

Saturday/sábado, February 17

1st Eucharist (Year 2 of 3) 9 - 11am

Sunday/domingo, February 18

Mass / Misa (English) 11:00am
 Mass / Misa (Español) 12:30pm

COMING SOON

MAR 20 Lent Reconciliation Service
 APR 1 Easter Sunday
 APR 21 Golf Tournament
 May 6 Ladies Guild Bake Sale

Zero Tolerance Policy

The Diocese of Tyler is committed to provide help to anyone who may have been abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Concerns about the conduct of Church personnel can be directed to Fr. Victor or to the Promoter of Justice: Rev. Gavin Vaverik, JCL at 903-266-2159 / promoter@dioceseoftyler.org.

RECONCILIATION - Before and after First Friday Mass or by appointment. *Antes y después de Misa en primer Viernes o con cita.*

BAPTISM - By appointment. *Por cita.*

WEDDING & QUINCEAÑERAS - Consult Father Victor 9-12 months in advance. *Hable*

Sunday Feb 18

Worship Ministers Schedule

Readers: Dale Vasil & Mark Freund
 EMHC: Barbara Lyke & Thomas Garcia