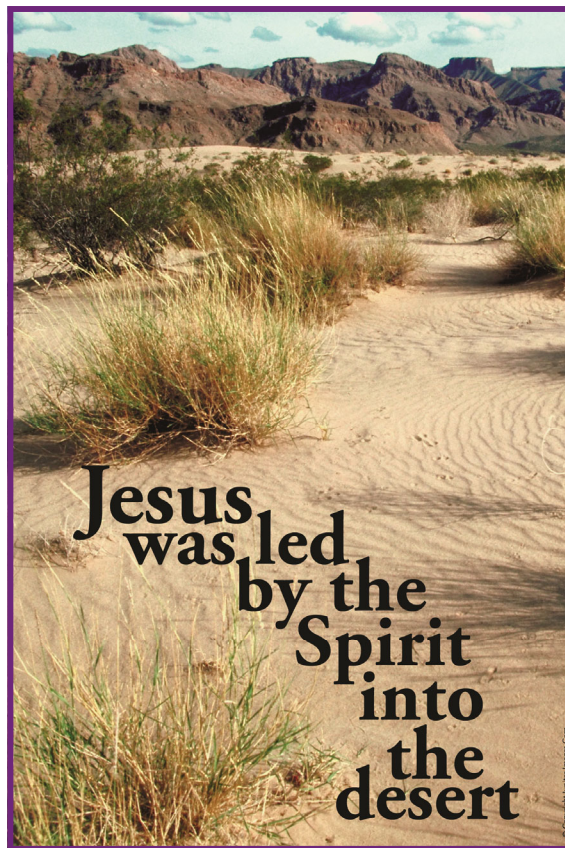


Holy Family Catholic Church



FAMILY PRAYER

God Made us a family.
We need one another.
We love one another
We forgive one another.
We work together.
We play together.

Together we learn God's Word.
Together we grow in Christ.
Together we love all people.
Together we serve our God.
Together we hope for Heaven.

These are our hopes.
Help us obtain them, Father,
through Jesus your Son, our Lord. Amen.

**“You shall not put the Lord,
your God, to the test.”**

**“The Lord, your God shall you
worship and him alone shall
you serve.”**

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Website: www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org

Clergy

Fr. Salvador Guzmán, Pastor
Fr. Eugene Azorji, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Patrick A. Hayes

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:00 am - English Mass
12:00 pm - Spanish Mass
Thursday: 9:00 am - Daily Mass

Baptism

Baptisms in English: 2nd Sunday of each month
 Baptisms in Spanish: 1st Sunday of each month

Pre Baptismal Class Registration: Registration required by the Sunday before class begins. Classes are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **Parents:** Bring copy of child's birth certificate. Both parents must attend class. **Godparents:** Must be practicing Catholics. Copy of marriage certificate through the Catholic church. Both godparents must attend class. **As a courtesy, please do not bring children to class.**

First Communion

April 26, 2014 10:00 am

Confirmation:

2015 to be Scheduled

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish.

Reconciliation/Confession

Immediately following the 1st Mass

Marriage/Wedding

Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to planned Wedding date.

Holy Orders/Priesthood

Talk to your Parish priest or call Monsignor Greg Kelly, Interim Rector of Vocations of the Diocese of Dallas at 214-379-2860.

Courtney Hicks
 Mirna Caldonga
 Rita Christian
 Karen Elliott
 Toby Mills

**PRAY
 For**

Arnie Clark
 Tommie Rosenthal
 Brooklyn Schulze
 Jim Colvin
 Rita Turner

Offering

Attendance:	March 2, 2014	336
Attendance:	March 9, 2014	
Offerings:	March 2, 2014	\$
Offerings:	March 9, 2014	\$
Building Fund:	March 2, 2014	\$
Building Fund:	March 9, 2014	\$

Due to icy conditions count for March 2nd, not available until next Bulletin.

Prayer

– We pray for others in the global church. We reflect on what type of person God calls us to be, and we ask for His guidance in living up to our potential.

Fasting

– We fast, or give things up, as a reminder to remove things in our lives that get in the way of our relationship with God. When we feel hungry or choose not to eat the things we like, we are reminded that everything we have is a gift from God. Our fasting also reminds us of those who do not have enough food, who experience hunger without a choice. God calls each of us to care for those who are in need.

Giving

– We give alms with a spirit of generosity to our brothers and sisters in need, honoring Jesus' call to serve our neighbors. This Lent, through our sacrifices, we can empower and transform the lives of our brothers and sisters in need.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 9

8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Mass
 NO Faith Formation
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, March 10

9:00 am Rosary

Tuesday, March 11

7:00 pm RCIA Meeting

Wednesday, March 12

6:00 pm English Mass
 8:00 pm Spanish Mass
 No Faith Formation

Thursday, March 13

9:00 am Mass
 9:30 am Bible Class
 7:00 pm Spanish Youth Choir

Friday, March 14

7:00 pm Spanish Adult Choir

Saturday, March 15

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Are you Registered here at Holy Family? If so is your address, Email, and phone up to date? Do you receive envelopes? If not would you like to receive envelopes? If receiving envelopes and your **not** using them please stop by the office and ask us to remove your name from the mailing list. Envelopes are not free, therefore if you prefer to just drop cash or check in the basket please let us know. Thank You

Ya estas registrado como miembro aqui en la Sagrada Familia? Si es asi, tu direccion, correo electronico y telefono es el mismo? Recibes sobres? Si es que no y te gustaria recibir sobres? Si recibes sobres y no los usas por favor pasa por la oficina y pidenos que tequitemos tu nombre de la lista de correo. Los sobres no son gratis, asi que si prefieres nada mas depositar efectivo o cheque en la canasta por favor dejalo saber. Gracias.



Announcements

FAITH FORMATION

Spring Break No Classes
Sunday March 9th & March 16th
Wednesday March 12th

FORMACION DE FE

No hay clases el Domingo 9 y el Miercoles 16 de Marzo por las vacaciones de primavera.



Raffle Tickets are available after Mass today!!
Hand Made Quilt Donated by Corinne Lageose on display and tickets also available. Come pick up raffle tickets for both raffles and sell to business acquaintances, friends, and relatives.
The more we sell the Building Fund grows for our Faith Formation Education Center.

Tiquetes para la Rifa estaran disponibles despues de la misa hoy!! Una Colcha hecha a mano donada por la Sra Corinne Lageose esta en exhibicion y los tiquetes tambien estan disponibles. Ven y recoge unos tiquetes para las dos rifas y ayudanos a vender a tus familiars, vecinos, companeros de trabajo. Lo mas que podamos vender los Fondos del Edificio creceran mas rapido para nuestro Centro de Educacion de Formacion de Fe.

Si necesitas un sacerdote llama a la iglesia de St. Miguel de Arcangel en McKinney donde nuestro Sacerdoteel Padre Salvador Guzman y nuestro vicario el Padre Eugenio Azorji residen. Llama al 972-542-4667 o visita la iglesia en el 411 Paula Rd. en McKinney, TX 75069.

**If You need a priest call St. Michael the Archangel where our Pastor Fr. Salvador Guzmán and our Parochial Pastor Fr. Eugene Azorji reside.
Call: 972-542-4667 or visit 411 Paula Rd McKinney, TX 75069**

Safe Environment

REMINDER!!!!!!!!!!

Safe Environment must be current to be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher, Faith Formation Catechist, Aide, Monitor, Choir, or any group that children may be involved. Go to our Web Site fill out the form and send it. Art Atteberry, Director will process it promptly.

Ambiente Seguro

RECORDATORIO!!!!!!

El ambiente seguro debera estar al corriente para poder server como Ministro Extraordinario, Lector, Acomodador, Catequista de formacion de Fe, Ayudante de maestra, Monitor o Coro o cualquier otro grupo que ninos esten participando. Ve a nuestra pagina de internet llena la forma y mandala. Arthur Atteberry nuestro director las procesara lo mas pronto posible.



We can begin to embrace this call by fasting from or "giving up" material things, including foods, that are superfluous to our basic needs; "taking up" charitable habits that are directed to helping and caring for others; and "lifting up" our brothers and sisters who are in need through giving alms, praying and participating in devotional practices

His Holiness Pope Francis

March 13, 2014 is the 1st Anniversary of the election as Supreme Pontiff. Take time to pray for him and to thank God for the gift of his Papacy.

Gospel Readings for March 9th First Sunday of Lent Matthew 4: 1-11 Cycle A

Background on the Gospel Reading

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

Matthew and Luke give more detail than Mark does, but each one tells how the devil tempts Jesus in the desert. In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with allusions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the desert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is Jesus tempted.

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condition. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God.

Lecturas del Evangelio: Mateo 4,1-11

En cada uno de los tres Evangelios Sinopticos (Marcos, Mateo y Lucas), despues del bautismo de Juan, Jesus es reportado haber ido al desierto a ayunar y orar por 40 dias. En cada caso, cuando en el desierto, Jesus es tentado por el diablo.

Mateo y Lucas dan mas detalles que Marcos, pero cada uno dice como el diablo tento a Jesus en el desierto. En Mateo, como en Lucas, el diablo presenta las tres tentaciones a Jesus. El diablo tienta a Jesus a usar su poder para apacientar su hambre; tambien tienta a Jesus a poner la promesa de Dios a proteccion a prueba; y ofrece a Jesus todos los reinos del mundo si Jesus adora al diablo. En cada caso, Jesus resiste la tentacion, censurando las palabras del diablo de la escritura.

La cuenta de las tentaciones a Jesus en el desierto estan llenas con referencias y similares a las del Antiguo Testamento incluyendo la historia del pueblo de Israel. Los israelitas estuvieron 40 anos ambulando en el desierto en Exodo, por ejemplo, y Jesus estuvo 40 dias en el desierto. Como los Israelitas fueron tentados durante el Exodo, asi tambien Jesus es tentado. Cada tentacion ofrece una vision de Dios y las condiciones humanas. Los rechazos de Jesus a las tentaciones nos ensena que el no pone a Dios a prueba. Poniendose el mismo en la palabra y autoridad de la escritura, Jesus censura al diablo, confidente de la protection y fidelidad de Dios.

Al nosotros empezar nuestra jornada durante la cuaresma, nuestras lecturas del domingo nos llaman a adoptar la misma confidencia que Jesus tubo que enfrentar con las tentaciones: La palabra de Dios solamente sera suficiente; La promesa de Dios de proteccion debe ser confiada; Dios solamente es Dios.



Q. Why do we say that there are forty days of Lent? When you count all the days from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, there are 46.

A. It might be more accurate to say that there is the "forty day fast within Lent." Historically, Lent has varied from a week to three weeks to the present configuration of 46 days. The forty day fast, however, has been more stable. The Sundays of Lent are certainly part of the Time of Lent, but they are not prescribed days of fast and abstinence.

Q. So does that mean that when we give something up for Lent, such as candy, we can have it on Sundays?

A. Apart from the prescribed days of fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and the days of abstinence every Friday of Lent, Catholics have traditionally chosen additional penitential practices for the whole Time of Lent. These practices are disciplinary in nature and often more effective if they are continuous, i.e., kept on Sundays as well. That being said, such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

B. Q. I understand that all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat, but I'm not sure what is classified as meat. Does meat include chicken and dairy products?

A. Abstinence laws consider that meat comes only from animals such as chickens, cows, sheep or pigs --- all of which live on land. Birds are also considered meat. Abstinence does not include meat juices and liquid foods made from meat. Thus, such foods as chicken broth, consommé, soups cooked or flavored with meat, meat gravies or sauces, as well as seasonings or condiments made from animal fat are technically not forbidden. However, moral theologians have traditionally taught that we should abstain from all animal-derived products (except foods such as gelatin, butter, cheese and eggs, which do not have any meat taste). Fish are a different category of animal. Salt and freshwater species of fish, amphibians, reptiles, (cold-blooded animals) and shellfish are permitted.

Q. I've noticed that restaurants and grocery stores advertise specials on expensive types of fish and seafood on Fridays during Lent. Some of my Catholic friends take advantage of these deals, but somehow I don't feel right treating myself to the lobster special on Fridays during Lent.

A. While fish, lobster and other shellfish are not considered meat and can be consumed on days of abstinence, indulging in the lavish buffet at your favorite seafood place sort of misses the point. Abstaining from meat and other indulgences during Lent is a penitential practice. On the Fridays of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Christ on Good Friday and unite ourselves with that sacrifice through abstinence and prayer.

Q. I understand that Catholics ages 18 to 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, but what exactly are the rules for these fasts?

A. Fasting on these days means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, but combined they should be less than a full meal. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals.

Q. Are there exemptions other than for age from the requirement to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?

A. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

Information Page

Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Date: Sept 18, 2011

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions