

Second Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2017

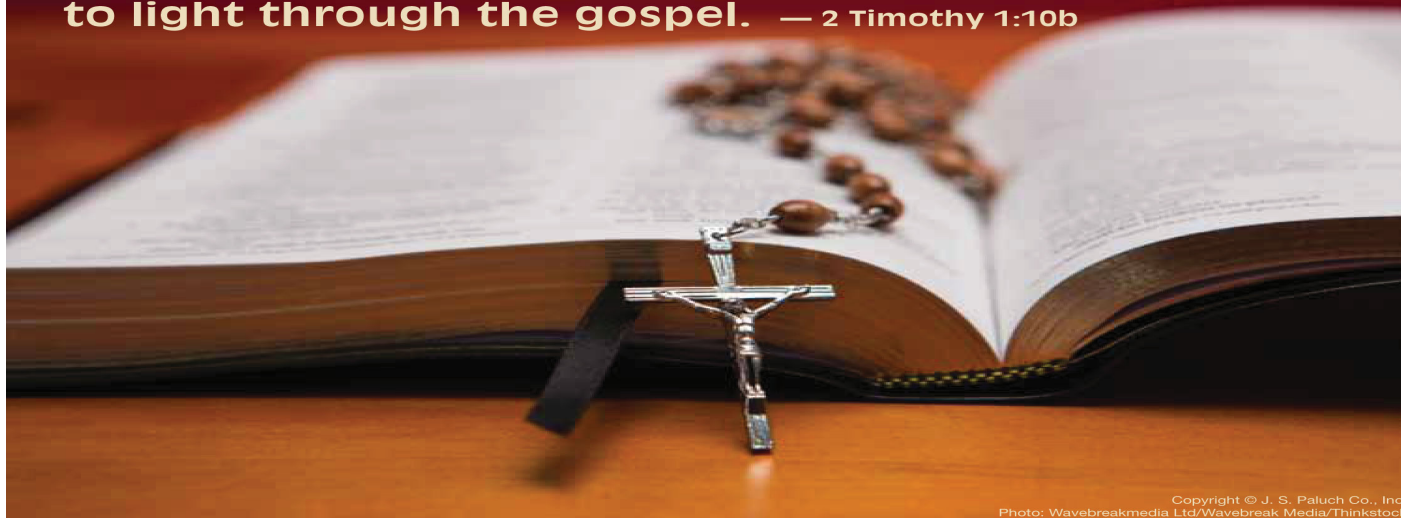
# Holy Family Catholic Church

ESTABLISHED IN 1980 \* 919 SPENCE RD., VAN ALSTYNE, TX. 75495

## Parish Mission Statement

*Holy Family is a Catholic community that unites for prayer and communion so that we may grow in our baptismal discipleship and share the good news of the Gospel.*

**Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death  
and brought life and immortality  
to light through the gospel. — 2 Timothy 1:10b**



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Fr. Salvador Guzman, Pastor

Fr. Eugene Azorji, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Patrick A. Hayes

Mass Schedule/Misa Dominical

Sunday: 9:00 am - English Mass

12:00 pm - Spanish Misa

Thursday: 9:00 am - Daily Mass

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

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St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Weekend Masses

Vigil Mass Saturday - 5pm (English)

Sunday Masses / Misa Dominical

Sunday 8:00am & 11:30am )

Domingo 9:30am & 1:30pm

Weekday Masses

Mon., Wed, & Fri 8:00am

Tues. & Thurs. 5:30pm

Confessions Thursday

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm

Blessed Sacrament

Thursday's at 6:00pm

**Baptisms/Bautizos**

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of each month  
 Bautizos: 1er Domingo del mes

**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/  
 Primera Comunion**  
**April 29, 2017 10:00am**  
 First Friday Adoration

**Confirmation/  
 Confirmacion**  
**March 31, 2017 Friday 7:00pm**  
 6:00—8:00 pm

**Sacraments/Sacramentos**

**Anointing of the Sick/Uncion de los Enfermos**

Please call the Parish.

**Confessions/Confesiones**

Immediately following the 1st Mass-30 mins. Antes de la misa

**Marriage/Matrimonio**

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/Vocaciones**

Talk to your Parish priest or call Father Edwin A Leonard, Vocations Director, at 214-379-2860.

*Believe in the Power of Prayer*

Delores Lopez	Barbara Heath	Ann Lageose
Tony Grisolia	Georgia Grisolia	
Natalie Clemens	Kimberly Coggeshall	Holley Tiemann
Mary Lou Raupach	Jesus Lara	Alberto Romero
Noel Rietman	Don Giebel	Clifford Lamb
Charlsye Estridge	Rita Yzquierdo	Helen Buche

**Weekly  
 Attendance/Offerings**

Attendance:	March 1, 2017	608
Ash Wednesday	March 1, 2017	\$ 1,014.00
Attendance:	March 5, 2017	536
Offerings:	March 5, 2017	\$ 2,679.50
Building Fund:	March 5, 2017	\$ 1,086.35
Black & Indian Mission	March 5, 2017	\$ 726.38

**Fasting and Abstinence Obligations**

**Fasting:**

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of universal fast and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet reached their 60th year. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal. Abstinence (from meat) is obligatory for all who have reached their 14th year.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

**Abstinence:**

Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of complete abstinence (from meat) for all who have completed their 14th year.

**Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, March 12

8:30 am Rosary  
 9:00 am Mass English  
 10:15-11:15 am **NO Faith Formation**  
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass  
 1:30-2:45 pm **NO Faith Formation**

Monday, March 13

Tuesday, March 14

7:30 pm RCIA Class

Wednesday, March 15

7:30 pm Evening Bible Class

Thursday March 16

9:00am Mass - Bible Classes following Mass

7:00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Friday March 17

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross followed by Soup & Salad

Saturday March 18

**Announcements:**

**Lenten Schedule: Fridays March Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm, followed by a Lenten message by a Deacon.**

**Soup, salad, cheese, Crackers, perhaps cookies or brownies will be available. We need volunteers to bring any of the above, contact Zeb, Grand Knight of Council 16047. (gennx5verizon.net) Soup must be meatless feed about 30+. Salads by one or two other people, crackers, or deserts by different individuals. Great opportunity to meet other members of the Parish.**

**You may go into one of three class rooms where tables are available. Come join us!!**



**5th Spring Fest scheduled for April 30, 2017. Time will be 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Money maker for our Building Fund. We always need “YOU” to volunteer! Our immediate need are items for the Raffle, Live Auction, and gift cards. We must complete the Raffle by March 12th. To date we have a 55” Vizio Television, a Vizio Sound Stand 2.1, a hand made Bead woven tapestry by Georgia Grisolia (36 colors with 54,740 beads), a HP Printer, a Tablet, and a Xbox One with extra controller. More items will make for a great Raffle Ticket Sale. If you have business contacts that would be willing to donate an item for the Raffle or Live Auction please take letters off the vestibule table to indicate the purpose of your request. Once again we will have the Grocery Wheel and boxes will be provided early April for you to fill for this popular game. Can drinks and 2 liter pop will be needed. However Your Help is “MOST” important. Remember all Funds earned go toward Building Funds.**

**NEXT Festival Meeting: TONIGHT March 12, 2017 7:00 pm**

**La Cena Pro-Vida del Obispo 24a Anual, 1 de abril:** Obispo Edwards J. Burns le invita a la Cena Pro-Vida del Obispo anual el 1 de abril en el Hotel Omni Dallas. Este evento espectacular beneficia al Comité Católico Pro-Vida con Eric Metaxas, el autor popular, locutor de radio, y orador nacional. La tarde incluye una rifa, sorteos de vino y joyería, y una recepción privada a las 5:00 p.m., seguido por una cena sentada, una subasta en vivo y programa a las 6:30 p.m. Este evento recauda fondos críticos para salvar bebés, apoyar familias, proveer educación y facilitar sanación post-aborto. Reservaciones están a \$125 por un asiento individual, \$1,250 por una mesa de diez. Mesas de primera calidad con asientos de prioridad están disponibles desde \$2,500 y más. Boletos de la rifa para tener la oportunidad de ganar \$15,000 en tarjetas de regalo de MasterCard® ya están disponibles por \$30 cada uno, 4 por \$80 o 8 por \$125. Reservaciones de la cena se piden antes del 21 de marzo, 2017, después de esta fecha el precio aumentara a \$150. El cupo es limitado. Reservaciones se pueden hacer en [prolifedallas.org/dinner](http://prolifedallas.org/dinner) o llámé al 972-237-5433. Auriculares en español estarán disponibles.

**24th Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner, April 1:** Bishop Edward J. Burns invites you to the annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner on April 1st at the Omni Hotel Dallas. This spectacular event benefiting the Catholic Pro-Life Committee will feature best-selling author, radio host and national speaker Eric Metaxas. The evening will include a raffle, wine and jewelry pulls, and private reception at 5:00 p.m., followed by a seated banquet, live auction and program at 6:30 p.m. This event raises critical funds to save babies, support families, provide education and facilitate post-abortion healing. Reservations are \$125 for an individual seat, \$1,250 for a table of ten. Premium tables with priority seating start at \$2,500. Raffle tickets for a chance to win \$15,000 in MasterCard® gift cards are available now for \$30 each, 4 for \$80 and 8 for \$125. Dinner reservations are requested by March 21, 2017, after which the price increases to \$150. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made at [prolifedallas.org/dinner](http://prolifedallas.org/dinner) or call 972-267-LIFE (5433). Spanish translation headsets available.

## Miscellaneous

### Monthly Mass for Catholics in Recovery – Mar 11th

This month's Calix Mass will be offered at 8:30 am on Mar 11th in the St. Jude Parish in the main Church (1515 N Greenville Ave, Allen). The Mass, and meeting that follows, is open to members of all parishes who are recovering alcoholics, addicts, and their families and friends. Calix meetings provide for sharing our experience, strength and hope found in Catholicism and 12-Step recovery. For more information on the Calix Society, call your parish or 214-906-0605, or see [www.calixsociety.org](http://www.calixsociety.org) and, for the Dallas Unit see [calix.stjudeparish.com](http://calix.stjudeparish.com).

This Calix unit serves the Dallas Diocese and holds its meetings on the second Saturday of every month at 8:30 AM in the St. Jude Church Chapel.

### Save the Date: 11th Annual Dallas Ministry Conference

The 11th Annual Dallas Ministry Conference will be held from **October 19th – October 21st** at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas. More information is available at [www.udallas.edu/dmc](http://www.udallas.edu/dmc).

### Women's Recovery Retreat August 17-20

Montserrat Retreat House will host its annual 3-Day Women's Recovery Retreat August 17-20. Enduring recovery in the 12-Step tradition requires continued spiritual development which this retreat supports. Explore your relationship with God and examine ways to enhance your relationship with God as well as family, friends and the world around you. For further information or to register go to <https://www.montserratretreat.org/recovery-retreats/> or call 940-321-6020. Montserrat Retreat House is convenient to the Dallas area and is located at 600 N. Shady Shores Drive, Lake Dallas, TX 75065

### Are You Walking with Christ?

A Seminar with Jeff Cavins

April 21-22, 2017

Sponsored by St. Ann Catholic Church, Coppell, TX – Adult Religious Education

As Catholics, our faith is meant to be put into practice. Christianity is more than a set of beliefs; it is a way of life. Walking Toward Eternity is a powerful seminar that will help you to put your faith into practice, draw closer to Christ, and challenge yourself to make real and lasting changes in your life, changes that will help you to become the person you hope to be. Jeff Cavins is the creator of The Great Adventure Bible Study Program, an author, and the host of Holy Land pilgrimages.

Friday Night Talk:

Christ Looks at Us with Mercy... and Calls Us to Discipleship

Saturday Seminar:

Walking Toward Eternity ... Making Choices for Today

**Date: Friday, April 21, 2017**

Check-in Begins: 7:00 pm

Seminar: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

**Date: Saturday, April 22, 2017**

Check-in Begins: 7:15 am & after Mass

Mass: 8:00 am (optional)

Seminar: 9:30am – 3:30 pm

Location: St. Ann Catholic Church, Main Church, 180 Samuel Blvd., Coppell, TX 75019

Cost: \$40 ... Includes registration for both days, seminar materials, light breakfast and box lunch.

Online Registration: [www.stannparish.org/AFF](http://www.stannparish.org/AFF)

Please register by April 1, 2017. For more information, contact: Tena Allain: (972) 393-5544 x1206 Email: [ccf@stannparish.org](mailto:ccf@stannparish.org)

Mail with check payable to: St. Ann Catholic Church, 180 Samuel Blvd., Coppell, TX 75019

Attn: Tena Allain

# Questions and Answers about Lent and Lenten Practices

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.

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, consomme, 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

Janis Hicks 903-744-7999

Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions