



**HOLY CROSS, CATHOLIC CHURCH / Bulletin # 37.
March 22nd, 2026 - 5th SUNDAY OF LENT. Cycle-A.**

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- **PARISH OFFICE:** Tuesdays-Fridays 9:30AM-12M & 1:00PM-5:00PM.
 - **REGULAR SCHEDULE MASS:**
 - Tuesdays - Fridays: 8:00AM (English) .
 - Tuesday & Thursday: 6:00PM (Spanish).
 - Fridays: In English at 8:00AM **BUT** on the 1st Friday bilingual at 12:00M
 - Saturdays: Vigil Sunday Mass 7:00PM (Spanish).
 - Sundays: 9:00AM (English) & 11:30AM (Spanish).
 - **ADORATION:** - Every Thursdays from 8:30AM-5:45PM. **BUT**
 - From Thursday, previous to the 1st Friday, beginning 6:30PM to 1st Friday at 11:45AM.
 - **PENANCE SERVICE:**
 - Saturdays 6-6:50PM, Sundays, 30 mts. before Mass (not 5 mts. before, please).
(DURING THE WEEK, BY APPOINTMENT).
- NOTE: NO CONFESSION** on *Easter and Christmas day,*
NOR any other feast day, **NOR** 5 min. before Mass, **NOR** after Mass, **PLEASE).**
- **Fr. Juan Sardinias, ONLY EMERGENCIAS AFTER HOURS:** (903) 388-8981.

* If you know or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult is currently being abused or is in danger, immediately report it to stae/local law enforcement or the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at (800) 252-5400 or txa busehotline.org

* Si sabe o sospecha de un menor o un adulto vulnerable que actualmente está siendo abusado o está en peligro, repórtelo de inmediato a la policía estatal o local, o al Departamento de Servicios Familiares y de Protección de Texas al (800) 252-5400 o txabusehotline.org

**NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS, OR REPETED ANNOUNCEMENTS BECAUSE THEIR IMPORTANCE.
ANUNCIOS NUEVOS, O ANUNCIOS REPETIDOS POR SU IMPORTANCIA.**

1. Easter Egg Hunt: We ask four your help with donations of small candies and large Easter eggs to make this year's Easter Egg Hunt be possible for children on Easter Sunday. Items can be turned in to the basket that is located at the entrance of the church.

Thank you in advance!

2. In the offering envelopes for March 8th, there was one for the donation of Easter flowers. Please, if you wish to make the donation, do not forget to bring it as soon as possible to help contribute.

And for those who do not receive offering envelopes you can take one located at the entrance of the Church.

These donations are for the Easter flowers in the name of living or deceased loved ones.

Thank you in advance!!!

3. Our Diocese has produced cards, in both, English and Spanish, regarding the rights of individuals detained by immigration authorities, so that you may be informed of your rights and have it ready to present to an agent in case you be detained.

We have made photocopies, which are available at the entrance. Please take one and keep it with you in your purse or wallet.

Thank you very much.

1. Búsqueda de Huevos de Pascua: Pedimos su ayuda con donaciones de dulces pequeños y huevos de Pascua grandes para que la Búsqueda de Huevos de Pascua de este año sea posible para los niños el Domingo de Pascua. Los artículos se pueden entregar en la canasta que esta ubicada en la entrada de la iglesia.

¡Gracias de antemano!

2. En los sobres del día 8 de Marzo hay uno que es para la donacion de las flores de la Pascua. Por favor, si desea hacer la donacion, no se le olvide traerlo lo mas pronto posible para comprar las flores de la Pascua.

Y las personas que no dan su limosna en sobres pueden tomar uno de los que estan en la entrada de la Iglesia.

Esas donaciones son para las flores de la Pascua en nombre de seres queridos vivos o difuntos.

Gracias de antemano!!!

3. Nuestra Diocesis ha confeccionado unas tarjetas, en Ingles y espanol, sobre los derechos de las personas que sean detenidas por inmigracion, para que usted conozca sus derechos y para que sean presentadas al agente en caso de ser detenidos.

Hemos hecho fotocopias y se encuentran disponibles en la entrada. Lleve una y tengala con usted en su cartera o billetera.

Muchisimas gracias.

4. A REFLECTION FROM OUR PARISH // UNA REFLEXION DESDE NUESTRA PARROQUIA.

Dear brothers and sisters: FAITH.

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, LA FE.

Today we are celebrating the Fifth Sunday of Lent, and we are reflecting upon the Gospel of "The Rich Man and Poor Lazarus."

In this Gospel passage (Jn. 11:1-45), we could reflect on various things; HOWEVER, in the context of this final Sunday of Lent, we must speak of FAITH.

Yes, FAITH is an exclusive gift that only God can bestow and, in fact, He grants it to everyone. We are all born with faith, just as we are all born with our five senses.

Thanks to our five senses, we are able to connect with what lies outside of us, with the exterior. Our five senses may or may not develop fully, but when we are born, they are in blank.

Well, when we are born, our faith is also in blank. The faith is present, possessing the capacity to grow and develop, but in blank.

We all have the potential to discover faith and cultivate it, even if no one explicitly awakens it within us, because our hearts naturally seek God, just as the ear naturally seeks listens and recognizes sound. We can find signs of God's existence and presence everywhere around us.

Even if we did not have the "good fortune" of having someone speak to us about God during our live, we can still encounter God in a natural way. That is why, in today's Gospel, it is said of the rich man that even if someone rise from the dead, he still would not believe; this is because he lacks the disposition to believe in God because for those who do not wish to see God simply will not see Him. It is like a person who refuses to listen: even if a bomb were to explode right beside him, they still would not hear it.

Today's message is this, throughout these past four Sundays of Lent, we have been journeying a path of conversion. Reached this Sunday, we must to know that only if we possess faith then every thing in faith have senses.

Then, the faith is the foundation of our relationship with God. Our faith must be strengthened during this Lenten season so that it may serve as the bedrock supporting our entire Christian Being and Doing.

In today's Gospel, the one who has no name is the rich man; instead the one who is open to God has a name for it is with him that God can share a friendship. In today's Gospel, friends have names; those who have no names are not friends.

Friends are trusted, That is why the phrase at the beginning: FAITH.

Have a wonderful week!

5. - Second collection of today is for our building fund.

- Last week regular collection was \$3,543.54.

Thank you so much!

Hoy estamos celebrando el Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma y se esta reflexionando en torno al Evangelio de "El Rico y el Pobre Lazaro".

En este Evangelio (Jn. 11, 1-45) podriamos reflexionar en torno a varias cosas PERO en el contexto de este ultimo Domingo de Cuaresma debemos hablar de LA FE.

Si, LA FE es un regalo exclusivo que solamente Dios puede dar y, de hecho, se la da a todo el mundo. Todos nacemos con fe de la misma manera que todos nacemos con los cinco sentidos.

Gracias a los cinco sentidos nos podemos conectar con lo que esta fuera de nosotros. Con el exterior. Los cinco sentidos se desarrollan o no se desarrollan pero cuando nacemos los cinco sentidos estan en blanco.

Bueno, cuando nacemos la fe esta en blanco. La fe esta ahi, con capacidad de crecer y desarrollarse, pero en blanco.

Todos tenemos la posibilidad de descubrir la fe y desarrollarla, aunque nadie nos la despierte, porque nuestro corazon busca a Dios al igual que el oido busca y reconoce el sonido. Todos tenemos signos de la existencia y de la presencia de Dios en todas partes.

Si no tuvimos la "suerte" de tener a alguien que nos hablara de Dios mientras estuvimos en este mundo, al menos, podemos encontrar a Dios de manera natural. Por eso en el Evangelio de hoy se dice del rico que aunque resucite un muerto no va a creer porque no hay disposicion de creer en Dios porque quien no quiere ver a Dios no lo va a ver. Es algo asi como el que no quiere oir ni aunque le explote una bomba al lado la va a escuchar.

El mensaje de hoy es que, despues de estos cuatro Domingos pasados de la Cuaresma hemos venido haciendo un camino de conversion. Llegados este Domingo debemos saber que todo tiene sentido si tenemos fe porque de lo contrario nada tendria sentido.

Entonces, en la base de nuestra relacion con Dios esta la fe. Nuestra fe debe quedar fortalecida en esta Cuaresma para que sea el soporte de todo nuestro Ser y Quehacer cristianos.

En el Evangelio de hoy quien no tiene nombre es el rico, en cambio, el que esta abierto a Dios tiene nombre porque con ese es con quien Dios puede tener una amistad. En el Evangelio de hoy los amigos tienen nombre, los que no tienen nombre no son amigos.

A los amigos se les tiene fe, por eso la frase del principio, LA FE.

Buena semana!

5. - Segunda colecta de hoy es para nuestros fondos.

- Colecta de la semana pasada fue de \$3,543.54.

Muchisimas gracias!

6. This Tuesday, March 24th,

- 8:00 AM English Mass.

- 6:00 PM Canceled Mass -

(Penance Service in Longview).

7. This Wednesday, March 25th,

- 8:00 AM English Mass.
- 6-7:30 PM Faith Formation.

8. This Thursday, March 26th,

- 8:00 AM English Mass.
- 8:30 AM-5:45PM Adoration of the Most Holy.
- 6:00 PM Spanish Mass.
- 6:00 PM RICA.
- 6:30 PM KOC meeting.

9. This Friday, March 27th,

- 8:00 AM English Mass.
- 8:30 AM Bilingual Stations of the Cross.
- 6:00 PM Bilingual Station of the Cross.

10. This Saturday, March 28st,

- **9:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Practice for altar servers who will be serving during Holy Week, as well as for those who would like to learn, even if they will not be serving.**
- 7:00 PM Spanish Palm Sunday Mass.

11. Next Sunday, March 29nd,

- PALM SUNDAY -

- 9:00AM English Mass.
- 11:30AM Spanish Mass.

6. Este Martes, 24 de Marzo,

- 8:00 AM Misa Ingles.

- Misa de 6:00 PM, Cancelada -

(confesiones en Longview).

7. Este Miércoles, 25 de Marzo,

- 8:00 AM Misa Ingles.
- 6-7:30 PM Doctrina.

8. Este Jueves, 26 de Marzo,

- 8:00 AM Misa Ingles.
- 8:30 AM-5:45PM Adoracion del Santisimo.
- 6:00 PM Misa Español.
- 6:00 PM RICA.
- 6:30 PM Junta KOC.

9. Este Viernes, 27 de Marzo,

- 8:00 AM Misa Ingles.
- 8:30 AM Via Crucis Bilingue.
- 6:00 PM Via Crucis Bilingue.

10. Este Sabado, 28 de Marzo,

- **9:00 AM-12:00 PM Practica para los monaguillos que van a servir en Semana Santa y para los que les gustaria aprender, aunque no vayan a servir.**
- 7:00 PM Misa Español de Domingo de Ramos.

11. Proximo Dgo. 29 de Marzo,

- DOMINGO DE RAMOS -

- 9:00 AM Misa Ingles.
- 11:30AM Misa Español.

12. LET US PRAY FOR... /OREMOS POR...

If you know of someone who is ill, please, with the patient's consent, you can let us know so we can put them on this list to pray for them.

Si usted sabe de algun enfermo, por favor, con consentimiento del enfermo, puede dejarnoslo saber para ponerlo en esta lista para rezar por ellos.

13. OUR MILITARY & POLICE ACTIVE / NUESTROS MILITARES Y POLICIAS ACTIVOS:

(PROTECTION FOR ALL MILITARIES, POLICE AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND THANKGIVING FOR THEIR SERVICE).

Jesus Juarez (Police Officer), Carlos Delgado (State Trooper), Ronald Martinez (Military),

**- PEOPLE WITH QUICK TEMPER
CAUSES A LOT OF QUARRELING AND TROUBLE.**

(PROVERBS 29,22).

**- EL QUE ES VIOLENTO E IMPULSIVO,
PROVOCA PELEAS Y COMETE MUCHOS ERRORES.**

(PROVERBIOS 29,22).

ASSIGNMENTS FOR SATURDAYS SPANISH MASSES /ASIGNACIONES MISAS DE ESPANOL DE LOS SABADOS.

DATE // FECHA.	SABADO March 21.	SABADO March 28.
MONAGUILLOS.	Esmeralda Perez, Salvador Ornelas, Elias Perez.	Neida Perez, Britany Gomez, Becky Gomez.
IRA, LECTURA Y SALMO.	Manuela.	Luisa.
SEGUNDA LECTURA.	Gloria.	Bertha.
MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTIA.	N/A.	N/A.
OFRENDAS.	Ugieres.	Ugieres.

ASSIGNMENTS FOR SUNDAYS ENGLISH & SPANISH MASSES /ASIGNACIONES MISAS EN INGLES Y ESPAÑOL LOS DGOS.

DATE // FECHA.	SUN. March 22. English Mass.	Sun. March 29. English Mass	DGO. March 22. Misa Español.	DGO. March 29. Misa Español.
ALTAR SERVERS // MONAGUILLOS.	Mary Cole, Wade Marks, Westin Marks, Maddox Rolston, Alexa Herrera.	Mary Cole, Ivan Ramirez, Mateo Ramirez, Alexa Herrera, Zoe Zuniga.	Esthefani Rodriguez, Milagros Medina, Adan Guillen, Joseph Abrego, José Luis Macareno.	Joseph Abrego, José Luis Macareno, Jose Tadeo Medina, Guadalupe Martinez, Adan Guillen.
1ST READ. & SALM // IRA LECT. Y SALM.	Johnny.	Esmeralda Ramirez.	Christian.	Esmeralda Ramirez.
2ND. READING // 2DA LECTURA.	Mark.	Kristy.	Salvador.	Juan.
EXT. MINISTERS OF THE EUCH // MINISTROS	Mark Daniel, Roberto Paredes, Mary Cole, Veronica Zuniga.	Henry Wysocki, Rose Pasillas, Terri Werth, Margaret Reick.	Alma, Juan, Sara, Hna. Gina.	Alma, Juan, Sergio, Sara.
GIFTS // OFRENDAS.	Ushers.	Ushers.	Ugieres.	Ugieres.

PRAY WITH THE WORD. / ORA CON LA PALABRA.

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT.

- **SUNDAY/DGO. March 22nd:** Ezekiel/Ezequiel 37:12-14; Roman/Romanos 8:8-11; John/Juan 11:1-45.

"WITH THE LORD THERE IS MERCY AND FULLNESS OF REDEMPTION".

"DEL SENOR VIENE LA MISERICORDIA, LA REDENCION COPIOSA".

- **MON/LUN. March 23rd:** Daniel/Daniel 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; John/Juan 8:1-11.
"Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side".
"Nada temo, Señor, porque tu estas conmigo".
- **TUES/MARTES. March 24th:** Numbers/Numeros 21:4-9; John/Juan 8:21-30.
"O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you". // *"Señor, escucha mi plegaria".*
- **WED/MIER. March 25th:** Daniel/Daniel 3:14-20,91-92, 95; John/Juan 8:31-42.
"Glory and praise forever!" // *"Bendito seas, Señor, para siempre".*
- **THURS/JUEV. March 26th:** Genesis/Genesis 17:3-9; John/Juan 8:51-59.
"The Lord remembers his covenant forever". // *"El Señor nunca olvida sus promesas".*
- **FRI./VIER. March 27th:** Jeremiah/Jeremias 20:10-13; John/Juan 1:31-42
"In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice". // *"Salvame, Señor, en el peligro".*
- **SAT./SAB. March 28th:** Ezekiel/Ezequiel 37:21-28; John/Juan 11:45-56.
"The Lord will guard us, as a shepherd guards his flock".
"El Señor cuidara a su pueblo como un pastor a su rebanó".