



HOLY CROSS, CATHOLIC CHURCH / Bulletin # 36.

March 15th, 2026 - 4th 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' EMERGENCY 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 txabusehotline.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 a success for children on Easter sunday. Items can be turned in to the basket that will be 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. A REFLECTION FROM OUR PARISH // UNA REFLEXION DESDE NUESTRA PARROQUIA.

Dear brothers and sisters, the Jews believed that a disease, a problem, or any kind of misfortune or suffering, was a punishment from God for having sinned and, for that reason, they thought that the healing or the end of that problem or misfortune was because God had already forgiven them. It is not like that, but that was the mindset of that time, and Jesus speaks to them and acts in a way that they could understand.

In today's Gospel, we see a man blind from birth, that is, he was born a sinner and, according to the mindset, there was no forgiveness from God for him because he had already been born a sinner. Jesus heals him, that is, He forgives him, and with that Jesus shows the immense mercy and compassion of God.

We must know that for God there is nothing that He

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 un éxito para los niños el Domingo de Pascua. Los artículos se pueden entregar en la canasta que estará 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!!!

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, los judios creian que una enfermedad, un problema, o cualquier tipo de desgracia o sufrimiento, era un castigo de Dios por haber pecado y, por lo mismo, pensaban que la curacion o el fin de ese problema o desgracia era porque Dios ya los habia perdonado. No es asi pero esa era la mentalidad de aquella epoca y Jesus les habla y actua de una manera que ellos pudieran comprender.

En el Evangelio de hoy vemos a un ciego de nacimiento, o sea, nacio pecador y, segun la mentalidad, no habia perdon de Dios para el porque ya habia nacido pecador. Jesus lo cura, es decir, lo perdona, y con eso Jesus muestra la inmensa misericordia y compasion de Dios.

Debemos saber que para Dios no hay nada que El no

cannot forgive and, although it is true that God does not punish us with illnesses, it is also true that when we live in sin it acts in us as if it were a disease because it affects us and harms us.

Now God wants and invites you this Lent to regain control of your life with His grace. You only have to want it too, so that the miracle of conversion can happen.

Do not hold on, in your life there is a solution to those things that bring unhappiness and ruin to your personal, family, work, community life, etc., etc.

Get on the train of life, be happy, but find a way to do with your life what you want. Do not let yourself be carried away by feelings and emotions when they drag you into doing things that are not right. Feelings and emotions are good for loving and forgiving, but for other things like being irresponsible and mistreating people, they are not.

There are times in life when you have to assert yourself because when it is selfishness that manifests, for example, in a bad character, they appear in the form of feelings and emotions that at first satisfy us but immediately leave a huge emptiness in our being.

What makes us fulfilled is behaving as we were created, human beings. What is not human harms us.

Our commitment is to God and not to our own judgments when they are wrong. Our covenants must be with love and forgiveness.

Even if you have fought thousands of times against something that is not right, try one more time, do not give up. It is not that there is no solution, you simply have not found the way or the manner to master or eradicate them.

The normal thing is to see. The normal thing is not to be blind. Let your heart seek and find God, that is normal. We were created by God. God is good, He loves you immensely, more than you can imagine. For God, NOTHING is impossible.

Change your tastes for the tastes of God. Take pleasure in being a good person, not a bad or lukewarm person. Be the best son, brother, friend, father, mother, husband, wife, and Christian. Let no one have complaints about you. Take advantage of the grace of Lent which comes to help us achieve all this, and much more. When you achieve it, God will surprise you with a lot more blessings.

Do not be afraid, you were born good and to be happy. Evil is inside us but it is not part of our nature. And it doesn't matter that we have it inside because we have God who is the antidote. Fill yourself with God because where God is, evil is not. Today is GAUDETE Sunday, that is, the Sunday of JOY for the Christian when they find God. Do not feel sad when you have to let go of something that is not from God and that harms

pueda perdonar y, si bien es cierto de que Dios no nos castiga con enfermedades, también es cierto que cuando vivimos en pecado este actúa en nosotros como si fuera una enfermedad porque nos afecta y nos hace daño.

Ya Dios quiere y te invita en esta Cuaresma a retomar el control de tu vida con su gracia. Tan solo tienes que querer tu también para que ocurra el milagro de la conversión.

No te aferres, en tu vida hay solución a esas cosas que traen infelicidad y ruina a tu vida personal, familiar, laboral, comunitaria etc etc.

Montate en el tren de la vida, se feliz, pero busca el modo de hacer con tu vida lo que tu quieres. No te dejes llevar por los sentimientos y emociones cuando te arrastran a hacer cosas que no están bien. Los sentimientos y emociones son Buenos para amar y perdonar, pero para otras cosas como ser irresponsables y maltratar a las personas.

Hay ocasiones en la vida en que hay que imponerse porque cuando es el egoísmo que se manifiesta, por ejemplo, en el mal carácter, aparecen en forma de sentimientos y emociones que al principio nos satisfacen pero inmediatamente dejan un vacío enorme en nuestro ser.

Lo que nos hace plenos es comportarnos como fuimos creados, seres humanos. Lo que no es humano nos hace daño.

Nuestro compromiso es con Dios y no con nuestros criterios cuando están equivocados. Nuestros pactos tienen que ser con el amor y el perdón.

Aunque hayas luchado miles de veces contra algo que no está bien, intentalo una vez más, no te des por vencido. No es que no haya solución, simplemente no has encontrado el modo ni la manera de dominarlos o erradicarlos.

Lo normal es ver. Lo normal no es ser ciego. Deja a tu Corazón buscar y encontrar a Dios, eso es lo normal. Fuimos creados por Dios. Dios es bueno, te ama inmensamente, más de lo que te imagines. Para Dios no hay NADA imposible.

Cambia tus gustos por los gustos de Dios. Siente placer por ser buena persona, no mala ni tibia persona. Se el mejor hijo, hermano, amigo, papa, mama, esposo, esposa y Cristiano. Que nadie tenga quejas de ti.

Aprovecha la gracia de la Cuaresma que viene a ayudarnos para conseguir todo eso, y mucho más. Cuando lo logres Dios te va a sorprender con un montón más de otras bendiciones.

No tengas miedo, naciste bueno y para ser feliz. El mal está metido dentro de nosotros pero no es parte de nuestra naturaleza. Y no importa que lo tengamos dentro porque tenemos a Dios quien es el antidoto. Llenate de Dios que donde está Dios no está el mal.

Hoy es domingo de GAUDETE, o sea, Domingo de la ALEGRÍA del Cristiano cuando encuentra a Dios. No te sientas triste cuando tengas que dejar algo que no es

you, even if you like it.

Have a good week!!!

4. Second collection of today is for the Catholic Relief Services.

Last week regular collection was \$3,535.00. Second collection for our building fund was \$1,884.25. Easter Flowers collection was \$603.00. Total: \$ 6,022.25.

Thank you so much!

Next week second collection will be for our building fund.

5. This Tuesday, March 17th,

- 8:00AM English Mass.
- **6:00PM Mass Canceled.**

6. This Wednesday, March 18th,

- 8:00AM English Mass.

7. This Thursday, March 19th,

- 8:00AM English Mass.

No 6:00PM Mass, NO Adoration to the Most Holy. Priests meeting in Tyler. A thousand apologies.

8. This Friday, March 20th,

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

9. This Saturday, March 21st,

- 7:00PM Spanish Sunday Vigil Mass.

10. Next Sunday, March 22nd,

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

11. 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.

12. 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),



de Dios y que te hace dano, aunque te guste.

Buena semana!!!

4. Segunda colecta de hoy es para los Servicios Católicos de Ayuda.

Colecta regular de la semana pasada fue de \$3,535.00. Segunda colecta para el fondo de edificio fue de \$1,884.25. Colecta para Flores de Pascua \$603.00. Total:\$ 6,022.25.

Muchisimas gracias!

Segunda colecta de la proxima semana sera para el fondo de edificio.

5. Este Martes, 17 de Marzo,

- 8:00AM Misa Ingles.
- **Misa de 6:00PM Cancelada.**

6. Este Miércoles, 18 de Marzo,

- 8:00AM Misa Ingles.

7. Este Jueves, 19 de Marzo,

- 8:00AM Misa Ingles.

No Misa de 6:00PM, NO Adoración del Santisimo. Junta sacerdotal en Tyler. Mil disculpas.

8. Este Viernes, 20 de Marzo,

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

9. Este Sabado, 21 de Marzo

- 7:00PM Misa Misa Espanol de Domingo.

10. Proximo Dgo. 22 de Marzo,

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

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

DATE // FECHA	SABADO March 14.	SABADO March 21
MONAGUILLOS.	Andrew Perez, Salvador Ornelas, Britany Gomez.	Esmeralda Perez, Salvador Ornelas, Elias Perez.
IRA, LECTURA Y SALMO.	Sr. Carmelita.	Manuela.
SEGUNDA LECTURA.	Bertha.	Gloria.
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 15th. English Mass.	Sun. March 22 English Mass	DGO. March 15. Misa Español.	DGO. March 22 Misa Español.
ALTAR SERVERS // MONAGUILLOS.	Mary Cole, Ivan Ramirez, Mateo Ramirez, Alexa Herrera, Zoe Zuniga.	Mary Cole, Wade Marks, Westin Marks, Maddox Rolston, Alexa Herrera.	Joseph Abrego, José Luis Macareno, Jose Tadeo Medina, Guadalupe Martinez, Adan Guillen.	Esthefani Rodriguez, Milagros Medina, Adan Guillen, Joseph Abrego, José Luis Macareno,
1ST READ. & SALM // 1RA LECT. Y SALM.	Esmeralda.	Johnny,	Juan Luis.	Christian,
2ND. READING // 2DA LECTURA.	Rose.	Mark,	Elsa.	Salvador,
EXT. MINISTERS OF THE EUCH // MINISTROS	Henry Wysocki, Rose Pasillas, Terri Werth, Margaret Reick.	Mark Daniel, Roberto Paredes, Mary Cole, Veronica Zuniga.	Alma, Juan, Sergio, Sara.	Alma, Juan, Sara, Hna. Gina.
GIFTS // OFRENDAS.	Ushers.	Ushers.	Ugieres.	Ugieres.

PRAY WITH THE WORD. / ORA CON LA PALABRA.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT.

- **SUNDAY/DGO. March 15th:** 1 Samuel/1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians/Efesios 5:8-14; John/Juan 9:1-41.

“THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; THERE IS NOTHING I SHALL WANT.”
“EL SENOR ES MI PASTOR, NADA ME FALTA.”

- **MON/LUN. Mar. 16th:** 2 Samuel/2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Matthew/Mateo 1:16, 18-21, 24a.
“The son of David will live for ever”. // “Su linaje sera perpetuo”.
- **TUES/MARTES. Mar. 17th:** Ezekiel/Ezequiel 47:1-9,12; John/Juan 5:1-16.
“The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob”.
“Con nosotros esta Dios, el Señor”.
- **WED/MIER. Mar. 18th:** Isaiah/Isaias 49:8-15; John/Juan 5:17-30.
“The Lord is gracious and merciful”. // “El Señores compasivo y misericordioso”.
- **THURS/JUEV. Mar. 19th:** Exodus/Exodo 32:7-14; John/Juan 5:31-47.
“Remember us, O Lord as you favor your people”. // “Perdona, Señor, las culpas de tu pueblo”.
- **FRI/VIER, Mar. 20th:** Wisdom/Sabiduria 2:1a, 12-22; John/Juan 7:1-2, 10, 25-30.
“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted”. // “El Señorno esta lejos de sus fieles”.
- **SAT./SAB. Mar. 21st:** Isaiah/Isaias 7:10-14; 8:10; Hewbrews/Hebreos 10:4-10; Luke/Lucas 1:26-38.
“Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will”. // “Aqui estoy Señor, para hacer tu vboluntad.”.