

March 19, 2006

3rd Sunday of Lent

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MINISTRIES OF EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION:

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: None Needed This Week

(3/26) Joe Best & Ed Schneider

LECTORS: P. J. Guillory & Beverly Patterson

(3/26) Pete Weisenberger & Joan Guillory

SERVERS: Abbey Cobb, Ginny Beth Endris & Caitlin Fertitta

(3/26) Josh Scarbrough & Callie-Ann Flood

HOSPITALITY: Dalton & Pat Crotwell

(3/26) Guillory family

VOCATION PRAYERS: None this week

(3/26) Fred & Eve Perian

COLLECTION: March 12: Gen. Fund: \$1817.00 Building Fund: \$55.00
MS Catholic: \$18.00

PLEASE PRAY for members of our parish, our families and friends who are ill, especially Susan Papp, Paula Craft, Lenora Aulenbrock, Ava Nell Hunt, Mildred Morvant, Kevin Wilkinson, Maxine Klaas, Mary Schmidt, Scott Cheatwood, Nathan Minyard, Mary Helen Hilliard, Debbie Killebrew, Carolyn Waller, Dwight Keady, Germaine Pruden, Virginia Lethgo, Howard Brister, Kristen Campbell, Lamar Craft, Beverly Patterson, Allen Martel, Diane Bordelon, Bill Taylor, Humberto Alexander, David Dodds, Frances Irby, Thomas Penn, and Robert Endris.

If you would like to be put on the prayer list, please notify the Church office!!

REMINDERS: PARISH MISSION: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
SCRIPTURE STUDY: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
KC FISH FRY: Friday, 6:00 p.m.
SPECIAL COLLECTION: Next Sunday - Catholic Relief Services

A BLESSED AND HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JAMES MINNINGER!! Jim is one of the patriarchs of our community and will be celebrating his 83rd birthday on Monday, March 20.

TODAY IS A GREAT DAY OF CELEBRATION FOR OUR ST. JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY!! We welcome Bishop Latino who is with us today to officially designate St. Joseph as a Parish. Our celebration will conclude with a reception centered around our annual St. Joseph Altar.

THERE WILL BE NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES today due to Spring Break and our Feast of St. Joseph Parish Celebration. Classes will resume next Sunday, March 26.

PARISH MISSION BEGINS TODAY: We welcome Father Wede Menezes who will be with us at 7:00 p.m. each evening to present our annual Mission entitled "The Gospel of Life vs. The Culture of Death. We will have dinner at 6:00 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings preceding the Mission session. Father Wade will also celebrate Mass each morning at 6:30. Please pray for the success of our Mission!

Heavenly Father, we humbly beseech You to make us more faithful sons and daughters of Your Son's Church. Help us to be vibrant, knowledgeable Catholics living in the midst of the modern world, so that we may be beacons of light shining forth in defense of the Church's Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition and Magisterium (her teaching authority). Help us always to cultivate the virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity in our daily lives, so that whether single, married or consecrated Religious, we may always share Your Truth with others. We ask this through Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. AMEN.

OUR SYMPATHIES ARE EXTENDED TO SYLVIA RICHARD. Sylvia's father passed away last week. Sylvia, our love, prayers and support are with you during this time of grief.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ALSO WITH THE SUBAUSTE FAMILY: Nora Scaletti, Fulvia's sister-in-law, lost her battle with liver cancer last week. The Subauste family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers and support during Nora's illness.

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: This collection supports Catholic Church agencies that build international solidarity and relief efforts. Please help by giving to the collection next Sunday.

RICE BOWLS: As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey let us remember in **prayer** that the ability to work to earn a living is a right of all people. All workers have the right to a fair wage, to organize themselves, and to work in good conditions. May our **fasting** keep us mindful of the workers who provide food for their families. May our **almsgiving** assist Catholic Relief Services.

LENTEN SCHEDULE: During Lent we WILL NOT have Mass on Wednesday evenings. Instead, we will have **STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOLLOWED BY A COMMUNION SERVICE** on Wednesday evenings at 6:30. **NOTE:** This Wednesday, March 22 we will be having our Parish Mission so we will not have Stations. On Wednesday, March 29, our youth will lead us in this devotion.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY: This Friday, March 24, at 6:00 p.m. the KC's will sponsor a fish fry in our Parish Hall. Please come, enjoy a wonderful Lenten Friday meal and visit with friends while supporting the ministries of the Knights of Columbus.

OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN THIS WEEK IS LENIN VARGAS: Contact Lenin with your prayers and best wishes at Notre Dame Seminary, 2901 S. Carrollton Ave., New Orleans, LA 70118 or e-mail him at leninvargas@hotmail.com. Our seminarians need your continued prayers!!

THE DIOCESE NEEDS YOUR HELP -- The Diocesan Katrina Warehouse must vacate its present location by March 31. **IMMEDIATE** help is needed to re-pack all that is presently on shelves and to re-palletize all. Help is especially needed between now and Tuesday, March 28. Trucks are also needed to help in the process. Contact the warehouse manager at 601-813-5817 to volunteer.