

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 14	4th Sunday of Lent
9:00 a.m.	+Audrey Verret by Penny Montz & Wendel Verret (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	+Jim Cantrell by Nancy Cantrell (Fr. Mamachan)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Fr. Mamachan)
12:45 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Monday, March 15	
7:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving by Joe & Betty Hudson (Fr. Mamachan)
Tuesday, March 16	
9:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Ronnie & Marie Bishop (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 p.m.	+Janet Minzenmayor by Eugene & Joyce Cinerele (Fr. Mamachan)
Wednesday, March 17	
7:00 a.m.	John Coble by John & Barbara Stuart (Msgr. Fred)
	+Aurora Johnson by Aurora Gemorino (Fr. Mamachan)
Thursday, March 18	
7:00 a.m.	+Donny Casey by Mavic Yoes (Msgr. Fred)
	Mickey Mathis by Terry & Mary Kossbiel (Fr. Mamachan)
Friday, March 19	
9:00 a.m.	Dennis Mashburn by Richard Nikolai (Msgr. Fred – Main Celebrant)
	+Taylor Dietlein by Marshall Eaton & Family (Fr. Mamachan – Concelebrant)
Saturday, March 20	
8:00 a.m.	Mass Recorded
	+Janet Minzenmayor by Tex & Barbara Halfman (Msgr. Fred)
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred)
5:30 p.m.	Julio Calamlam by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Fr. Mamachan)
6:15 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Sunday, March 21	5th Sunday of Lent
9:00 a.m.	+Elizabeth Lewallen by Debbie Patitucci (Fr. Mamachan)
10:30 a.m.	+Carol Ann Bliznak by Johnny Bliznak (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)
12:45 p.m.	Distribution of Communion



Sunday March 14	4th Sunday of Lent
Remote Classes	1-6 th Grade
Monday, March 15	
6:45 p.m.	Celebration Choir Practice
Tuesday, March 16	
11:30 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation – Rm 101 (Fr. Mamachan)
7:00-8:45 p.m.	RCIA – Parish Center
Wednesday, March 17	
Remote Classes	7-12 Religious Education
5:00-6:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation – Rm 101 (Fr. Mamachan)
6:00-7:30 p.m.	Adult Scripture Study – Parish Center
7:00-9:00 p.m.	Parish Choir Practice
Thursday, March 18	
9:15-11:30 a.m.	Women’s Scripture Study – Parish Center
Friday, March 19	
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred) – Rm 101
Saturday, March 20	
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Fr. Mamachan) – Rm 101
4:45-5:15 p.m.	Sabbath Choir Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.	RCIA 1 st Scrutiny
6:30 – until finished	Sacrament of Reconciliation – Rm 101 (Fr. Mamachan)
Sunday, March 21	5th Sunday of Lent
Remote Classes	1-6 th Grade

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION WHEN WEARING FACE MASKS. When you approach the minister to receive Holy Communion, please remove your face mask and consume the consecrated host immediately before returning to your pew. Please do not carry the host back with you to your seat.

PRO-LIFE ROSARIES, sponsored by the Catholic Deanery Pro-Life Committee, during Lent as follows:

March 15	1:00 p.m.	St. Vincent, Abilene
March 22	12:00 p.m.	St. Francis, Abilene
March 29	12:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel

PERSONS IN VEHICLES AND RECEPTION OF COMMUNION: If you choose to wait in your vehicle during Mass and receive Communion outside of the church building, please come to the entrance of the church at Communion time and wait for the Communion Minister. The diocesan protocols specify that ministers should not give Communion to persons while they are inside their vehicle. Thank you for your cooperation and patience during the current unusual circumstances.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Veronica Bartosh, Joyce Bayer, Harold Bush, Vance Cooksey, Mike Couch, Sonia Gallagher, Orlando Garcia, Manuel Hernandez, John Higuera, Joe Hudson, George & Dorothy Lee, Jim Lessin, Jim Luyet, Mickey Mathis, Robert Nelson, Terry Novak, Claudette Perry, Pamela Poole, Joey Schaefer, Gary Thompson, Adrianna & Gabriella Tonche, Sylvester & Thalia Tonche, Octaviano Villanueva, Randy & Rosie Watson, Maureen White. *Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of Mac Davis. We pray his family will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that he and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God’s mercy.

4th Sunday of Lent

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: All children in grades 1-6 and older are invited to join the Children's Choir at Holy Family Church for the upcoming Easter Noon Mass. Practices will continue each Sunday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. through March 28. However, there will be no practice on March 7. Please contact Melissa Benoit at 370-7937 for further information.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION (CRS) will be taken up this weekend. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here and abroad. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholicrelief.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of our parish's participation in Operation Rice Bowl, a Lenten Program of prayer, fasting, education and almsgiving, which is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and our diocese. CRS was founded in 1943 and is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Catholic Community. A special envelope is provided in your monthly packet or you may use the blue envelopes found in the book cart in the church foyer. Rice Bowls will be distributed to our religious education classes as well.

ARE PEOPLE OVER THE AGE OF 65 FORBIDDEN FROM COMING TO MASS? Because people over the age of 65 are at greater risk concerning the coronavirus, Bishop Sis' protective guidelines do not encourage them to attend Mass. However, no one is forbidden to attend Mass. If you are over the age of 65 and feel safe in coming for Mass, you are welcome to be here. The diocesan safety protocols require everyone to wear a mask, social distance and use hand sanitizer. Seating is limited because we must social distance, but we use the foyer classrooms and make every effort to seat everyone who comes for Mass. Rather than coming inside the church, some people wait in their car and receive Communion at the church entrance. If you have been staying at home and have any questions about returning to Mass, please call the church office.

RCIA SCRUTINIES are special prayers during Lent to help our catechumens and candidates deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all. Please join in supporting our RCIA Elect through these special prayers that will take place at the following times:

2 nd Scrutiny	March 14	9:00 a.m. Mass
3 rd Scrutiny	March 21	10:30 a.m. Mass

Good News!

Fourth Sunday of Lent (B)

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

We normally take great pride in making our own decisions. When we did this as children, it was a sign that we were growing up; as adolescents, it was a proclamation of independence. Now as adults, when making decisions we demonstrate that we are self-directed. The problem doesn't seem to lie in decision-making itself but in the options given to us that require a decision. And there is the rub. Often these are options not of our choosing. This can make decision-making very difficult.

Today's Gospel is all about making decisions. Options are placed before us. We either choose Jesus and the extraordinary way of life that he has outlined for us, or we go along with the movements of society. This could include making money at any cost, denying hospitality to those who knock on our door, harboring an attitude of superiority over others. We either choose to live in the light with the insights that our faith provides, or we simply accept the values that bombard us each day through the media, namely: Me first. What's mine is mine. What's in it for me? Not in my back yard.

If we look carefully, we will realize that the way of life Jesus promotes is based on the dignity of each person, who is made in the image and likeness of God. Actions that dismiss, demean, damage, or destroy human life are contrary to the teaching, life, and example of Jesus. Accepting his way brings forth a new society called "the reign of God." Rejecting it will undermine the foundations of the society we have. Which will it be? You decide.

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VOCATION CROSS FOR THE HOME: Please volunteer to take home the Vocation Cross that is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish is invited to join your family in praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

March 14 – Open

March 21 - Open

STATIONS OF THE CROSS take place every Friday at 7:00 p.m. during the season of Lent. This year, we will not have the traditional Lenten meal after praying the stations.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: February 27-28, 2021 with 1285 families:

Envelopes and Checks.....	17,983.70
Loose Plate	612.00
Other Receipts/Contributions	1,579.64
Building Fund.....	573.00

Total Income..... 19,168.70