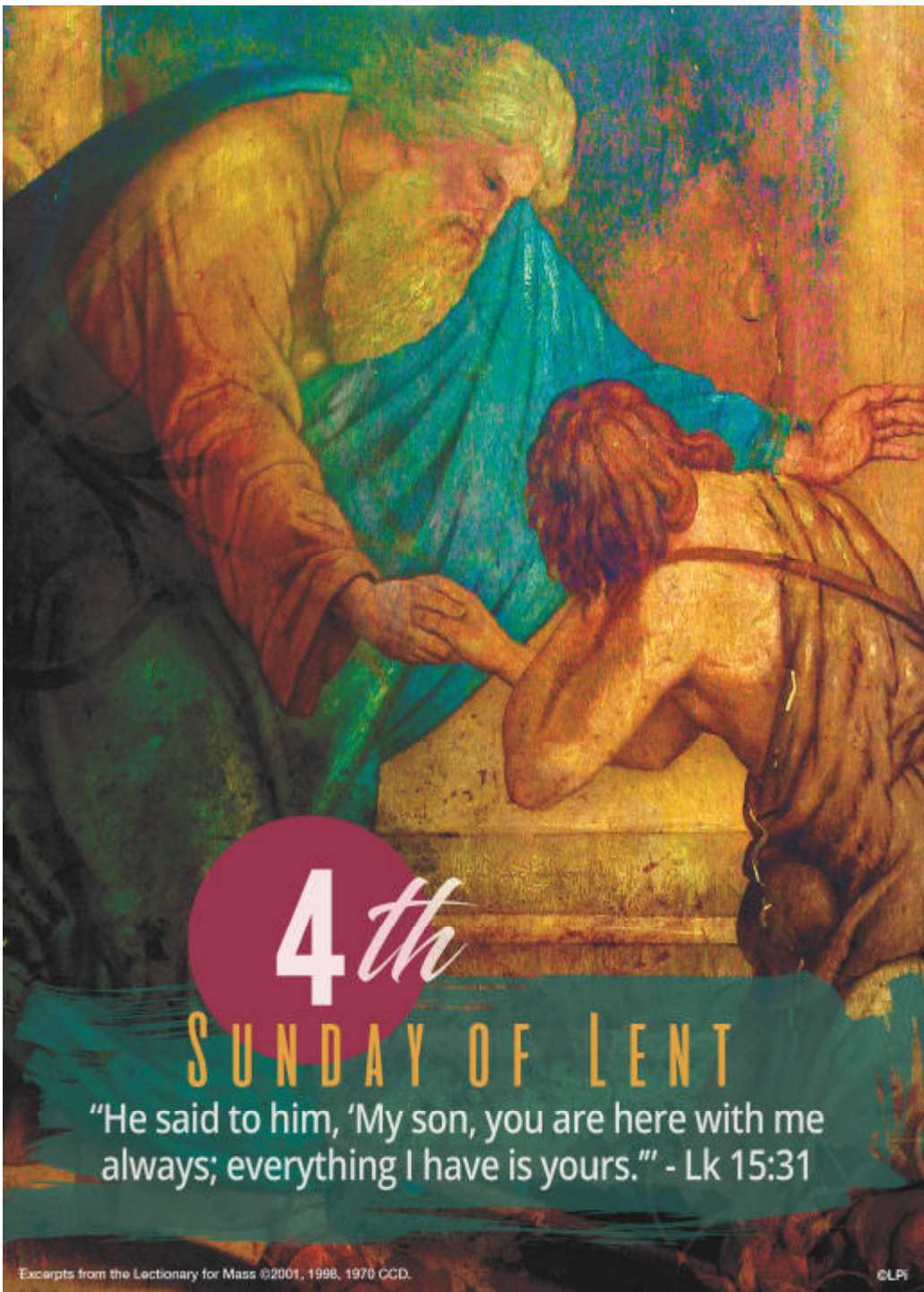


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4th

SUNDAY OF LENT

"He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours.'" - Lk 15:31

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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

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Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at

St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice required. Please contact the pastor to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday

6:00-7:00pm.

March 30 - 31, 2019 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Repentance. Envy. Joy. Hope. Have you felt these human emotions? Today's Gospel offers a rich story, one we can all find our place in. As we reflect on our own spiritual lives this Lenten season, it can be helpful to imagine ourselves in the story of the Prodigal Son.

"I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." The younger son has sinned greatly, betraying his father's trust and squandering his money in sin. Yet the parable turns on his deep repentance and humble return to his father. Is there any area of your life you have been wandering from God or you've squandered good gifts? This Lent, return to the sacrament of Confession! God, a merciful Father, waits for you there.

"While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him." The father in the parable sees his son's selfishness, perhaps even suspects what he might do, but gives him the inheritance anyway. After his son's departure, the father waits with hope for his son's eventual return. Has someone you love left the Church, made poor decisions, or abused your trust? This Lent is a time to let go of bitterness and to live in hope. Prepare your heart to be merciful!

Not all in the parable invite the mercy of God into their hearts. The self-righteous older brother dishonors his father with his pettiness. "My son, you are here with me always, everything I have is yours." Do you covet what others have? Do you feel as if you've been taken advantage of or that your work goes unseen? This Lent is a time to grow in gratitude. Take a close look at the blessings in our life that you might be missing.

Catechetical Corner

RE Classes - Sunday at 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Confirmation Class - April 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

RCIA - Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for: John Ford, Sussana Romero, Alan Craig, Jerry Dickerson, Kay Austin, Katie Kroll, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Don Cain, Vic & Lois Berube, Betty Conway, Bob & Tina Searcy, Mae Nabozny.

Happy Birthday to: Maria Perez (31); Sue Ausmus, Monty Boxell, Issabella Mathis (1); Erin Boaz, Dean Wise (2); Dwain Jolin, Chris East (3); Jaydon Beuchat (5).

Happy Anniversary to: Emmalea & Jeremy Kirk (30).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: March 30 - April 5, 2019

Saturday Special Intentions of Emmalea & Jeremy Kirk
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions
Sunday 10:30 Special Intentions
Tuesday Special Intentions of Monty Boxell
Wednesday Terry Wilson t / Mike & Cindy Tanner
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Special Intentions

Readings for the week of March 31st, 2019

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11



Liturgical Ministers

Lector/Ann	Euch. Min	Altar Server	Usher/ Gr.
March 30 - 31, 2019			
5:30 pm			
V. Berube		B. McLane	D. Cavenah
M. Tanner		N. Newton	D. Hancock
10:30 am			
C. Gebetsberger		S. Mulvihill	C. Lawson
J. Haskell		J. Schuler	K. Lawson
D. Everard & D. Holton			
April 6 - 7, 2019			
5:30 pm			
J. Everard		B. McLane	D. Hancock
M. Tanner		M. Whitesell	M. Neises
10:30 am			
S. James		J. Schuler	R. Mulvihill
S. Ausmus		S. Mulvihill	B. James
R. Rumsey & J. Pense			

Sacred Heart Church Collections

March 23 - 24, 2019

Saturday/Sunday Collection (Envelope)...\$ 2,543.00
 Loose.....\$ 716.63
Total Week-end Collection.....\$ 3,259.63
 Capital Improvement.....\$ 50.00

March 17, 2019

Week-end Collection.....\$ 3,732.00
Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc. 35:7





*"If you are what you should be,
you will set the whole world ablaze!"*

- St. Catherine of Sienna

**WHY DO WE DO THAT?
- CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

Question:

What is holy water and how do I explain the reason that it is placed at the entrances of churches to my non-Catholic friends?

Answer:

Holy water is a sacramental, a reminder of the life of the Church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. God's grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn the Church, through the sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us of our origins, humbly created from the dust. But by blessing ourselves with holy water, we are reminded of our destiny! We are baptized sons and daughters of God. This is also a call to conversion, to live more fully our baptismal call to live as disciples of Jesus. We see holy water whenever we renew our baptismal promises. This will occur during the Easter liturgy as well, reminding us that we are indeed on a journey of faith and renewed in Christ. Blessing ourselves with holy water reminds us that we are baptized into a community faith, and always in need of turning from sin and toward God. Holy water is a visible sign of our baptism!

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**SEASONAL REFLECTION
4th Sunday of Lent**

St. Vincent Ferrer

Sometimes it can be easy to idealize past ages in the Church. But a look at history shows that the Bride of Christ has never had it easy! In the days of St. Vincent Ferrer, two, then three men claimed to be the legitimate pope. Vincent found himself swept up in the drama. One of his old friends was elected a false pope. While initially supportive, Vincent became disillusioned by the division in the Church. He spent 20 years going back to the basics. He avoided Church politics and traveled Europe as a missionary preacher. Eventually, St. Vincent publicly denounced the man who had once been his friend. Sometimes drama, scandal, and disappointment in the Church can drive us away from our faith. Rather than leave, Vincent clung to Christ. During tumultuous times in the Church, St. Vincent Ferrer, pray for us!

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.
Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.
Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office at (918) 224-0944.
Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.
Fatima Ladies: Meet every 3rd Sunday at 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Seniors are invited to Mass at 12:00 Noon followed by a spring luncheon on Wednesday, April 3rd.

First Friday Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 Noon at the St. John Hospital Chapel.

FRIDAY, April 5th - Please join us for Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. The Fatima Ladies will host the Lenten Dinner. Our guest speaker will be Dcn. Erick Bell. Please bring a meatless dish for the table.

The Lenten Penance Rite will be Thursday, April 11th at 6:00 p.m.

2nd Annual 40 Cans for Lent Food Drive. The Knights of Columbus Council 9333 of Sacred Heart Parish is asking each member of the Parish to join us in celebrating Lent in the spirit of almsgiving by donating one non-perishable food or toiletry item each day during Lent. The 40 Cans for Lent is a charity program to benefit The Center of Family Love in Okarche, OK; Caring Community Friends; and the Sacred Heart Food Pantry. Items are being collected in the Gathering Area.

Spring Cleaning - Please help us clean the Prayer Garden in time for Easter. We will have a work day on Saturday, April 13th beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Catholic Book & Gift Store Spring Bloomin' Bonus for Birthright. April 1st - 6th 10% of all purchases benefit pregnant moms & babies. **THINK GIFTS: Easter, Mother's Day, First Communion, Confirmation, Wedding & Births.**

Sacred Heat welcomes all new members to our parish family. Please fill out a registration form that is available in the gathering area or call the office @ 918-224-0944.





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