



OUR LADY OF
Lourdes
 CATHOLIC PARISH



**2ND SUNDAY
 OF LENT**

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

PASTOR
Rev. Paul E. Sumler

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

PERMANENT DEACON
Rev. Mr. Stephen Sellers

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday
 8:30 am—4:30 pm

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BAPTISMS Our Lady of Lourdes Parish welcomes all registered parishioners who are wishing to have their child baptized. In order to come to Baptismal instruction class, please contact Parish Business Office or Deacon Sellers deaconss@sbcglobal.net

HOLY MATRIMONY Diocesan policy requires that an appointment be made with a priest of your parish at least SIX MONTHS in advance. DO NOT set a final date for the wedding prior to your interviews with the priest.

CONFESSIONS by appointment (call parish office)

PARISH MEMBERSHIP Parishioners entering or leaving the Parish contact the Parish Business Office during office hours.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TAKING INSTRUCTIONS IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Contact Parish Business Office or Deacon Sellers—deaconss@sbcglobal.net



Saturday, February 27

5:00 pm People of our Parish (Special Intention)
†Elias Hernandez
†Charles V. Olivier

Sunday, February 28

10:00 am †Betty Broussard
†Michael Terry Watkins

Saturday, March 6

5:00 pm People of our Parish (Special Intention)
†Margaret Melancon
†Elizabeth Landry

Sunday, March 7

10:00 am †Ken & Betty Broussard
†Kenneth Quick

PLEASE NOTE: Daily Mass suspended here at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish until Father Paul recovers from surgery. We are grateful for your understanding. You are encouraged to attend daily Mass at another local community parish or live-stream. We are grateful for the service of Father Paul and continue to pray for his health and recovery.

REVISION MASS INTENTIONS STIPEND

Effective January 1, 2021, any NEW mass offerings/stipends will be a minimum of \$10.00 per mass; for a great many years the customary Mass stipend has been \$5.00. However, now the customary amount in the United States is \$10.00. This brings the ordinary stipend amount into conformity with many dioceses around us.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021

- SUN 2/28** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
- MON 3/01** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38
- TUE 3/02** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12
- WED 3/03** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28
- THR 3/04** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31
- FRI 3/05** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- SAT 3/06** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- SUN 3/07** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



STEWARDSHIP

Your regular financial contributions is very much appreciated. Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you! When not attending Mass, you can drop your collection in the mail to **Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 1600 North Main Street, Vidor, Texas 77662** Please note: **In order to protect the church and to insure integrity and positive stewardship, procedures are in place handling the sacrificial offering. The collection is placed in bank depository; therefore, there is no money on church premise.** Thank you and may God bless you and keep you safe. *Our giving reflects a true measure of thankfulness and gratitude to God.*

February 14, 2021.....\$2,767.00
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VIDOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #5789 will have Fish and/or Shrimp (combination) Dinners beginning every Friday through March 26th, 4:30 p.m. —7:00 p.m., **DRIVE THRU ONLY** next to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall.

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No drinks will be available



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be every Friday during Lent in the Church at 6:00 p.m.



2021 BISHOP'S FAITH APPEAL

If you have not made your gift to the Bishop's Faith Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so. We ask you to pray to the Holy Spirit as you consider your blessings. Think about this: if you have not suffered from hunger, you are better off than many U.S. citizens who live in deep poverty. Some of them are your neighbors here in Southeast Texas. We ask that you make a pledge to the appeal, as an expression of your gratitude for your many blessings. **You may find BFA envelopes at the entrance of the church. Thank you.**

2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



Our Lady of Lourdes Knights of
Columbus Council 5789

2021 Scholarship applications available on
the tables at the entrance of the church.

Scholarship recipient is based upon

commitment and participation in the parish and to our community, as well as an individual whom the selection committee of the Knights of Columbus Council 5789 feels demonstrates a true passion and commitment to family, church, community, country and education. This recipient will also be someone who the selection committee believes will truly benefit from as well as continue to invest in their educational and spiritual growth. **Please note: Application and all other required material must be post marked by April 1, 2021 and received by mail by April 15, 2021.**

WHY DO WE USE INCENSE AT MASS?

The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the



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worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic

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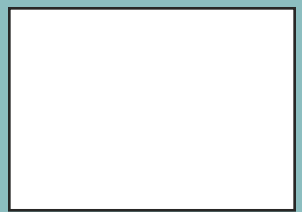
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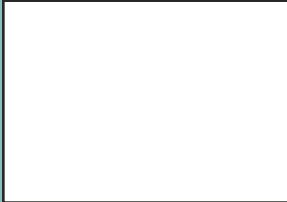
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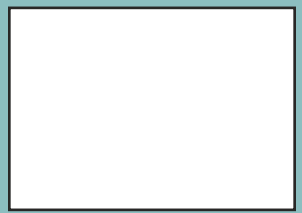
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