

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday OF LENT

While he was praying his face  
changed in appearance and  
his clothing became  
dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

March 13, 2022

## HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PARISH

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*Mass Schedule:*

Saturday.....5:00 PM  
 Sunday.....8:45 AM and 11:00 AM  
*Nursery available (up to age 5) during 8:45 & 11 AM Masses*  
 Misa en Espanol (cada domingo) .....1:00 PM  
 Monday-Friday.....6:45 AM  
 Holy Days.....Check Bulletin  
 Confession.....4:00 PM on Saturday



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*Mass Schedule:*

Sunday . . . . . Suspended until further notice  
**Monsignor Michael J. Deering, Pastor**  
**Father Victor Salomon, Associate Pastor**  
**Rev. Mr. Frank Slapikas, Deacon**  
**Rev. Mr. Adrian Straley, Deacon**

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



What's the ultimate goal  
of performing your penances  
this **Lent**?  
It's simply this ...  
*"to be holy as the Lord  
your God is holy!"*

Those were the words that God spoke to Moses long ago.

**God's desire** ... back then ... and to this very day  
is to form us in this life so that  
we're prepared to live with Him forever in Eternal Life .

And so yes, **the goal of this Lent actually is:**  
**"Growing in Holiness"**

This should be the foundational goal of our lives  
... as we recognize our Baptismal calling ...  
to grow in the Image and Likeness of Him, **who is all-Holy**.

Here are a few meditations to help you **grow in Holiness**.

**Mother Angelica** responded to a woman  
complaining of loneliness by suggesting,  
*"If you're alone ... you're alone with God."*

Think of what that means ... it means that **you're never  
alone** ... so rest in the nearness of God and enjoy  
His company!

**St. Paul** writes that,  
*"Nothing can separate us from the love of God."*

In other words, **the Love of God**  
**is offered freely to everyone** ... so, **why not accept it?**

The **greatest wound of Jesus** is our pain,  
the pain we bring ourselves when we choose not Him but sin.

**For Jesus said,**  
*"I came that you would have life and have it to the full."*  
How sad for **us and Jesus** when we choose  
something other than Him ... who is **Life**.

**The reason why "growing in holiness"**  
**often becomes more difficult as we get older is because**  
... **as we get closer to God, we get to take the blinders off re-**  
**garding our true holiness.**

This can be **very humbling** for sure ...  
even **intimidating** ... but it's **the necessary way of**  
**transforming our souls** to be like Him ...and therefore  
ready to be in union with Him in Heaven.

The **reason we move the Slider** and spread the clingy sides  
of a Zip-Loc bag ... is to be able to  
put something inside the Zip-Loc bag.

In a similar way, **God stretches us**  
to be able to put something inside of us ... **His Love!**

**Yes, I believe God is stretching us ...**  
**so He can fill us more completely with His love."**

Wow! What a new and holy way  
to look at the times when we feel stretched to our limit.

That's likely the time when God is simply shaping us  
to be able to hold more of His love!

Please take these insights with you to prayer during these days  
of Lent. They're seeds for great meditation that will enable  
you to make great progress in God's universal call of:  
**"Growing in Holiness"**

**Have a Holy Lent.**      Love, Father Deering

### Mass Intentions March 13 - March 19

**Sunday, March 13**  
†The Mitchell family

**Monday, March 14**  
†John Bivens

**Tuesday, March 15**  
†Jeff Connor

**Wednesday, March 16**  
†Robert Drabik

**Thursday, March 17**  
†Frank Mann

**Friday, March 18**  
†Julian Dougherty

**Saturday, March 19**  
†Barbara Spruell



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:**  
*Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18*

**Second Reading:**  
*Philippians 3:17-4:1*

**Gospel:**  
*Luke 9:28b-36*



### Next Week's Liturgical Schedule

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month

Saturday, March 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday, March 20 <sup>th</sup>	
5:00PM	8:45AM	11:00AM
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>		
Robert Poole	Jason Wyatt	Paul Lake
Carol Naylor	Bill Colburn	Bob Lyons
	Lori Colburn	Peg Lyons
<b>Lectors</b>		
Harry McDade	Rich Schellhammer	Max Elebash
Dorothy McDade	Becky Davis	Edd Mansfield
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Rich Turkiewicz	Roger Bedard	Carley Thompson
Steve Leisure		Jose Giron
Roger Bedard		

# AROUND THE PARISH



## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (KOC):** Meets 2nd Thurs @ 7 pm KC Hall. Grand Knight Gil Esquivel (205) 454-4357  
**KOC LADIES AUXILIARY:** Meets 3rd Thursday @ 2 pm KC Hall, President: Carol Naylor (349-5566)  
**HOLY SPIRIT LADIES GUILD:** Meets 2nd Thursday @ 10:00 am Parish Hall. (September-May) President: Carol Naylor (349-5566)  
**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS:** Meets 3rd Monday @ 6:00 pm Parish Hall. Regent: Kim Diano (205) 792-8711  
**ULTREYA/CURSILLO:** 1st Monday, 6:30-8 pm, Parish Hall. Contact George & Lisa Lake, [tuscaloosaultreya@gmail.com](mailto:tuscaloosaultreya@gmail.com), [my4lakes@gmail.com](mailto:my4lakes@gmail.com) or text 205-792-2701.  
**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** 1st Thursday at 10:00am in the Parlor. Contact Maggie Gray at (205) 556-6050  
**MEALS ON WHEELS:** Serves 2nd Sunday, Contact Ken Miksis at (205) 242-2966.  
**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Call (205) 561-0282.  
**CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Call (205) 759-1268, located at 608 James I Harrison Jr Pkwy E, Open M - Th. 9:00-11:30 am & 1:30 - 3:30 pm, Director: Sister Maria Elena Mendez  
**HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL:** Elementary School, principal Josh Saibini, phone (205) 553-9630; High School, principal Jonathan Loper, phone (205) 553-5606.

### Sunday, March 13

Mass	8:45am & 11:00am	Church
Divine Mercy Chaplet	10:00am	Church
Youth Group	4-6pm	Parish Hall

### Monday, March 14

Daily Mass	6:45am	Church
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### Tuesday, March 15

Daily Mass	6:45am	Church
Senior Mass/Lunch	11:30am	Church
RCIA—Sexual Morality & Homosexuality	6:30pm	Parish Hall

### Wednesday, March 16

Daily Mass	6:45am	Church
Scriptural Rosary	5:30pm	Chapel

### Thursday, March 17

Daily Mass	6:45am	Church
Mom's Group	9:30-11:00am	Multi-purpose
Ladies Auxiliary	2:00pm	Knights Hall

### Friday, March 18

Daily Mass	6:45am	Church
Pro-Life Rosary	9 :00am	WAWC
Stations of the Cross	5:30pm	Church
Fish Fry	6:00pm	Parish Hall
Hispanic Stations of the Cross	7:00pm	Church

### Saturday, March 19

Confessions	4:00pm	Church
Mass	5:00pm	Church

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** Parent/Godparent preparation. Contact the Parish Office.  
**FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION:** Students must attend Catholic School or Religious Education classes to be eligible for this Sacrament.  
 Contact Jeanne Doyle at [holyspirittuscaloosa.reled@gmail.com](mailto:holyspirittuscaloosa.reled@gmail.com).  
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**MATRIMONY:** Arrangements should be made with the Priest six months in advance. Contact the Parish Office.  
**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays at 4:00—5:00 pm; Sundays at 2:15—3:00pm; daily after 6:45am Mass; or by appointment.  
**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Recommended for all who are seriously ill or in danger of death. Contact the Parish Office.



Fr. John Francis Sofie  
Edwin Raper

Dana Wolter  
Sandra McDaniel

*Names may be placed on the prayer list by calling the church office (553-9733 ext 2). The names will remain on the list for two weeks. Subsequent calls will add the name for another two weeks.*

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH OFFICE

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**Senior Mass & Lunch**

Everyone is invited to join us  
Tuesday, March 15!!

Mass will begin at 11:30am in the church.  
Lunch will follow in the Parish Hall.

The meal will be a hearty Irish stew,  
prepared by Beth Barnette.

A donation of \$5 per person is requested to help  
cover the cost of the meal.

Thanks to everyone that participated in the Synod meeting on March 9. The information gathered at the event will be helpful for the future of the church.



**FRIDAY FISH FRY**

Join us in the Parish Hall each Friday during Lent, following Stations of the Cross, for our Parish Fish Fry

Enjoy a delicious meatless meal prepared by our Knights of Columbus and the Ladies Auxiliary.

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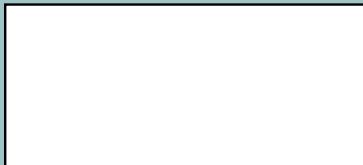
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