

**Saint Christina Parish of Turner County**

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**Sunday, March 13, 2022**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**What in the world is the Mass? Is the Mass a worship service? Sure, but I can worship God in lots of ways outside the Mass. I can worship Him in nature on a walk; I can worship Him in a non-Catholic church; I can worship Him in the depths of my soul. Then what is the Mass? This the question we will explore this week as we look closer at the meaning of the Mass this Lent.**

**The Mass is the same sacrifice that Jesus offered on the Cross. Every sacrifice has a victim (the thing being sacrificed) and a priest (the one doing the sacrifice). When Jesus died on the Cross, he was both the priest and the victim. In other words, he was both the one being sacrificed and the one offering the sacrifice. The same is true for the Catholic Mass. Jesus is the priest offering and the victim offered. This is why the Mass is the exact same sacrifice of Jesus, only now being offered in an unbloody way in the Eucharist. During this season of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Jesus in a particular way. We might go to Stations of the Cross or pray the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary. Ultimately, we are meant to be reminded of the tremendous love of Jesus. He was sacrificed**

**out of love. Make no mistake about it, the Cross is not a sign of God's anger but rather the most perfect expression of His love. We are able to receive that extraordinary love every time we go to Mass and prayerfully enter the sacrifice made present.**

**The Mass is also a sacred meal. Remember that Jesus celebrated the very first Mass in the context of a Jewish Passover Meal with his disciples. At Mass, we do not simply watch the sacrifice of Jesus as passive observers but are actually drawn in to participate in that sacrifice. We do that through communion with Jesus. We are privileged to eat the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Lord of the Universe. When we receive the Eucharist, what looks like bread and wine is really the True Presence of Jesus, King of Love. When we approach the altar for communion, we are approaching the table of love prepared for us by Jesus who died out of love for us. I then receive the grace and strength I need to sacrifice myself for others in the same way Jesus did for me. So what in the world is the Mass? It is the sacrifice by which God pours His love on us; it is the feast by which we are able to receive that love and then share it with others.**

**Fr. Tyler**

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**WEEKLY MASSES—— St. Christina**

**Sunday, March 13th  
Second Sunday of Lent  
Holy Mass 11:00AM**

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**Tuesday, March 15th  
Confessions: 5:00PM  
Holy Mass: 6:00PM  
Int: George Cink Family-Living & Deceased**

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**Thursday, March 17th  
Holy Mass: 8:00AM  
Int: +George & Leonora Wingert**

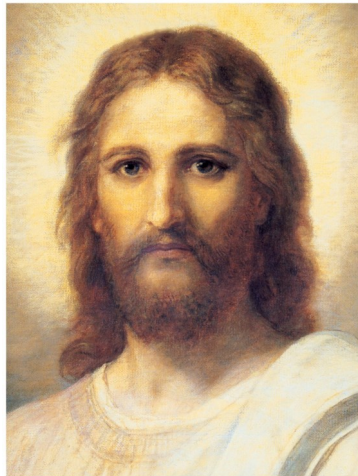
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**Friday, March 18th  
5:30PM  
“Stations of the Cross”  
and  
Soup Supper in Parish Hall**

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**Sunday, March 20th  
Third Sunday of Lent  
Holy Mass 11:00AM**

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**“Gaze at**

**Jesus’ Face**

**Speak—Listen,**

**Pray”**

**5 minutes, everyday**

## **Second Sunday of Lent**

**Bud Ozar**

Jesus “went up the mountain to pray” and he was  
“changed.” Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent  
set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of  
your family. Pray before each meal and if you are married,  
spend five minutes in prayer together.

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## **St. Christina Church Support: Deposited**

**Monday, March 7th, 2022:**

**39 Env. Reg. Giving \$2313.00; 1 Env. Reg. \$80.00;  
Loose Giving \$53.25; Candles \$101.00;  
14 CFSA Pledges \$3425.00; 2 Env. Fuel \$200.00;  
8 Ash Wednesday Env. \$112.00.**

**Thank You for your Generous Treasure.**

**Please, make CFSA checks payable to: St. Christina.**

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## **Calendar Of Events:**

**Religious Ed Classes on Wednesday, Evenings 6:30pm**

**\*\*Youth Group class: March 16th, Wed. Evening 7PM  
in the St. Christina Parish Hall.**

**Questions contact: [katie@stnicholastea.org](mailto:katie@stnicholastea.org)**

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**++`Stations of the Cross' Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> --5:30PM  
Soup Supper in Parish Hall**

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**\*St. Christina --The Banquet: Wednesday, March 23rd.  
The Banquet: Wednesday, April 6th.**

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**One Friday, April 1st is still open for some one to  
plan a light meal for a Soup Supper after Stations of  
the Cross. Sign up sheet on the back table.**