

February 28, 2010: Second Sunday of Lent



Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

— Lk 9:35-36

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, February 28 (Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17; 4:1/Lk 9:28b-36)

8:00 am- Erwin F. Biehunko, Fred J. & Hattie Ehler
10:30 am- David Janak, Sr.
5:00 pm- For our Parish Family (Spanish Mass)

Monday, March 1 (Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38)

7:00 am- Alvin, Annie & Alvin, Jr. Schneider
10:00 am- Adela Pohl (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, March 2 (Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12)

7:00 am- Alton Heinzl

**Wednesday, March 3, St. Katharine Drexel
(Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28)**

7:00 am- Frank & Peggy Janak
8:05 am- Oscar Barta
12:05 pm- David Etzler

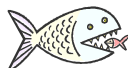


Thursday, March 4, St. Casimir (Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31)

7:00 am- Henry & Emilie Schroeder
10:00 am- Marjorie Chanek (Stevens)

Friday, March 5 (Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)

7:00 am- Adolf, Ludmila, Leon & Mary Novak, Olga Supak, & Leon Janca
8:05 am- Deceased members of the Pete Brom Family
12:05 pm- Mass of Thanksgiving – Marvin & Susan Bujnoch's 35th Anniversary
6:00 pm- Stations of the Cross



Saturday, March 6 (Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)

5:30 pm- For our Parish Family

Sunday, March 7 (Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9)

8:00 am- Stacey Rabel
10:30 am- Alice Miller

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Vigil Light: In memory of Alvin, Annie & Alvin, Jr. Schneider.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$4,055; Church in Eastern Europe -\$941; Rice Bowl-\$696.50; Loose-\$1,340; Children-\$66.

Anniversaries:

Melvin & Mary Jurica	50 years	Feb. 28
James & Elizabeth Kouba	30 years	March 1
Kenneth & Denise Barton	25 years	March 2

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Robert Vasek* of our parish family; and *Dorothy Marek*, sister of Larry Korenek. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

It is easier to preach 10 sermons than it is to live one.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m. in the Rectory. Please call the Rectory in advance to register.

-Junior Confirmation Retreat, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Family Center. Chaperons who have had Safe Environment Training are needed.

-Covered dish supper in Family Center after Spanish Mass.

MONDAY, MARCH 1

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.

-RCIA Class, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

-Women's ACTS mtg., 7:00 p.m., Shiner Family Center.

-KC's General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

-CCD: Grades K-11th, 6:00 – 7:10 p.m.

-Spiritual Book Study, 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.

-Divine Mercy Prayers, 7:30 p.m., Church Cry Room.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 p.m. in church. The intention this month is for *those seeking employment & for favorable weather for farmers & ranchers.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

-KC's Fish Fry, dine in & drive thru, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ends with Benediction at 6:00 p.m. in church.

-Stations of the Cross to follow Benediction.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

-Serra Club Mass, Assumption of BVM, Praha, 8:30 a.m.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Amanda Conniff, Margaret Timm, Helen M. Appelt, Michael Kutac, Rosalie Simpson, Paige Haas, Anita Kallus, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Frank Fishar, Pam Dornak, Clayton Patek, Suzanne Romano, Alice Kocian, Mary Agnes Grahmann, Anita Bohuslav, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Louise Pesek, Doyleen Drozd, Bryce Saldi, Travis Klimitchek, Judith Koerth, Thelma Mikulenska, Louise Tesch, Sandra Henneke, Mary Ann Koenig, Ronald Kanak, Marcella Henke, Helen Mitchon, Tillie Schott, Georgia Schaefer, Joseph Ilardo, Dolores Ludwig, Denise Lewis, Evelyn Kutac, Emil Grahmann, Lillie Demny, Henry Morris, Bruce Fritz, Milada Netardus, Paula Nemeck, Ernest Schulte, Guntram Janak, Ray Palmer, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

2009 Contribution Statements are available upon request.

Please call BEFORE coming by the Rectory to give us time to prepare your statement. Thank you.

Perpetual Adoration: An adorer is needed 11:00 pm – 12:00 am on Thursday nights. If you are able to spend this hour with our Lord, call Charlene Bradbury 798-3224.

From the Desk of Father John

I received this letter recently as a result of the radio broadcast of our Sunday Mass.

“As the return address indicates, I am currently incarcerated on the Stevenson unit in Cuero, Texas. I listen to your broadcast of the weekly Mass over the radio and I wanted to write and say thank you for giving me this opportunity. It means so much to me. I wanted to let you and every one who makes this possible know that you are making a difference. I know of several inmates who listen every week.

I listened to the broadcasted Mass this morning as I do every Sunday, and I wanted to take a few moments to say thank you. When you welcomed the members of the Church, and those listening via the broadcast, you also included those confined. Those 3 words were not lost on myself and many here who do listen to your broadcast. Thank you! Those 3 words, “And those confined” held more meaning and had more impact than I could possibly explain thru simple words. I cried as I heard them. Those 3 words reminded me that I am not forgotten and that God has not forgotten me either. Thank you.

I just wanted to take a few moments to remind you, that you are making a difference. Sometimes we lose sight of that or just can't see the whole picture. It is easy to get discouraged when we can't see the whole picture, but thru you and your broadcast I am able to walk closer to God and ultimately closer to His plans for me. Thank you and keep up the good work.”



The Youth ConneXion



High School Spectacular: Sunday, March 7th, KC Hall, El Campo. Keynote speaker Todd Lemieux with special presentation by Rev. Stan Deboe. Doors open 11:00 a.m. Bishop Fellhauer will celebrate Liturgy at 5:00 p.m. For more information, call Kris Hermes 798-0655.

Discount Cards are now \$5.00 each & offer discounts at various local businesses through Sept. 30th. Cards are available at the Rectory. Proceeds benefit S.H. Youth.

Music Practice: Mondays, 6:00 p.m., Youth House.

Religious Education (CCD) ~ Office 798-3124

Janice Busselman, Coordinator

Angela McConnell, Assistant

February 28: Junior Confirmation Retreat, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Family Center. Chaperons who have had safe environment training are needed.

March 3: Penance Service 6th – 8th Grades.

March 24: Penance Service 9th – 11th Grades.

March 31: Stations of the Cross.

KJT #43, Wied will meet on Monday, March 1st at Wied Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic School (798-4251)

2010-2011 School Year Registration: March 1 – April 9.
Open House, Sunday, March 14, beginning 6:00 p.m. for prospective students in 8th Grade & high school, and their parents, who are interested in attending SHCS. Staff, current students & parents will be on hand to answer questions, conduct tours of school & video presentation. For more information, call Ana Henke at 798-4251.

Grief Support Group meetings, Thursdays, Mar. 18 – Apr. 29, 5:30–7:00 pm at St. Rose Family Center, Schulenburg. To register, call Hospice of South Texas 798-2077.

Stevens Nursing Home is in need of a new bingo machine (Cost \$600). If you would like to contribute towards the purchase of a new machine, you may drop off your donation at the Rectory. Thank you for your generosity.

Lenten Reflection: Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bow, let us be mindful that our Lenten sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need.

2nd Sunday of Lent

Ten days into Lent, and we can't wait for Easter. Maybe it's that we haven't gotten used to the fasting yet. Or maybe it's that we haven't been as good at the extra prayer we promised ourselves that we would do. Even the church recognizes that we need a little boost to move us along. That's why we hear the Gospel of the Transfiguration on this Second Sunday of Lent. It is just a little foretaste, an appetizer, of what Easter is to be. For those of us who are already baptized, and for those who are preparing for baptism, the image of the glorified Christ stands as a beacon of what we are to become when we share in the fullness of the Resurrection.

Paul writes to the Philippians that Christ "will change our lowly body to conform to His glorified body." That is the hope that is held out to us as we progress through Lent. In this season we unite ourselves to Christ so that we may become more like Him.

But we abandon this world, looking for some far-off promise of glory. Our almsgiving, our care for the poor, is a reflection of Christ's love for everyone. When we reach out a little more this Lent (often made possible because we've decided to give something up, and so have extra available to give away) we act like Jesus, who gave up His life for us. His suffering and death on the cross found fulfillment in His resurrection from the dead.

When we care for others through our own sacrifice, we are helping to transfigure their lives, letting a little bit of God's glory be seen through our transforming love. The Transfiguration reminds us what awaits us after our own suffering if we are faithful to the commands of Christ.

