

St. Charles Borromeo Church

Sunday, March 17, 2019

The Second Sunday of Lent

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“Look up.” (Genesis 15:5)

All three readings today urge us to do one thing: fix our eyes on heaven. In the first reading, God told Abraham to look at the night sky. “Count the stars, if you can. Just so . . . shall your descendants be,” he promised (Genesis 15:5).

Abraham, who was already advanced in years and childless, would somehow become the father of many nations.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that “our citizenship is in heaven” and not in this world (Philippians 3:20). He tells us that we belong there, and that we should keep that truth in mind so that we can “stand firm in the Lord” (4:1).

And in the Gospel, Jesus gives Peter, James, and John a vision of his heavenly glory. He knew he was headed for the cross and that his death would shake them to the core. So he gave them this vision to strengthen their faith and encourage them, even as they saw him arrested, tortured, and killed.

Jesus wants us to fix our eyes on heaven as well. He wants us to focus on his glory and his promises as we pray each morning. He knows that if we do, we’ll give the Holy Spirit the opportunity to write these promises on our hearts. We’ll let the Spirit show us Jesus’ love and mercy so that we can stay close to him during the day.

Here are some key promises you can fix your eyes on. First, God promises to keep his covenant with you, just as he kept his covenant with Abraham. Second, Jesus promises that your citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:20). You belong to him! And third, the Holy Spirit promises that if you fix your eyes on Jesus in prayer every day, you’ll begin to see him more clearly, just as the apostles caught a glimpse of him at his transfiguration.

Choose one of these promises today, and dwell on it. Repeat it over and over. Fix your heart on the way it reveals God’s love for you. Look up to heaven, and let your heart be filled with all its goodness and grace!

“Jesus, help me to keep my eyes fixed on you today.”

The Word Among Us – Daily Meditation (March 17, 2019)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon...., 3/18 - NO MASS - Feast of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Tues....., 3/19 - 7:30 A.M. MASS – Feast of Saint Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary; Blair Joseph Robichaux (B); Freddie Pierce; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Janet Bergeron & Family; Russell Pitre & Family; Ian Gaudet & Family; Melanie Pitre & Children; Rev. Albert S. Mauret (Assigned to St. Charles Borromeo 1912); William "Bill" Nezzio

Wed....., 3/20 – 7:30 A.M. MASS – Special Intention; Freddie Pierce; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Memorial Society; Melanie Pitre

Thurs....., 3/21 – 7:30 A.M. MASS – Freddie Pierce; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Helen Zerinye (B); Paula Ordoyne Robichaux (B)

Fri....., 3/22 - 6:00 P.M. - Mass & Way of the Cross – Charles & Nell (DA) Zeringue; Freddie Pierce; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Philip Barrios

Sat....., 3/23 - 4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass of The Third Sunday of Lent: Marcel (B) & Rose Richard; Philip & Inez Marse; Alcee & Emily Zeringue & Family; Ames & Valerie Rodriguez; Betty Theriot; Bob Licalzi (B); Boudreaux Family; Bourgeois Family; Dupuis Family; Carroll Acosta Sr.; Ces & Rena Zeringue; Yvonne & Charley Plaisance; Gene Nichols; Mike & Nita Zeringue; Dolores Plaisance Babin; Charles & Nell Zeringue; Clifton & Emma Lee Babin; Donatien & Kate Danos; Gabriella Weimer Melancon; Wilson J. Melancon; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Gerald "T-Shay" Foret; Gordner & Velma Foret; Gilbert "Chief" Knoblock; Tammy Knoblock Touns; Hugh & Irene Rodriguez; Joey Saenz (B); Josephine & Roy Foret & Allen; Joyce B. Danos; Jules R. Quatrevingt; Junious & Nita Lirette; Robert & Junious Lirette; Nita L. Crochet; Jane L. Wilcox; Justilien (DA) & Madeline Babin; Lydia F. Folse; Marguerite & Euel J. Zeringue; Milton & Beatrice "T" Mire; Lolita & Dave Defelice Sr.; P.J. Zeringue; Philip & Eunice Ledet; Ramona Marie Pierce; Randy Thibodaux (B); Carolyn Bourgeois (B); Richard E. LeBlanc Jr.; Ronnie Sampey; Roy Bourgeois; Ruth Marie Trosclair; Edward Trosclair Sr.; Leonce & Ruth Thibodaux & Sons & "Chinie"; Sally Thibodaux; Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Thomas & Gertie Zeringue; Val Hart; Warren LeBlanc; William "Bill" Nezzio; Edwin J. Lagarde Jr. (B-3/27)

Sun....., 3/24 - 7:30 A.M. – The Third Sunday of Lent: Angelina Wales & Family; Bonnie Milligan; Benson Plaisance Jr.; M/M Benson Plaisance Sr.; Cecile B. Rodrigue; Earl & Julia B. Boquet; Denis Knobloch Jr. (B-3/25); Eddie Duet; Edward Comeaux Jr.; Jules Quatrevingt; Frank & Edna Weimer; Fred & Ruby Hebert; Freddie Pierce; Helen Schexnaydre; Joy Lynn Naquin; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Linda Kliebert; Louis & Inez Devillier; Patricia & Cherry Devillier; M/M Jessie Pierce Sr.; M/M Roy Ledet; Milton Ledet; M/M Thomasie Danos & Family; Clarence, Wayne & Sandy Foret; Marguerite Thibodaux; Harry Becnel; Olga Rieth (DA-3/23); Philip & Goldie Weimer; Ralph Melancon; Raoul Bourgeois Jr.; Juanita Bourgeois; Ronald Picou; Fred Weimer; Kenneth Adams; Ruby & Ivy Templet & Family; Junius & Claire Hebert & Mary Ann; Stewart & Virgie Landry; Wilbur J. Brown & Ethlyn "Toot" Brown; William "Bill" Nezzio

Sun....., 3/24 - 10:00 A.M. – The Third Sunday of Lent: Betty L. Benoit; Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Clyde Zeringue; Stephen Peters (B-3/25); Andras & Barrilleaux Families; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre Jr.; Jose Lara; David "L.J." Lagarde Jr.; Dorothy Plaisance; Gaudet & Theriot Families; Irvin & Marie Prejeant; George & Bernice Whitman; Jake & Mabel Matherne; Joseph Lagarde Sr.; Dorothy (Dot) Lagarde; Beverly L. Breaux; Coleen Cuneo; Stephen Gossen; K.C. Toups DVM; Kerry Robichaux; Mary & Dave Robichaux; Myra Blanchard; Poor Souls in Purgatory; Joseph E. Blanchard Jr.; Ray Weimer Jr.; Ronnie Depolitte; William "Bill" Champagne; Billy Champagne; William "Bill" Lyles

DATES, TIMES & PLACES

❖ **24/7 – Perpetual Adoration (Chapel)**

Mon..., 3/18 – **NO MASS**

6:00 P.M. – CCD Class (*1st-9th Grades*)

Tues..., 3/19 - **7:30 A.M.** - **MASS (Chapel)**

Wed..., 3/20 - **7:30 A.M.** – **MASS/Novena (Chapel)**

10:00 A.M. – Rosary (*Chapel*) *All are welcomed!*

Thurs..., 3/21 - **7:30 A.M.** - **MASS (Chapel)**

6:00 P.M. - Parish Council Meeting (*Conference Room*)

Fri..., 3/22 - **8:00 A.M.** – Communion Calls

6:00 P.M. – **MASS/Way of the Cross (Church)**

PLEASE NOTE: *There will be NO 7:30 A.M. Mass during Lent.*

Sat..., 3/23 - **4:00 P.M.** – **Vigil Mass**

Sun..., 3/24 - **7:30 A.M.** – **MASS**

9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. – 10th Grade Retreat

10:00 A.M. – **MASS/CCD Mass (10th Grade Ministry Roles)**

6:00 P.M. – Adult Men Adoration (*Chapel*)



Our Lady of Fatima Statue

will be in the home

Randy & Benita Hebert

On 3/20-27/2019

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHURCH) IN MEMORY OF: (3/15-21)

Joseph Larussa

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHAPEL) IN MEMORY OF: (3/15-21)

Deceased Members of KC Council #12060

MISSALETTES IN MEMORY OF: (3/15-21)

Joy Lynn Naquin

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT (March 9-10, 2019)

\$4,173.00	In 102 Envelopes
<u>499.00</u>	Loose
\$4,672.00	Total



Ash Wednesday Collection: \$989.00
Black & Indian Mission: \$381.00
Add'l. Maintenance: \$190.00
St. Anthony: \$40.00

2019 ABA UP-DATE

Our goal for 2019 is \$10,800. As of March 11, 2019, we have pledged \$6,220.40. Thus, we have reached 57.60% of our goal.

If you have yet to make your commitment and would still like to do so, there is still time as you can return your commitment card in the offertory, or simply mail it to the Diocese, or you may also visit www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal to make your gift online. *Commitment cards are available in the foyer of the church.*

If you would like more information about the 2019 Appeal, please contact the Annual Bishop's Appeal Office at 985-850-3116 or email aponson@htdiocese.org.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (3/18):	Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
TUESDAY (3/19):	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
WEDNESDAY (3/20):	Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
THURSDAY (3/21):	Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
FRIDAY (3/22):	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
SATURDAY (3/23):	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
SAT/SUNDAY (3/23-24):	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9



BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble." (Psalm 91:15)



ATTENTION, ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS!!! DEPUTING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

As you know, it is the policy of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux to depute extraordinary ministers of communion within five-year intervals. All current extraordinary ministers of communion's term will end effective December 31, 2019. In

order to help facilitate the ongoing formation for our lay ministers who need to be re-deputed, instituted acolytes, and new ministers just beginning service, the Office of Worship will have a training workshop. Our workshop at St. Charles Borromeo will be held on **Saturday, April 6, 2019 beginning at 8 AM and ending at 12 Noon in the Mauret Family Center.** Please save the date on your calendar and plan to attend.

If a person is not able to attend this workshop and would like to continue to serve as a minister of communion, please contact the parish office and we will make arrangements for you to attend one of the other workshops around the Diocese.



EASTER FLOWERS

Donations for Easter Flowers are being accepted through April 15th. If you would like to remember a deceased loved one in this special way, please contact the Administration Office.



"And now these three remain: Faith, Hope and Love.
But the greatest of these is Love."
1 Corinthians 13:13

Our Lenten Charity

Our Lenten Charity is **JOTS Birthdays**. JOTS (Johnny on the Spot) Birthdays brings the magic of birthday parties, graduation celebrations and other special events to children living in area shelters and group homes. JOTS, a local charitable organization, started in 2012 in memory of Johnny Achee who died at the age of 48 in a tragic accident. Through the efforts of his wife, Suzanne, Johnny's love for his children and grandchildren lives on as JOTS delivers hope, compassion and smiles to less fortunate children in our area. JOTS rely solely on donations, and 100 percent of funds are used for group home foster children (ages 11-17). For more information, visit <http://www.jotsbirthdays.org/>.

You may wish to make a monetary donation instead. Checks may be made payable to "St. Charles Borromeo Church". Thank you in advance for your generosity towards this wonderful organization!



Open Wide Our Hearts Against Racism: A Listening Session

On October 14th, 2018 the U.S. Bishop's Committee on Racism led by Bishop Fabre, released a document titled, "*Open Wide Our Hearts*" addressing the problem of racism in America.

The second remedy to racism offered by the Bishops is to “Love Goodness.” They tell us that, “as Christians, we know it is our duty to love others.” But when we, “begin to separate people in our thoughts for unjust reasons, when we start to see some people as ‘them’ and others as ‘us,’ we fail to love.” When we fail to love we must never forget that, “the love of Christ impels us” to see others as our brothers and sisters (2 Cor 5:14).

Examples of Christians who have walked before us loving goodness can be found on pages 17-20 of *Open Wide Our Hearts* which is linked on the diocesan website.

To help us better understand how injustice is manifested in our church today and how we can “Do Justice,” Bishop Fabre will hold a listening session for all people of the diocese titled, “**Open Wide Our Hearts Against Racism: A Listening Session**” will be held on **March 28th** in the Diocesan Pastoral Center on Highway 311 from **6:30 PM until 8:30 PM**. Food will be provided. For more information please contact, Fr. Alex Gaudet at agaudet@htdiocese.org



WITNESS/MUSIC NIGHT

This Lent we will again have our Witness/Music Night of Praise in Church on **Tuesday, March 26th at 6:00 P.M.** This is a night of personal testimonies of faith along with inspirational music for your meditation. Come, with open hearts to receive the message of God, through his people and through song. Refreshments will be served afterwards. *All are welcome!*



DIOCESAN CHOIR

The Office of Worship is inviting choir members, vocalists and cantors from every parish in the diocese to participate in a diocesan choir for both the Chrism Mass and Priesthood ordination this year.

The Chrism Mass is on Holy Thursday morning, April 18, 2019 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales, Houma. Music Rehearsals for the Chrism Mass are Thursday, April 4 and 11, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral.

The Priesthood Ordination is on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 10:00 AM at the Cathedral. Music rehearsals for the Chrism Mass are Friday, May 24 and 31, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral.

It is necessary for choir members to make the rehearsals to participate.

QUOTE:

“Because God has first loved you, he calls you to imitate that love and share it. We are conduits of God’s love to other people.”

