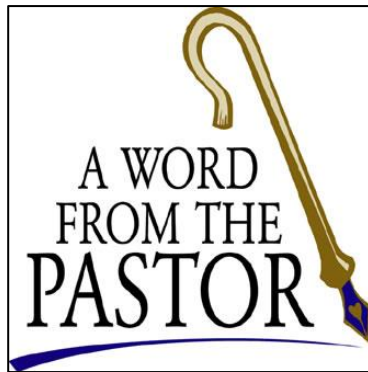


St. Charles Borromeo Church

Sunday, March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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Dear Friends,

The past weeks have been difficult for each of us and for all people throughout the world. The uncertainty caused by the Coronavirus Pandemic may bring about feelings of fear, anxiety and even the belief that God has abandoned us. We must first acknowledge our feelings and where we are at this time. I, myself, have had many of these same feelings. In order to help us not get discouraged and want to give up, we must bring them to God and trust that God has not abandoned us during this time. Our God is present and I believe wants to give us the grace of perseverance.

As we move forward during this difficult time, I am reminded that throughout the Bible we hear the Words; "Be Not Afraid". The passage from Isaiah 49:15; "*Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you.*", is one which may help remind us that God desires to hold us with love. As we continue to move forward in the days and months ahead let us continue to put our faith and trust in our Loving God. I also encourage us to offer our fears and anxieties to God in prayer. I continue to pray for each of you and ask you to pray for me.

In Christ,
Fr. Carl

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon...., 3/23 - NO MASS – Feast of Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Tues...., 3/24 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – Feast of Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr: Angelina Wales; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Stephanie Spinella Moreaux

Wed...., 3/25 – 7:30 A.M. Mass – Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord: Denis Knobloch Jr. (B); George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Special Intention; Stephanie Spinella Moreaux

Thurs...., 3/26 – 7:30 A.M. Mass – Stephanie Spinella Moreaux; Philip Barrios; Marguerite Zeringue; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce

Fri....., 3/27 - 6:00 P.M. – Mass – Stephanie Spinella Moreaux; Philip Barrios; Marguerite Zeringue; Carolyn Bourgeois (B); George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce

Sat...., 3/28 - 4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass of The Fifth Sunday of Lent: Ames & Valerie Rodriguez; Boudreaux, Bourgeois, & Dupuis Families; Carroll Acosta Sr.; Ces & Rena Zeringue; Yvonne & Charley Plaisance; Gene Nichols; Mike (DA) & Nita Zeringue; Dolores Plaisance Babin; Charles & Nell Zeringue; Clifton & Emma Lee Babin; Donatien & Kate Danos; Frank & Edna Weimer; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Gerald "T-Shay" Foret; Gorner & Velma Foret; Gibson Legendre Sr.; Gilbert "Chief" Knoblock; Tammy Knoblock Toups; Herbert & Joyce Danos; Hugh & Irene Rodriguez; Josephine & Roy Foret & Allen; Jules Quatrevingt; Lorna Ann R. Gaubert (B); Louis Gaubert (DA); Lydia F. Folse; M/M Alcide Barrios & Family; A.J.; Roy & Philip; M/M Arthur Richard & Family; Marguerite & Euel J. Zeringue; Pam Blue; Philip Ledet III; Ralph Melancon; Richard LeBlanc; Rita Turner; Ronnie Sampey (B-3/28); Theresa Sampey (B); Roy Bourgeois; Ruth Marie Trosclair; Edward Trosclair Sr.; Sally Thibodaux; Scuddy & Velma Hebert; Betty Ann Hebert; Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Thomas & Gertie Zeringue; U.G. & Marjorie Grabert; J.P. & Mary Landry; Violet Bilello; Warren LeBlanc; Willard Chauvin Sr.; William "Bill" Nezzio

Sun....., 3/29 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass of The Fifth Sunday of Lent: M/M Alcee L. Zeringue (Her B-3/30); Benson Plaisance Jr.; M/M Benson Plaisance Sr.; Fred & Ruby Hebert; Freddie Pierce; Helen Schexnaydre; Jim & Velma Richard; Nookie & Theresa Diaz; Joy Lynn Naquin; Joyce & Elmore Robinson; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Jules Quatrevingt; Edward Comeaux Jr.; Linda Kliebert; Louis & Inez Devillier; Patricia & Cherry Devillier; Marguerite Thibodaux; Harry Becnel; Mary W. & Dave J. Robichaux; Hazel & Chester Boudreaux Sr.; Chester Boudreaux Jr.; Milton Ledet; Annie & Jessie Pierce; Roy & Octavia Ledet; P.J. Zeringue; Joyce Zeringue; Philip & Goldie Weimer; Raoul & Juanita Bourgeois; Steward & Virgie Landry; Wilbur J. Brown; Ethlyn "Toot" Brown

Sun....., 3/29 - 10:00 A.M. – Mass of The Fifth Sunday of Lent: Carroll Hebert Jr.; Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre; David "L.J." Lagarde Jr.; Ethel Tabor; Gaudet & Theriot Families; Irvin & Marie Prejeant; George & Bernice Whitman; Joseph Lagarde Sr.; Dorothy (Dot) Lagarde; Beverly L. Breaux; Stephen Gossen; Coleen Cuneo; Betty Lou A. Babin; K.C. Toups, DVM; Kerry Robichaux; Kobee Cohen; Mike Arabie; Myra Blanchard; Nolan "Pip" & Toudell Bourgeois; Poor Souls in Purgatory; Joseph E. Blanchard Jr.; Ray Weimer Jr.; Sherry Boudreaux; Stephanie Spinella Moreaux; William "Bill" Champagne; Billy Champagne; William "Bill" Lyles



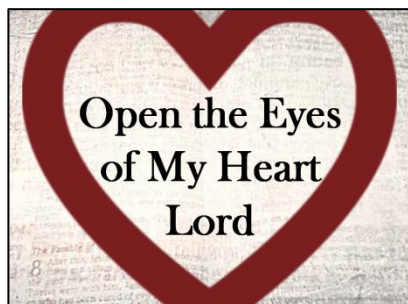
Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the following have been cancelled:

* ALL WEEKDAYS AND WEEKEND MASSES CANCELLED INDEFINITELY.

PLEASE NOTE: All requested Mass Intentions for the upcoming weekdays and weekends will continue to be offered by Fr. Carl & Fr. Glenn at their personal Masses.

* ALL MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES CANCELLED INDEFINITELY.

You may visit the Diocesan Website (www.htdiocese.org) for the latest news and updates on the Coronavirus Pandemic. There are also Videos, Podcasts, and more resources to help you get through this trying time!



“If you were blind, you would have no sin.”
(John 9:41)

How's your eyesight? What do you see when you look at the world around you? That seems to be the issue in today's Gospel. As the story opens, we meet a man whom everyone assumes is a sinner because he is blind (John 9:2). But by the end of the story, Jesus says that those who claim they can see are really the ones in darkness.

What did these Pharisees claim to see in this man? A sinner—both because he had been blind and because he dared to challenge their authority. And what they saw moved them to berate him and throw him out of the synagogue.

A similar thing happened when they saw Jesus. Because he had performed a healing on the Sabbath, they saw him as another sinner. No one who was righteous would dare break the Law of Moses! Again, what they saw moved them to persecute him all the more.

But what did *Jesus* see in the blind man? Not a “sinner” to be condemned and expelled, but a child of God in need of healing and salvation. And what he saw moved him to act with mercy.

And what did the blind man see in Jesus? Not a “sinner” who broke the Sabbath, but the Messiah who brings freedom and restoration. And what he saw moved him to bow down in worship.

So let’s ask again: how is your eyesight?

Jesus wants to help us see the world as he does. He wants us to see people not as sinners under God’s judgment but as brothers and sisters who are offered the same mercy we have received. He wants us to withhold our own judgment and show kindness instead. Because that’s how Jesus sees people. It’s how he sees you.

So as you gaze at the crucifix and at the Host at Mass today, let Jesus’ loving gaze pierce your heart. Let him heal your blindness so that you can see the world through his eyes.

“Jesus, open my eyes! Help me to see as you see.”

The Word Among Us – Daily Meditation (March 22, 2020)

DATES, TIMES & PLACES

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

Mon..., 3/23 – Sun..., 3/29 - **NO MASS**

ALL MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTILL FURTHER NOTICE!!

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHURCH) IN MEMORY OF: (3/20-26)

Marcel Richard (B-3/25)

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHAPEL) IN MEMORY OF: (3/20-26)

Deceased Members of KC Council #12060

MISSALETTES IN MEMORY OF: (3/20-26)

Joy Lynn Naquin

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT (March 14-15, 2020)

\$2,839.00	In 70 Envelopes
<u>482.75</u>	Loose
\$3,321.75	Total



Add'l. Maintenance Collection: \$33.00

St. Anthony: \$20.00



2020 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL UP-DATE

Our goal for 2020 is \$10,800. As of March 12, 2020, we have pledged \$4,606.00. Thus, we have reached 42.65% of our goal.

If you have not yet made 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 in the provided envelope, or you

may also visit www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal to make your gift online. Thank you for your support!

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (3/23):	Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
TUESDAY (3/24):	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16
WEDNESDAY (3/25):	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38; Lk 1:26-38
THURSDAY (3/26):	Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47
FRIDAY (3/27):	Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
SATURDAY (3/28):	Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
SAT/SUNDAY (3/28-29):	Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45



BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

"One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see" (John 9:25)



THANKS TO:

- Deacon Larry Oney for presenting our Lenten Parish Mission this year. His message was meaningful, enlightening, and uplifting.
- The Music Ministry who provided beautiful music.
- All who gave "Love Offerings" towards the Lenten Mission.
- All who prepared and served refreshments.
- All who attended the Mission.



LENTEN CHARITY

Our Lenten Charity this year is "The Haven". This organization empowers survivors of family violence to live safe, independent and violence free lives. Abused women and children take very little when they seek shelter at The Haven. There they are provided food, shelter, clothing, and victim assistance. Supplies are needed by The Haven daily to make survivors feel welcomed, safe, and cared for.

Suggestions for supplies needed are: *laundry detergent; dryer sheets; bleach; liquid hand soap; diapers & wipes; hair care products; women and children's socks; garbage bags; toothpaste; toothbrushes; body wash/soap; hair brushes/combs; kleenex; deodorant; feminine hygiene products; infant/toddler supplies; towels; cleaning supplies; zip lock bags; and canned food.*

You may wish to make a monetary donation instead. Checks may be made payable to "St. Charles Borromeo Church".

You may bring your donations or monetary gifts to the Administration Office. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



St. Charles Parish Pastoral Council Election

The St. Charles Parish Pastoral Council is made up of nine elected members who serve a three-year term.

If you or someone you know may be willing to serve on the council, you can mail/bring your nomination to the Administration Office. Please check with the person you are nominating to see if they are willing to serve on the council before submitting their name. The Parish Pastoral Council Election will be held on May 2-3, 2020.

Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

QUOTE:

"The good we do never dies. It lives on forever - in other people, in other places and in other times."

