

APRIL 7 2019 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Mon. /Lun April 8 ✠ souls in Purgatory
MASS 8:00 AM Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30,
 33-62 or 13:41c-62
 Jn 8:12-20

Tues/Mart. April 9 ✠ Victor Krivanek
MASS 8:00 AM Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30

Wed./Mier. April 10 ✠ Sergio Cordova
Mass 8:00 AM Dn3:14-20,91-92, 95
 Jn 8:31-42

Thurs/Juev April 11 ✠ Eva Krivanek
MASS 8:00AM Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59

Fri./Vier April 12 ✠ Esteban Parra
MASS 8:00AM Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42
Priest

APRIL 14, 2019
PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22: 14-23:56 or
23:1-49

Sat./Sábado April 13 Linda Young b-day

Sun/Dom. 8:00AM ✠ Ralph Guereca III
10:30AM Gerald Blain
1:00PM Rosie Guevara



We find in the Gospel of today (John 8: 1-11) the contrast between the cruelty of the Scribes and Pharisees and the compassion of Christ. The scribes and pharisees had no regard for the woman. They were using her to trap Jesus. They never considered whether she initiated the sin, or the man. But Jesus is full of compassion. He restores her spiritually by forgiving her, telling her that he does not condemn her, while insisting that she is not to sin again. He restored her to society by saving her life. Notice Jesus' words to the woman, "Go away and don't sin any more" (John 8: 11). Although Jesus had forgiven her sin, he expects her to live a life of grace and union with God, by not sinning any more. Jesus does not say that sin does not matter because sin does matter and damages our relationship with God. That is why Jesus says, "Go away and don't sin anymore". When we receive Jesus' forgiveness, he expects us to live a new life afterwards. That is precisely the attitude we should have about the sacrament of reconciliation. It would make no sense to come to confess our sins if we intend to commit the same sin again. We may commit sins due to weakness, but as we come to confess, if we do not intend to amend our lives, it would be useless. We can truly say we are sorry for our sins if we have firm intention not commit the sins again.

Fr. Mathew Kavipurayidam, TOR

Encontramos en el Evangelio de hoy (Juan 8:1-11) el contraste entre la crueldad de los escribas y los fariseos y la compasión de Cristo. Los Escribas y Fariseos no tenían ninguna consideración por la mujer. La estaban usando para atrapar a Jesús. Nunca consideraron si ella inició el pecado, o el hombre. Pero Jesús está lleno de compasión. Él la restaura espiritualmente perdonándola, diciéndole que no la condena, mientras insiste en que no vuelva a pecar. Él la restauró a la sociedad salvando su vida. Fíjate en las palabras de Jesús a la mujer: "vete y no peques más" (Juan 8:11). Aunque Jesús había perdonado su pecado, él espera que ella viva una vida de gracia y unión con Dios, al no pecar más. Jesús no dice que el pecado no importa porque el pecado importa y daña nuestra relación con Dios. Es por eso que Jesús dice, "vete y no peques más". Cuando recibimos el perdón de Jesús, él espera que podamos vivir una nueva vida después. Ésa es precisamente la actitud que debemos tener sobre el Sacramento de la reconciliación. No tendría sentido venir a confesar nuestros pecados si pretendemos volver a cometer el mismo pecado. Podemos cometer pecados debido a la debilidad, pero al llegar a confesar si no intentamos enmendar nuestras vidas sería inútil. Podemos realmente decir que lamentamos nuestros pecados si tenemos una firme intención de no cometer los pecados de nuevo.

P. Mathew Kavipurayidam. TOR

May we always manifest the compassion for others that is the hallmark of Christian stewardship.



Offering Report	3/30/2019 03/31/2019	
Regular Offertory		
Mass	Collection	Attendance
Sat., 4 PM	\$3,589	304
Sun., 8 AM	\$2,304	200
Sun., 10:30 AM	\$5,659	530
Sun., 1:00 PM	\$1,332	460
TOTAL	\$12,884	1,494
All Masses		
Special Collections	\$3,486	
Building Fund	\$949	
Flowers	\$696	
Maintenance	\$315	
Children's Collection	\$123	
TOTAL	\$5,569	
TOTAL	\$18,453	

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Friday, April 12 Stations of the Cross 6:00pm English and 7:00pm Spanish
Acolytes will lead English Stations
Hispanic community to provide meal.

Sunday, April 14, Palm Sunday passion of the Lord
All Masses will start outside in front of the Church.

Holy Tuesday, April 16. Chrism Mass, at St. Patrick Cathedral at 5:30pm.

Holy Thursday, April 18 Mass of the Lord's Supper
And washing of the feet 7:00pm bilingual, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Friday, April 19, The Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
Fasting and Abstinence
2:45 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church
3:00 pm Stations of the Cross
Priest Leads English Stations
3:30 pm Passion Service
Divine Mercy Novena Begins
6:00pm Spanish Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:30 pm Live Via Crucis in Spanish

Saturday, April 20 Rite of Anointing, and Effeta for Catechumens and general rehearsal for vigil at 9:00am.
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:30pm Bilingual
There will be no 4:00pm Mass.



“The fight for the right to life is not the cause of a special few, but the cause of every man, woman and child who cares not only about his or her own family, but the whole family of man.”

Dr. Mildred Jefferson

La Lucha por el derecho a la vida no es la causa de unos pocos en especial, sino la causa de cada hombre, mujer y niño que se preocupa no solo acerca de su propia familia, sino de toda la familia de los hombres.”

Dr. Mildred Jefferson

Prayer Vigil
MOTHER & UNBORN BABY CARE
&
CATHOLICS UNITED FOR LIFE
Catholics United for Life and Mother & unborn Baby Care will hold their 35th Annual Bishop's Good Friday Rosary Vigil for Life, at the planned Parenthood abortion center, 6464 John Ryan from 12:30pm-2:00pm
On Friday, April 19, 2019. Help us raise our voices in humble supplication to Almighty God for all our precious pre-born babies who die by abortion before they ever see the light and love of this world. We will pray in *Reparation* for all sins of abortion, in *Thanksgiving* for the graces given to those who fight abortion, and for *Conversion* of those involved in the abortion industry. Please join with Bishop Olson, clergy, religious, and laity in prayer for end of the evil of abortion and all the evils that flow from it.



THE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

We are called to be Christ to one another.

Wings of Hope is a monthly Support Group to assist anyone 18 years or older in their journey of grief.

Grieving is the natural way we go about adjusting to a loss. The timeframe of the grief journey is different for each individual and understanding your grief is vital to healing.

This month's topic: *Understanding the Six Needs of Mourning*
Accept the reality of the death, let yourself feel the pain of the loss, remember the person who died, develop a new self identity, search for meaning and let others help you, now and always.

For information and to join us:

Contact Kathleen Skipper at (716) 912-4232



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Beginning Experience DFW is a peer ministry for separated, divorced, or widowed individuals. It is a weekend program to help move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning of hope for the future. While this ministry is rooted in the Catholic tradition, it is open to men and women of all faiths. The next weekend retreat will be held April 26-28, 2019 at the Catholic Conference and formation Center in Dallas. To register please call or text our voicemail number at 682 – 233-3946 or email the DFW Beginning Experience Team at beginningexperiencedfw@ggamil.com.

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PARISH SERVICE DAY IS SATURDAY, APRIL 6!

Time to break out those gloves, shovels, rakes, clippers, and trimmers.

Come join us on Saturday, April 6, 8:00 AM to “spruce up” St Thomas the Apostle.

There are flowerbeds to weed and mulch, small trees that need to be relocated, weeds to pull or kill, stones to lay, flowers to plant, and many other gardening landscaping tasks. Many hands make quick work!

For more information, contact Glee Luttmer, 817-205-3376, jjluttmer@sbcglobal.net.



The St. Thomas Women’s Organization will be selling raffle tickets and collecting donations this weekend after all Masses in the Narthex. The donations (**for festival’s Silent Auction**) need to be new or “Collectible/heirloom.” No gift is too big or small, as small items will be combined to make gift baskets. The raffle tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. 1st prize is pair of Cowboy tickets with parking pass. 2nd and 3rd prizes are \$500 and \$100 Visa gift Cards. All proceeds from the raffle are going towards the building debt and drawing will occur on the day of the Festival on May 18, 2019. Winner need not be present to be eligible.



CRAFT AND ART VENDORS WANTED FOR OUR SPRING CARNIVAL

May 18, 2019 from 11:00am to 7:00pm

Sell and promote your items.

Booth sizes are 10X10 for \$25, with \$20 donation.

Electricity request is extra.

Registration and payments are due to save space

Text Rudy Rivera 817-675-0717 if interested or for more information.

18 de mayo de 2019 de 11:00AM a 7:00PM

Vende y promociona tus artículos.

Los tamaños de Tiendas son tamaño 10X10 por \$25, con artículo de donación de \$20.

La solicitud de electricidad es adicional.

Necesita pagar al tiempo de registrarse para ahorrar el espacio.

Texto Rudy Rivera 817-675-0717 si está interesado o para más información.



INVITACIÓN A LA ULTREYA

Todos estan invitados y son bienvenidos! cursillistas y no cursillistas, los invitamos a vivir un encuentro con Cristo y con nuestros hermanos.

Toda persona que haya recibido sus Sacramentos está invitada!

Cursillo de mujeres Mayo 16-19, 2019.

Nos reunimos cada lunes a las 7:00pm.

Haz un amigo, sé un amigo, lleva un amigo a Cristo!



TWO VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS SESSIONS SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

Anyone, 18 years or older, that is involved in a church ministry, or participates in a church organization, must possess a current Safe Environment certificate.

Two Virtus Safe Environment Adult awareness sessions are 9:00am Saturday May 4, in St Thomas the Apostle Education Building. One is in English, one is in Spanish. (Be on time, late arrivals will not receive credit)

To enroll, 1) key in this link <https://fwdioc.org/safe-environment>, 2) Select the button for “Training Sessions (Adult & Teen)”, and 3) Complete the online enrollment process for the session that you wish to attend.

Thanks for helping make our parish a safe place for children!



Please send your request for bulletin articles to Mercedes at m.long@sttafw.org. The deadline is Mondays at 5:00 pm. This will assure a complete and up-to-date Sunday bulletin.

Ministry Leaders, please send your articles as soon as you have the information, time, dates, etc. It’s never too early! It maybe that a 3rd and/or 4th page will be needed. We must plan for the space and time involved to create the bulletin, especially as we get closer to the holidays. Thank you for your cooperation.

St. Thomas the Apostle



Coming Soon.....

VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL

Registration details to come

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- If you have any questions or need help setting up ParishSOFT Giving, call the parish office at 817-624-2184 and ask for Beverly.



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- Fort Construction (Silver)
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- M/M Electric (Gold)
- West Concrete (Friends of the Church)

Items Needed

- Heavy Duty Paper Plates
- Paper Towels
- Plastic ware
- Cases of water
- Cases of soda
- Bottle of wine
- Cakes
- 16 oz. plastic cups

Game Prizes

- Stuffed Animals
- \$5 toys
- Gift Baskets

Booths to Work

- Bounce House
- Cake Walk
- Dunk Tank
- Silent Auction
- Kids games
- BINGO
- Toy Walk
- Food Trucks
- Wine pull

Keep in touch.



All volunteers must have Safe Environment course. Festival Class TBA****