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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday : 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. or
by appointment.

MARRIAGES:

Must be scheduled with the Priest
at least 6 months in advance.

MORNING ROSARY:

8:30 a.m. before Mass.

MONDAYS:

Miraculous Medal Novena following Mass.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:

Novena To The Sacred Heart
of Jesus - before 9 a.m. Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month— 7:30 p.m.
Exposición del Santísimo el segundo Miércoles
de cada mes @ 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through
High School.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, February 20, 2021
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, February 21, 2021
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

First Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2021



Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths. —Psalm 25:4



Feb 22 - Feb 28

- Monday:** James D. Gutsell by KOC 12270 †
Tuesday: Richard Smith by Walton Smith
Wednesday: Tom Lucas by Johnson & Ledlow families †
Thursday: Frank & Pat Machovic by Madelyn Guald
Friday: Kim Dismukes by Lee & Cheryl Robinson
Saturday: Deacon Mike Branch by the Brazzolottos †
Sunday: For the People
Ken Hoffman by Fr. Bill Lucas †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Paul Boyle, Jacky Johnson, Peggy Gessler, Gail Layton, Diana Markevich, Dorothy DiMattia, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Kelly Dale, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Joe & Sarah Svetlay, Charles & Libby Lafleur, Fred Brown, Jan Bowman, Silvia Moten, Wayne Adams, Herb Kuntz, Bill Frost, Audrey Springer, Patsy de Victoria, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley, Nancy Ross, Jackie Thoma, Robert Paulitzky, Cathy Funderburg Parker, Bob & LouElla Menefee, Tommy Dickerson, Fr. Gray Bean, Dan Moynihan

Please pray for all our loved ones who are ill and our shut-ins. To add a name, call the church office; or to add to the Prayer Hot Line please email Sharon Stice at sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings ~ February 22—February 28

- Monday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
- Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Today's Readings



First Reading — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9: 8-15).

Psalm — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

Gospel — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15).



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. The Gospel for the First Sunday of Lent is always an account of Jesus being tempted in the desert.

In the scriptures, a temptation is always part of a test. In the Book of Genesis, God tells Adam not to allow anyone to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil found in the Garden of Eden. God is testing Adam to see if Adam will obey. Adam disobeyed God and failed the test. Shame, conflict, suffering, and death followed.

In the desert, Jesus is tempted to disobey God. Three times Satan tempts Jesus to disobey the Father's plan for our salvation and take a quicker, easier way- a shortcut. Three times Jesus reminds Satan (and us) that He came, not to do His own will, but to do the will of the One who sent Him. Where Adam failed, Jesus succeeded. It was only after Jesus succeeded that angels arrived to serve Him. The Father seemed absent until the temptations were over. He was not absent. It only seemed so.

In the English version of the Our Father, we ask God to, "lead us not into temptation." In Spanish that phrase is translated as, "do not let us fall into temptation." Perhaps both versions of the Latin original mean, "Do not let us be tested beyond our strength." It is an admission of our weakness rather than saying anything about God's intent.

Lent is a time of temptation because we are trying to be better people. If we had no interest in doing God's will, there would be no reason for Satan to tempt us. Temptations reveal the level of our faith. Following a temptation, we can decide whether or not we want to purify our faith. We purify our faith by removing impurities.

The disciplines of Lent; prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, are a means to purifying our faith. We will eventually experience the temptation to take an easier way of observing Lent- a shortcut. If we remain steadfast in our Lenten disciplines, we will recognize God's help, but only after we experience the temptations- only after we experience our weakness.

Offertory Collection

July 2020 — June 2021

	Actual	Needed
Feb 14 Offertory	\$3,247	\$5,558
Year to Date	\$196,828	\$183,414



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Council meetings are open to all parishioners, and are typically on the third Wed. of the month after Mass.

Lenten Regulations

The annual observance of Lent is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter. Through its twofold theme of repentance and baptism, the season of Lent disposes both the catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery. Catechumens are led to the Sacraments of Initiation by means of the Rite of Election, the scrutinies, and Catechesis. The faithful, listening more intently to the word of God and devoting themselves to prayer, are prepared through a spirit of repentance to renew their baptismal promises.

The Catholic Church, in an attempt to help Catholics do at least a minimum during Lent, asks all Catholics to fast and abstain from meat on certain days. Fasting means to limit food to one full meal a day with the possibility of two smaller meals (not adding up to a full meal) as needed. Abstinence means not eating meat, although fish is allowed. Catholics are asked to observe all days of fasting and abstinence which is one of the precepts of the Church.

Catholics 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Catholics between the ages of 14 and 59 are also to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If one's work or health make it inadvisable to fast or abstain from meat, they are not obligated to do so.

Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School

***Virtual Open House on Sunday,
February 21st at 3:00 pm via Zoom***

***Applications for 2021-2022 now
available online***

A direct link is available on the student recruitment page of the website (hfcristorey.org). Please register with Toni Kidd at tkidd@hfcristorey.org for the Zoom call.

Opportunities for Confession During Lent

Mondays- 9:30-10:00 a.m. (Following Mass)
 Wednesdays- 6:00-6:45 p.m. (Before Mass)
 Fridays- 9:30-10:00 a.m. (Following Mass)
 Saturdays- 4:00-4:45 p.m. (Before Mass)
 Friday, March 5- During Adoration (9:30-11:00 am)
 Wednesday, March 10- During Adoration
 (7:30-8:30 pm)
 Sunday, March 21- During Adoration (7:00-8:00 pm)
 Wednesday, March 24-Communal Penance Service
 Sunday, March 28th - Between Morning Masses

The Word Among Us

Please pick up your family's copy of the Word Among Us, located in each of the foyers. The Word among Us contains daily meditations and mass readings for Lent. (February 17– April 4, 2021)



join us for
ONECARROLL
 a virtual fundraiser
Feb. 27, 2021

Two ways to support JCCHS:

- Enter to win a 2020 124 Fiat Spider Classica at www.ONECARROLL.org (now until 2/27)
- Online Silent Auction Open February 19th - 26th (many great items and experiences to bid on!)

Visit www.ONECARROLL.org at 7:00 pm on February 27th for an important message from our President, Father Bob Sullivan, and the announcement of the Fiat Spider winner!



Assignments—Feb 24~ Feb 28

WEDNESDAY MASS 2/24/2021 7:00 PM

Lector: Sarah Brazzolotto
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS 2/27/2021 5:00 PM

Greeters: TBD
Lector: Sonia Dale
Ministers: Deacon
Ushers: Mark McRae, Amy Carreker

SUNDAY MASS 2/28/2021 8:30 AM

Greeters: Bill Bethell, TBD
Lector: Jane Snider
Ministers: Deacon
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bill Bethel,
 Laura Headley, Belia Solis

2/28/2021 11:15 AM

Greeters: Peyton Murphree,
 Mattie Osborne
Lector: Larry Foltz
Ministers: Deacon
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith
 Gregg Becknell, John Bluhm

**If you are unable to keep your
 assignment, please find a substitute.**



Our annual CRS rice bowl fundraiser begins today, Sunday, February 21st. We will not send home rice bowls with each student. Instead, a bowl will be in each classroom. We are asking students to bring spare change from home each week to fill the bowls. The class/classes who raise the most \$\$ will get to have a "popsicle party" outside when the weather turns nice.

Nuestra recaudación de fondos anual de CRS Rice Bowls comienza hoy, domingo 21 de febrero. No enviaremos tazones de arroz a casa con todos los estudiantes. En cambio, habrá un cuenco en cada habitación. Les pedimos a los estudiantes que traigan dinero de casa cada semana para llenar los tazones. Las clases que recaudan más \$\$ tendrán una "fiesta de paletas heladas" afuera cuando el clima se vuelva agradable.

For faith formation

at home try...



Our parish code is JRQNH8

No Nursery at this time

Looking Ahead...

February 21— Rite of Sending at 8:30 am
mass/RE: 9:45 am—11 am/Youth Group
at 5:30 pm

February 23—RCIA at 7 pm

February 28—RE: 9:45 am –11 am (Class
Reconciliation 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th grade)

March 2—RCIA at 7 pm

March 7—RE: 9:45 am—11 am/Youth
Mass at 11:15 am

March 9—RCIA at 7 pm

March 13— Confirmation Retreat 2:30
pm– 6pm

Youth Group

Join the Youth Group!

(Grades 5th –12th)

Next Meeting: TONIGHT!!!

**Sunday, February 21st from
5:30pm until *7pm**

**JOIN US FOR FOOD AND
FELLOWSHIP AS WE LEARN
ABOUT LENT!**

**Families are invited to attend
Holy Hour immediately following
the Youth meeting.*

*For More information contact our
Youth Ministers, Carly Sadler (205)
837-8888 & Jordan Rawson (205)
863-5787*

(Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram!)

VISITS TO THOSE STUCK AT HOME

If you or someone you know would like a phone call or a visit from Father Bill or one of the deacons, please let us know. We would like to encourage anyone who feels discouraged at this time. We can visit in person or over the phone. We can bring communion if desired. The phone numbers are:

- Father Bill Lucas, 205-383-8134
 - Deacon Terry Rumore, 205-253-9223
 - Deacon Lee Robinson, 205-936-9330;
 - Deacon Serge Brazzotto, 205-753-3230.
- You may also call the office at 205-525-5161.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

***MARRIED COUPLES:** Does gardening and spring planting give you or your spouse a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you lovingly planted the seeds of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you the "gardening tools" you need to help your marriage grow and blossom.*

*The next weekend is VIRTUAL and is scheduled for **March 19-21, 2021**. You can get more information or register online at www.ALFL-wwme.org or by calling Sean and Angie Murray at 205-530-3607.*



Calendar for Feb 21 -Feb 28, 2021

Sunday- February 21

- Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am
- RE 9:45-11:00
- Sending of Elect-8:30 am Mass
- Youth Group 5:30-7:00 pm
- Holy Hour 7:00-8:00 pm
- Confessions during Holy Hour



Monday- February 22

- Mass 9:00 am
- Confessions 9:30-10:00 am
- KOC Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday- February 23

- Mass 9:00 am
- RCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday- February 24

- Mass 7:00 pm
- Confessions 6:00-6:45 pm

Thursday- February 25

- Mass 9:00 am

Friday- February 26

- Mass 9:00 am
- Confessions 9:30-10:00 am
- Stations of the Cross- 7:00 pm

Saturday- February 27

- Reconciliation 4:00-4:45 pm
- Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday- February 28

- Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am
- RE 9:45-11:00
- 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th grade Reconciliation during RE

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