



**Third Sunday of Lent  
March 7, 2010**

Merciful and gracious is the Lord,  
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

-- Psalm 103:8



**Week of March 8<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>**

- Monday: 8:00 Joyce Lombard+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Frank & Eva Diamantine+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Nancy Lee+
- Thursday: 8:00 Intentions: Ellen Sviland
- Friday: 8:00 Phil Quittman, Sr.+
- Saturday: 8:00 Michelle Corbett+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Betty Edgar, Doris Whitaker, Patty Charlton, Frank Louie, Bruce Barr, Joshua Bracciotti, John Murphy, Rebecca Bodle, Lucia Del Bagge & Robert Johnson.

Weekly Collections	February 28, 2010
Plate	\$8,544.50
Bishop's Annual Appeal	\$7,257.00

**Lenten Prayer**

*Oh loving Lord,  
during this Lenten season  
I lift up my voice to you.*

*Instill in my heart the desire to hear  
your voice in the voices of the poor,  
your people.*

*May I find in their example  
the path to my conversion.*

*Bless my Prayer, Fasting, Learning  
and Giving in this season of grace.*

*May these actions answer the call  
to transform our world.  
Amen*

**Parish Reconciliation Service!**



There will be a Reconciliation Service for the Parish on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

During the next three weeks of Lent, we will be offered a rare experience during the Liturgy of the Word. Those attending the 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. Masses will hear the readings taken from Year C of the Lectionary cycle. These readings include the Gospel of Luke. Parishioners attending the 10:30 a.m. Mass will hear readings from the Year A cycle of the Lectionary which, during Lent, includes the Gospel of John.

This unusual event occurs because the Elect, who are preparing for full initiation into the Faith Community at the Easter Vigil, will be experiencing the Rites of Scrutinies. Although the entire Family of Corpus Christi will not be present as the Elect partake in these rituals of self-examination, we too are encouraged to scrutinize ourselves.

In this week's Gospel of Luke, the words of our Lord are rather threatening: "...if you do not repent, you will all perish..."

The message of Jesus in John's Gospel is more comforting: "...whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst..." Both statements of our Lord are true and need to be taken to heart. Lent offers us the opportunity to scrutinize our lives and choose life over death.

*Love, Fr. Leo*

**Catholic Relief Services Collection**

The Catholic Relief Services Collection next weekend, March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, supports Catholic organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement services to the victims of persecution, war and natural disasters, as well as development projects to improve the living conditions of the poor; advocacy on behalf of the powerless; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; legal and support services for poor immigrants. Please make checks payable to **Corpus Christi Church**. Thank you for your generosity!



**Raph's News!**

**Lenten Scripture Series:** We will hold a Lenten series on the Passion Narratives from the Gospel of Luke on the following Thursday evenings: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Our facilitator is Raph. If you are looking to spend some time with the Lord reflecting on His words, setting aside some time for private reflection and prayer, consider taking advantage of this opportunity.

**What's On Your Mind Series:** On Monday mornings throughout March, we will focus on topics of religious interest to our parishioners. We have just begun a series on the Devil/Satan. Everyone is welcome. The place is the Rectory from 10:45 a.m. to Noon.

**Junior High Ministry News!**

Just a reminder that the **Junior High Ministry Group** (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders) will be meeting this Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Gibson Center.

**The Mysterious One!**

Last Sunday we gathered with Peter, John, and James at the mountain of Transfiguration and were summoned to listen to God's chosen Son. This week the scriptures draw us into the mystery of just who that God is. The first reading, perhaps one of the best known in the Bible, recounts the story of Moses and the burning bush, when the mysterious divine name is revealed. The responsorial psalm is a hymn extolling the attributes of God. Saint Paul and the Lord Jesus describe a God who judges and metes out punishment. No matter the lengths to which the scriptures go, we know that no amount of words will ever come close to capturing who God is. Our lives and our Lents are really journeys toward that mysterious One who will one day welcome us into the heavenly home that awaits those who put their trust in God alone.

**Easter Basket Collection!**



The **Corpus Christi Outreach Committee** is collecting medium-size Easter baskets to benefit the children served by St. Vincent de Paul's Visitation Center in Oakland. A package of grass and Easter candy should be included. This is a fun present for kids to receive. A marked basket will be in the Gibson Center for you to drop them off. Thank you very much!

**Day Light Savings Time Begins Next Weekend!**



It's hard to believe that we will be "springing forward" next Saturday evening, March 13<sup>th</sup>! But, that's what the calendar says. So, don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour before you go to sleep next Saturday night!

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**Around the Parish!**

The **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Corpus Christi Women's Group Lenten Retreat** will be held on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Church and Gibson Center. Our facilitator, Sr. Kathleen McCabe, will lead on the topic, "Living Lovingly in Turbulent Times." For more information, contact Kitty de Jong at 530-4249 or email her at: [peerke@sbcglobal.net](mailto:peerke@sbcglobal.net).

**Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Luncheon!**

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invite you to their **Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show on the Green** to be held at the San Ramon Royal Vista Golf Club in San Ramon. The date is Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. No-host Social begins at 11:30 a.m.; 12:00 Noon Buffet Luncheon, followed by fashions. There will also be door prizes. The cost is \$30.00. Please contact Rosemarie Pierce at 531-1878 for availability.

**Retreat for the Legal Profession!**

A Silent Retreat for the Legal Profession entitled, *Jesus Christ: The Source & Goal of Our Desiring*, will be held the weekend of March 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos. For more information, contact Joanne Parrilli at 655-0809 or visit: [www.jrclosaltos.org](http://www.jrclosaltos.org).

**St. Mary's Center Sunday Meal**

Corpus Christi Church is once again providing a meal for 70 seniors at St. Mary's Center on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. They are in need of a few items. If you can contribute, please check the appropriate space and return this slip to the Parish Office or place it in the Sunday collection basket. If you would like to help or contribute to this dinner, please call Trish Ryan at 530-5652. Thank You very much!

Tea \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee \_\_\_\_\_ Butter \_\_\_\_\_

Italian salad dressing \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner rolls \_\_\_\_\_

Home-made Cookies \_\_\_\_\_

Small "Bingo-type" prizes \_\_\_\_\_

Money \_\_\_\_\_

Help serve the meal on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

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