

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2026

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

-- Psalm 23:1



Daily Mass

Week of March 16th – 20th

- Monday: 8:00 George Niespolo+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Raymond Thomas Souza+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Katherine Vitt+
- Thursday: 8:00 Jim Murphy+
- Friday: 8:00 Hugo da Silva+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Linda Peng, Georgia Pontoniere, Dan McDonald, Lisa Wemple, Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick, James Breen, Janet Laurent, Anil Siu, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.

Weekly Collections	
Plate March 8 th	\$10,797.00

Please Note:

Remember to make **all checks** payable to **Corpus Christi Church**. And, indicate in the Memo line what the check is for. Thank you for your cooperation!

Catholic Relief Services Collection

The Catholic Relief Services collection will be this weekend, March 14th and 15th. This collection supports Catholic church 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. Thank You for your help!

Saints & Special Observances!

- Tuesday, March 17th: St. Patrick, Bishop
St. Patrick's Day
- Wednesday, March 18th: St. Cyril of Jerusalem,
Bishop & Doctor of the
Church
- Thursday, March 19th: St. Joseph, Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

From
Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the First Book of Samuel, the prophet writes: "Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart."

Looking into our hearts our God knows what we need; we are in want of forgiveness and reconciliation. As this Lenten Season draws to a close, I invite you to take the time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, March 19th, at 7:00 p.m.

In the Spirit of Lent, the seventh graders of our Parish School will lead us in the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 27th, at 7:00 p.m. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday processions at all the Masses (weather permitting) from the front doors at the top of the stairs into the Church.

On the evening of Holy Thursday, we will celebrate the Mass of the Last Supper at 7:00 p.m. This year's first communicants will have their feet washed by their parents. And, we will wash the feet of one another. Following Mass, there will be adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. The Good Friday Liturgy will be celebrated at 12:30 p.m., followed by the Stations of the Cross at 2:00 p.m.

The most important Liturgy of the year, the Easter Vigil, will begin at 8:00 p.m., Holy Saturday Night. On Easter Sunday, Masses will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., followed by an Easter Egg Hunt. Our hearts need not go wanting; let us end this Lenten Season together in prayer and celebration.

Love, Fr. Leo

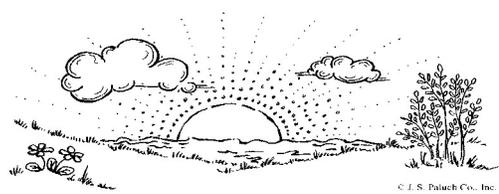
New Vision!

Jesus proclaimed that he came into the world to make the sightless see and the seeing blind. A difficult saying! But, surely it must mean that Jesus intended to take over ordinary ways of looking at things and turn them inside out. Jesus came to change our perspective. When the prophet Samuel went out to select the new king, he chose a young man who had the look of royalty about him. But, God told him not to judge by appearances. God told Samuel -- and today tells us -- to change our prospective and to look at things and people differently. We are like the Ephesians, whom Paul urged to live as children of the light. With the light of faith, we have a new way of looking at things and we are called to bring that new vision to the world around us. This is a great vocation, a calling to wake people up to what's really important.

Lenten Friday Night Fish Fry!

Come out and enjoy a family-style dinner with the Corpus Christi community on Friday, March 27th. The menu will be fish & chip dinner with fish, tater tots, salad and a dessert. Beer and wine will be available for purchase. Gibson Center doors open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner and Stations of the Cross to follow.

Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$12 for seniors, students & children; children under 5 are free. The NCAA March Madness Tournament will be on the large screen. Hope to see you there!



**Readings For The Week
March 16th -- 21st**

- Monday: First Reading Isaiah 65:17-21;
Psalm 30;
Gospel John 4:43-54
- Tuesday: First Reading Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12;
Psalm 46;
Gospel John 5:1-16
- Wednesday: First Reading Isaiah 49:8-15;
Psalm 145;
Gospel John 5:17-30
- Thursday: First Reading 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;
Psalm 89;
Second Reading Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22;
Gospel Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
- Friday: First Reading Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22;
Psalm 34;
Gospel John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday: First Reading Jeremiah 11:18-20;
Psalm 7;
Gospel John 7:40-53

Treasures From Our Tradition!

If there is such a thing as a Catholic "trademark," it is the sign of the cross, first traced on the senses of catechumens as they begin the journey to baptism, or on the forehead of an infant who is brought to the doors of the church at baptism.

As early as the third century, Christians were tracing the sign of the cross on their bodies. At first, the cross was traced on the forehead during times of prayer and daily occupations. We use a similar small cross today as we trace the cross over on the forehead, lips and heart at the Gospel during Mass. Much later, the full-body sign traced from forehead to heart to shoulders took shape, perhaps copying the priest's gesture of blessing with the consecrated host during Mass. Today, this superb baptismal gift is a sign of belonging to Christ and the community, a way of focusing our attention, of asking for God's blessing, of tracing on our shoulders a willingness to find meaning in life's burdens. In the sign of the cross, we have an ever-available means of expressing gratitude for our baptism.

Today's Readings



First Reading -- As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the Lord rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm -- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm

23).

Second Reading -- You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel -- The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).

RICE BOWL

Operation Rice Bowl!



Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of our Parish's involvement in **Operation Rice Bowl**, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Oakland. All families are asked to take home a cardboard Rice Bowl, available at the entrances to the Church and at the Parish Office. At the end of Lent, families will be asked to bring the filled bowls back to our Parish. Proceeds will be sent to CRS. Thank you for your involvement!

Not Without Love!

The soul cannot live without love.

-- St. Francis de Sales

Charity!

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire.

-- St. Vincent Ferrer