

St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church 603 N. 1st Street

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3rd Sunday of Lent, March 23, 2025

Reconciliation: 30 min before each Sunday Mass, or **Anytime by Request Adoration:** Sundays after the 11:00am Mass from 12:00 till 4:00pm **Baptisms:** Please call the Parish Office for information. Classes required before the baptism. **Marriage:** Arrangements for marriages must be made at least six Months before wedding. **Mass Intentions:** To request a specific date, please come by the parish office during office hours. **Parish Hall Availability:** Please call the Parish Office, 361-933-1200.

Sat	Mar	22	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	 Raul Perez; Rual Vinson; Armando Garza, Sr.
Sun	Mar	23	9:00 am	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene
			11:00 am	Special Intention
Mon	Mar	24	6:00 pm	 Nick Hill; JonathonStanush, in Memory; Heather Graham
Tue	Mar	25	7:00 am	 Guadalupe Lamb; For Bishops to be of one mind &
				Heart to call a plenary council to unite the body of Christ in
				our country; Jonathan Stanush, In Memory
Wed	Mar	26	7:00 am	 Dr. Glenn McCarty; M/M John Bluntzer; Lawrence Charba
				Intention
Thu	Mar	27	7:00 am	Lawerence Charba Intention; Charba Family Intention
Fri	Mar	28	7:00 am	For the conversion of the new world disorder who are enemies
				of God and his children; Lawerence Charba Intention; Charba
				Family Intention
Sat	Mar	29	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene
Sun	Mar	30	9:00 am	 Juan A. Rodriguez, Jr.; Special Intention
			11:00 am	+ Joel Gallegos
Mon	Mar	31	6:00 pm	Trent & Sarah Trent Family; Lisa & Scott Nolan Family
Tue	Apr	1	7:00 am	 Delores Torres; Universal Charity Education; Intention of
				Fr. Mark Wheelan
Wed	Apr	2	7:00 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thu	Apr	3	7:00 am	Mike & Angela Casarez Family; Special Intention for Paul &
				Carla Guarnere
Fri	Apr	4	7:00 am	Lisa & Scott Nolan Family
Sat	Apr	5	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	• Raul Perez; M/M Daniel P. Strukel; • Armando Garza, Sr.
Sun	Apr	6	9:00 am	 Dr. Glenn McCarty; Luis Cuellar; M/M John Bluntzer
	-		11:00 am	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene
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In preparation of this years *Friday Lenten Fish Fry* days, and to help cut the cost on the Church, we again ask for your help with supplies for the fundraiser. Below is a list of items you may want to donate. Please Drop off all items at the Church Office, during regular office hours. **Thank you for your HelpIII** The gallon size items can be purchased at Sams'. <u>Flounder Fish \$12.00</u> Flounder Fish \$12.00 Pure Clear Frying Oil (35 lb. *Box*) Desserts (cookies & cakes) Please deliver to Office or Parish Hall on **Thursday morning** of each week. Green Beans (101oz) 23 cans per wk. Prep work is done on Thursday mornings Mayonnaise—(1 gal size) Miracle Whip (gal.) A Food Handlers Certificate is Required for All Volunteers Pimentos- (4oz. Or larger) 6 –8 Volunteers are needed for each shift **Rotel Chilies** Fish Fry Days are March 14, 21, 28, Apr 4th, & 11th Desserts COME AND JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND/OR Jalapenos & Lemons **DINNER OR DRIVE THRU** Coleslaw Mix (precut) Your help is greatly appreciated! Cans of Sodas & Bottled Water To Go Plates 3 Compartments & Sandwich bags (zipper) & 2oz. Cups & Lids

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

The Grace of Repentance

Mark Twain once quipped, "man is the only animal that blushes. He is the only one that has occasion to." He may have intended this only as a comment on man's immorality. But, perhaps inadvertently, he also pointed to man's dignity. Man's ability to blush—his shame—comes not just from his wrongdoing but, more importantly, from his recognition of it. We blush because, unlike the other animals, we are moral agents capable of virtue, vice, and repentance....If we had no dignity, we would have no shame.

Shame and dignity work together to cause the prodigal son's conversion....*When he came to himself* (Lk 12:17) he realized that, although his sins had reduced him to the level of the animals, he still maintained a certain dignity. He realized the truth of himself, of his own worth, and also of his ability to repent....As with the prodigal son, so also with us: Shame reminds us of our dignity. It comes about when our conscience accuses us of sin and reveals that certain thoughts, words, or actions contradict our status as children of God. It is the moral nervous system alerting us of injury....It highlights the disconnect between our dignity and our behavior. And it thus enables us to come to our senses—better, to return to ourselves—and then return to our heavenly Father...As painful as shame can be, there is something worse: the silent conscience that fails to accuse and produces no shame. Such a conscience allows us to continue in sin...It produces men who cannot recognize good and evil....

If shame reminds us of our dignity, repentance restores it....We ought to enter the confessional like the prodigal son, carrying not just shame for our sins, but also confidence in the restoration of our status as children of God...The father did not forgive his son begrudgingly. Nor did he ridicule or belittle him. On the contrary, he granted him more far more than the son expected: the finest robe, a ring on his finger sandals on his feet, and the fattened calf.

We receive far greater gifts than these, and far more than we deserve, when we go to confession. We encounter the true Father in the confessional, where we kneel shameful and repentant to rise forgiven and restored. In fact, the glory of the confessional reaches all the way to heaven, where there will be joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

Father Paul Scalia

Father Paul Scalia is a priest in the diocese of Arlington, Virginia, where he serves as Episcopal Vicar for Clergy and pastor of Saint James in Falls Church.

Please remember those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith: † Henrietta Vrana, † Raul Perez, † Carmen Marin, † Dr. Glenn McCarty, † JoAnn Charba

Remember in your prayers those who are sick in our parish: Erwin Dornak, John Lloyd & Evelyn Bluntzer, Christina de Alejandro, Bea Villarreal, Laura Garza, Emma Harlan, Tricia Majek

Saturday Rosary: A "Scriptural" Rosary is



Said Saturday morning for *Pro Life* intentions at <u>8:30 am</u> before the 9 a.m. Mass. A Rosary will be said before the 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass, and on Sunday @ <u>8:30 a.m.</u>

and 10:30a.m.

Pilgrim Passport

To assist in this journey, the Diocese of Corpus Christi is offering a free printable passport.. This activity can be completed individually, as a family or as a group. By participating in these holy pilgrimages and practices, participants may be eligible to receive plenary indulgences. (Read Bishop Mulvey's decree and see below to learn more about plenary indulgences).

A plenary indulgence

A plenary indulgence is the remission of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, offered by the Church through the merits of Jesus Christ.

To obtain these indulgences, along with the specified requirements for the Jubilee indulgences, the faithful are called to:

Visit a Holy Site for the Jubilee Year designated by the Holy Father or the Local Ordinary within his diocese. Have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.

Holy Site in our Diocese

The parishes listed below are designated Holy Sites in the Diocese of Corpus Christi during the Year of Jubilee 2025. Passport stamping stations are located at each Holy Site. For a directory of all Holy Sites in the Diocese of Corpus Christi.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Alice (1010 Beam Station Rd., Alice TX 78332)

Corpus Christi Cathedral (505 N. Upper Broadway Corpus Christi, Texas 78401)

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Corpus Christi (540 Hiawatha St, Corpus Christi, TX 78405)

Schoenstatt Shrine Lamar, Rockport (134 Front St, Rockport, TX 78382)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission, Pawnee (14414 TX-72, Pawnee, TX 78145)

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Sarita (103 S Main St Sarita, TX 78385)

Go to Diocesecc.org to Choose & Print the Passport



Mar 23—3rd Sunday of Lent

Sat. 5:00 pm—Jessica Aleman Sun. 9:00 am—John Charba 11:00 am—Irma Saenz

Mar 30—4th Sunday of Lent

Sat. 5:00 pm—Jose Cuellar Sun. 9:00 am—Laurie Luciani 11:00 am—Eric Gamboa

Key Reading

Sat—<u>Micah 7:14-15, 18-20, Psalm 103:1-2, 3-</u> 4, 9-10, 11-12, <u>Luke 15:1-3, 11-32</u>

Sun—Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15, Psalm 103: 1-2, 3 -4, 6-7, 8, 11., 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12, Luke 13:1-9

Mon—<u>2 Kings 5:1-15ab, Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3,</u> <u>4, Luke 4:24-30</u>

Tue—Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10, Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11, Hebrews 10:4-10, Luke 1:26-38

Wed—Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9, Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20, Matthew 5:17-19

Thu—Jeremiah 7:23-28, Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9, Luke 11:14-23

Fri—Hosea 14:2-10, Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17,

Medical Plaza Pharmacy

13725 Northwest Blvd., Suite 130 Corpus Christi, TX 78410 Hours MON - FRI: 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM SAT: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM SUN: CLOSED Contact : 361-387-0005 pharmacist@medplazarxcc.com

Blessings upon your Sunday Offering March 16, 2025 Envelope: \$1,403.00 Loose: <u>\$977.00</u> Thank You! \$2,380.00 Eastern Europe—\$28.00 Building Fund—\$35.00 Black & Indian—\$25.00 Catholic Relief—\$25.00



The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

All kindness are either done explicitly or implicitly in His name, or they are refused explicitly or implicitly in His name.

<u>Church # - 361-933-1200</u> & Regular Office Hours Monday: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm Tuesday: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Friday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sermon in a Sentence <u>A Treasury of Quotations on the Spiritual Life</u>

Sin!....it is a transgression of God's commandment. We know that by it the lord is offended, friendship with Him is broken. His grace is lost, and one strays from the right path, headed for ruin. (T512)



<u>St. John Parishioners</u> The Our Lady of Fatima Statue is available for home travel for Family Prayer, Family Intentions, Praying the Rosary, Praying for Our Country, world peace, etc. <u>Sign up sheet</u> is in the parish office or call the parish office @ 361-933-1200 during regular office hours to reserve a week.

Adult Faith Formation— Classes have resumed @ 6:30 PM on Wednesday in Parish Office.



The Sanctuary or Chapel Candle is perpetually lit in the Church For:

Jo Ann Charba
 By: Jo Billings Family



Please Join Us to Pray the Rosary Every Tuesday in the Chapel at 5:00 PM. *Everyone is welcome!*

<u>Be a Volunteer for the Church</u> & Share the Good News, Please Invite Family & Friends to the Friday Fish Fry days during Lent.