

A reflection from the Pastor

Resurrection. We hear a lot about this phenomenon of one rising from the dead or returning to life. One of the central tenets of our faith, we proclaim that Jesus was resurrected and rose from the dead after three days. It is indeed with the eyes of faith that we trust in the resurrection event. And yet, each time we rise above our sinfulness, particularly after the forgiveness we receive in the Sacrament of Penance, we return to life in Christ. It is a moment of spiritual resurrection. Our bodily resurrection will come at the end of time, when Jesus comes to judge the living and the dead.

In today's gospel we hear that the Sadducees, who deny any resurrection, tried to test Jesus with a question about re-marriage and whose wife would she be at the time of the resurrection. The answer, which came in truth, is that there is no giving in marriage to one another in heaven. There is only one bride-groom and that is Jesus. We all become his bride. In the resurrection at the end of time, we become his spouse. That is precisely why we try to get it right here on earth. Marriage is a witness here on earth, when done in love, of the union of bride to groom (Jesus) at the resurrection. And so that is why we take the covenant between man and wife so seriously; it is a sacred sign of the love God has for us and calls us to for all eternity. In your relationships this week, strive for moments of resurrection – new life even amidst struggles – and see Christ who has already done it. Fr. Ty

Catholic Daughters Tamale Orders/Sales

It is time to order your tamales. The CDA members will be taking orders after Masses for pickup on November 17 and 18. You may purchase:

cooked or uncooked \$6 a dozen
spicy or mild

Christmas Olive Wood Sales

This Sunday, November 11
After all Masses

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration
Sunday, November 18 6:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church, Bloomington

This gathering is for the local community of believers to come together and give thanks to God for our countless blessings.

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions

November 13 - November 18

Tuesday, 13th	6:00 p.m.	Angelus
<i>St. Francis Cabrini</i>	6:10 p.m.	Mass – <i>Carl Brzozowska + Hillyer Family</i>
Wednesday, 14th	8:00 a.m.	Mass - <i>In Thanksgiving by Elenora Jelinek</i>
Thursday, 15th	8:00 a.m.	Mass - <i>Lillie Bombersbach</i>
Friday, 16th	8:00 a.m.	Mass – <i>Guadalupe Gonzalez by Raul & Yolanda Aguillon</i>
Saturday, 17th	3:00 p.m.	Nuptial Mass – Robles/Saenz
	5:15 -5:45 p.m.	Penance
	5:40 p.m.	Rosary – <i>leader: Bebe Canchola</i>
	6:00 (vigil)	Mass – <i>Jose Perez & Chelo Reyna by M/M Ted Cabral</i>
Sunday, 18th	7:30 a.m.	Santissima Rosario
<i>33rd Sunday OT</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass – <i>Pro Populo</i>
<i>2nd: CHD</i>	10:00 a.m.	Mass – <i>All Souls</i>

Campaign for Human Development NEXT SUNDAY - Second Collection

Imagine life below the poverty line, where one in eight Americans struggles every day to hang on. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development helps people to create permanent solutions to the problem of poverty in their communities. Be part of the

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors

Saturday 6 p.m.	Jeanette West, Lisa Canales
Sunday, 8 a.m.	Veronica Ledezma, Gloria Cantu
10 a.m.	Ismael Perez, Gracie Perez

Ministers of the Precious Blood

Saturday 6 p.m.	Paulette Brandl, Jeanne Lange
Sunday 8 a.m.	Lupe and Frances Rivera
10 a.m.	Mary Helen Garcia, Margaret Escalante

Gift Bearers

Saturday 6 p.m.	Norma/Sulema Posada
Sunday 8 a.m.	Henry and Minnie Chacon
10 a.m.	Ismael and Gracie Perez

Ushers

Saturday 6 p.m.	B. Hernandez, H. Cardona, I. Martin, A. Chamberlain
Sunday 8 a.m.	A. Posada, H. DeLuna, L. Rivera Jr., J. Cantu
10 a.m.	J. Troncoso, S. Torres, H. Longoria, C. Martin

Altar Servers

Saturday 6 p.m.	Gabriella & Madeline Canales, Matthew Vela
Sunday 8 a.m.	Kellsey Monroy, Raul Monroy, Juan Castellanos
10 a.m.	Jerry Adkins, Albert Adkins, Analysa Gonzalez

Parish Meeting Calendar - November

13	Catholic Daughters Mtg.	7	Heritage
15	Knights of Columbus Mtg.	7	Heritage
20	Adult Bible Class	7	Heritage
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24	Pre-Baptism Instruction	10	Heritage
27	Adult Bible Class	7	Heritage

Religious Education This Week

This Wednesday, November 7– Regular Classes

Grades 1-6 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Grades 7-12 7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.



Last Sunday's Collection:

General: \$ 1,437.51

Building Fund: \$ 907.48

All Saints Day: \$ 148.20

Around the Diocese...

Nov 11 Our Lady of Lourdes Fall Festival
Victoria Community Center Turkey \$7

Nov 13 Catholic Student Association (CSA)
Thanksgiving Mass – 6 p.m.
Victoria College Student Center, Rooms A-D
This Mass if for all college students.



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Fall Scripture Class

Understanding the Bible

The fall scripture series began with our comprehensive look at the bible.

The course is designed to help understand each of the books of the Bible.

Dates: **Tuesdays, November 20 – December 4 in the Heritage Room. 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.** no Nov. 13.

All adults are invited to attend. Religious Education teachers are strongly encouraged to attend. If you don't have a bible, one will be furnished.

Some Notes from the Third Class –

We watched a video showing the construction of the ark of the covenant which Moses erected at the base of Mount Sinai. We then began our study of the Former Prophets: Joshua, Judges, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings

1. Joshua, written by the Deuteronomist writer speaks of the conquest of Canaan and its distribution, ending up with the dismissal of the Transjordan tribes, and Joshua's farewell. The period covered takes place around 1224 B.C.

2. Judges also written by the Deuteronomist writer is a group of stories of local heroes/leaders/judges and how the people fail to uphold the covenant. Period of the Judges was from 1200 – 1050 B.C. Among some of the more famous judges in this period were: Deborah, Gideon, and Samson.

3. 1 & 2 Samuel. Samuel who was living around 1050 B.C. The book was also written by the Deuteronomist writer consisting of a series of stories; birth and youth of Samuel, the loss and return of the ark, Samuel as Judge, establishment of the monarchy, reign and rejection of Saul, Book 2 > David becomes king of Judah and Israel, and the reign of David. Contains the story of David and Goliath.

4. 1 & 2 Kings was also written by the Deuteronomist writer. From the time of Solomon to the destruction of the temple and into exile 961-561.

Next Class: Not this week, but Tuesday, November 20

What's your Catholic IQ - Faith Quiz

Answer from last week:

St. Peter was:

a. a fisherman

This week's question:

The number of Sundays in Advent (the season approaching in December) is:

a. four b. five c. six d. seven

(answer next week)

If you are interested in joining a team for the Diocesan Knowledge Bowl, contact Fr. Ty for more information.

Disciples on the Journey

This is a Lectionary Based book designed for adults, youth, and families to reflect on the gospel during Lent and other pertinent themes. The books are sold in groups of 10 and are in English and Spanish. Think about starting a group this Lent and consult the order form on the bulletin board for more information.

**Annual Christmas Parish Dinner
Sunday December 16, 2007
5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

All are welcome, mark your calendars for this dinner. It is a time for us to celebrate as a parish the joy of Jesus' birthday. We will also be collecting food for the hungry.

We Honor our Veterans this Veterans Day – Monday, November 12, 2007



America's Wars

The American Revolution The War of 1812 Mexican War
Civil War Spanish American War World War I World War II
Korean War Vietnam War Persian Gulf War Afghanistan War
Iraq War



Parish office is closed on Monday. Thank you.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 5:15 - 5:45 P.M. and by Private Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Bring Birth Certificate to Class. Godparents should be practicing, churchgoing Catholics, who have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill.

New Parishioners

Welcome. Please stop by the parish office to register.

The bulletin is provided for the explicit purpose of communicating information weekly to the people of God in Bloomington, Texas concerning the pastoral mission of the parish. For more information or to have something included, please call the pastor.



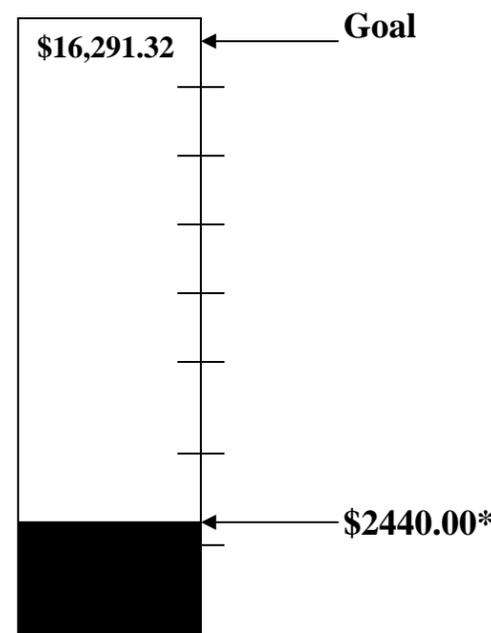
Quinceañeras

Young ladies approaching their fifteenth birthday, who are members of the parish, are attending religious education classes, and have been enrolled for three years, may contact the pastor six months in advance to arrange the celebration.

**Diocesan Services Appeal (D.S.A.)
Update**

A little over two weeks ago you should have received a letter asking to assist with this annual appeal which goes to help the bishop in his work to run the diocese.

Thank you to those who have already given. To those who have not, you still have time. We now have a total of \$2440.00. That is \$1500 over what we had two weeks ago.



*** Number of Families contributing so far: 31**

Total Number of Parish Families: 330

If every family can help, as I suggested \$50 or if you can give more, we would more than reach our goal. We would also not have to have the January raffle which requires selling \$50 tickets.

Thank you again for your support. Encourage one another.

Readings to Meditate on for next week

Reading 1 - Malachi 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

Reading II 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters:
You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

Gospel - Luke 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here-- the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky. "Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

Take some time to reflect on the readings before Sunday's Mass to enhance your understanding and help you engage in the readings as you hear them proclaimed.