

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February Lay Ministers

Extraordinary ministers: Don Wroble, Elizabeth Cowles and Emily Moran

Ushers: Brett and Eli Moran

Acolytes: Eli Moran and Kaleb Yandell

Crossbearer: Lilly Hicks

First Reading: Emma Taylor

Second Reading: Lang Pharis

Prayer of the Faithful: Carson McAdory

Offertory Gifts families: (26th) Brian Dunn

Parish, Finance Councils

We want to thank Jim Fulton and Regina Hicks for their service on the Parish Council and Cindy Brown and Shane Allen on the Finance Council. Lee McCall and Sonny Johnson will be our new members on the Parish Council and Brett Moran and Kristen Page on the Finance Council. We thank all for their willingness to serve our parish.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8 and 10.30 a.m.

Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 7.30 a.m.

Tuesday: 6 p.m.

Wednesday: at noon

First Friday: at noon with adoration until 6 p.m.

Record of our Giving on Feb. 19

Regular	\$2,545.75
Building	465.00
Children	31.00
Cemetery	10.00

St. Patrick's Day

Knights of Columbus sixth annual 50/50 St. Patrick's Day party and Raffle will be March 19 after Sunday 10:30 mass. Tickets on sale now for \$1 each. See any of the Knights for tickets or available after each mass.

Condolences

We like to express our heartfelt condolences to Mary Ezelle on the death of her husband David Ezelle. Also Lenard Stansbery on the death of his wife Brenda Stansbery. May the souls rest in peace.

Ash Wednesday

March 1 is Ash Wednesday. On Tuesday (February 28) we will have the vigil mass for Ash Wednesday at 6 p.m. On Ash Wednesday, our mass will be at 7 a.m. and at noon. Please participate in the Ash Wednesday program. Also please remember, that is the day of fasting.

Fast and Abstinence

During Lent, Catholics in the United States abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. They fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

To abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent means to not eat meat on those days. It does not intend the omission of eggs or dairy products.

The required fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday involves eating only one full meal on those days. One or two smaller meals may be taken on those days, but may not total one full meal. The required fast does not allow eating anything between meals.

"All Catholics who have completed their fourteenth year are bound by the law of abstinence; all adults are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their sixtieth year."

Stations of the Cross

March 3 is the first Friday of the Lent. We will have Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. Afterwards, stay and enjoy supper compliments of the Knights of Columbus.

Building Fund

We are offering our parishioners the ability to have the Building Fund Offertory amounts drafted automatically from your bank account, in the coming weeks. Forms are available in the back of the church. To ensure the correct information is entered, please include a voided check. Forms can be given to Father Augustine or any finance council member.

ABBEY YOUTH FEST

Abbey Youth Fest will be held on March 25 in Covington, La. at Saint Joseph Abbey and Seminary College. The all day youth festival includes awesome music, community prayer, time for reconciliation, and great talk. Abbey Youth Fest is an event you don't want to miss! Youth grades 8th – 12th are eligible to attend. Registration is due by February 5th. Cost is \$40. Depending on our numbers, we may spend the night and come back Sunday. Please sign up in the back of the church.

A Biblical Explanation

Holy Cross will present the DVD series A Biblical Explanation of the Mass in the parish hall during Lent. The six-week program will be held from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday beginning on March 8 and all adults are invited to attend. Study materials will be provided and a sign up sheet is in the back of church.

Mardi Gras Party

We will have Mardi Gras celebration today after the 10:30 mass. Please join us in the hall. All are invited.

Vision, Mission, Priorities

VISION: Serve Others, Embrace Diversity, Inspire Disciples

THE MISSION: The Mission of the Catholic Diocese of Jackson is to proclaim Jesus Savior by living the Gospel, so that all people may experience the crucified and risen Lord.

PRIORITIES- # Create inviting and Reconciling Communities

Facilitate Life Long formation of Intentional Disciples

Proclaim Jesus Christ and our Catholic Faith

Note of Thanks

We like to thank all the youth for coming together last Sunday for the fun day. Thanks to Emily Moran and Jason Holland for organizing. Thanks to Amy Taylor, Amy Fulton and Janet Barnhills for the driving them and joining with us. Thanks to the members of the McClain Church for letting us use their community center. Thanks.

Birthdays

26th – Emily Berry, Tanner Winstead

28th – Jordan Burt

March 1st – Hayden, Jenna and Kalen Yandell

March 3rd – Joan Walker, Carson McAdory

March 4th – Megan Hemphill

Prayer Concerns

Perpetual Needs: [Those suffering catastrophic illnesses/need(s)] Scott Johnson, Phylis Estes, Angie Bobo, Charles Pierce (Betty DiPalma's Uncle), Emily Burpee (Infant), Paulette Williams, Lilah Reynolds, Velma Lozano, Arden Gentry, Monroe Lockhart, Joyce Fulton, Larry Nicholson, John Robert Irby, Julie Burt, Pearl Hancock, Janice Stokes, David Rutherford, Marilyn Freeny, Douglas Whitehead, Larry Mills, Hunter Hoffman, Patricia LaPierre, Nell Phillips, Sandy Pauly, Teresa Patterson, Buford Stephens, Dewey Burton, Sharon Stokes, Paul Jones, Sue Addy, Caroline McCoy, Brock Ward, Antonio Gutierrez, Megan Mescagni, Joshua Lara, Ray Thomas, Jim Holland, Dennis Alderman, Faye Jones, Angie Tullos, Chris Hatcher, Nelson White, Anthony Harkins, Cheryl McBride, Tony Riley, Laurie Edwards Keely, Walt Rodehaver, Rita Page, Liz Thornton, Wanda George, Edna Steele, Chris & Ed Roake, Terrance (Byrd) Durant, Diane Clem, Paige Nowell, Betty DiPalma, Betty Henson, Laiken Cole, Travis Bryan, Pat Duncan, Helen Moore, Diane Cowles, Doyle Lee Fisher, Mac Haas, Robert Hutcherson, Rhonda Adair, Melissa Clark, Norieta de Dios, Ollie Prosen, Ray Greenwood, Blake Taliancich, Mary Grace Day (Mary Ziemnick's mother), and Bill Terry.

Special Needs: The Joey Irby Family, Jordan Turk, Marcie Prosen, Josh Pilgrim, Jeff Burt, Mary Beth Coker, Timmy Penton, Etoile Luke, Steve Hancock, Ron Sparnecht, Junior Hutcherson, Aimee Starkey & Unborn Infant, the Charles Yates Family, the Dwight Shumaker Family, the James "Skip" Duncan Family, the Rick & Tiffany Parks Family, the Tony & Alex Day Family, Mac Burt, Terry Winstead, the Kendell Ward Family, Kemper Nelson, Bob Burns, the Hazel Allen Family, the Cole Stringer Family, Crockett Watkins, Andrea Savel, Benny Lee Adkins, Janice Payne, the Charlie McClain Family, Mollie Turner, the Lennard Stansbury Family, the David Ezelle Family, Robin Gregory, and the Ken Snow Family.

Our Faithfully Departed: We pray for the repose of the souls of Stanley Dearman, Ken Snow, Brenda Stansbury, David Ezelle, Charlie McClain, Hazel Allen, Cole Stringer, Kendell Ward, James "Skip" Duncan, Cal David Parks (Infant), Mrs. Tracy Blaylock, Dwight Shumaker, and Mrs. Jean Yates. May their souls as well as all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace.

Our Elderly & Shut-ins: Sarah Luke, Mary White, Joyce Pou, Bernice Benson, Ruth Covington, and Ida Schultz.