

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2015

I, the LORD, am your God . . .

You shall not have other gods besides me.

— *Exodus 20:2a, 3*

THANK YOU!

Weekly Collection 03/01/15 \$ 4,684.08
 School Tuition Assistance (12/22) \$ 2,273.00

Mass Schedule

† - denotes deceased

Sat	Mar 7.	4:30 p.m.	Billy Wayne Knight †
Sun	Mar 8.	7:30 a.m.	Richard Hernandez †
Sun	Mar 8.	10:30 a.m.	Parish Family
Tue	Mar 10.	6:30 a.m.	Jon Marie Erlemeier †
Wed	Mar 11.	9:00 a.m.	Tommy Gardner †
Thurs	Mar 12.	6:30 a.m.	Mickey Chambers †
Fri	Mar 13.	6:30 a.m.	Francis Nguyen V Dinh †
Sat	Mar 14.	4:30 p.m.	Jane Feldhaus †

God's Word

Loving one's neighbor as oneself stands the common wisdom of "charity begins at home" on its head. Yet Jesus' commandments are not new. It makes one wonder how common wisdom got to be so common.

-- BIRTHDAYS --

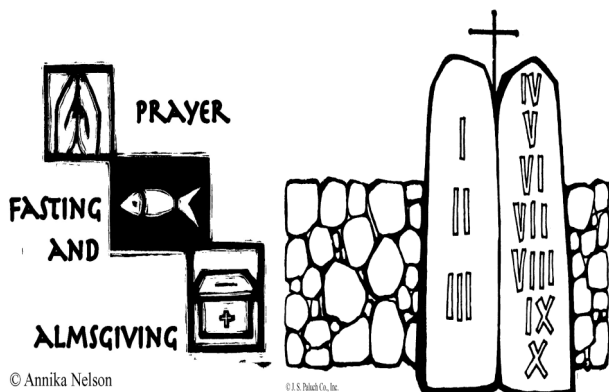
Mar 7.— Zack Southwell.

Mar 13.— Theresa Tran, Lola Tuninello.

-- ANNIVERSARY

OLF MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

	4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Mar 7	7:30 am Sunday Mar 8	10:30 am Sunday Mar 8			4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Mar 14	7:30 am Sunday Mar 15	10:30 am Sunday Mar 15
LEM	Joe Feldhaus Lisa Feldhaus Irene Leon	Tony Tuminello Lola Tuminello JoAnn Carroll	Janet Smith Joe Socha Janice Socha Hardy Terry Sherry Watson			Vernita O'Pry Johnny Sampognaro Frances Sampognaro	Marie Dinger Ed Dinger Cathy Dinger	Don Wilhelm Herbert Breard Janet Breard Angelo Danna Jennifer Duong
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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The law was given through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalms — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified; the foolishness of God is greater than human wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

Gospel — Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

*****Annual Diocesan Appeal**—**OLF Church** has now officially kicked off launched our efforts to support the 2015 Annual Diocesan Stewardship Appeal. Gratitude is extended to those within our worship family who provided gift to this effort, thank you for the support shown to our Annual Appeal. Participation by our worshipping families is the key to success for our 2015 Appeal effort. If you have yet to provide your Appeal gift this year, please take time to fill out a pledge card and return envelope located in the Church pews, or contact an usher if you find one unavailable. Gifts can also be made through automatic withdrawal using the instructions on your pledge card, by phone using the QR code found on the back page of your Appeal brochure, or on-line at www.dioshpt.org.

*****Diocesan Lenten App**—now available in app stores. The Lenten App is available in English and Spanish. It includes written, spoken and musical reflections for each day during the Lenten and Easter seasons. In addition, there will be weekly reflections from Bishop Michael Duca. Please check the bulletin, parish and diocesan websites for more information and links. —Fatima website: www.olfmonroe.org

*** **“Women of Light and Wisdom”**—retreat for women, Saturday, April 18, 2015. 9 am—9 pm, Catholic Center, Shreveport. Lyn Holley Doucet, retreat director. The cost is \$25. To register call 318-219-7310 or contact Diane Rachal at drachal@dioschpt.org.

Applications for tuition assistance from the Daughters of the Cross and the Bishop's Tuition Assistance Fund are available until March 31. **For information, call the diocesan Catholic School Office at 318-329-7253.

****Annulment Workshop**—March 23, 6:00—7:30 pm—St. Michael Chapel, Fr. Peter Mangum. Workshop is designed to clarify issues related to annulment and to be of practical assistance to those needing information. Open to all—parishioners/educators. For more information, call 318-221-5296.

*****Help Wanted**— housekeeper for the rectory. Applications available in the church office.

Second Collection

March 21-22— The CRS Collection

February 18—May 5— Operation Rice Bowl.

Christian Giving

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Stations of the Cross— Friday, Mar 13th, 6 PM.

- **Singles**—meet Sunday, Mar 8, 2 PM. Home of Della Neitz.
- **Lenten Bible Study**—Wednesday, Mar 11th, 6:30 PM.
- **Pioneers**—meet Tuesday, March 10th, 10 AM.
- **Easter preparation choir practice**—Wednesday, March 11th at 6 PM.
- **Lenten Revival**—hosted by Little Flower of Jesus Church on March 17, 18 & 19. The preacher will be Fr. Chester Smith SVD from the Bowman-Francis Ministry Project in Indianapolis, Indiana. It will be held at 7:00 pm each night at the Little Flower of Jesus Church. 600 S. 16th St., Monroe, LA. Refreshments will be served after the Revival each night. For more information, call 322-1224.
- **Chrism Mass**— Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 6 PM at the Cathedral of St. John Berchmans. Most Reverend Michael Duca will preside. The Holy Chrism, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens will be blessed and the priests will renew their commitment to priestly service at this Mass. A reception will follow Chrism Mass in the Multi Room. Everyone in the diocese is invited to attend.
- **Gift Shop**—open after all weekend Masses.

Please Keep In Your Prayers!

Sunshine Gulley	Sara Zagone	Helen Asley
John & Barbara Lauer	Robert Bell	Charles Reerso
Joseph Martina, Sr.	Judy Humphrey	Jeanne Sampognaro
John Filhoil	Johnny Sampognaro	John Rayburn
Pamila McCormick	Don McCarty	Abigail Yelvert
Ann Trichell	Mary Moore	Andrew Scurria
Dorothy Marin	Bob Wilson	Dorothy J Ward
Jamie Blunski Freeman		

*See monthly Prayer Calendar for additional names.