

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**March 15, 2015**

God did not send his Son into the world  
to condemn the world,  
but that the world might be saved  
through him.

— *John 3:17*

**THANK YOU!**

**Weekly Collection 03/08/15 \$ 4,929.19**  
**School Tuition Assistance (12/22) \$ 2,273.00**

**Mass Schedule**

✠ - denotes deceased

Sat	Mar 14.	4:30 p.m.	Jane Feldhaus ✠
Sun	Mar 15.	7:30 a.m.	Parish Family
Sun	Mar 15.	10:30 a.m.	Intentions of Judith Martin ✠
Tue	Mar 17.	6:30 a.m.	Jon Marc Erlemier ✠
Wed	Mar 18.	1:30 a.m.	Rose Ditta ✠
Thurs	Mar 19.	6:30 a.m.	Albert Ellis ✠
Fri	Mar 20.	6:30 a.m.	Norman O’Pry ✠
Sat	Mar 21.	4:30 p.m.	Philip Leon ✠

**GOD UPHOLDS ME**

I take for my sureties: The power of God to guide me, the might of God to uphold me, the wisdom of God to teach me, the eye of God to watch over me, the ear of God to hear me, the word of God to give me speech, the hand of God to protect me, the way of God to go before me, the shield of God to shelter me.

—St. Patrick

**-- BIRTHDAYS --**

Mar 15.— John Filhiol, Rachel Eichhorn, Hunter Varino  
Mar 17.— Bailey Collins  
Mar 19.— Juliet Fontana.

**-- ANNIVERSARY**

**OLF MINISTRIES SCHEDULE**

	4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Mar 14	7:30 am Sunday Mar 15	10:30 am Sunday Mar 15			4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Mar 21	7:30 am Sunday Mar 22	10:30 am Sunday Mar 22
LEM	Vernita O’Pry Johnny Sampognaro Frances Sampognaro	Marie Dinger Ed Dinger Cathy Dinger	Don Wilhelm Herbert Breard Janet Breard Angelo Danna Jennifer Duong			Sara Zagone Pat Joseph Sylvia Bartlett	Norman Hutsell Jody Lofton Mary Lofton	David Gibson Marilynn Gibson Betty Ellias Ron Landry Marilyn Landry
LECTORS	Marcus Eichhorn Wendy McQuillan	Susan Erlemier Francis Huffman	Jennifer Duong Frank Bordelon			Ann Christopher Arthur Villordan	Tony Tuminello Lola Tuminello	Nancy Pierron Janet Breard
ALTAR SERVERS	TBA	TBA	TBA			TBA	TBA	TBA
ALTAR DUTY	Vernita O’pry	Nancy Pierron				JoAnn Carroll	Jeanette Carpenter	
GIFT SHOP	Pat Joseph	Cathy Dinger	Betty Elias			Vernita O’Pry	Marie Dinger	Dolores Fox



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**\*\* The regular Children's Mass on Wednesday has been moved to 1:30 pm because of testing.**

**\*\*\*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 online at [www.dioshpt.org](http://www.dioshpt.org).

**\*\*\*Diocesan Lenten App**—now available in app stores. The Lenten App is available in English and Spanish. Please check the bulletin, parish and diocesan websites for more information and links.

**\*\*\* "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](mailto:drachal@dioschpt.org).

**\*\* \*St Matthews** will sponsor their annual Spring Garden and Crafts Day on Saturday, April 11, 2015. Each 10ft x 10ft both is \$50. Table available at \$20 for non-profit organizations. Access to electricity is an additional \$20. Open to the public. Registration forms and additional information is available on the table by the front door of the church or the church office. More details, call 318-791-0408.

**\*\*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. Open to all—parishioners/educators. For more information, call 318-221-5296.

**\*\*\*Scripture Contest**—Saturday, March 28th 10 am, Golden Pond Spiritual Center, Downsville. Anyone born on or after 2002 is eligible to compete. For information, call 318-982-1149. \$500 1st; 2 & 3rd-\$250.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) *or* 1 Samuel 16:

*1b, 6-7, 10-13a.*

**Psalm** — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) *or* Psalm 23.

**Second Reading** — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) *or* Ephesians 5:8-14.

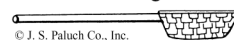
**Gospel** — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) *or* John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

## Second Collection

**March 21-22— The CRS Collection**

**February 18—May 5— Operation Rice Bowl.**

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**Stations of the Cross— Friday, Mar 20th, 6 PM.**

- **Lenten Bible Study**—Wednesday, Mar 18th, 6:30 PM.
- **Altar Society** —meet Monday, March 16th, 6 PM.
- **Parish Council**—Wednesday, March 18th at 6 PM.
- **Lenten Reconciliation Service**—Friday, March 20th, 6:30 PM following Stations of the Cross.
- **The Altar Society** will sponsor a Spring **Church Cleaning** on Saturday, March 21st beginning at 9 am. Anyone wishing to help is welcome. Bring cleaning cloths and a bucket. Thanks in advance for helping to make our church clean and beautiful.
- **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. 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. Everyone in the diocese is invited.
- Envelopes are available for those wishing to make a donation toward the Easter flowers and decorations. Your generosity is appreciated.
- **Gift Shop**—open after all weekend Masses.

## Please Keep In Your Prayers!

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

\*See monthly Prayer Calendar for additional names.