

**Third Sunday of Lent  
Saturday, March 14**

**5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass**

+ Mary Certo

**Sunday, March 15**

**8:30 a.m.** +Frances Palazzolo

**10:00 a.m.** People of the Parish

**5:00 p.m.** +Edgar Anolin

**Monday, March 16**

**7:30 a.m.** +Eileen Hurd

**Tuesday, March 17**

*St. Patrick, Bishop*

**7:30 a.m.** +Valentim Neves

**Wednesday, March 18**

**6:15 p.m. \*** +Rorate Caeli Purgatorial Society

**Thursday, March 19**

*St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**7:30 a.m.** +Thomas Romond

**7:00 p.m. \*** People of the Parish

**Friday, March 20**

**7:30 a.m.** +Carl Valentino

**Saturday, March 21**

**5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass**

+Edward & +Larry Jarosewicz

**Sunday, March 22**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**8:30 a.m.** +Ronald Bara

**10:00 a.m.** +Barney Shannon

**5:00 p.m.** People of the Parish

\*Extraordinary Form

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March  
Catholics in China**

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

**During Lent - Confessions every Friday at 6pm**

**Stations of the Cross every Friday 6:30 p.m.**

Irish Soda Bread orders may be picked up in the church hall, Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> following the 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Masses. Thank you to all who supported the Evangelization Ministry. Enjoy



**Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure**

**March 8, 2020 –\$5,191.00**

**Mail Donations \$805.00**

*Please remember Corpus Christi Parish  
in your will and estate planning.*

*Please keep us updated on your loved ones.*

Roger Gregor, Janice Gowen, Phyllis Mason, Florence Unverzagt, Maria C Silva, Jean Obst, Luke Mayell, Bernadette Haase, Suzanne Boyce, Emerson Harper, Peggy Reynolds, Joyce Hanula Gloria Gregor-Hughes, Renee Giliberti, Louis Kadubic Joan Petersen, Susan Wiecek Shecter, Carol Ostrowski, Patricia Ronan, Noel Gowran, Isabel Rendon, Helen Kovacs, Judi Zyskowski, Samuel Saloom, Jr, Debbie Canuso-Danley, Debra Doyle, Kathleen McGreevy, Michael Majewski, Christopher Haase, John Gregor, Karen Kleinschmidt, Debra Doyle, Josephine Dehlinger, Kristin Rein, Basilda Barbosa Fernandes, Nancy Rouke Rebecca Rannazzisi.



**Sacred Heart Candle – March 14-20**

**Eileen Hurd**

**Third Sunday of Lent - March 15, 2020**

*"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again."*

*John 4:13*

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

**St. Joseph – March 19, 2020**

Novena to St. Joseph will be recited daily following the 7:30 a.m. Mass from Wednesday, March 11 –thru March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Thursday, March 19 -7:30 a.m. Mass, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Holy Hour Litany followed by 7:00 p.m. Low Mass.



### Now on Sale Super 50-50 Tickets

Super 50-50 Tickets are now on sale after weekend Masses and in the parish office during regular hours. The ticket will be drawn at Corpus Christi Pocketbook Bingo on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 p.m. Winner need not be present. Tickets are \$10.00. Last year's winner received over \$2,300.00. **Our Pocketbook Bingo will** feature many designer pocket books as prizes, such as Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Calvin Klein, etc. Tickets will be on sale shortly. Admission is \$25.00 and you receive a book for 10 games. Additional books are available for purchase. Merchandise raffle tickets will be available which includes prizes such as Liz Claibourne, Lottery Tree, Coach Wristlets, etc.

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### 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal

#### **Stepping Forward in Faith: Grace in Action**

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in Corpus Christi. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. Among other important ministries, your sacrificial gift supports our renewed efforts in Evangelization & Communication. If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, March 21.22, which has been designated as Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Thank You.



Lenten Penance Service  
Thursday,  
March 26, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.  
Several priests will be available  
to hear confessions

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**MEMORIALIZING PEWS-** If you have not yet made arrangements for a pew but are considering it, whether a family name or In Memory of a Loved One, call the parish office to sign up or for more information.



Donation is \$500.00. Please note you may wish to make installment payments.

The Rosary Altar Society & St. Vincent de Paul Society are requesting feminine hygiene products to be collected on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at the coffee/donut social in the church hall between 8am – 12 Noon.

**Please do not bring items to the usher's closet prior to this date.**

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**Easter Duty** – Less popular, however, is the practice of confession, so let us look more closely at that sacrament. For me, the motivation for confession is often a nagging uneasiness that I have hurt someone and a desire to set things right. I may have acted out of anger with my wife or frustration with my children, or harbor resentment toward others. I may try to dismiss this uneasy feeling or rationalize my behavior, but ultimately I know that I have fallen short and sinned. I need to make amends with those whom I've wronged and realize that God is the first one offended by sin. That is why I show up at the confessional – to present myself before Jesus in the persons of the priest and receive the Lord's pardon and peace in absolution (cf. Jn 20:22-23). Call it what you will – penance, confession, reconciliation – the *Catechism* teaches that this sacrament has many effects, the foremost of which is “restoring us to God's grace and joining us with him in an intimate friendship” (1468). Sin damages our relationship with God. Reconciliation rooted in humble contrition restores it. For good reasons, the formula for absolution begins with the words. “God, the Father of mercies.” Sin also breaks our bonds with others in the Church. We saw discord and distrust, and disrupt our union with the Body of Christ, when we choose to love ourselves over our neighbors. Reconciliation restores those links that we share with the ones we love and the ones we should love more. The aspect of the sacrament that many shrink from – the difficult practice of telling my sins to another person – has become one of the most reassuring for me. On my own, I can fool myself and excuse my sins, thinking that at least I haven't killed anybody. But the very act of confessing in the presence of a priest makes my examination of conscience deeper and more honest. In the sacrament, God truly acts through the priest, which makes the parting words. “Go in peace,” all the more powerful and consoling. We don't deserve and cannot earn God's forgiveness, yet he gives it for the asking. In the sacrament of reconciliation, we drink from the depths. Of Divine Mercy, where God replenishes us with the graces needed to live in and act out of love each day. Considering that we are reborn spiritually in confession and fortified by grace in Holy Communion, we should think of our Easter Duty as an *opportunity* to become the better man God calls us to be.

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**Happy St. Patrick's Day**  
Tuesday, March 17, 2020  
The Parish Office will be closed.

