

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, March 18**

5:00 p.m. Parishioners intentions

7:30 p.m. Maria Valadez Gonzalez, 3er año de fallecimiento

**Sunday, March 19**

9:30 a.m. Gilberto Barreras, healing and recovery by daughter Maria

11:00 a.m. Parishioners intentions

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6:00 p.m. College Students

**Weekly Parish Activities**  
**March 19 to March 25**

\*All confessions 30 minutes before Mass

\*Sacred Heart and OLG confess after Mass

**SUNDAY:** Third Sunday of Lent;

**Sacred Heart**

9:30 a.m. ENGLISH Bible Study

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11:00 a.m. Mass - Sacred Heart

**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

10:00 a.m. CCD class

11:00 a.m. Mass - Our Lady of Guadalupe

**St. Brendan:**

4:15 – 5:45 p.m. RCIA in CCD Building

6:00 p.m. Mass- St. Brendan

**St. Mary:**

9:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary

CCD 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. at FLC

**Monday: St. Joseph; Spring begins**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

**Tuesday:**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

8:00 p.m. CCM Women’s Group meeting

**At St. Brendan**

**Wednesday:**

6:00 p.m. CCD St. Brendan

6:45 p.m. Bible Study at OLG

7:00 p.m. No Youth Group OLG

8:00 p.m. CCM meeting at St. Brendan

**Thursday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Español-Estudio Biblica en St. Brendan

Brendan

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración St. Mary

7:00 p.m. CCM Men’s Group meeting at St. Brendan

**St. Brendan**

**Friday: Abstinence**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

**Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord;**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Vigil Holy Mass:**

5:00 p.m. St. Brendan (English)

7:30 p.m. Santa Misa en St. Mary

(español)

**THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS**

**March 19, 2017**

Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists’ portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people’s expectations about him or the ways of God. This “reversal” is at play in today’s Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition, he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say “I thirst” before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

**Gospel** — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

**2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTIONS**

**Catholic Relief Services** .....**March 25-26, 2017**

**Holy Land** (Good Friday) ..... April 14, 2017

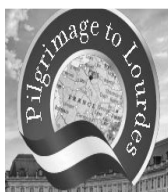
**DON’T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR RICE BOWLS!**

**Don’t forget to pick up coin cans for Pallotine fundraiser.**

**A Prayer to St. Joseph – Feast Day March 20**

**Glorious Saint Joseph, foster-father** and protector of **Jesus** Christ, to you I raise my heart and my hands to implore your powerful intercession. Please obtain for me from the kind Heart of Jesus the help and the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare. I ask particularly for the **grace** of a happy death and the special favor I now implore. (Make your petition here...)

Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel animated with confidence that your **prayers** in my behalf will be graciously heard before the **throne** of God. O glorious Saint Joseph, through the love you bear to Jesus Christ. and for the **glory** of His name. hear my prayers and obtain my petitions.



**Diocesan Travel Program** **October 18-30, 2017**

**13 Days** through France’s Wine Region to Lourdes including: Paris † Lourdes † Normandy Beaches † Giverny † Abbey at Mont St. Michel Caen † Bordeaux † Toulouse † Biarritz Medieval Walled-in City of Carcassonne. Fully escorted. Almost All-Inclusive. Limited spaces. Call Paula Parrish at the Catholic Center 817.945.9440 [pparrish@advancementfoundation.org](mailto:pparrish@advancementfoundation.org)

**PRAYER CORNER:** Prayers this week for: Rudy Guerrero, Filegonio Cardenas, Josefina Basulto de Solorio, Maria Inez Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Maureen Bole, Billy Joe Fulfer, Angel Coronado, David Gonzales, Jeanna DeVinney, Clyde Mayo, Kate B., Pete Sanchez, Teresa Sanchez, Barbara Kennedy, Frank Derrick, Anne Blount, Robert Gifford, Walter Serratt, Bonnie Kennedy, Claire Davis, Nursing Home Patients, homebound parishioners, and all those who are ill

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday:** Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

### **SEDIENTOS DE LAS AGUAS QUE DAN VIDA 19 de marzo**

Especialmente durante la Cuaresma, la Semana Santa y el tiempo de Pascua, los textos de oración de la Iglesia Occidental se deleitan con imágenes paradójicas de Cristo: la vida eterna que muere, el anfitrión de la cena que es también alimento, el crucificado sediento del que mana agua de vida de su costado. Estas imágenes fluyen de las representaciones de Jesús por parte de los evangelistas y de su mismísimo ministerio, durante el cual muchas veces cambió o invirtió las expectativas que las personas tenían sobre él o sobre los designios de Dios. Esta “inversión” está en juego en el Evangelio de hoy, cuando Jesús habla con una extranjera enemiga que está por debajo de su condición social. Además él, el que tiene sed, demuestra que la mujer es la única que tiene sed verdadera. Él –cuyos labios secos dirán “Tengo sed” antes de morir– es la fuente de vida y del agua que da vida. La Cuaresma nos llama a reflexionar sobre cómo cada uno de nosotros tiene sed de Cristo y nos lleva, en última instancia, de vuelta a las aguas dadoras de vida de nuestro bautismo en su Cuerpo.

**La Oficina de Respeto a la Vida** quisiera recordarle el gran don de la Divina Misericordia de Dios. Rachel Ministries está aquí para usted. Ofrecemos un ambiente seguro, confidencial y compasivo en el cual usted puede comenzar el proceso curativo. No estas solo. Hemos estado allí. Permítanos ayudarle a experimentar la misericordia que es su regalo. Si usted quisiera ayuda con la curación, por favor llame para hablar con un consultor Rachel Ministries que cuida - **Necesita ayuda (817)886-4760**

**The Respect Life Office** would like to remind you of the great gift of God’s Divine Mercy. Rachel Ministries is here for you. We offer a safe, confidential and compassionate environment in which you can begin the healing process. You are not alone. We’ve been there. Let us help you experience the mercy that is your gift. If you would like help with healing, please call to speak with a caring Rachel Ministries consultant – in English or Spanish. Do you need help? Please call (817)923-4757

### **SEMINARIO DE VIDA EN EL ESPIRITU**

El Grupo de Oración de St. Mary’s Catholic Church en Dublin los invita a un seminario de vida en el espíritu dirigido por Vidal Camacho; en alabanza estará el Coro Agua Viva Cuando: 1 de abril a las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 4 p.m.; 2 de abril 8 a.m. finalizando con la misa dirigida por el Padre Fernando Preciado. No se cobrará para entrada, solamente comida. Pueden llamar Juanita en 254-979-0273 o Tere Morales 254-445-4151

### **Penance Services: All begin at 6:30 p.m.**

Our Lady of Lourdes	Mineral Wells	March 27
Sacred Heart of Jesus	Breckenridge	March 29
<b>St. Mary</b>	<b>Dublin</b>	<b>March 30</b>
St. Mary	Graham	April 3
St. Francis Xavier	Eastland/Ranger	April 5
St. Stephen	Weatherford	April 6

Lent is a time of repentance, reflection and renewal. Please take the time this Lenten Season to attend one of the Penance services offered throughout the area.

### **OUR NEW WEBSITE**

Please visit us at: [www.stbrendanscc.org](http://www.stbrendanscc.org)  
Favor de visitarnos en el web:

### **NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES**

#### **PLEASE RETURN THE BABY BOTTLES**

Now that our Choices Baby Bottle Drive is over, please return bottles to your parish. We collected 60 of the 150 bottles. Thank you!

**MEN’S ACTS RETREAT 2017:** Men’s ACTS Retreat begins on **March 23**, sendoff will be at 5:00 p.m. from St. Vincent Pallotti Hall in Mineral Wells. The retreat will be in Bridgeport camp in Bridgeport from **Thursday through Saturday**, they will return to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on **Sunday March 26** for Mass at 9:00 a.m. For More information please call **Len Prisco, Director** of the Retreat **817-201-8328** or go to [www.ollcatholicchurch.com](http://www.ollcatholicchurch.com). It will be worth your time!

#### **AN ALMSGIVING BABY SHOWER**

Are you looking to practice your almsgiving this Lenten Season? How about giving to the Choices baby shower? Let’s support mother and baby before, during, and after pregnancy with a Baby Shower for Choices, Inc. the weekend of March 25 – 26, 2017. The items most needed are diapers (all sizes) especially size 3-4, wipes, maternity clothes, baby clothes ages 0-2, baby shampoo and lotion, pacifiers, rattles, squeeze toys, miscellaneous baby items. Please place items in the box provided **on the projected weekend**. If you want more information, please call Rita Wisner (254)413-0999.



#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS/VIA CRUCES**

The Stations of the Cross are a special devotion during the Fridays of Lent meditating upon the Passion of Our Lord. The parish schedules are as follows:

St. Brendan	Fridays of Lent	7 p.m. English
St. Mary	Sabados de Cuaresma	7 p.m. Español
St. Mary	Sunday	9 a.m. English
Sacred Heart	Wednesdays of Lent	7 p.m. Bilingual
Our Lady of Guadalupe	Sunday	10:30 a.m. English



Fish Fry at Newman Hall from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on March 24. Prices are \$8.00 for both seniors and children under 12. All others **AND** take out plates are \$10. **Take-out service is available by calling after 4 p.m.** (254)965-5693. Orders may be picked up at the back of Newman Hall on Centennial Street.

Please bring a can of food for “**40 Cans for Lent Campaign**” to the fish fry. Donations also accepted either at St. Brendan, St. Mary Church, or at KSTV. Food collections will be immediately donated to local pantries. **March 24:** Part of the proceeds goes to Choices.

**Bulletin:** Send to: [stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com) Please call or text (512) 652-8006. Give name, announcement and parish, or prayer intention. Deadline: Wednesday