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Catholic, Sunday March 27th
from 9am until 1:00pm.

March 20, 2022 Third Sunday of Lent

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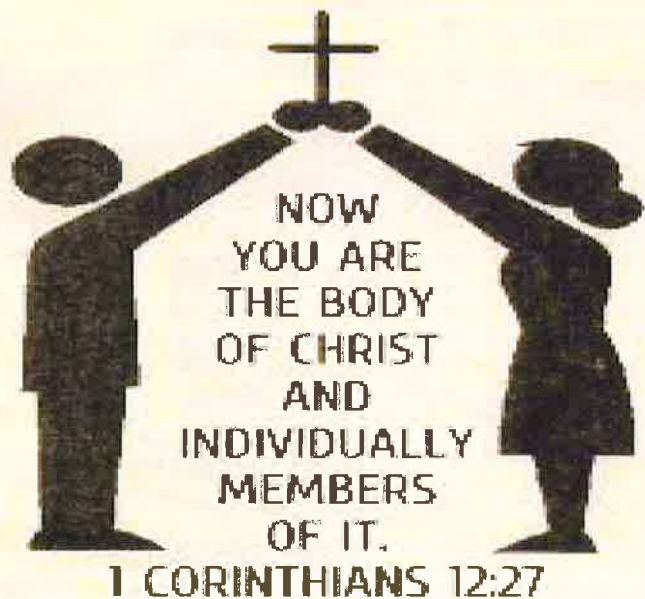


March 13th Collection: \$9,179.72
Direct Deposit: \$2,513.75
Online \$534.50
Building Fund \$1,910.00

Upcoming Second Collections
March 27th Catholic Relief Services
April 3rd Building Fund
April 15th Good Friday - Holy Land
April 24th Catholic Home Missions

Mass Schedule

Confessions: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by apt.
Vigil: Sat.–5:30 PM Sunday 8AM, 10:15 AM, 6:00PM
Weekday Masses:
Mon. – 5:30 PM, Tues. NOON, Wed. – 6:00 PM,
Thur. & Fri. – 8:15 AM
Sacred Heart Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,
Sunday 8:00, 10:30 AM & 4:00 PM; 1:30 PM in Spanish
Holy Rosary Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9:00 AM
St. Fabian Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,
Sunday: 10:00AM



Adoration

Monday Adoration:

Hours are 2PM-9PM. Starting at 4:45PM the Patriotic Rosary will be prayed during Adoration, led by Noelanne Bennett. After the Rosary we will pause Adoration to prepare for the 5:30PM Mass. Adoration will resume when Mass is over and will continue until 9PM. St. Pope John Paul has stated "Jesus awaits us in this Sacrament of Love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in Adoration..." **Currently we need help with the 7PM hour.** To offer your help for a weekly hour or for information please contact Pat Peterson at 601-549-4620 either by phone or text. Visitors are always welcome.

Tuesday Adoration is from 9:00 AM after daily Mass until 12:00 noon. Please consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be sure to sign in so we know the hours are covered.

Thursday Adoration begins after the 8:15 AM Mass and goes until 9:00 PM in the church. At that time Our Lord is moved into the Adoration Chapel and adoration continues through the night until Friday Mass. **We currently need help with the 1am hour.** To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.



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The next Men's Cursillo will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Dedeaux May 12-15, 2022. What is a Cursillo you ask? The Spanish word "Cursillo" means "short course" or "little course". The full title is "a little course in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, but everyone simply calls it "Cursillo." For more information you can contact Felix Diaz or Shelby Miserendino in the church office. De Colores!!

Family Day of Community

Outreach ~ For our Good Friday community outreach day we are seeking suggestions for nonprofits, elderly, disabled, and individuals who might need help with manual labor projects or visitors to pray with them. Please submit names and contact information to Renee' Lichenhan at 601-329-6075.

Volunteer help needed:

We are looking for some volunteers to help with some minor projects around the church when needed. This would be an occasional "call for help". If you have any questions or are available, please call Kathy Schimel. Thank you in advance.

Mass Intentions

M-Mar 21st Joey, Hillary & Jude Moreland – Sp. Int.
T-Mar 22nd Sue Marquardt – RIP
W-Mar 23rd Linda Pasquini - Sp. Int.
T- Mar 24th Candida Antonio – RIP
F-Mar 25th Tara Cooper - Sp. Int.
Sat-Mar 26th Ava & Americo Anton & family – Sp. Int.
Sun-Mar 27th
8:00 Parish
10:15 Beccy Aldrich – healing
6:00 Rogene Molaison – RIP

Readings March 21st – 27th

March 21st – 27th
M 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
T Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
W Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
T Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
Fri Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Sat Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
Sun Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

March Lector Schedule

19th 4:00 Patricia Sherman
20th 8:00 Kathy Schimel
10:15 Silvia Preston
26th 5:30 Roger Smith
27th 8:00 Rich Mohn
10:15 Shirley Hendricks

Prayer Blankets -

are available if you know of someone who is sick or homebound. Contact Kathy Schimel @ 601-270-4741 if you would like a Blessed Prayer Blanket to give. Anyone is welcome to sew, knit, crochet or make a blanket for anyone undergoing surgery, chemotherapy, welcoming a new baby, or in the hospital or at home due to illness. Blankets are blessed and given to the person when needed. Monetary donations to purchase fabric, as well as fabric donations are welcome. Contact: Kathy Schimel at (601) 270-4741



Life Teen's next meeting will be Sunday, March 27th, 4:30 – 5:45pm.

The Brothers in Christ

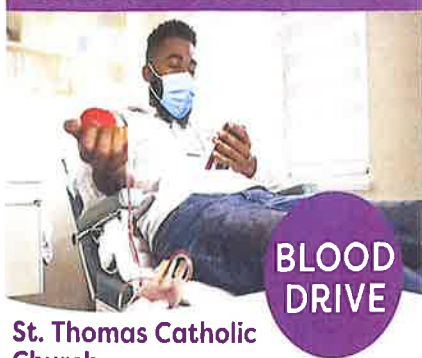
Brothers in Christ is a men's study and prayer group open to all men. Meetings are each Tuesday beginning with breakfast at 6:30am.



KC Lenten Fish Fry

Each Friday, 5:30 – 7:00 PM during Lent, the Knights of Columbus will host a Fish Fry. Cost of the dinner is \$10.00 per plate. Fried catfish, fish tacos, and boiled shrimp plates are available, with fries and coleslaw. Dine-in or Take-out.

HELP US FIND HEROES



St. Thomas Catholic Church

Sunday, March 27, 2022
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bloodmobile
3117 W. 4th St.
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Register at vitalant.org or call us at 877-258-4625

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St Vincent de Paul needs hygiene items for the homeless.

Small items such as toothpaste & brushes, soaps, shampoo, deodorants, and any usable towels and wash cloths. Thank You for helping those in need.

Parish Council members needed.

There are cards in the pews with the current members listed. We need your suggestions for a few new members. Please nominate 3 people on the back of the card and drop your vote into the boxes by the entrances to the church. Thank you for your help.

SAVE THESE DATES:

March 25, 26, & 27th

ANANIAS Retreat

Friday 6:00PM to 8:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

(Lunch will be provided).

Sunday 9-11AM

Signup sheets are at the entrances of the church.

Do you need childcare for the Ananias sessions? Please call the office to register.

The Sacred Heart softball team is raffling off 2 chances to win 1/2 a steer. The winner can choose the cuts of meat. Processing will be May/June. Drawing is March 24th before the game. Winner does not have to be present to win. Tickets are \$20 each. Cash/Check/Venmo. Students will be selling tickets after the 8:00 and 10:15 masses this Sunday.

A Prayer for World Peace

Lord Jesus, You came that the world might know the peace that You have experienced with the Father eternally. Yet, You taught us that in this life there will be wars and rumors of wars. Nations will rise against nations as violence works itself out in the world. However, through You, the world may be saved. O Lord, send Your spirit into the hearts of all men, that the world might know true peace through Your abundant mercy. Amen.

Hospital Visits ~

Fr. Braxton visits both hospitals every week. However, there is no way of knowing you are there unless you let us know. If you or a family member, are in the hospital, and no one from the church comes to see you, it means we do not know about it. Please call the church office and let us know.

Lenten Schedule 2022

Weekday Masses

Monday	5:30 PM
Tuesday	12 NOON
Wednesday	6:00 PM
Thursday	8:15 AM
Friday	8:15 AM

Stations of the Cross

Fridays 5:30 PM

KC Fish Fry

Fridays 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Mini-Library:

this week we have a Classic book – Spiritual Combat: How to Win Your Spiritual Battles and Attain Inner Peace Plus Interior Peace: The Path to Paradise by Fr. Lorenzo Scupoli (1530-1610). This book remains one of the most revered pieces of Catholic spirituality. St. Francis de Sales carried this book in his pocket for 18 years! Its wisdom formed his soul and helped him become one of the Church’s greatest saints. Now this book can do the same for you! This book has been loved by saints and sinners alike because Scupoli gives sober and realistic guidance, even how to overcome the most formidable spiritual obstacles and achieve spiritual perfection and salvation. With his detailed advice you’ll soon be winning all your spiritual battles!



Catholic in Recovery is a ministry that provides healing for those seeking recovery from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Catholic in Recovery meets every Monday evening at 6:30 in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Emily at stthomascirms@gmail.com or leave a message at the St. Thomas parish office, (601) 264-5192.

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