



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

29B THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

The Gospel given for Year A, n. 28, may be used in place of this Gospel.

John 2:13-25 Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Since the Passover of the Jews was near,
Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves,
as well as the money changers seated there.
He made a whip out of cords
and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen,
and spilled the coins of the money changers
and overturned their tables,
and to those who sold doves he said,
"Take these out of here,

and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."
His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,

Zeal for your house will consume me.

At this the Jews answered and said to him,

"What sign can you show us for doing this?"

Jesus answered and said to them,

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews said,

"This temple has been under construction for forty-six years,
and you will raise it up in three days?"

But he was speaking about the temple of his body.

Therefore, when he was raised from the dead,

his disciples remembered that he had said this,
and they came to believe the Scripture
and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover,
many began to believe in his name
when they saw the signs he was doing.

But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all,
and did not need anyone to testify about human nature.
He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM

WEEKDAY MASS
Tuesday - Friday, 12:15 PM

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 4 PM

Dear Friends,

For those of you who are looking forward to a break from the usual comings and goings, you only have to wait a week! Next weekend and the following one (March 11 & 18) will be Spring Break! During this time we will not have CCE, and hopefully, most of you will be able to avail yourselves of the holiday and have a nice "escape" to somewhere interesting or at least where no one can find you. Safe travels to all of you who will be venturing out of town; return refreshed and ready for the last of the academic year. It is hard to believe that we will be returning to Daylight Saving Time in one week – where did the time go?

In case some of you will have more time on your hands than you need and would be open to your last good deed for Lent, we need volunteers who can dust, clean windows, rake leaves, bring a meal and do some laundry for an overwhelmed older couple who are, at long last, about to move into their downsized post-Harvey home. Please contact Betty Vitek at betty.vitek@sbcglobal.net. Your help would be so much appreciated.

One of the original parishioners from way back when the parish was just starting, Beverly Peters, died last Monday, February 26. Her sister-in-law, who lives in Galveston, wanted to let you know about her death and asked that you keep her and her family in your prayers.

Have a great week and God bless,

Harvey Relief and Recovery still needs you!

St. Catherine's continues to help 18 families recover from the Harvey disaster. Together, we can make this long journey a bit easier for our community. Please consider:

- VOLUNTEERING - the gift of your time is priceless and much needed. Contact Betty Vitek if you can help - betty.vitek@sbcglobal.net
- DONATIONS
 - Financial gifts can be made through Faith Direct or through the Parish office, no financial gift is too small.
 - New or gently used items can make a difference, contact Betty Vitek for the latest needs.

A NOTE OF THANKS... *"We just want to say Thank You. Our hearts are touched beyond words. You have no idea how much your help has meant. Thank you for being our angel in a time of great need. May God bless you all now and always! Your generosity is overwhelming."* ~ a grateful Harvey family

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2018 EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

If you are making an Easter Flower Donation *in Memory of* or *in Honor of* a loved one, please note:

- ◆ Envelopes are due on or before Sunday, March 18, 2018
- ◆ Please PRINT the name(s) to be published - it is our goal to print your tributes as accurately as possible
- ◆ The Easter Flowers *in Memory of* or *in Honor of* will be published in the Sunday of Divine Mercy bulletin on April 8, 2018.

We appreciate everyone's generosity! If you have questions, please email Marcela Swihart at marcela@stcatherine-houston.org, or stop by the Parish Office weekdays from 10 - 4.



WOMEN'S GROUP NEWS

Please join us for fun and fellowship on Wednesday, March 14 at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. All ladies of the parish are invited and welcome. We will have light refreshments, and plan for our future meetings. We hope to see you there!

MAKE LENT A TIME FOR FAMILY

Dear Parents,

Did the hustle and bustle of life cause Lent to sneak up on you this year? Here are a few easy to implement ideas for how you and your family can make the most of this season together:

Tune Out & Tune In: Turn off the radio/music during rides to school or around town, making room for conversation or introducing silence.

(Whine &) Dine Together: Make a point to spend your meatless Friday dinners together as a family. Even better, use this meal to discuss your Lenten journey – the struggles, temptations, and growth!

Remove & Replace: Pick something to fast from/remove (phones from meal time, something from your schedule, TV/ electronics one day a week ...) and replace it with family time, availability, prayer ...

"Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." - 2 Corinthians 6:2

PARISH CALENDAR

• THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT •

Mission of Yahweh Food Collection Weekend

SAT	03/03	5 PM Sunday Vigil Mass 6 - 7:30 PM Saturday Mingle
SUN	03/04	8:30 AM Sunday Mass 9:30 - 11 AM CCE 9:30 - 10:30 AM Sunday Breakfast 11:15 AM Sunday Mass †Marcia Raymond
MON	03/05	Office Hours: 10 AM - 4 PM No Weekday Mass
TUE	03/06	Office Hours: 10 AM - 4 PM 12:15 PM Weekday Mass †Sheila Durrand
WED	03/07	Office Hours: 10 AM - 4 PM 12:15 PM Weekday Mass 7 - 8:30 PM Bible Study
THU	03/08	Office Hours: 10 AM - 4 PM 12:15 PM Weekday Mass 10:30 AM - 12 Noon Bible Study
FRI	03/09	Office Hours: 10 AM - 4 PM 12:15 PM Weekday Mass

• FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT •

SAT	03/10	5 PM Sunday Vigil Mass †Milly Pereira
SUN	03/11	8:30 AM Sunday Mass NO CCE 11:15 AM Sunday Mass 12:30—2 PM Club 55+ Luncheon

CLUB 55+ BUS TRIP NEWS

On Saturday, March 10 we will see *On Golden Pond* at the Grand 1894 Opera House in Galveston. Both lighthearted and deeply moving, playwright Ernest Thompson's American theatrical masterpiece is the story of a curmudgeonly father and husband who must confront his strained relationship with his adult daughter and his own not-so-gentle march into old age. We will leave the church at 3:30 pm for dinner at Shrimp 'N Stuff Downtown, and should return by about 11:30 pm. The cost is \$45 per person not including dinner. Please mail your check to Diane Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041 as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

Save the dates: Upcoming bus trips are scheduled for April 26, May 17, and Jun 19 – details to follow. Contact Diane at diane@goyette.info or 713-540-7884, or Henry at 281-684-7030. As always, the bus trip is open to everyone age 50 and over.