

THE FISH WRAP

The Catholic Parishes of
Saint John Capistran Immaculate Conception Holy Rosary

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 13th-14th, 2021

MASS TIMES FOR FEBRUARY

Overton—Saturday 5:00 PM
Amherst—Sunday 8:00 AM
Elm Creek—Sunday 10:00 AM

MASS TIMES FOR MARCH

Elm Creek— Saturday 5:00 PM
Overton—Sunday 8:00 AM
Amherst—Sunday 10:00 AM

MASS TIMES FOR APRIL

Amherst— Saturday 5:00 PM
Elm Creek—Sunday 8:00 AM
Overton—Sunday 10:00 AM

HOLY DAYS MASSES

AS NOTED IN BULLETIN

OFFICE HOURS

Please call (308) 856-4375 to
make an appointment.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:30 - 4:45
Sunday - 7:30 - 7:45
Sunday - After 10:00 Mass
By request Anytime by
appointment

MARRIAGES

Friday Evenings or 2 PM Satur-
days, or you can invoke the "Tool
Rule". 4 month minimum prepara-
tion. If previously married takes 1
1/2 to 2 years for annulment deci-
sion.

BAPTISM

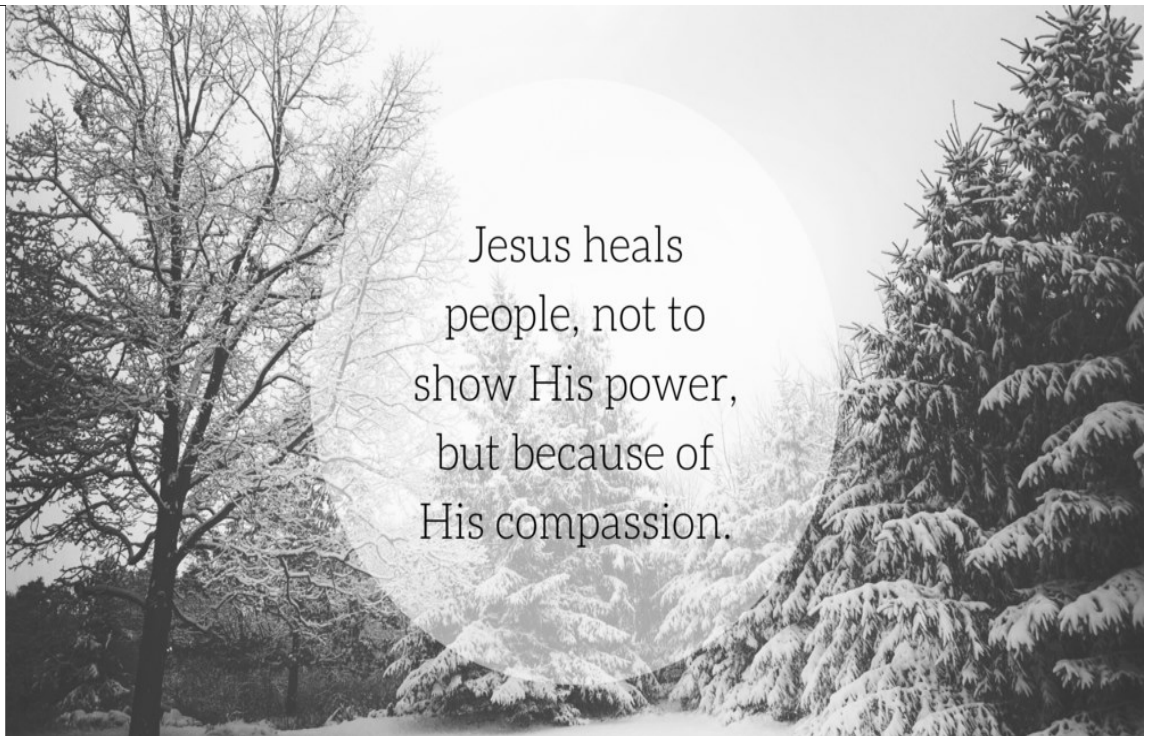
Call Rectory for class and instruc-
tions.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourselves to the
Pastor or call the rectory (308)
856-4375 to register.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

Thursday by 3:00pm
If you miss the deadline it will not
be in the bulletin that weekend.



Jesus heals
people, not to
show His power,
but because of
His compassion.

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Dearly beloved in Christ,

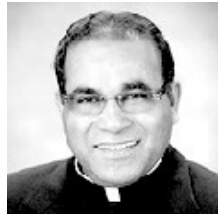
I feel sorry about our Confirmation children, sponsors and parents having to wait for some more time to make it happen. We are hoping to have it rescheduled to March 7 at 10 am.

In this month's Clergy Notes from the Bishop, he has given a number of important points for our information and follow up action. I am mentioning some of them in my message and articles of this bulletin.

We begin the Lenten Season with the Ash Wednesday service. Due to the COVID situation there is a small adaptation in the ceremony of the imposition of the ashes. Instead of the tracing of the cross on the forehead we are given the option of springling the ash on the head without any words spoken. The usual words accompanying the imposition, 'Repent and believe in the gospel' or Remember you are dust...', will be said at the beginning of the service when the ash is blessed. Please note the Mass schedule for each of the parishes on 17th February, Wednesday evening. I have tried to make it as convenient as possible for you to make everyone even school kids come for this important service. There is also a note on the slight change in the wording of the doxology said at various prayers of the Mass which just the celebrant needs to keep in mind, I guess. A word about the Lenten obligations of FAST and ABSTINENCE will also be in the bulletin. I wish everyone a Holy and Grace-filled Season of Lent.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

Fr. Joseph



Weekday Masses:

Ash Wednesday

Feb. 17th St. John Capistran 4:00pm †**For Cifford and Evelyn Fees** by Lloyd and Loye Wolfe

Feb. 17th, Immaculate Conception, 6:00pm **For the People of the Parishes**

Feb. 17th Holy Rosary 7:30 †**Hazel Hiatt** by Bill and Lavonne Komp

Thursday, Feb. 18th, St. John Capistran, 9:00am **For †Nancy Cunningham** by Lloyd and Loye Wolfe

Friday, Feb. 19th, Holy Rosary 9:00am

For †Catherine Daake by Dick and Pam Tool

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Feb. 20th, Holy Rosary 5:00pm **For The People of the Parishes**

Sunday Feb. 21st, St. John Capistran 8:00 am **For †Lawrence and Ina Mae Wolfe** by Lloyd and Loye Wolfe

Sunday Feb. 21st, Immaculate Conception 10:00 am †**Jerome and Ann Fees** by Lloyd and Loye Wolfe

Ash Wednesday Masses February 17th

St. John Capistran Wednesday 4:00pm

Immaculate Conception Wednesday 6:00pm

Holy Rosary Wednesday 7:30pm

St. John Capistran

Adoration at St. John Capistran will be held each Thursday during Lent following 9 A.M. Mass

Holy Rosary

Holy Rosary Altar Society

A meeting was held after Mass on Jan. 24th and it was unanimously voted that all members make a donation to the Altar Society in lieu of a Fundraiser! Mark as a donation and drop in the collection or you can give or mail to Teresa Aten! Thank you so much for your generosity everyone!

All Parishes

Kearney Spring Deanery Meeting

When: Saturday, March 6, 2021

Where: Newman Center Hall in Kearney (821 West 27th Street)

Time: 9 AM to Noon (registration begins at 9 AM)

Note: Light breakfast of rolls, coffee, and juice will be served

Cost: \$10.00

Guest Speaker: Father Matt Koperski (Topic on St. Joseph as St. Mary's Spouse and Foster Father of Jesus.)

Pope Francis has proclaimed from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021 as "Year of St. Joseph". St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood.

Business Meeting will follow, ending with Mass in the Newman Center Chapel.

Note: Being offered is to attend the meeting via zoom. More information will follow with the zoom website on your computer, if interested.

Collection Report: February 6th-7th, 2021

	Immaculate Conception	Holy Rosary	St. John Capistran
<u>Minimum Income Needed</u>	\$1,250.00	\$750.00	\$1,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$588.00	\$ 455.00	-0-
Building Fund	\$5.00	-0-	-0-
Diocesan Collection	\$10.00	-0-	-0-

The 2020-2021 Diocesan Appeal

Parish	Number of Households	Donor Goal	Number of Donors	Goal	Received	Balance Needed
Immaculate Conception	85	23	11	\$7,472.00	\$3250.00	\$4,222.00
Holy Rosary	60	18	11	\$5,592.00	\$4,442.00	\$1,150.00
St. John Capistran	79	18	10	\$7,729.00	\$4,100.00	\$3,629.00

Remember the sick and Pray for them.

Immaculate Conception Parish

Homebound: Donevieve Ourada, Betty Broe

Ill or Recovering: Bob Dudek, Betty Geis, Eileen Smith, Pat Johns, Jim Gunderson.

Holy Rosary Parish

Homebound: Jean McTygue,
Ill or Recovering: Alan Smith, Anna Graczyk, Janice Streit, James Poorman, Larry Streit, Garrett Scholz, Lance Kizer, Dan McDonald, Braden Fleischman

Saint John Capistran

Ill or Recovering: Delores McTygue, Chase Klingelhofer, Dick Riessland, Dave Glatter, Janice Loeffelholz, Ronin Bowie, Byron Eckhout, Terry Taubenheim, Beverly Kleidosty, Albert Loeffelholz.

Lent is the time before Easter during which the faithful abstain and fast in remembrance of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made on Calvary. It is a 40-day time of preparation before Easter, the memorial of the death and resurrection of Jesus. There are two main ways that Catholics use to focus on growing closer to God during the Lenten season: abstinence and fasting.

Abstinence

Abstinence is the act of "doing without" or avoiding something. For example, someone may abstain from chocolate or alcohol by not consuming them. Particular days of abstinence during Lent are Fridays, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. As canon law states, Catholics over the age of 14 are expected to abstain from the eating of meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays throughout the Lenten Season (Canon 1250 -1253).

During Lent, Catholics are also encouraged to undertake some sort of personal penance or abstinence. Examples include giving up sweets, a favorite TV show or not listening to the radio in the car on the way to work. Giving up these things isn't some sort of endurance test, but these acts are done to draw the faithful closer to Christ.

For example, a person may give up his favorite TV show, but if he simply turns the television to another channel, the Lenten penance really does not mean as much. Instead, the person should consider devoting the spare time to prayer or perhaps his family.

As always, when considering acts of penance that are stricter than the norm, it is important that the Catholic would speak with a priest or spiritual director. Any act of penance that would seriously hinder one's health or the health of others would be contrary to the will of God.

Fasting

Fasting is the act of doing with less. In the Catholic Church, those ages 18 - 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (Canon 97). On such days, those fasting may eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength. However, together, the smaller meals should not equal a full meal.

Eating between meals is not encouraged, but liquids are allowed.

It is important to understand that the Church excuses certain people from these obligations. Examples include those who are frail, pregnant or manual laborers. The Church understands that certain people are not able to commit to the Lenten fast.

The time of Lent, through fasting and abstaining, may be an important reminder of what it means to suffer. This small suffering should not be met with misery but with great joy as we better understand the incredible sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for humanity.

Keeping a Secret

In today's Gospel reading, a poor man with leprosy asked Jesus to heal him. Our Lord was sorry for the leper and healed him. But then He told him not to tell anyone. Do you know what the man did?



Well, he didn't keep the secret.

He started to tell everyone what had happened. Soon Jesus couldn't walk into towns because there were such big crowds. He had to stay out in the deserted places so that there wouldn't be mobs in the towns.

Has anyone ever told you a secret? Do you find it hard to keep secrets? Once in a while somebody might tell you something that you will need to tell your parents, but usually you shouldn't tell anyone somebody else's secret. Before you tell something to your friends, always

ask yourself if it's okay to share it with them. Will it make things hard for somebody else? Might you hurt someone's feelings? Think about how you would feel if someone told one of your secrets to their friends. And finally, always remember that the way you treat others is how you treat Jesus.



DO YOU WANT TO
KNOW A SECRET...

The Kids' Bulletin

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021



What did the
leper in today's
Gospel reading
say to Jesus?

What did Jesus reply to him?

Look at this page in the mirror to find out!

Don't forget this Wednesday is Ash Wednesday!

Answers to Cross-Word: across: 3 kept 6 leper 7 people 9 secretly 10 to 15 hand 15 made
16 go 17 whole 18 in 19 began down: 1 Jesus 2 begged 3 knowing 4 will 5 if 8 searched
11 he 12 proof 13 he 14 down 15 name

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