

Feb. 19, 2023 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Feb. 18, Saturday

- 5:00 pm + Doc, Karen & Bradley Zgabay
- + Gene Supak

Feb. 19, Sunday

- 8:00am + George & Mary Koudelka
- + Joseph & Bernadette Beran

Feb. 21, Tuesday (St. Peter Damian, Bishop)

- 6:00 pm + Gene Supak

Feb. 22, Wednesday (Ash Wednesday)

- **8:00 am** + Bruno Tarnowski

Feb. 23, Thursday

- 8:00am + Sabrina Mikulin Feuerlein

Feb. 24, Friday (

- 8:00 am + Joseph & Bernadette Beran

Feb. 25, Saturday

- 5:00 pm + Ray, Tim, Ramond & Cecelia Muzny

Feb. 26, Sunday

- 8:00 am + Adele Zboril/Frank & Marjorie Kostelka

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:30pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Money Counters</u>
Saturday Feb. 18	Will Mikulin	Will Mikulin Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer	Joseph Mikulin Gabriel Aguilar	
Sunday Feb. 19	Dorothy Rackel	James Krenek D. Weiderhold	James K. Cynthia K.	Hannah Muzny Tyler Muzny	Cynthia Krenek Bill Williams

Saturday Feb. 25	Jaime Aguilar	Zach Zgabay Volunteer	Zach Z. Majorie O.	Alexis M. Victoria/Sophia G.	
Sunday Feb. 26	Victoria Kelly	Anthony Munzy James Muzny	Tom S. Patsy S.	Henry Kelly JW Muzny	Tom & Patsy Simak

For Sunday Feb. 11/12: Attendance: 111 Collection: Reg.: \$ 2083.00 Special: \$563.00
Sanctuary Light: In Memory of Jim & Julia Bayer

Feb. 20 Sirach 1:1-10 Mark 9:14-29
Feb. 21 Sirach 2:1-11 Mark 9:30-37
Feb. 22 Joel 2:12-18 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
Feb. 23 Deut. 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25
Feb. 24 Isaiah 58:1-9a Matthew 9:14-15
Feb. 25 Isaiah 58:9b-14 Luke 5:27-32
Feb. 26 Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Feb. 19, Sunday

- 10:00am + Billy Bownds, The Connally Family

Feb. 22, Wednesday (Ash Wednesday)

- **6:00 pm** + Matthew Cleghorn

Feb. 26, Sunday

- 10:00am + Carolyn Urbanovsky

Confessions: Wednesday: 5:00-5:30pm

For Sunday Feb. 12: Attendance: 112 Collection: Regular: \$ 2119.80
Special Collection: \$280.00

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Amado & Deolinda Baca

Reflection 

Today’s Gospel passage has three parts. The first two consist of examples that Jesus gives us. He started giving these examples last Sunday. Keep in mind, though, that Jesus prefaces all these examples by stating: *“unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven.”* So all these examples are illustrations of how to move from acting like the scribes and Pharisees towards acting in a way that will lead you to Heaven.

Stewardship

“The Bible tells us to love our neighbours, and also to love our enemies; probably because they are generally the same people.” This is true because we are fallen children of Adam and Eve. We do not think we should be our brother’s keeper. The whole history of fallen man—from Adam versus Eve, to Cain versus Abel, to our own time and place—testifies to our sin of turning neighbors into enemies.

Bulletin Information: Submit by Tuesday to 979-884-3100 or stjoedb@verizon.net

www.stjosephdimeboxtx.com

www.holyfamilylex.org

Calendar of Events
St. Joseph's - Dime Box

Special Prayers for the Sick: For the sick members of St. Joseph/Dime Box community: RJ Muzny Jalane Wiederhold Caroline Malinak Louis Muzny Rev. Msgr. Isidore Rozycki Elena Massey Josephine Schultz David Sherrill Sue Bradford Becky Dallke John David Mikulin Oscar Slovacek Dennis Lysiak Larry Lehmann Patricia Tarnowski Bethany Lara Archie Kubena Vicki Prentice Evelyn Housenga Bennie & Doris Supak Jaydem Mueller Nisha George Greg Kocurek Alvin Kucera Dwayne Muzny Kathleen Ayles Troy Weigand Megan (Kocurek) Longshore Christine Bogler Lynnlee Kocurek Donnie Richards Edward Beran
(May they be freed from danger, relieved of suffering, and held fast in the tender arms of Jesus, the Divine Healer!)

Ash Wednesday: Dime Box: February 22nd at 8:00am & Lexington: 6:00pm
A special collection for World & Home missions will be collected on this day.

Dime Box Volunteer Fire Dept: Come support your local VFD on Sunday, February 26th at the Diamond I Venue for their annual fried chicken and sausage dinner. Drive thru only and serving is from 10am till sold out. Plates are \$13.00 each. Thank you for your support.

Pastoral Council Meeting: A meeting will be held, Tuesday, Feb. 21st after the 6pm mass.

Annual Financial Statement: Your 2022 annual financial statement is enclosed in the bulletin. Extra copies can be found at the table in the back of the church. In reviewing you statement, please notice that without the income from the Bazaar, we would have a negative income.

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Randy Kocurek Scholarship: If you have a graduating senior this year and would like to apply for a scholarship, please see Ida Schuman for an application. The deadline to return the application is Sunday, March 12th. Please return to Ida Schuman or place in collection basket.

Mass Intentions: Since we receive numerous mass intentions; we need to receive the mass intention envelopes **at least two weeks prior to the date you are requesting.** Thank you and please continue to send mass intentions.

Mark Your Calendars: This year, our annual Bazaar will be held on Sunday, May 28th. More information to come later.

Stations of the Cross & Mass Schedule:

Dime Box: Tuesdays 6:00pm. **Mass followed by Stations of the Cross**
Feb. 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, April 4th.

Lexington: Wednesdays 5:30pm. **Mass followed by Stations of the Cross**
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Calendar of Events
Holy Family - Lexington

Special Prayers for the Sick: For the sick members of the Holy Family Community: Caleb Schmidt Karla Blaine Paul Goocher Phillip Sims Brian Koehler Keith Sims Eleanor Gonzales Laura Casco Tommy Adams Sean Sullivan Linda Goocher Santos Gonzales KC Hudson Harper Pittman Eric Anthony Martinez Mary Best Juanita Greene Donna Brewer Virginia Schmidt Blake Gibson Avery Wright Mary Truex Barbara Sanders Hart Oshman J.B. Freeman Jeff Justice David Sherrill Sydney Kubicek Nisha George
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Welcome: Please welcome are new pastoral council members to our parish. Scott Schubert, Virginia Schmidt, Jason Urbanovsky, Kevin Bayer, Johnnie Kubicek, Marty Elman, and Bonnie Friesenhahn.

Fried Chicken Dinner: Fried Chicken Dinner - Our Spring Chicken Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 5th, at the Parish Activity Center. Potato peeling will be done on Saturday, March 4th, starting at 8:00am at the PAC. We need each family to provide at least two cakes for the meal. They can be dropped off at the PAC on Saturday morning when we are peeling potatoes or by 8:00am Sunday morning so they can get cut and packaged for the meals. If you need more information or need something to do, please contact Nathan Vecera (512-636-3726).

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Attention Men: The spring semester for "That Man Is You!" men's program is now in full swing each **Wednesdays at 6:30pm** in the Holy Family Parish Activity Center and we invite all the men to join us. The spring session will run 13 weeks and is focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and greater society. For more info, contact Ace Blankenburg 979-777-3556.

For Upcoming Information: For future events/information/news pertaining to Holy Family, please email stjoedb@verizon.net by Tuesday of the week. We would like to continue to keep everyone updated via church bulletin.

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2023 Church Cleaning Schedule (Clean Any Day the Week Of)

Paulk – February 6 – February 11
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Flores/Nava – February 27 – March 4
Flores/Nava – March 6 – March 11
Flores/Nava – March 13 – March 19

Holy Family – Lexington

New! Adoration & Youth Mass

We are excited to begin offering an additional Mass here at Holy Family, we will begin with once a month and will evaluate participation and attendance. Our youth will be participating in the various ministries of Adoration and Mass such as lectors, ushers etc but all are invited.

Adoration & Youth Mass

Feb 19th

5 PM - 5:50 PM Dinner and Recreation time at the PAC for Middle and High School Youth

6 PM - 6:30 PM -

6:30 PM - Youth Mass

Middle School Game Night

Date: Feb 23rd

Time: 5 PM - 7:30

Location: PAC

Dinner, recreation, games & Bible study.

Magnify @ St. Mary's College Station (Confirmation Class - 12th Grade)

Date: Feb 23rd

5:30 - Meet at the PAC

5:40 Depart for College Station

6:40 Dinner @ Location TBD

8:00 Magnify @ St. Marys

For additional information about Magnify please visit

<https://www.aggiecatholic.org/magnify>

Please visit the youth group events page on the website for additional information.

What is Lent?

We think of the word “repent” as striking our breast and promising to do better. But the Greek word means to “Think Again”. Thus, “re-pent” means to “re-think our lives. Lent is often called a spiritual journey. It is a time set aside for repentance, reconciliation and renewal. We are encouraged to rethink the direction our lives are going and make adjustments to get us to where God is calling us to be. The Lenten practices of Fasting, Almsgiving and prayer are important elements of this process and can help us grow closer to God.

Fasting: These traditions are an expression of our desire to be converted in our hearts, to be reconciled with each other and to love our neighbor. It sensitizes us to the dependence we have on the natural world. It also curbs our insatiable desire for more and more. Catholics who are 18-59 years old are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Almsgiving: This is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. It reminds us of the covenant bond that joins us with each other and of the social responsibilities that accompany it.

Prayer: During this season of Lent more time should be given to prayer to draw us closer to the Lord. Prayer calls a person to deny self and unites us with God, the source of being and our merciful covenant partner.

The U.S. Catholic Bishops call for all Catholics 14 years and older to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays of Lent. Catholics who are 18 to 59 years old are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting calls for refraining from eating between meals and consuming only one full meal per day. By fasting, we signify our oneness with the Lord, acknowledge our need for conversion and give witness to our solidarity with those less fortunate.

Remember, You are Dust

“Dust – truly a splendid symbol. Dust, this is the image of the commonplace. There is always more than enough of it. One fleck is as good as the next. Dust is the image of anonymity: One fleck is like the next, and all are nameless. It is the symbol of indifference. What does it matter whether it is this dust or that dust? It is all the same. Dust is the symbol of nothingness, because it lies around so loosely, it is easily stirred up, it blows around blindly, is stepped upon and crushed – and nobody notices. It is a nothing that is just enough to be – a nothing.

Dust is the symbol of coming to nothing. It has no content. No form, no shape: it blows away, the empty, indifferent. Colorless, aimless, unstable booty of senseless change. To be found everywhere, and nowhere at home. Truly, then, Scripture is right. We are dust. We are always in the process of dying. We are the beings who set our course for death, when we set out on life’s journey, and steer for death, clearly and inexorably. We are the only beings who know about this tendency to death. We are dust.”

Fr. Karl Rahner S. J.