

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019

5:00 p.m. Marjorie A. Frugé†
7:00 p.m. Juan Castillo Torrest

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019

8:00 a.m. Sara Gomez†
9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Parish Faithful
12:30 p.m. Grupo Guadalupano
2:00 p.m. Joselyn Ledesma†

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019

7:00 p.m. Gonzalo Razo†

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019

12:10 p.m. Grupo Guadalupano
7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019

12:10 p.m. Manuel Ruiz†
7:00 p.m. Rodrigo & Calixta Alemán †

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019

12:10 p.m. Miguel Gómez†
7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019

12:10 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Readings for the Week

Sunday	First Sunday of Lent Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13
Monday	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10-15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C: 12-14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

Stewardship Report

E-Giving: Electronic Offering is available at St. Joseph-St. Stephen Catholic Parish. It is safe and secure. Simply follow the link "E-Offertory" on our website www.stjosephststephen.org and establish your account. You have full control of your e-giving and can change it anytime.



March Collections:

March 10, 2019: Black and Indian Missions
March 17, 2019: Parish Maintenance Fund
March 31, 2019: Catholic Relief Services

Weekend of March 2 & 3, 2019		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	1,652.50
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	278.69
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	1,287.57
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	965.65
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	1,642.77
Sunday	12:30 p.m.	2,228.00
Sunday	2:00 p.m.	463.78
Daily Masses	7:00 p.m.	79.90
Mail Contributions		295.00
E-Giving		360.00
Children Collection		148.35
Total		9,401.31
DSF		2,997.61
Kitchen		1,088.00

St. Joseph-St. Stephen's Kitchen



Today's kitchen is sponsored by the **Hernandez Family & Friends**. Come and join us for food and fellowship! Visa and Master cards are accepted.

Next Week, we will take a Second Collection for the **Parish Maintenance Fund**. Thank you for your continued support!

Triduum to St. Joseph – Come and pray with us on **March 17 and 18, at 6:30 p.m.**, and on **Tuesday, March 19, at 6:00 p.m.** There will be Mass after prayers at **7:00 p.m.** All are invited to join us at the auditorium after Mass. **English Mass will be celebrated on St. Joseph Feast Day, March 19, 2019, at 12 noon.**



Triduo a San José, los días 17 y 18 de marzo a las **6:30 p.m.** y el 19 de marzo a las **6:00 p.m.** con Procesión, Dolores y Gozos; seguido por la Santa Misa a las **7:00 p.m.** El martes 19 de marzo habrá un convivio después de Misa en el Auditorio. ¡Lo esperamos! **Misa en inglés a las 12 del mediodía, el 19 de marzo, Día de San José.**

Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church every **Friday of Lent at 6:00 p.m.**, alternating Spanish and English, as follows:



March 15 th	<i>English</i>	CCE
March 22 nd	<i>Spanish</i>	Pastoral Vocational
March 29 th	<i>Spanish</i>	Guadalupano Group
April 5 th	<i>English</i>	Cursillistas
April 12 th	<i>Spanish</i>	MFC

Please come join us in praying the Stations of the Cross.

Estaciones de la Cruz: Todos los **viernes de cuaresma a las 6:00 p.m.** Alternando español e inglés. Acompañenos a rezar las Estaciones de la Cruz.

Operation Rice Bowl. As part of our Lent services, our parish will participate in Operation Rice Bowl of the Archdiocese. It calls Catholics to be in solidarity with the poor through the Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, Giving, and Learning. Please pick up a Rice Bowl and Calendar from the back of Church. Each CCE student should have picked up their bowls from their teacher. Please visit crsri-cebowl.org



Operación Plato de Arroz Como cada año, durante la Cuaresma nuestra Parroquia les invita a participar en el programa Arquidiocesano Operación Plato de Arroz. Llama a los católicos a estar en solidaridad con los pobres a través de las prácticas de cuaresma: Rezar, Ayunar, Dar y Aprender. Por favor, recoja su plato de arroz y calendario a la entrada del templo. A cada estudiante de catecismo sus maestros les entregaron su Plato de Arroz. Haga su compromiso durante esta Cuaresma. Visite crsri-cebowl.org.

Communal Reconciliation Service, Holy Hour, and Eucharistic Exposition, will take place on *April 11, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.* There will be several priests to hear individual confessions in English and Spanish.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is the story of God's love that never turns away from us.

Servicio de Reconciliación Comunitaria, Hora Santa & Exposición Eucarística, el día 11 de abril, 2019 a las 6:00 p.m. en el Auditorio. Habrá varios sacerdotes ofreciendo el servicio en inglés y español.

"El Sacramento de la Reconciliación es la historia del amor de Dios que nunca se aleja de nosotros".

Easter Flowers Memorial Envelopes are available at the church entrance for those who would like to remember their loved ones this Easter with a memorial gift of flowers. Please drop your complete, printed envelope in the collection basket by **Sunday, April 14, 2019.**



Flores de Pascua/ Sobres Conmemorativos, están disponibles a la entrada de la iglesia para aquellos que deseen recordar a un ser querido en esta Pascua con un regalo conmemorativo de flores. Por favor llene el sobre con la información impresa de su ser querido y dépositelo en el canasto de la colecta antes del 14 de abril, 2019.

Spring cleaning up: All parishioners are invited to participate in cleaning the parish building on **Sunday April 7, 2019, at 3:00 p.m.** Kindly bring your brooms, mops, cloth towels, and other cleaning supplies. Cleaning our parish is a community effort and service--an excellent way of honoring our house of worship. Our grateful thanks for all that you do for the Parish!



Limpieza de Primavera:

Todos los feligreses están invitados a participar en la limpieza a la parroquia el **domingo, 7 de abril del 2019 a las 3:00 p.m.** Se requiere para limpiar escoba, trapeador, toallas y lo que considere de utilidad. La limpieza de nuestra Iglesia es un esfuerzo de la comunidad y una excelente manera de honrar nuestra casa de adoración. Venga a ofrecer este servicio! Agradecemos todo lo que hace por su parroquia!

2019 Easter Egg Hunt donations are now being accepted. **What we need:** Individually wrapped candy (no chocolate) to fill plastic eggs, confetti eggs, small prizes that fit in plastic eggs.



Toddler only area needs: toddler-friendly snacks/candy for eggs pinwheels, and small stuffed animals or small toys. You may deliver these items either at **Sr. Mary Esther's office** in the school building, or in the church office.

Volunteers are needed on Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019, at 12:00 noon in St. Martin House to fill baskets with Easter Eggs, and on **Easter Sunday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. – till end of hunt** to set up, disperse eggs, line up kids, and clean up afterwards. For further information, please call **Ann** at **281-748-8827**, or visit **annjalloul@gmail.com**. God Bless you!

Let us pray for the sick:

Juanita Rodriguez, Nhi Tran, Nicole San Felipe,
Julio Anguiano, Eva Conley, Irene Ortega,
Héctor Ornelas, Armando Duran, Juan Treviño,
Celia Chávez, Stephanie Pérez, Richard Mendoza,
John Mendoza, Rosalinda De La Torre, Anthony Messa,
Karen De La Cruz, Fr. Richard Hinkley, Teofilo Carreon,
Patricia Woods, Janie San Felipe, Thomas Seiter,
Stephanie Martínez, Valerie Laredo, Jerry Flores,
Andrés Fernández, Gabriel Cortez, Estella Carrizal,
Celia Romero, Pedro Beltrán, Jimmy Buenrostro,
Roland Martínez, Gerard St. Martin, Ramón Guillen,
David Díaz, John Chávez, Silvia Espinoza,
Helen Pérez, Cosme Guerrero, Guadalupe Torres,
Isaac Clarke Robles, Mario Martínez, Juan Mijes,
Dora Gutiérrez, David Moya, Michael Cárdenas.

Also, please pray for the souls of the faithful departed,

Our Confirmation Candidates had their second retreat this weekend. Pray for all of them if you knew who they are let them know you are praying for him/her. Here are their names.

Nuestros Candidatos de Confirmación tuvieron su segundo retiro este fin de semana. Ore por todos ellos, si sabe quiénes son, hágalos saber que está orando por él / ella. Aquí están sus nombres.

Alvineda, Leslie
Carrizal, Laila
Cassanova, John Levi
Coronilla, Arturo
Desiderio, Natalia
Difilippo, Isabella
Difilippo, Marco
Duron, Dahlia
Espino, Alan
Farias, Anthony
Garcia, Blanca
Garcia, Mia
Garza, Leah

Garza, Meah
Gonzalez, Jael Adan
Hernandez, Marisol
Lopez, Adrian
Luis, Natalia
Montiel, Magallie
Morin, Joshua
Pardue, Maria
Robles, Diego
Rodriguez, Andrew
Rodriguez, Janeth
Rubio, Cynthia
Torres, America
Zamudio Alejandro

SAINT JOSEPH, THE TENDERNESS FATHER

God created Joseph's heart similar to his in everything. Foretold of eternity for the husband of Mary in whose bosom the Son of God took flesh, and by his marriage to Mary became the father of Jesus, the heart of Joseph, in accordance with the will of God, was made full of tenderness; indeed, as a special manifestation of God's eternal love.

This tenderness was abundantly poured out by God the Father in Joseph's heart, exactly the same tenderness felt by Joseph toward his son Jesus. "Since he was born in Bethlehem, he surrounded him with warmth and tenderness, and the young Jesus lovingly responded by calling him 'Abba, Father.'"

Through the Holy Spirit, Joseph found the true Source of love that regenerated and sublimated his paternal human love, making him the greatest father. In his love for his son Jesus, Joseph put forth all the solicitude and tenderness that only the heart of a father can fully feel and know. By the work of God the Father and the Holy Spirit, Joseph became the "tenderness father."

In Joseph's heart had been planted the richest and noblest feelings for his son Jesus: sweetest kindness; most loving tenderness; most constant care, concern, and custody.

Saint Joseph's greatness is made more manifest in his immense love as well as his immeasurable tenderness as a father to Jesus. In Nazareth, the image drawn of Joseph is that of a true father of Jesus. What can be said furthermore of Saint Joseph is what Saint Teresa said of him: "he was so good, so tender and so kind."

For Jesus, Joseph was the visible face of Abba, his Heavenly Father. And in this exquisite tenderness that Jesus experienced daily from his father Joseph on a daily basis has inspired the Christian prayer of our Father, the prayer of the children of God, which Jesus taught to his apostles.

This month of March, we entrust our lives to Saint Joseph as we pray and appreciate the gift of fatherhood. Let us, therefore, ask the Heavenly Father and his son Jesus to shower us with the same gift of tenderness bestowed on Saint Joseph.

Fr. Jorge Alvarado, m.j.

SAN JOSÉ, EL PADRE MÁS TIERNO

Dios creó el corazón de José en todo semejante al suyo. Predestinado desde la eternidad para esposo de María, en cuyo seno tomó carne el Hijo de Dios, y por este matrimonio para padre de Jesús, nacido de María, el corazón de José está hecho en todo conforme al de Dios Padre, cuyo corazón rebosa de ternura, como manifestación especial del amor, que Dios es amor.

Esta ternura la derramó Dios Padre en el corazón de José a raudales y es la ternura que sentía San José por su hijo Jesús. Desde que nació en Belén lo rodeó de afabilidad y ternura, a la que el niño y joven Jesús correspondía llamándolo Abba, Papá. En el Espíritu Santo encontró José la fuente del amor que regeneró y sublimó su amor humano paternal, haciéndole el más grande y poniendo en él toda aquella solicitud y ternura que el corazón de un padre puede sentir y conocer. San José por obra de Dios Padre y del Espíritu Santo es el más tierno de los padres.

En su corazón sembraron los sentimientos más ricos y nobles para con su hijo Jesús, el amor más tierno y la ternura más amorosa, la bondad más dulce, la solicitud más empeñada, la preocupación más constante, el cuidado y custodia más exquisitos.

La grandeza de San José es la de su amor inmenso y su ternura incalculable de padre. En la familia de Nazaret la imagen e idea que se tiene de San José es que es un verdadero Papá para Jesús, que lo que se puede decir de más verdadero, de más bueno y de más bello es que San José era tan bueno – qué bueno es San José, decía Santa Teresita – tan tierno e intensamente amable que para el niño y joven Jesús que era la imagen de la ternura y bondad de su Abba, Papá del cielo. José era para Jesús el icono de su Abba, Papá celestial, el rostro visible de su tiernísimo Papá del cielo.

Y en esta ternura exquisita que experimentaba Jesús de su padre José a diario y la familiaridad y confianza con que le llamaba Abba Papá esta inspirada la oración cristiana del Padre nuestro, la oración de los hijos de Dios, enseñada a sus apóstoles.

Este mes de marzo confiemos nuestra vida a San José, oremos y agradezcamos el don de la paternidad. Pidamos a San José el don de la ternura.

P. Jorge Alvarado, m.j.