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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

February 7, 2016

Pastor: Rev. Anthony Alphonse ~ Diocese of Austin

Jesus said to them "put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch".



Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets."

When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing.

A Gospel reflection from Fr. Alphonse:

Modern man, in spite of technical progress and scientific advancement, suffers from more problems than ever which he himself has created.

The fact that we call meetings and form committees for discussions and investigation shows how problematic our life has become. We all like to put things in order, but in reality we talk too much and do too little. Sometimes we have no faith in God or in others. And our discussions and meetings become mere substitutes for concrete actions. It is interesting to quote an observation: "A meeting is a collection of individuals who individually can do nothing, but who get together and collectively decide that nothing can be done."

Today's Gospel story offers a corrective to our approach. We know Peter was not an intellectual. But he was open. He simply believed Jesus and acted according to His words: "If you say so I will let out the nets." This made him experience the "surprise", a wonderful catch of fish. A still greater wonder takes place then, the inclination of Jesus towards him: "Follow Me." And Peter left everything and followed Jesus.

Jesus invites us all to enter a new experience of God, to a "surprise" which only God can work out. God wants to use each one of us to do His work. He does not look at our sinfulness, rather, He comes to our succor.

Peter, though he was a sinful man, was given the keys of the kingdom of heaven. It is not sin that keeps us away from God, but the persistence in sin. Peter, after hearing Jesus' words, followed Him and became a new being.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 2/6	LOLO	4:00 pm	Roger Seguin †
		5:30 pm	Ella & Phillip Vrazel and John Michal †
Sun. 2/7		9:00 am	All Parishioners
Mon. 2/8		NO MASS	
Tues. 2/9		NO MASS	
Wed. 2/10	Ash Wednesday	12:00 noon – St. Charles	
		4:00 - Our Lady of the Lake	
		6:00 – St. Charles	
Thurs. 2/11		NO MASS	
Fri. 2/12		5:30 pm	Rosary and Stations of the Cross
Sat. 2/13	LOLO	4:00 pm	Roger Seguin †
		5:30 pm	Bea Schwab †
Sun. 2/14		9:00 am	All Parishioners

Second Collection this weekend for the Poor

*St. Charles
Altar Flowers
this weekend
in memory of
Penny Rivers
on the 5th
Anniversary
of her death
1-31-2011*



Ash Wednesday ~ February
10th Mass Schedule

St. Charles	12:00 noon
Our Lady of the Lake	4:00 pm
St. Charles	6:00 pm

*"Remember you are dust, and to
dust you will return."*

The diocesan **Ashes to Easter** Lenten Mission Campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10th. We invite each family to take a mission box home in support of the missionary works of the Diocese of Austin. As the Catechism states, "The seasons and days of penance in the course of the liturgical year (Lent, and Each Friday in memory of the Lord) are intense moments of the Church's penitential practice. These times are particularly appropriate for spiritual exercises, penitential liturgies, and pilgrimages as signs of penance, voluntary self-denial such as fasting and alms giving, and fraternal sharing (charitable and missionary works)" (CCC 1438). Please support this long-standing campaign.



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We welcome Msgr. Louis Pavlicek as our celebrant at this weekend's Masses.

This Sunday February 7th the St. Charles/OLOL will hold their Taco Breakfast after the 9AM Mass. Please come and join us in good food and good fellowship.

St Charles Ladies Club Meeting Monday, February 8th at 11:30 AM in Lee Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Everyone welcome.



Attention all Middle School and High School Students. The Saint Charles Youth Group will be meeting right after mass on Sunday February 14th until 10:45 in Lee Hall. If you are in grades 6th-12th grade come join us. If you have any questions concerning our Youth Group please contact Seawillow Schmidt at 325-247-7950

Please drop any notes to Fr. Alphonse or reimbursement forms, mass intentions, flower requests, etc. in the secure locking mailbox that has been placed on the wall by the rectory office door.



IN CASE OF DIRE EMERGENCY OR DEATH ONLY ~ THE CHURCH
EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER IS 512-756-9003

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm at Our Lady of the Lake,
Sunrise Beach

Saturday 5:30 pm at St. Charles, Kingsland

*Sunday 9:00 am at St. Charles, Kingsland

(*The rosary will be prayed every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. Please join us each Sunday for this special prayer before the Mass.)

Weekday Masses at St. Charles

6:00 pm Tuesday

8:00 am Wednesday - Friday

Reconciliation

Before Masses and by appointment

The Sacrament of Baptism

on the 3rd Saturday of the month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass at St. Charles.

If you have questions or need to schedule a Baptism please contact the office.

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday

9:00 am till noon

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

St. Charles: \$ 2042

Our Lady of the Lake: \$ 585

"Give and it shall be given to you... For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38 We've been promised that God will not be out-done in generosity. May God bless you a hundredfold for your generosity to His Church.



SPONSORING ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2016... *If you would like to sponsor the Altar flowers for a special weekend ... to honor a loved one or for a special birthday or anniversary or some other occasion.. please complete the following information and drop in the collection basket or drop in the 'notes for Fr. Alphonse box'. The money for the flowers is due two (2) weeks prior to your special date.*

I would like to sponsor altar flowers for: DATE: _____ 2016
 Amount I want to spend: \$40/\$50 other \$ _____
 Tell us the Occasion: Anniversary, Birthday, Wedding, in memory of, or other.... _____

Wording for Bulletin: _____

Name _____ Phone # _____

St. Charles Available Dates: April 9, September 24, October 1, 8, 15, November 5

If you need a receipt for your 2015 contributions to St. Charles Catholic Church for your taxes, please email stcharles@nctv.com or drop this note in the collection basket or drop this note in the 'notes for Fr. Alphonse box' by the office door. If you need a paper copy please confirm your correct mailing address. If you would prefer your statement by email please confirm your email address.



PLEASE SEND MY STATEMENT BY EMAIL TO: _____@_____

PLEASE SEND A PAPER STATEMENT TO: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Let us touch the dying, the poor, the lonely and the unwanted according to the graces we have received and let us not be ashamed or slow to do the humble work.



We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

LOVE OF NEIGHBOR...

Please consider the health of your fellow parishioners. Please if you have been coughing, have a sore throat or feeling ill, please refrain from receiving the Precious Blood at this Mass.



WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:

The devil's snare does not catch you unless you are already nibbling on the devil's bait. St. Ambrose

FAST AND ABSTINENCE:

One of the most ancient practices linked to the season of Lent is Fasting. Fasting is not only a discipline of self control but it also serves as an aid to prayer. Just as our bodies hunger for physical food, so too do our souls hunger for God. By fasting we signify our oneness with the Lord, acknowledge our need for conversion, and give witness to our solidarity with those less fortunate. Traditionally, the canonical obligation of fasting has been understood in the church as the taking of only one full meal a day. These traditions of fast and abstinence are an expression of our desire to be converted in our hearts, to be reconciled with each other and to love our neighbor.

The U.S. Catholic bishops call for all Catholics 14 years and older to **abstain** from meat on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all 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. Some food which will not equal another full meal is permitted.

CATHOLIC CORNER: A gentle reminder of what we learned but perhaps have forgotten or not thought about in a long time.



As the ashes go on our forehead, the first words of Lent we hear are: "Remember: you are dust and unto dust you will return." Does this scare us so that we slump into depression, panic, or despair when we hear these words?

No!

The words "remember you are dust" are not a threat; they are an invitation. No matter what the circumstances of your life may be...we will use these days during Lent, to bring ourselves closer to our Savior, Jesus.

Lent is a time of prayer, penance and almsgiving. Think about how you can use this time to come closer into the presence of the Lord. Will you use self-denial? Will you practice special acts of love and charity?

The work of Lent is to rediscover and rededicate our hearts and lives to the true object of our desire - salvation in Jesus Christ. May God help us to embrace the sacrifice of this path.

Before he began his public ministry, Jesus spent 40 days in the desert. He prayed, fasted, confronted temptation, and prepared for the journey that was to come. During Lent, we imitate Jesus in self-denial. We pray, fast, and give alms. Using God's Word and centuries of spiritual practices and devotions, we can, little by little, set aside what distracts and harms us, open our lives to deep conversation to the Lord, and emerge ready to enter into the lasting joy of life with the Risen Christ. *OSV*



Praying the Way of the Cross as a devotion began in Jerusalem, with Christian pilgrims tracing the spots linked with the Passion and Death of Jesus. When travel to the Holy Land became difficult, churches began including fourteen stations on their walls where the faithful could make the "stations of the cross" spiritually. The devotion is intended to help Christ's followers join their own sufferings to His.

Our Sunday Visitor



The Power of Prayer: The day was long, the burden I bore seemed heavier than I could bear and then – suddenly it lifted. Little did I know but someone had knelt in prayer for me,

they had at that very hour asked God to ease my load and He in His infinite compassion had stooped down and taken it from me. We cannot tell how often as we pray for some poor bewildered one, hurt and in distress the answer comes ... and many times those hearts find sudden peace and rest. So many hearts have need of prayer... Oh please let us pray for each other. *St. Therese of Lisieux*



Our Lady of the Lake... Our Lady of the Lake...

OLL Library is open before mass. Make your selection, sign, date and put your telephone number down in the spiral.

Contact person: Nancy Winkler 325-388-3296

Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady of the Lake before Mass on Saturday at **3:25** pm, please join us.



Our Lady of the Lake altar flower dates are available. Forms can be found at the entrance of Church.

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