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Second Sunday of Lent – Year C

February 21, 2016

Pastor: Rev. Anthony Alphonse ~ Diocese of Austin

A Gospel reflection from Fr. Alphonse:

The Transfiguration of Jesus is the center of today's Gospel. It is not by chance that Jesus brings Peter, James and John and invites them to go up the mountain with Him, just like Moses, who went up Mount Sinai to encounter the Glory of God.

Certain conditions of solitude dispose man to receive God's communications. Who is Jesus? Peter has already answered this question, but now it is the Father who gives the answer. Jesus is the Beloved Son. The eternal love of the Father can only be satisfied by the Son who shares His own Divinity. Moses and Elijah, two of the most popular and powerful prophets of the Old Testament, come to Jesus.

God had, many times and in many ways, spoken through the prophets, but now He gives all that He can give us by sending His own Son: *listen to Him* (Deut 18:19) as the prophet who gathers in Himself all the prophets.

In the transfiguration the apostles got a glimpse of Jesus' inner life and glory. Somehow, contemplation of the risen Christ became a new experience of God. This was so intense that they wished to stay there, just with Jesus, forgetting all the rest; they had discovered that the Lord was able to fill their lives. The God who transfigured Jesus, is waiting to transfigure us with the glory that comes from our being to God what Jesus is: *"My beloved child on whom my favor rests."*

We welcome Msgr. Elmer Holtman
as our celebrant
at this weekend's Masses.



Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah.....

Mass Intentions

Sat. 2/20 OLOL	4:00 pm	Michael Henderson †
	5:30 pm	E. J. Michal †
Sun. 2/21	9:00 am	All Parishioners
Mon. 2/22	NO MASS	
Tues. 2/23	NO MASS	
Wed. 2/24	NO MASS	
Thurs. 2/25	NO MASS	
Fri. 2/26	5:30 pm	Rosary and Stations of the Cross
Sat. 2/27 OLOL	4:00 pm	Bill Stiles †
	5:30 pm	Ella Vrazel, Philip Vrazel, John Michal †
Sun. 2/28	9:00 am	All Parishioners

The St. Charles /OLOL Men's Club will start selling tickets for our Fajita Dinner, which will be held March 17th. The tickets will be \$7.00 per person. See one of the Men's Club members for tickets.



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

LENTEN REFLECTION on the book "Rediscovering Jesus" each Wednesday morning at 9:00 in Lee Hall. We will reflect on three questions: Who do people say Jesus is? Who do you say Jesus is? Who does Jesus say you are?

The annual diocesan Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign has begun. Each family is invited to pick up a box and keep it on or near the family dining table or by their bedside table. Put in some coins each day during Lent, and pray for missions worldwide.



Contributing coins each day is a corporal work of mercy that will help shelter the homeless and a spiritual work of mercy that will help comfort the sorrowful. The money collected helps local missionaries and missionary projects from our diocese.

The Marble Falls/Lampasas deanery of the DCCW will have their quarterly meeting in Lee Hall on Saturday, March 5th beginning at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be served after the meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

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



Knights of Columbus Tamale Sales: The Knights of Columbus Council has ordered extra tamales for those that may have missed the ordering period or would like more. Cost is \$7.00 per dozen.

See Richard Collins or Angelo Anzivino to fill your tamale needs.

It is necessary most of all for one who is fasting to curb anger, to accustom himself to meekness and condescension, to have a contrite heart, to repulse impure thoughts and desires, to examine his conscience, to put his mind to the test and to verify what good has been done by us in this or any other week, and which deficiency we have corrected in ourselves in the present week. This is true fasting.

St. John Chrysostom

WELCOME NEWCOMERS OR VISITORS: Newcomers or visitors wishing to become members of St. Charles or Our Lady of the Lake, please fill out a membership form located in the back of church and give the form to one of the greeters/ushers.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

St. Charles:	\$
World & Home Missions	\$
Higher Education	\$
Our Lady of the Lake:	\$ 951
World & Home Missions	\$ 225
Higher Education	\$ 124

"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.

Send bulletin announcements by **5:00 PM** on **MONDAY** to stcharles@nctv.com. You **must** put in the subject line of email "**bulletin announcement**". This will help us and it will ensure your important information is not overlooked.

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



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: _____

Fasting allows the soul to fly.....



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

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.



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.





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

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

How's your Lent?

As Catholics, we use Lent to bring us closer to God.....How's your Lent going? Is this your best Lent ever or your worst? Lent can seem long. If you started out really strong but have fallen off the Lent wagon, get back on today. Jesus wants his disciples to bear fruit...now! He doesn't want us sitting around thinking we can pay attention to his message sometime later ~ someday in the future. The gospel is not just for old people trying to get into heaven. It's for everyone and not for later ~ now! What did you give up? What bad habit are you working on to change? What positive things did you decide to try to accomplish in these 40 days? Talk to God... He'll help you.

REMINDER: 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.**

As part of our **personal denial** we might choose to abstain from meat on one or two other days of the week as well. The Church gives us 2 days to fast but we might choose to fast one or two additional days a week during lent also.

God asks us to die to ourselves and resist temptation. But He is asking this so that we can clear out more space in our hearts for Him and for His grace. The discipline and self-sacrifice we take up during Lent are not ends to themselves. They are not here to prove our strength. Rather, we take them on so that we can become more fully alive in Christ, more able to reveal His love to the people around us.

This Lent, keep your eyes on the prize; a new life in Christ. WAU

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

A person's soul should be clean like a mirror reflecting light. If there is dirt on the mirror his face cannot be seen in it. In the same way, no one who has sin within him can see God. (Wisdom from the Fathers)

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

Our Lady of The Lake will have **Stations of The Cross** each Saturday after Mass during Lent. It's the short version so please join us.

Our Lady of The Lake will have **Soup & Salad Suppers** after Stations of The Cross on Saturday February 13th, 27th and March 12th. All are welcome please join us.

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.

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

Don't forget our "Share the Harvest Food Wagon" When you are out doing your grocery shopping please consider picking up an extra item or two and bring when you come to Mass. God Bless You.

