

# MERCY

MISERICORDIA NHÂN TỪ

LOVE WITHOUT CONDITIONS • AMOR SIN CONDICION • YÊU MÀ KHÔNG CÓ ĐIỀU KIỆN

5th Sunday  
of Lent

V Domingo  
de Cuaresma

UNCONDITIONALLY ACCEPTING GOD'S LOVE | ACEPTANDO EL AMOR INCODICIONAL DE DIOS

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

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God extends Love and Mercy to each of us unconditionally. How can we examine our lives to recognize God's Love and Mercy already present within them? We claim the freedom that comes from Christ when we hear his words: "I do not condemn you."

Dios extiende su amor y misericordia a cada uno de nosotros sin ninguna condición. ¿Cómo podemos examinar nuestras vidas para reconocer el amor y la misericordia de Dios que ya se encuentran en ellas? Somos dueños de la libertad que viene de Cristo cuando escuchamos sus palabras: "Tampoco yo te condeno."



### Question of the Week | Pregunta de la Semana

**Adult:** What obstacles stand in the way of my seeking and responding to the Love and Mercy which God is always extending to me? What do I need to do to allow God to do something new and wonderful in my life?

**Adultos:** ¿Que obstáculos se encuentran en mi camino al buscar y responder al amor y la misericordia que Dios siempre me está obsequiando? ¿Qué necesito hacer para dejar que Dios haga algo nuevo y maravilloso en mi vida?

**Youth:** When you put someone down by making fun of their clothing or the music they like, how do you feel? How can you show respectful mercy instead?

**Jóvenes:** ¿Cómo te sientes cuándo te burlas de alguien por la forma en que visten o por la música que les gusta? ¿Cómo puedes demostrar una misericordia respetuosa en lugar de burlarte?

# What's happening @ SFDS



## Protecting God's Children

for Parents and Volunteers (who work with children)

Our parish will be hosting the training

"Protecting God's Children" **Thurs., April 14 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at Our Lady of the Lake.** This training is for adults who volunteer with children and youth through our parish ministries. All parents are encouraged to participate in this training as it informs and trains adults about how to prevent and protect children from situations that could lead to abuse and how to detect and handle situation of abuse.

Register today by going online to: [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

## YOU ARE CALLED AND YOU ARE GIFTED!

We are all called by Christ and gifted through His unending grace and love. Sometimes, we may need help to figure out the direction the Lord is leading us in. The purpose of this program is to help each individual identify the charisms the Holy Spirit has gifted them with. This program has been very successful in helping parishioners with the discernment process. Through the use of a workbook, readings, in class discussions and quiet prayer time, individuals are guided in the discernment process to help them find their true calling and purpose in Christ.

A workshop will take place on Saturday, March 19 at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church. Pick up a brochure in the Kiosk if you would like more information, or call Brian Piecuch at the parish office, ext. 119.



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## Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de Misa

### Saturday/Sábado, March 12, 2016

5:00 pm † Mau Nguyen—*Nguyen family*

### Sunday/Domingo, March 13, 2016

8:30 am † Vincent Le—*Le family*

10:30 am † Sylvia Guebara—*family*

12:30 pm For the People

### Monday/Lunes, March 14, 2016

12:10 pm † Jack Farrell—*Ray & Ellen McManus*

### Tuesday/Martes, March 15, 2016

9:00 am † Gerry Olson—*Dennis Olson*

### Wednesday/Miércoles, March 16, 2016

6:00 pm † Deceased members of St. Francis

### Thursday/Jueves, March 17, 2016

12:10 pm † Bud Sydmark—*Ray & Ellen McManus*

### Saturday/Sábado, March 19, 2016

5:00 pm For the People

### Sunday/Domingo, March 20, 2016

8:30 am † Vincent Le—*Huynh family*

10:30 am † Domingo Reyes—*Reyes family*

12:30 pm † Estafania Villacaña—*familia*



## Guadalupe's Brunch after all English Masses this Sunday!

Join us in the multi-purpose room for Some home-cooked, delicious, Mexican food!

### Lenten Reconciliation Schedule:

Every Saturday @ 3:30 p.m.  
Wed. March 16, 6:45-8:30 p.m.  
Thursday, March 17, 3-4:30 p.m.  
Friday, March 18, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

### Sacramento de Reconciliación

Sábados @ 3:30 p.m.  
Miércoles, 16 Marzo, 6:45-8:30 pm  
Jueves, 17 Marzo, 3-4:30 p.m.  
Viernes, 18 Marzo, 12:00-1:00 pm.

## Balanced Life Support Group

meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

St. Jane Room in the Parish Office Building

This is a **support group for family and friends of persons with a mental illness.** For more information contact Sheila Klemm at (616) 481-3959 or [sheilaklemm@hotmail.com](mailto:sheilaklemm@hotmail.com).

## Scripture Readings for the Week

03/14 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:12-20  
03/15 Nm 21:4-9, Jn 8:21-30  
03/16 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42  
03/17 Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59  
03/18 Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42  
03/19 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
03/20 Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14, 23-56

## Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

03/14 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:12-20  
03/15 Núm 21:4-9, Jn 8:21-30  
03/16 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42  
03/17 Gén 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59  
03/18 Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42  
03/19 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
03/20 Lc 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Fil 2:6-11; Lc 22:14, 23-56

## Outreach / Fe y Justicia



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CENTER:

Cereal is needed.  
Hours: Mon. & Wed., 3 to 8 pm  
and Sat. 12 to 4 pm.

### CENTRO SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL:

Esta semana estamos necesitando  
Cajas o bolsas de cereal.

Nuestro horario es: Lunes y Miércoles, 3 a 8 pm y  
los Sábados de 12 a 4 pm.



Remember that passing up a candy bar or a latte and putting that money into your "rice bowl" can be an expression of solidarity with those throughout the world who live in poverty – those who look to CRS (Catholic Relief Services) for assistance.

Recuerde que si no compra ese dulce o esa taza de café que quiere y pone ese dinero en su "plato de arroz" puede ser una expresión de solidaridad con las personas del mundo que viven en la pobreza — las mismas personas que miran hacia CRS (Catholic Relief Services) para que les den ayuda.



*Thank You* to all those who donated supplies and donated their time to load a truck bound for St. Mary's Parish in Flint on Feb. 27. They were so grateful for our delivery. St. Mary parishioners plus a group of men from AA unloaded the truck. It was a wonderful experience of being Church.

*Gracias* a todos aquellos que donaron el agua y otros artículos y donaron su tiempo para cargar un camión con destino a la parroquia de Santa Maria en Flint el 27 de febrero. Los feligreses de Santa Maria están muy agradecidos por nuestra donación. Los feligreses de Santa Maria y un grupo de hombres de la organización Alcohólicos Anónimos descargaron el camión. Fue una experiencia maravillosa de cómo ser Iglesia.

## Corpus Christi School News

### Take a tour of your parish school today!

Our Mission Statement: Corpus Christi Catholic School welcomes all children; enriches their knowledge, nurtures their faith, and builds their character in a Catholic Christian environment.

We believe that the spiritual element is a critical part of a child's development.

We believe that each child can learn and has a unique contribution to make to the mission of the Church.

We believe that frequent and open communication between home and school is critical to each child's success.

We believe that a quality education program can serve an evangelical function for our Church.

We invite you to come and see your parish school and see the good things that happen when  
Knowledge + Faith + Character  
come together!



### ¡Explore hoy su escuela parroquial!

Nuestra Declaración de Misión: La Escuela Católica Corpus Christi les da la bienvenida a todos los niños, enriquece su conocimiento, nutre su fe, y forja su carácter en un ambiente Católico Cristiano.

Creemos que el elemento espiritual es una parte esencial del desarrollo del niño.

Creemos que cada niño puede aprender y que puede hacer una contribución muy personal a la misión de la Iglesia.

Creemos que la comunicación, siendo frecuente y abierta entre el hogar y la escuela es esencial para el éxito de cada niño.

Creemos que un programa educacional de calidad puede servir una función evangelizadora para nuestra Iglesia.

¡Le invitamos a que venga y visite su escuela parroquial y vea las cosas buenas que pasan cuando  
Conocimiento + Fe + Carácter  
se juntan!





**Holy Week Services**  
(March 20-26, 2016)

**Servicios de Semana Santa**  
(20-26 de marzo)

**Holy Week**

**Holy Thursday/Jueves Santo**

7:00 p.m. Washing of the Feet (Bilingual)  
7:00 p.m. Lavatorio de los Pies (Bilingüe)

**Good Friday/Viernes Santo**

Via Crucis 4:00 p.m. (Bilingual) (Bilingüe)  
Veneration of the Cross 7:00 p.m. (English)  
Veneración de la Cruz 7:00 p.m. (Inglés)

**Easter Vigil/Vigilia Pascual**

Easter Vigil Service 8:30 p.m. (Tri-lingual)  
(no 5:00 p.m. Mass this day)  
Misa de la Vigilia Pascual 8:30 p.m. (Trilingüe)  
(no hay misa de 5:00 p.m. este día)

**Easter Sunday/Domingo de Pascua**

8:30 & 10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Español)



**Attention Women of the Parish!**  
**CURSILLO!**  
**April 7-10th**

St. Joseph (Pewamo) Cursillo is a Lay Movement of the Catholic Church started in Spain, which presents a method and strategy for living basic Christian Ideals. The inherent message of Cursillo is to share one's Christianity in the normal everyday activities of life...with your family, in your workplace, in your neighborhood and in your parish community.

Cursillo begins with a three day experience beginning on Thursday evening and ending on Sunday afternoon. The format consists of a series of presentations given by lay team members and the spiritual directors.

For more information call Chris & Nancy Nyenhuis, nana\_ingram@yahoo.com or (616) 975-9969. Applications are due by March 24. The next women's Cursillo weekend is in the fall of 2016.

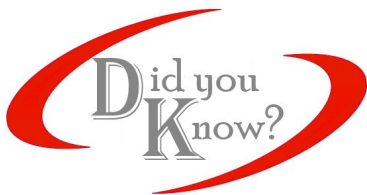
**Cursillo de Hombres**

**Mayo 12-15**

**Cursillo de Mujeres**

**Mayo 19-22**

Iglesia de San Pedro y San Pablo en Grand Rapids  
Para solicitar una aplicación y obtener mas información, favor de comunicarse con Chino De La Cruz al 616-834-7687.



That our Weekend Masses are live streamed? Did you also know that last month we had someone viewing our Mass from France? You can view Mass by going to our website and clicking on the watch live icon.

<b>Pastoral Staff</b>	616-392-6700
Rev. Charles Brown, Pastor	Ext. 106
Rev. William VanderWerff, Associate Pastor	Ext. 116
Sr. Pat Lamb, R.S.M., Immigration Assistance	Ext. 115
Sr. Noella Poinsette O.S.F., Outreach/ Social Justice	Ext. 114
Tom Eggleston, Pastoral Associate	Ext. 104
Deacon Edwin Gonzalez	Ext. 101
<b>Administration Staff</b>	
Elvia Dominguez, Office Manager	Ext. 124
Emily Alba, Administrative Assistant	Ext. 109
Francisca Flores, Accountant/Bookkeeper	Ext. 102
Connie Ayling, Receptionist	Ext. 101
Jason Heydens, Maintenance	616-499-1166
<b>Music &amp; Liturgy</b>	
Phillip Konczyk, Director	Ext. 117
<b>Parish Nurse</b>	
Martha Kuyten, Parish Nurse	616-392-6700
<b>Family &amp; Adult Faith Formation</b>	
Ricardo Valdez, Director	Ext. 111
Guillermo Flores, Bilingual Coordinator	Ext. 110
Kevin Hilgert, Director of Youth Ministry	Ext. 108
<b>Evangelization and Stewardship</b>	
Brian Piecuch	Ext. 119

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Bi-lingual)  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Daily Masses**

Monday 12:10 p.m.  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
Thursday 12:10 p.m.

**Office Hours**

Monday - Thursdays  
8:30 am to 6:00 pm  
Fridays 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

**Rectory** 616-392-3985  
**Fax** 616-392-2474

**Corpus Christi School**  
616-994-9864  
**St. Vincent de Paul**  
616-394-0676

## GIFTS OF TREASURE

### WEEKLY TITHES

March 6th Collection	\$ 19,433.89
Weekly Need	\$ 19,100.00
#Envelopes + Checks	301

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### CAPITAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN "GROWING OUR FAITH"

Parish Goal	\$ 1,560,000.00
Pledges to Date	\$ 1,283,559.00
Collected YTD	\$ 1,160,874.98

### Did you know?

#### Your offertory gifts at work.

Our natural gas bills are highly weather dependent. In fiscal year 2014, we paid \$24,139 in gas bills for the church and parish office. That enormous total reflected the very harsh winter of two years ago in two ways: our gas consumption was up and so was the rate charged by our gas supplier. Last year's milder winter and lower gas rates helped our gas bill to drop to \$16,702 for fiscal year 2015. The weather and gas rates are even more favorable this fiscal year, and so far our total gas bills for the church and office are just 58% of last year's for the same period. Thank goodness! We're doing what we can to avoid high gas bills. Our HVAC control system helps us regulate when and where we heat the church. And, we monitor our monthly gas consumption and compare it to monthly heating degree days, a rough indicator of how much we should need to heat our buildings. (See [www.stfrancisholland.org/utilities](http://www.stfrancisholland.org/utilities).) Thanks for your support!!



WEEKLY TITHE: Justice for Our Neighbors