



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY “*Ex 20:1-17; Jn 4:5-42; Ex 17:3-7*”

8:30 A.M. Tony & Annie Lewis
11:00 A.M. Wayne Morgan
5:00 P.M. For the Parish

MONDAY “*2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4-24-30*”

6:30 A.M. Gail Bulloch

TUESDAY “*Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35*”

6:30 A.M. (Our Lady of Fatima)
5:30 P.M. Sharon Taylor

WEDNESDAY “*Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19*”

6:30 A.M. Gail Bulloch

THURSDAY “*2 Sm 7:4-5a, 16; Mt 1:16, 18-12*”

6:30 A.M. (Our Lady of Fatima)
5:30 P.M. Sr. Joseph Marie

FRIDAY “*Hos 14:2-10; Mt 12:28-34*”

8:10 A.M. Poor Souls

SATURDAY “*Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14*”

7:30 A.M. Margaret Lane
4:30 P.M. Deceased Members of
the Costanza, Lewis &
Zagone Families

SUNDAY “*Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21; Eph 5:8-14*”

8:30 A.M. Salena Funderburg
11:00 A.M. For the Parish
5:00 P.M. Billy Ledbetter

Third Sunday of Lent

ADORATION

Adoration continues Tuesday, March 17TH from
8:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.

QUESTION FOR FAMILY 03-22-09

How has my faith journey resembled the journey
of Nicodemus?

QUESTION FOR CHILDREN 03-22-09

Have I kept the Lenten promises I made?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening at 5:30 P.M. here at JGS.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Week of Mar. 23rd.
NEWSLETTER MAILING – Monday, Mar. 30th.

UNITY IN THE SPIRIT

Following is the schedule for the services which
begin at each Church, 6:30 P.M., with dinner
immediately following:

Wednesday, March 18th, St. Matthew Church,
121 Jackson Street – Solemn Vespers

Wednesday, March 25th, St. Alban Episcopal,
2816 Deborah Drive – Evensong

Wednesday, April 1st, Jesus the Good Shepherd,
Social Justice Prayer Service.

Everyone is invited to attend this meaningful
tradition among our congregations!

JGS BOOK CLUB

Are you interested in exploring your spiritual life
through reading & discussion? All those
interested are welcome to join us on Thursday,
March 26th at 6:30 P.M. in the Music Room. The
Book: *The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story
of Homecoming* by Henri J. M. Nouwen. He
explores the Gospel story by examining its
characters and themes. Nouwen digs deeply into
the parable and into his own life to learn how to
develop a stronger relationship with other people
and with God. The first discussion will revolve
around the first part of the book through page 58.
A discussion guide is available in the church
office for pickup. For more information, please
call Barbara Michaelides, 343-4918 in the
evening or on weekends.

ST. VDP SOUP KITCHEN

Is Saturday, March 21st at 9:00 A.M. in the school
cafeteria. Volunteers are needed to help with the
preparation of the plates and delivery to the
homebound. Signup sheet for items needed will
be available.

JGS DINNER CLUB – OUR PARISH FAMILY SHARING A MEAL TOGETHER

Please join us Saturday, March 21st at Austin's,
311 Hudson Lane, 6:30 P.M. Please sign up on
the sheet on the gathering space table.

ULM CHORAL DEPT. SPRING CONCERT

Will be held here at JGS on Tuesday, March 24th
at 7:30 P.M. in the Church. Adoration will end
with the 5:30 P.M. Mass. Everyone is invited to
attend this special event!

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

WOMEN'S LENTEN REFLECTION

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #1144, will host a women's Lenten Reflection on Saturday, March 21st presented by Sr. Edith Schnell. A continental breakfast will be served from 10:00 A.M.-10:30 A.M. The program will last approximately one hour at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1201 Oliver Road. RSVP janet platt@frostyfactory.com or 318-512-4568. We look forward to seeing you!!

EASTER CARDS

On the weekend of March 28th & 29th, Easter cards for our seminarians and sisters will be available for our parishioners to sign. Please stop by the table in the gathering space to sign. Thank you!

DIRECTOR OF LAY MINISTRIES POSITION

The Church of Jesus the Good Shepherd is in the process of hiring a Coordinator of Lay Ministries. Ana Anzelmo has decided to resign from this position. The parish will fill the position with either two part time employees or one full time employee. The Coordinator of Lay Ministries will work with the pastor and help organize RCIA, Adult Faith Formation, Parish School of Religion, Sacramental Preparation, Scheduling of Liturgical Ministers, Liturgical Services and Social events. Qualified candidates for the position should be self-starters, outgoing and quick studies. Experience and theological training will be helpful. Please submit resumes to the parish office, 2510 Emerson Street, Monroe, LA 71201. Application deadline is April 13, 2009.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The parish will hold its Pastoral Council elections at the Masses on Saturday and Sunday, April 25/26. All registered parishioners are invited to run. If you would like to run, please bring a short bio and photo to the church office. The deadline for submitting the bio and photo is Friday, April 17th. The Pastoral Council consults with the pastor concerning the vision of the parish. I invite parishioners to consider running for this important parish council election.

LIFESHARE BLOOD CENTER

Special thanks to the 5 people who donated blood for "The Gift of Life".

HOSPICE CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Find out how you can make a difference in someone's life. "Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves." Brochures are available on the gathering space table. For more information contact: Peggy Clark @ 322-2235, (office) 547-2455 (cell) Volunteer Coordinator, Patient's Choice Hospice.

ULM LENTEN FISH FRY – FRIDAY MARCH 20th, 27th and April 3 – SERVING FROM 11:00-1:00 P.M.

Tickets are available in the Church Office. Price is \$6.00 per plate. Plate includes Fish, French fries, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies, and Cake.

FRIENDS, FAMILIES, LOVERS OF PASTA

JGS will have 2 Pasta Cooking Teams entered in the Great Pasta Cookoff, March 28th, 12:00 -4:00 P.M. at Parkview Baptist Church. Tickets are \$10.00 ea. or \$20.00/family. You can sample all the pasta and then VOTE on your favorite dish. Proceeds benefit our new ministry, FAMILY PROMISE. (16 area churches helping needy families). Please support this worthy cause and buy a ticket from the Church Office, 325-7549, Randy Smith, 387-9118, Fr. Mark, or Elaine Elias, 323-3144, or after Masses this weekend.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Tuesday, March 31st at 6:30 P.M., there will be a Reconciliation Service here at JGS. Several priests will be available for individual confessions. Adoration on that Tuesday will end after the 5:30 P.M. Mass.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mr. Charles William Stewart, father of Mrs. Holly Ratcliff of our parish. May he rest in peace. Amen.

COLLECTION

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| Weekly Revenue Budget | \$16,050.00 |
| Budget thru Feb.1 st - Mar.8 th | \$96,300.00 |
| Collections Feb. 1 st – Mar. 8 th | \$91,787.00 |
| Variance | -\$4,513.00 |

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
AVENUE SHOES