

### Monday

FEBRUARY 29 Lenten Weekday 2 Kgs 5:1–15ab Lk 4:24–30

### Tuesday

MARCH 1 Lenten Weekday Dn 3:25, 34–43 Mt 18:21–35

### Wednesday

MARCH 2 Lenten Weekday Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19

### Thursday

MARCH 3 Lenten Weekday Jer 7:23–28 Lk 11:14–23

### Friday

MARCH 4 Lenten Weekday Hos 14:2–10 Mk 12:28–34

### Saturday

MARCH 5 Lenten Weekday Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14

### Sunday

MARCH 6 Fourth Sunday of Lent Jos 5:9a, 10–12 2 Cor 5:17–21 Lk 15:1–3, 11–32

# Lent

Third Sunday of Lent + February 28, 2016

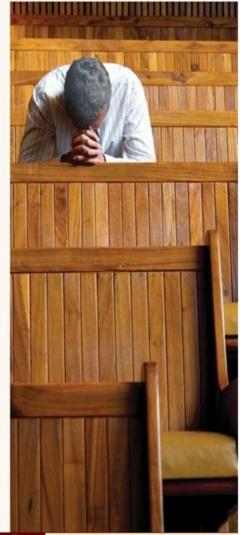
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 + 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 + Lk 13:1-9

ow that I am older, I can look back on my life and clearly remember times when I took great pride in my accomplishments, the breadth of my knowledge, and my insight into human dynamics. The problem was that my pride bordered on, and occasionally slipped into, a sense of superiority and hubris. At such times I was not fun to be around. The advantage of maturity is that we become more aware of our shortcomings and, hopefully, develop a humility that appreciates the gifts that everyone brings to the table, recognizes that we always have more to learn, and grows grateful, rather than prideful, at the gifts we have been given.

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges the sense of pride that the Israelites feel from God's choosing them and the sense that they are, therefore, better than the people of the surrounding nations. He also questions their habit of judging those on whom misfortune fell as more sinful than they were. In a way, he was asking them to grow up and find the humility that comes from age, holding them to the same standard with which they held others. He challenged them to spend less time judging others and more time recognizing their sins and need for repentance.

That's a hard lesson for us all, but a necessary one. If we are to accompany one another on this journey through Lent and life, we need to know we are all the same in God's eyes and all in need of God's grace to make it through.

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### A Word From Pope Francis

"Old age is—as I like to say—the seat of life's wisdom. The old have acquired the wisdom that comes from having journeyed through life....And that wisdom enabled them to recognize Jesus. Let us pass on this wisdom to the young."

-Audience with the College of Cardinals, March 15, 2013



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Of Lent

February 28, 2016

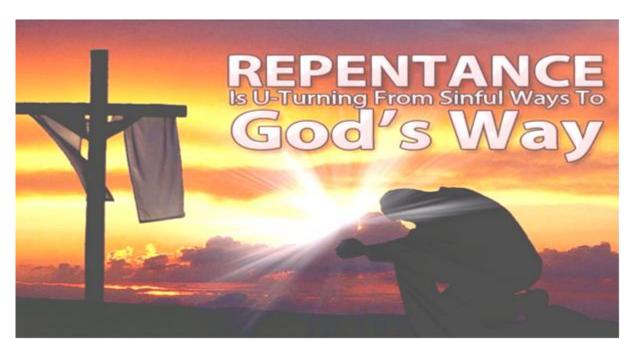


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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 4:00 pm Our Parish Family
Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am spec int (Bootz) Tues 8:00 am +Pete Wed 6:00 pm +Pete Thu 8:00am spec int (Bootz) Fri 8:00 am all souls

### From Father Khoa's Desk...

### Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" Who wants to repent? Who wants to change habits, make sacrifices, or chart a more challenging course? Repentance isn't the easy road. Few of us are naturally drawn towards it. Perhaps that's why Jesus had to speak with such boldness in today's Gospel. Repent, or perish. Change, or suffer and die. Not what we like to hear. Not what we like to do. But we would be foolish not to listen.

The entire Gospel message is certainly one of mercy and compassion. Jesus was the first to show forgiveness to sinners, and he always called others to do the same. He suffered and died so that WE wouldn't have to suffer eternal death. But the fact remains that we can still CHOOSE to "perish." We can choose to stay rooted in our favorite sins and to cling tightly to the comfortable vices that stifle a virtuous life. When we won't let go of them, then we don't truly repent. But Jesus urges us to change so that we can enjoy the eternal benefits of his mercy. He doesn't want us to perish! As we hear in today's psalm, "He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion." Repenting--turning back to God--puts us in the right position for this spiritual coronation.

Lent is a time especially built for repentance. It is a season that calls us not only to recognize where we need to change, but to actually set those changes into motion. Lent isn't just a pious liturgical ritual. These forty days are a response to Christ's stern warning that we need to repent in order to save our souls. Let's not pretend to be exempt from the message. Lent is meant for ALL of us. Lord,

change our hearts in this season of Lent so that our lives may bear fruit in the beauty of your love.

### Have a great week! May God bless all of us! ...Fr. Khoa

**<u>Newly Baptized:</u>** Congratulation to Adylan Dorothy Mae Moran, who was baptized last Sunday, February 21.

Catholic Sharing Appeal 2016 Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2016 Catholic Sharing Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, it is not too late to help St Ann and Our Lady of Chartres families meet our goal. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

**Lenten Fish Fry:** Every Friday during Lent, from 4 to 7 p.m. we serve Buffet for only \$13 for adults and \$7 for children. Please come, support us, and share the foods and fellowship with us.

<u>Friday Stations of the Cross</u> Please join us each Friday evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. The Stations begin at 6:00p.m.

**Knights of Columbus:** Meet **next Sunday March 6**.

<u>ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:</u>\*\*
<u>95</u>Identifiable: \$1,487.00; Loose: \$1,536.00; Total: \$3,023.00; Children: \$51.80. Solemnity of Mary: \$11.11; Lizana Light: \$120.00.

### **OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: **\$142.00**; Loose: **\$205.00**; Total: **\$347.00**.

\*\*Amount needed weekly <u>\$2,908.84.</u> Thank you for your generosity.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Feb 27 5pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Mike Mays, Diane Mays, Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	Doug Kermit	Mary Ladner
Feb 28 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Feb 28 9am	Beverly Saucier	Marlow Ladner, Robin Peterson, Valeria Ladner	Carson Karter	Robert Pat	Pat & Robin Peterson Family
Sat Mar 05 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Rita Acosta, Sharon Ladner, Richard Dunlap	Austin Scarengoas	Doug August	Ira Necaise
Mar 06 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Mar 06 9am	Lisa Cuevas	Dale Babin, Carolyn Brewer, Kim Wood	Keegan Conner	Robert David	Lester Palmer Family

#### ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Altar Society: meet second Sundays.

Parish Council: Meet third Saturdays.

<u>CYO:</u> meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO contact **Katelyn Moran** and **Danielle Ladner** or on the website **www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo**.

**Bereavement Committee:** Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

<u>Church Cleaning:</u> David Bass will clean the church on Feb 28 and Mar 6. Thank you.

<u>Lizana Light:</u> Doris Snowden and Dianne Northrrop serve the Lizana Light. For more info, please contact Doris or Diane. Thank you.

<u>MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:</u> You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

**RCIA:** For the next two weeks, at the 9am mass on Sunday, the RCIA candidates will have the Rite of Scrutiny. Please contact **Henrietta Ladner**.

**Bible Study:** We study begin to study **the Encounter.** Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta**.

### PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, Julia Perronne, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Elizabeth Necaise, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, and Melissa Peterson.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.