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Good News!

March 8, 2015
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)
Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 / 1 Cor 1:22-25 / Jn 2:13-25

The license plate on a friend's car reads "56789." When someone asked him about it, he said, "Those are the commandments I'm good at." We all had a laugh but, in truth, the commandments bear deeper reflection.

To pretend that our obedience of the Ten Commandments is limited to the literal words themselves is spiritually shallow. We may not have killed someone, but have we ever thought how much better it would be if someone weren't in our workplace or school? Have we ever hated someone with a passion that interferes with our actions? We may not have stolen something from a retail store, but have we ever taken anything that doesn't belong to us—ideas, supplies from work? These don't belong to us. Are there ways in which we really want what a friend has or fail to remain faithful in body, mind, and spirit? The Ten Commandments impact us far more than we realize.

In today's gospel, Jesus demonstrates how far the moneychangers in the temple area have strayed from the true spirit of the worship of God. They probably hadn't given it much thought—it was the way they'd always done business. But their action made things difficult for others. God demands a transformation that deals not only with the wrong everyone can see, but with the subtle ways we violate God's laws and fail to love.

The middle of Lent is a good time for us to examine—and repent of—all the ways in which we do this.

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dear Padre

March 8, 2015
Who wrote the Lord's Prayer?

I know the Lord's Prayer comes from Scripture, but who composed it as we say it today?

When the disciples asked the Lord to teach them to pray, he taught them the prayer we know as the Our Father. Various versions of that prayer appear in the gospels of Matthew and Luke.

The version used in the Church's liturgies is from Matthew 6:5-13. In fact, citing St. Thomas Aquinas's *Summa Theologiae*, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* calls the Lord's Prayer the most perfect prayer, teaching us not only what things to pray for in our prayer but also in what order or priority we should desire them. "It is at the heart of every individual and communal prayer" (2776). We pray the Our Father bearing in mind and heart the intimate relationship we have with our God as sons and daughters by adoption through our baptism.

As for wording, it's important to note that, as in any language, the language we use for prayers is a work in progress. It's normal and understandable that the specific wording of our prayers would reflect what makes the most sense for a prayer form used in a communal setting—that's why we use plural pronouns instead of the singular pronouns used in the gospel account of the Lord's teaching his disciples to pray.

What's most important is that the substance of the prayer reflects the same matter the Lord used in the prayer.

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Important CCD Information

Sunday, March 22, 2015 There will be a mandatory meeting for parents of 2nd grade students making their 1st Communion this year, after the 9AM mass in the CCD Hall.

Registration packets for next year's CCD 2015-2016 classes will be sent home with students 3/22/15. Information on what to do is included in the packet. Blank packets will be available in the office for anyone new to St Joseph's CCD program.

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Mass Schedule for Mar 14th & 15th

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat: Savannah Chavez, Lila Perry
 Sun. 7:30 Natalie Koehl, Maddie Nunez
 Sun: 9:00 Landry Payne, Emily Madden

CANTOR: Chryseis Baker

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat: John Marek
 Sun. 7:30: Kathy Davis
 Sun. 9:00: Karen Franz, Donna Nelson
 Volunteer

LECTORS

Sat: Ruth Miori
 Sun. 7:30: Kolodziejczyk
 Sun: Jessica Martin

USHERS

Sat: Pat Miori, Maraggia Brothers, Volunteers
 Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek, Volunteer
 Sun. 9:00: John Weitz, Stephen Griffin, Mark Kolb, Volunteer

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue – Leona Richter (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter
 Wed – Lori Plunkett (†) By: Caroline Muschalek
 Thurs – Otto Richter (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter
 Fri – Raymond Vanak (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter
 Sat. 6:00 p.m. – Hattie Leita (†) By: LeJune & Elkins Family
 Sun, 7:30 a.m. – Mary Scherer (†) By: Frank & Sonja Miori
 Sun, 9:00 a.m. – Lori Plunkett (†) By: Thomas & Lynette Kilgore

March 8, 2014
Third Sunday of Lent
REGULAR MASS TIMES

Saturday 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:30 a.m.
 Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Confessions:
 Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.
 or by Appointment
Daily Masses
 Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.
Ash Wednesday
7:30 am & 6:00 pm

CHURCH REPORT
March 1st

Envelopes	\$1,705.00
Loose	\$1,142.25
Total	\$2,847.25

Stations of the Cross, Fri. 6 pm

Mar 13 – Mr. & Mrs. Dale Zuck
 Mar 20 – Genevieve Wolter
 Mar 27 – **Need Volunteer**
 Apr 3 – Good Friday – Teens of the Church



Mass Intention Symbols

- † - In honor of deceased
- ♥ - Anniversary/Marriage
- ♪ - Birthday/Thanksgiving
- SI - Special Intentions

Monday

March 9
 Lenten
 Weekday
 2 Kgs 5:1-15b
 Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

March 10
 Lenten
 Weekday
 Dn 3:25, 34-43
 Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

March 11
 Lenten
 Weekday
 Dt 4:1, 5-9
 Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

March 12
 Lenten
 Weekday
 Jer 7:23-28
 Lk 11:14-23

Friday

March 13
 Lenten
 Weekday
 Hos 14:2-10
 Mk 12:28-34

Saturday

March 14
 Lenten
 Weekday
 Hos 6:1-6
 Lk 18:9-14

Sunday

March 15
 Fourth Sunday
 of Lent
 2 Chr 36:14-16,
 19-23
 Eph 2:4-10
 Jn 3:14-21

We are still open for Reservations for our Games Party, Sun., March 8, 1pm—5pm, CCD Hall, Donation \$7.00 ea. Bring players & games, there will be **door prizes & a raffle**, King Ranch Chicken, Salad & Rolls, Tea & Coffee Served. Hosted by: Inez Catholic Daughters, Court of St. Joseph, Protector of Mary—Court # 2475, Contact: Donna DeBault 361-935-3890 or Karen Franz 361-573-9029 or 361-550-5183

Church Events Calendar

Mar. 8 – Knights of Columbus Meeting – After 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Pavilion
Mar. 8 – St. John's Altar Society Annual Chicken Dinner & Spring Festival – Taiton Community Center, New Taiton, 11:00 a.m. Serving Dine-In & Plates-to-go, \$9.00, Auction, Bingo, Cake Walk, Games
Mar. 18 – Catholic Daughters Meeting – 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room
Mar. 22 – Feast of St. Joseph Celebration & April, May, June Birthdays & Anniversaries will also be honored – after 9:00 a.m. Mass
Mar. 22 – CCD Sunday after 9:00 a.m. Mass
Apr. 1 – Christian Mothers Meeting – 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room; will be planning Senior Breakfast
Apr. 1 – Altar Society Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Picnic is Sept. 13th and 189 days away! – If you would like to donate money towards the raffle (or any other area) you may indicate on your weekly giving envelope beside the 'Picnic' line by writing Raffle, Auction, etc... (We only have \$265 donated for the Raffle to date, last year we had over \$5,000.00 in prizes.) Also, if you would like to donate an item please let the office know. Thanks!

We would love to have you join us for the Women's Evening Bible Study. Is God calling you to grow in your faith this year? We will be completing Matthew Kelly's amazing Decision Point program. Be sure to mark your calendar for these dates at 6:30 pm: **March 25th, April 8th & 22nd, May 6th.** For more information contact Heather Kallus 361-570-3937

Nazareth Academy Catholic School 2015-16 New Student Registration is now open! Pk3-8th grade. Registration forms are available online at nazarethacademy.org. You may also call the school at 361-573-6651 for tours and more information.

An Update on Bishop Charles Grahmann, first bishop of the Diocese of Victoria: Bishop Grahmann, though mandated to retire as Bishop of Dallas at the age of 75, remains active in his ministry. He is now in his early 80's and is in very good health for a man of his age. He continues to write, lecture, travel, minister, educate and inspire. One cumbersome detail that greatly affects, and strongly infringes on his still very active ministry, is that his kidneys have failed and he requires dialysis three times a week. Bishop Grahmann though is an excellent candidate for a kidney transplant. Several of his family members have been tested, but they are not a match for him. Therefore, he is humbly appealing to all of us. An ideal candidate to donate is anyone between the ages of 25-60 years old, who is in good health and lives a reasonably good life style, meaning they don't smoke, and has the same blood type "O." If you are interested in assisting him, or you know someone who is, more information is available in the church, Parish Office or by calling the Chancery Office. You can also call the following, for more details: Mrs. Mary Virginia Jacobs, RN (361-573-5909 or 361-564-4424), Rita Zaruba (361-798-2470), or Marcus Grahmann (361-798-5655). Thank you for your consideration of this important appeal. *"There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friend"* (John 15:13).

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♪ Happy Birthday ♪ & ♥ Happy Anniversary ♥			