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Office Hours:

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Children's & Youth Ministry:

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www.catholicjonesborocym.com

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1105 E. Highland Drive
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St. Vincent de Paul Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue
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870-316-0229

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Wednesday 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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870-520-8331

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 1 - Public Mass
7:00 a.m. Barbara Coker (Anniv.) †

Tuesday, March 2 - Public Mass
5:30 p.m. Larry McKinney †

Wednesday, March 3 - Public Mass
7:00 a.m. Carl Vaupel †
by Joy Vaupel

Thursday, March 4 - Public Mass
5:30 p.m. Rita Vaught †

Friday, March 5 - Public Mass
7:00 a.m. Gloria Hecht †
by Steve Hecht

Saturday, March 6 - Public Mass
Public & Livestreamed Mass
5:30 p.m. Joe & Carolyn Nolan †
by Simpson Family

Sunday, March 7 - Public Mass
8:00 a.m. John Louis & Margaret Huss †
by Marty & Betsy Huss
10:00 a.m. Teresa Black Ferrara †
by Paul & Carolyn Black
Public & Livestreamed Mass
12:00 p.m. Mass for the Parishioners

*Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 p.m. Church
or by appointment, 870-932-2529.*

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Parish Office Hours
Monday—Friday
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Monday March 1
7:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m. Coffee with Father

Tuesday March 2
5:30 p.m. Mass

Wednesday March 3
St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
7:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Confirmation Year 2

Thursday March 4
St. Casimir
5:30 p.m. Mass

Friday March 5
7:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross—Spanish

Saturday March 6
4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Confessions
5:30 p.m. Mass—Livestreaming

Sunday March 7
8 a.m. Mass
10 a.m. Mass
11:00 a.m.—11:45 a.m. 1st Communion
Year 2/R.C.I.C.
12 p.m. Spanish Mass—Livestreaming

READINGS FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Sunday Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Ps 116:9, 10, 15, 16-17, 18-19
Rom 8:31b-34
Mk 9:2-10

Monday Dn 9:4b-10
Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday Jer 18:18-20
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday Jer 17:5-10
Lk 16:19-31

Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11
1 Cor 1:22-25
Jn 2:13-25

Parish Gift Shop

Our Parish Gift Shop has Bibles, Crucifixes, Rosaries, First Communion gifts, Confirmation gifts and other religious articles available in the parish office, Tuesday through Friday 9a.m.—3p.m.
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Every Friday during Lent
6:00 p.m.—English
7:00 p.m.—Spanish

Have you
prayed the
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Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/ccce.

Mass Schedule for Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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Monday & Wednesday	7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Mass Church is open for Adoration
Tuesday & Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Mass
Friday	7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass Adoration Stations of the Cross—English Stations of the Cross—Spanish
Saturday	8:00 a.m. (1st Saturdays) 4:00pm-5:00pm 5:30pm	Mass Confessions in the Church (In Confessionals) Mass of the Sunday (English) livestreamed
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Mass (English) Mass (English) Mass (Spanish) livestreamed

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY UPDATE

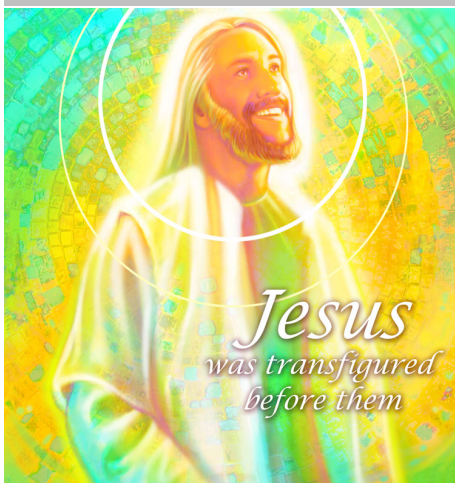
For those in our community in need of assistance (rent or utility), volunteers are answering requests by phone.

Priority is given to members of our parish family.

If you or someone you know, is a resident of Craighead County, and struggling to make ends meet, please call:

870-316-0229.

We thank you for answering our prayers and ask for your continued support! God bless you all.



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SECOND WEEK OF LENT BETTER MEALS IN MADAGASCAR

In Madagascar, half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. But communities are changing this by focusing on improving health and nutrition. What role has food played in your life? How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



“Pray with Me” can be found on our Facebook page every afternoon.

Pray with me.

A daily prayer time with
Fr. Alphonse



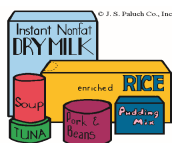
PLEASE PRAY FOR: The special intentions of parishioners, especially those homebound/hospitalized, Shelby Ward, Mary Ann Eaton, Kathy & Donald Plessinger, Millie & Bill Kueter, Rita Puryear, Pat Dacus, Misael Reyes, Freda & Jim Cole, Sid McCaffey, Robert Surdyk, Araceli Martinez, Andy Sanders, Marisol Guerra, Javier Garduno, Nathan Barajas, Earl Wallace, Candelaria Flores, Paula Wilson, Gary Wells, Mashudi Gunawan, Debbie Marthey, Helen Wilson, Mike Massanelli, Teresa Stifford, John & Sharon Aleman, Dorothy Massanelli, Paul Black, Carolyn Schilly, Nancy Stillman, Leticia Fernández, Kirk Douglas, Terry Brimhall, COVID-19 sufferers

WORK OF MERCY

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received 13 lbs of food donation from our parish the past two weeks. Thank you!

F.Y.I.

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Drive Thru hours are: Mondays, Tuesday & Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (*weather permitting*) HNFP is located on the corner of Huntington and Vine. For more information please contact HNFP at 935-7298



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PREPARATION CLASSES

Prior to the Baptism of a child; parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Class. The next class is Tuesday, March 9th, 2021, 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Building Conference Room. For more information and/or to register for the class, please contact: Sara Beth Cook, 870-897-3279 or sarabethcook@gmail.com.

Arkansas Catholic's Annual Photo Contest

Arkansas Catholic's annual photo contest is open to choose a photo for the cover of the 2022 diocesan directory. Any Arkansas photographer 18 or older, professional or amateur, can enter their photo of a Catholic church or institution in the diocese. The entry deadline is March 18. Complete rules and an official entry form are available on the Arkansas Catholic website, arkansas-catholic.org. For more information, call Emily Roberts at (501) 664-0125.

Second Sunday of Lent

Today's first reading, known as "the Binding of Isaac," refers to the way Isaac is bound and laid upon the wood of the altar of sacrifice. God directs Abraham to offer his son in sacrifice, killing the beloved son that had been a special gift to him and Sarah in their old age. How could God ask Abraham to do such a thing? Abraham offers no resistance, but in preparing for the sacrifice, Abraham may have agreed with the psalmist that he was "greatly afflicted." Saint Paul's letter to the Romans refers to Jesus as God's beloved Son, which is also how God identifies Jesus to Peter, James, and John at the Transfiguration. Afterward, Jesus tells those disciples not to mention the event to anyone until after his resurrection from the dead. The event, together with Jesus' comments, leaves the disciples thoroughly confused.

HOW COULD GOD ASK ABRAHAM TO DO THAT?

Through the centuries, Christians and Jews alike have found the Binding of Isaac one of the most difficult passages in the Bible. Even though God intervenes to save Isaac, the whole episode strikes some readers as cruel. However, Abraham, the ultimate man of faith, raises no objection, offers no resistance as he simply goes about preparing for the trip and the sacrifice.

Today's other readings might help us see that text differently. In Mark's description of the Transfiguration, Jesus' clothes become white and shining, and Moses and Elijah appear with him. Moses was the great liberator and lawgiver who led the Jews out of bondage in Egypt and into the wilderness, forming them into the people of Israel by giving them the Law he received from God. Elijah was among Israel's greatest prophets, so close to God that, at the end of his life, he was taken up into heaven by a fiery chariot. Together, Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, the ultimate authority for the Jews in the conduct of their daily lives.

LOVE AND GENEROSITY

The Law, the Prophets—and Jesus. For Paul, Jesus is someone quite different from the other two. The reading from his letter to the Romans is short, but rich in meaning. When Paul declares that God "did not spare his own Son," and when God praises Abraham "who did not withhold from me your own beloved son," it is the same Greek word for "spare" and "withhold." God's voice at the Transfiguration identifies Jesus as his "beloved Son"—the same way God refers to Isaac as Abraham's beloved son. Ultimately, God spares Isaac but not his own Son, whom he "handed over for us." Even if we are disturbed that God tested Abraham like this, Paul says we should be overwhelmingly grateful that God did for us what, in the end, he did not require of Abraham. Jesus, God's Son "handed over to us" in love and generosity, is already a sacrificial gift, signifying that God wants to give us "everything else along with him."

Today's Readings: Gn 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16–17, 18–19; Rom 8:31b–34; Mk 9:2–10

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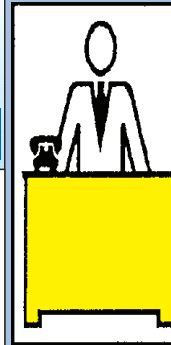
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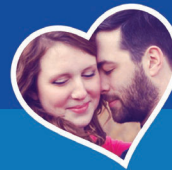
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