

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 21 • First Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. +Paula Ann Taylor req. by Jimmie and Joyce Jay
10:30 a.m. Peg Kennedy req. by Alice Rhodes
12:00 noon For All the People of the Parish

Monday, February 22

7:00 a.m. Prayer/Communion Service

Tuesday, February 23

12:00 p.m. Prayer/Communion Service

Wednesday, February 24

7:00 a.m. +Mindy McNally req. by Gary and Suzanne Rhodes

Thursday, February 25

7:00 a.m. +Marcosa De Guzman req. by Oscar Reyes

Friday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Curtis Caffey req. by Christina Woods

Saturday, February 27

4:00-5:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 p.m. +Harry Martin req. by Jerry and Barbara Griffin

Sunday, February 28 • Second Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Morgan and Gene Knapp req. by Christine and Don Bondick
10:30 a.m. For All the People of the Parish
12:00 noon Intention of the Celebrant



Sunday, February 21

8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m.
10:15-11:30 a.m.
6:00-7:00 p.m.
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Monday, February 22

1:00-2:00 p.m.
6:45 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 23

6:30 a.m.
12:30 pm
1:00-2:00 p.m.

7:00-8:45 pm

Wednesday, February 24

6:30-8:15 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 25

9:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

Friday, February 26

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First Sunday of Lent

9:00 Mass – Rite of Sending
Rite of Election in San Angelo
Religious Education PK-6 Grades
Adult Religious Education
Children's Choir Practice
Adult Scripture Study

Rosary for Life at Planned Parenthood
Celebration Choir Practice
Lenten Penance Service at Dyess

Men's Spirituality Group
Ladies Share Group
Rosary for Life at Planned Parenthood hosted by Holy Family
RCIA

Religious Education – 7-12 Grades
Parish Choir Practice

Adult Scripture Study
Life in the Spirit Seminar in the Parish Center

Stations of the Cross and Lenten Supper

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Second Sunday of Lent
Religious Education PK-6 Grades
Adult Religious Education
Children's Choir Practice
Adult Scripture Study

Please pray for

Emma Torres Afafe, Cecilia Aguirre, Mariel Afafe Guico, Joyce & Joe Bayer, Ben & June Benigno, Curtis Caffey, Jim Cantrell, Mac Davis, Earl Dees, George Deebes, Sister Regina Decker, Bea & Dick Dupont, Elizabeth Edington, James Finn, Elvira Flores, Wendy Havner, Ron Hudek, Lucille Johnson, Maria Karhan, Will Klump, Morgan & Gene Knapp, Joe Leal, Zachery Rey Martinez, Dudley Mason, Mary Jo Montgomery, Louise Moreno, Martha O'Campo, Jean Pecchioni, Tracy Prickett, Bob Pulley, Barbara Schwalb, Cecile Schwalb, Toby Smith, Phyllis Stanley, Emil Szymanski, Joan Taylor, Shelby Thomas, James Toland, Oliva Velasco, Jeffrey Wisner, and Fr. Bill Yester. *(Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks. Please call the office at 692-1820 to have a name remain on the list.)*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS, the soul of June Boutell, Grandmother of Sue (Eric) Schackmuth. We pray that her family will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that she and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God's mercy.

RITE OF SENDING will be celebrated this Sunday, February 21st, at the 9:00 Mass. At this time, those preparing for the Easter Sacraments will be affirmed and sent forth by our parish community to the Rite of Election at the Cathedral in San Angelo where Bishop Pfeifer will accept their election to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please pray for our RCIA participants as they begin final preparation for the Easter Sacraments.

SENIOR HELPING HANDS MINISTRY will be hosting a dessert reception this Wednesday, February 24th, from 2 p.m.-3 p.m. in room 108 of the church for all who are interested in helping with this ministry. Our mission is to be more attentive to the needs of our senior parishioners and to plan special activities for them. Please call JoAnn Vestal at 854-1452 or 669-3497 for more information and/or to let us know you will attend the reception.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE (1st through 6th grade) for the upcoming Easter Noon Mass will continue on Sunday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the choir loft. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of practice. For additional information, please contact Melissa Benoit at 370-7937.

NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Please place your donation in the first collection, there will not be a second collection.

Holy Family – Abilene

Financial Report

July 1, 2009-January 31, 2010

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010

	July 09- Jan 10	Annual Budget	% of Budget
Envelopes & Loose Plate	642,783	1,080,000	60%
Building Fund	12,750	45,000	28%
Religious Education	5,471	6,800	80%
Fall Fest Net Proceeds	33,500	40,000	84%
Other	4,350	7,400	59%
Total All Revenues	698,854	1,179,200	59%
Operating Expenses	508,397	997,199	51%
Capital Expenses	14,328	182,001	8%
Total All Expenses	522,725	1,179,200	44%
Net Revenue*	176,129	-0-	

*Applied to Diocesan Savings for building/repairs to new/existing property and equipment.

First Sunday of Lent

SPECIAL TIMES FOR CONFESSIONS or the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent are being scheduled to accommodate more people with less waiting. In addition to the usual Saturday afternoon confessions, special penance services and confessions will be held as follows:

Monday, February 22	7:00 p.m.	Dyess Air Force Base Abilene
Wednesday, March 10	7:00 p.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Sweetwater
Thursday, March 18	7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent Pallotti Church Abilene
Monday, March 22	6:00 p.m.	St. Ann's Church Colorado City
Wednesday, March 24	6:30 p.m.	Sacred Heart Church Coleman
Thursday, March 25	7:00 p.m.	Holy Family Church Abilene
Friday, March 26	7:00 p.m.	St. Francis Church Abilene
Monday, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart Church Abilene

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE: The law of abstinence obliges those 14 years of age and older not to eat meat. The law of fast obliges all those from 18 through 59 to refrain from eating between meals and to limit their eating to one full meal and two light meals for the day. Ash Wednesday, February 17th, and Good Friday, April 2nd, are days of both fast and abstinence. In the United States, all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND LENTEN SUPPER: Friday evenings during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:00 p.m., followed by a light meal. We invite you to share in preparing for the death and resurrection of Our Lord by walking this road to Calvary each Friday. There is no charge for the meal; offerings, however, are accepted.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our parish's participation in Operation Rice Bowl, a Lenten Program of prayer, fasting, education and almsgiving which is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and our diocese. CRS, was founded in 1943 and is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Catholic Community. Everyone is urged to take part. A special envelope is included in your March envelopes, or you may use the blue envelopes located in the pews.

VOCATION CROSS FAMILIES NEEDED: Please volunteer to take home the vocation cross which is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish will join your family in praying for religious vocations.

February 21st – The Ruben Guerrero Family
February 28th – The Don Pittman Family

Please pray for our seminarian, Adam Droll, this week.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR: February 13-14, 2010 with 1,144 families.

Envelopes and Checks	17,395.00
Loose Plate.....	2,098.46
RE Registration/Youth Activities	909.75
Building Fund.....	533.00
Miscellaneous	244.78
Total Income.....	21,180.99

SOUPERBOWL SUNDAY was a big success! The youth raised \$831 which will go directly to Loaves and Fishes to help the needy in our community. Over the past 4 years of participation, the youth have collected \$4,359.47 for Loaves & Fishes through your generosity!!

dear Padre

February 21, 2010

When can people become Catholic?

Can people convert to Catholicism only during Lent and Easter?

Maureen

Dear Maureen,

People can convert to Catholicism at any time, but Lent and Easter are especially associated with the journey of believers into our communion.

If a person is in danger of imminent death, reception into the Church can happen in a matter of moments at any time during the year. However, most people who want to join the Church needn't rush. The Church can gradually tutor them in the life and faith of the community over the course of a year or more. Adult converts normally do this through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which helps move people from a state of curiosity and inquiry into fully conscious and active participation in the faith and life of the Church. It does this while attending to the rhythm of the Church's liturgical year.

Lent plays a key role in the RCIA as a season of intense spiritual preparation for those who will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. The Easter season is the traditional time for new converts to engage in the period of mystagogy—when they explore with the faith community the significance of the mysteries they're now living in their baptism, confirmation, and celebration of the Eucharist.

Matthew Allman, C.Ss.R.

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THANK YOU FROM FR. CEDRIC: I want to Thank all of you who attended the mission I preached last week. It was a joy to see you all again. On behalf of my Passionist Community, **Thank-you** very much for the \$7,500 that was so *generously* donated to us. In addition you purchased another \$5,300 in books and C.D.'s. Your offerings and purchases help us live our religious life and help me proclaim the Gospel via TV. Be sure I am praying for you as you read my books and listen to my teachings. More information and resources at: www.frcedric.org.

Have a Blessed Lent, Sincerely, Fr. Cedric, C.P.

THE 2010 CENSUS: WHAT IS IN IT FOR YOU? As members of this faith-based community and the communities in which we live and work, each of us has a lot at stake as we prepare to complete our 2010 Census form. By participating, we can affect the quality of life in our community for the better. Please complete and mail back your form and encourage others to do the same. For more information, you may visit www.2010census.gov.

“Sponsor of the Week”

Dr. Angelina Nicolini