Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock
Office of Communications

PASTORAL UPDATE: March 17, 2020

Planning a parish event? To choose the best date, visit our DIOCESAN CALENDAR (under Calendar at top of page) at www.catholiclubbock.org.
Many events -- including retreats and jamaicas -- are listed.
Call us at 806-792-3943 or e-mail pbbehnke@catholiclubbock.org with news about parish events of interest to the diocese by noon on Tuesday.
Sign up for weekly updates: catholiclubbock@gmail.com

TOP NEWS - MOST RECENT

REPORTING ABUSE OR NEGLECT: Our clergy (bishop, priests, and deacons), seminarians, men and women in Consecrated Life, lay staff, and volunteers are trained to recognize and to report any disclosure or suspicion of physical abuse, sexual abuse, sexual assault, or neglect to the appropriate authorities. It is the policy of the Diocese of Lubbock to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to law enforcement. [More information online] Once local law enforcement, or the child abuse/vulnerable adult hotline have been called, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to Victim Assistance Coordinator Oscar Reyes at (806) 543-9178 or to diocesan officials.

SPECIAL COLLECTION for Catholic Relief Services – March 21/22, 2020.

LETTER FROM BISHOP COERVER – Diocesan response to coronavirus- See www.catholiclubbock.org
Please read the Bishop’s statements on the website above. Attached to this Update, are graphics in English and Spanish that summarize best practices.

LENTEN RESOURCES FOR PRAYER – Many Lenten spiritual events have been canceled, but the following links can keep us spiritually connected to Our Lord:

Digital Daily Readings/Digital Liturgical Worship Aids
USCCB provides daily readings online in English at www.usccb.org/readings/ and in Spanish at www.usccb.org/bible/lecturas/

MAGNIFICAT has announced its decision to provide temporary complimentary access to its online versions of the daily prayer resource in English: www.magnificat.com/free and Spanish: www.magnificat.com/gratis

Give Us This Day has announced its decision to provide temporary complimentary access to its online versions of the daily prayer resource: giveusthisday.org/Digital

LITURGY OF THE HOURS can be found online at www.universalis.com/-700/index.htm
**JOB OPENING** - The Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock, headed by Bishop Robert M. Coerver, desires to attract a professional and experienced Young Adult, Campus, and Youth Minister. This individual will work to coordinate and administer the Young Adult, Campus, and Youth Ministry for the Diocese as well as perform a variety of administrative and support activities. The Young Adult, Campus, and Youth Ministry Director reports directly to the Division Director of Evangelization and Family Faith Formation. More information can be found on the diocesan website at [https://catholiclubbock.org/Employment.html](https://catholiclubbock.org/Employment.html)

**FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION GALA: April 25** - all supporters of CTK Cathedral School and Diocese of Lubbock Catholic High School are invited to the 16th Annual Friends of the Foundation Gala on Saturday, April 25th. Tickets for the evening include a wonderful dinner, live and silent auction, silent raffle, and a dance with music provided by a live band featuring Dustin & Kristi Garrett. Donations of $150 or more to the CTKC School Foundation include two event tickets. For more information, contact the school office at 795-8283.

**SNYDER MISSION – CANCELLED**

**CANCELLED -CATHOLIC CHARITIES VOLUNTEER EVENTS** March 19 and 20th.

**2020 CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** - **April 24-26, May 29-31, October 2-4**, Mercy Retreat Center, 605 South 19th St, Slaton, TX 79364. **Engaged Encounter** is a weekend where couples planning marriage have the time together to concentrate on each other, free from the tensions, pressures, and interruptions of daily life. It is designed to give couples an opportunity to dialogue intensively and honestly about their future life together. Self-identity, role expectations of each other, money, sex, children, family and religion are some of the topics of face-to-face dialogue with one’s partner. Engaged Encounter is one of the instructional programs for marriage preparation sponsored by the Diocese of Lubbock. **Contact:** Family Life Office - Diocese of Lubbock (806)792-3943 familylife@catholiclubbock.org  **Application/Details:** www.mercyrccom/engaged

**PARISHES AND AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**PASTORAL OFFICES** are open 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in the Hall of Martyrs at 4620 Fourth Street in Lubbock. Call the diocesan telephone number at (806) 792-3943 to contact staff members**

**POSTPONED DISCERNMENT RETREAT** for college age women, **March 21,**

**PART-TIME JOB OPENING** – General maintenance (17 hours) at the Catholic Pastoral Center, flexible hours between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Contact Deacon Severo in Facilities – 806-441-5044.

**HOSPICE OF LUBBOCK – RECRUITING NEW VOLUNTEERS** – Opportunities for anyone who has the time to give to others. Open volunteer positions: Face-to-Face with patients; sewing, office support, special events, and bereavement support. Training dates are **April 3** (6-8 p.m.), **April 4** (8 a.m.-4 p.m.) and **April 5** (1-5 p.m.) (All 16 hours required). Want to know more? Call 806-795-2751 or email cpresley@covhs.org or Victoria.carpenter@stjoe.org

**COOK-OFF** – **Saturday, April 4, 2020**, John Saleh Catholic Student Center, is **CANCELLED. HOWEVER,** the raffle will still be held. The link to electronically buy raffle tickets: [https://raidercatholic.org/bbq](https://raidercatholic.org/bbq).
There are many items up for raffle from a BBQ grill, free Whataburger for a year, car washes for a year from Racer Classic Car Wash, and Alamo Draft House gift cards just to name some items. We will let people know who wins what the night of April 4. For additional information, please contact: Brandon Sandoval, 951-258-1406 or at brandonmsandoval@yahoo.com Proceeds will help support the Catholic Student Center and their other charities.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HELP NEEDED - April 19, 2020— Priests, youth groups, parish leaders—five new Acts of Mercy have been added this year, and your help is needed to run the booths. They are: I was a Stranger and you Welcomed Me; I was Absent and you Remembered Me; Blessed are the Sorrowful for They Should be Comforted (a grief Booth); and Come to me all who are Weary and Burdened (a booth for single parents). We’re also in need of help with photography for the event! Are you or your group being called? Contact Mindy Yarbrough at (806) 702-2284 for more information.

CANCELLED ST. VINCENT DE PAUL meeting Tuesday, March 17. Meetings are on hiatus until further notice due to health risk concerns. The Vincentian apostolate reaches out to neighbors in their homes, determines ways to help by paying bills, referring for services, and praying with them. Contacts: Dominick Casadonte at 806-543-1197 or Beth Pressley at 806-789-9002.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES AROUND THE DIOCESE

PENANCE SERVICES:
Saint John Neumann, 22nd & Frankford, March 23, 7 p.m.
Saint Michael, 2010 CR 477, Anson, March 27, 6 p.m., Lenten Retreat/Penance Service
Christ the King, 4011 54th Street, April 1, 7 p.m.
Saint Michael, Levelland, 316 E. Washington, April 1, 6:30 p.m.
Holy Spirit, 98th & Frankford, April 2, 6-8 p.m.
Our Lady of Guadalupe, 1120 52nd Street, Lubbock, April 2, 7 p.m.

FISH FRYS/LENTEN MEALS
Abernathy Saint Isidore, Fridays of Lent (except March 20 & April 10), 5 p.m., $8/plate. One week fish fry, next cheese enchiladas; 17813 N I-27, Abernathy
>>Anson Saint Michael, March 20, 5-8 p.m., $10/plate. 2010 CR 477
Anton Saint Anthony, Fourth & Lawrence, 5-8 p.m., Fridays except Spring Break (March 20 & Good Friday)
Littlefield Sacred Heart, 1309 W. 8th, Fridays, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 6 p.m. until sold out
Lubbock Christ the King, March 27 & April 3, 6 p.m., Plácido Hall, $10/adults, $5/ under 12
Lubbock Holy Spirit, April 3, Fish Fry, $10/adult, $6/children. 98th & Frankford, Lubbock
Lubbock Our Lady of Grace, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Fridays except Good Friday, 3111 Erskine.
Lubbock Our Lady of Guadalupe, 1120 52nd, every Friday, 11a.m.-6 p.m., $10/plate, fried fish, etc.
Lubbock Saint John the Baptist, 10805 Indiana, 5:30-7:00 p.m., 10805 Indiana, March 27
Muleshoe Immaculate Conception, through April 3, 805 Hickory, Muleshoe (806-272-4167)
New Deal Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Fridays of Lent, 6 p.m., $4/plate, varied menus; games at 7 p.m., $1/card; 409 North Monroe
Plainview  Sacred Heart, Fridays through April 3, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
Rails  Saint Michael, March 27, 1200 Fourth Street Hwy 82
Shallowater  Saint Philip, 10th & J, all Fridays except Good Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., $10/fish, $12/fish and shrimp. Includes hushpuppies, corn on the cob, fries, slaw, drinks, and dessert.
Woodrow  San Ramon, 15706 Loop 493, March 27, 5:30 until sold out. Adults-$10

PARISH RETREATS:

COURSE FOR LENTEN SPIRITUALITY – “Why am I a Catholic?” (in Spanish, every Tuesday through March 31, 6:30 p.m. Deacon Mario Beruvides will be the course presenter at San Ramon Church, 15706 Loop 493, Lubbock/Woodrow.

LENTEN SERIES – Thursdays of Lent, 7:30-8:30 p.m., “From Genesis to Jesus.” David Powell presenter, Saint Joseph, Slaton, 19th & Division Streets.

CANCELLED- MISSION – March 18, Saint Michael, Levelland.

CANCELLED- MARY AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS – Saturday, March 21, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Saint Michael Church, Ralls.

CANCELLED- PARISH MISSION - March 23-26, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Lubbock.

PARISH RETREAT- March 27, 6-8 p.m., Saint Michael, Anson, 2010 CR 477. Includes confession and adoration.

LENTEN FAMILY RETREAT – Wednesday, March 25, 6-8:30 p.m., for Saint Ann/Saint George Churches, at Saint George, 901 North 16th Street, Haskell.

encounter GRACE:  Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. in Room 1 of the Family Activity Center, Christ the King Cathedral, 4011 54th Street, Lubbock. A different topic and presenter each week.

ENCOUNTER GRACE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Do you need daycare to attend sessions of Encounter on Wednesdays? Please contact Jeanette Hardin- 778-3684 to schedule. This is a free service provided by the Cathedral.

OFFICE FOR EVANGELIZATION & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

FIRST YEAR CONFIRMATION RETREAT:  Given by Sister Martha Jane and Youth Ministers Team, St. Francis Mission Sisters, Our Lady of the Angels Convent, Wolfforth, in 2020:  April 18, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To register, email;  JanevenhausOSF@gmail.com, text 806 787 1392, or call (806) 863-4904. Registration fee is $20 for candidates and $5 for sponsors.  Reminder that there must be one safe-environment certified adult for every ten teens, and youth must have a Diocesan E form completed.*

OFFICE FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND YOUTH

RESOURCES FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:  Gathering Youth:  Models and Strategies;  Praying with Youth:  Prayer Services, Liturgy, Youth and Mass, Adoration (a sample process)  Forming Youth:  Adolescent Catechesis/Confirmation - print and online resources, articles and research from the National Initiative on Adolescent Catechesis developed by the Partnership for Adolescent Catechesis.

OFFICE FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

CANCELLED MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT  – Friday, March 20
Are you or someone in MARRIAGE MINISTRY at your parish needing to: Promote your parish’s couples’ retreat or family event? Find new marriage prep programs or studies to try for ministry? Form and train your parish’s marriage ministry team? Offer resources for hurting families and troubled marriages? Figure out practical ways to support healthy marriages and families?

If you answered YES to any of the above statements, the Marriage and Family Life Office can help. Contact Jenna for more details at 832-659-1049 or jchang@catholiclubbock.org

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED - All Grade Levels, PreK through High School - Letters of Interest, resumes and references can be submitted to Christ the King Cathedral School, Attn: Gail Ambrose, 4011 54th Street, Lubbock, TX 79413

HOLY SPIRIT PRESCHOOL & PARENTS DAY OUT registration for the 2020-21 school year is open. Discounted registration fee of $50 is available until March 31. Class availability limited, offered on first come, first served basis. For more information: Kim Zaccardo - 806-698-1668.

OFFICE FOR VOCATIONS

Vocation Blurb – Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 21/22 – God chooses whom he will. Pray earnestly for guidance. If you think God is calling you to be a priest or religious, contact the Vocations Office at 806-792-3943 ext. 226 or rperez@catholiclubbock.org

DiocesanPriest serves ordinary men who are responding to their call to holiness and offers guidance for the question: Is Jesus Christ calling me to be a Catholic priest? Visit www.diocesanpriest.com

OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS – Fourth Sunday of Lent -March 21/22- Saint Paul gives us a wakeup call. As stewards of the light of Christ, we are to reflect that light with the help of the Holy Spirit. If Christ’s work has transformed and illuminated our lives, there should be a change. The light of Christ’s active presence should be at work in us. And as the light shines within us, we take on the properties of that light and we shine too. We are used by God to shine the light of Christ in the lives of others. A challenging Lenten reflection: Is the light of Christ shining in our hearts? Is the light of Christ reflecting out from us to others?

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma- San Pablo nos da una llamada de atención. Como corresponsables de la luz de Cristo, debemos reflejar esa luz con la ayuda del Espíritu Santo. Si la obra de Cristo ha transformado e iluminado nuestras vidas, debería haber un cambio. La luz de la presencia activa de Cristo debería estar trabajando en nosotros. Y a medida que la luz brilla dentro de nosotros, asumimos las propiedades de esa luz y también brillamos. Somos usados por Dios para hacer brillar la luz de Cristo en la vida de los demás. Una reflexión cuaresmal desafiante: ¿brilla la luz de Cristo en nuestros corazones? ¿Reflejamos luz de Cristo que está en nosotros a los demás?

RETREATS/SPiritual DEVELOPMENT

RACHEL’S VINEYARD- “Have mercy on me, God, in your goodness; in your abundant compassion blot out my offense. Wash away all my guilt; from my sin cleanse me. A clean heart create for me, O God; renew in me a steadfast spirit.” - Psalm 51:3-4, 12
Come to a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat™ and experience the compassion of God and a renewed spirit in Christ Jesus after an abortion. Next Rachel’s Vineyard in the Lubbock area will be on September 18-20, 2020, in Spanish. Confidential contact: Mindy at rios2000us@yahoo.com or 806-702-2284.

RINCON DE RAQUEL - “Ten piedad de mí, Señor, conforme a Tu misericordia; conforme a lo inmenso de Tu compasión, borra mis transgresiones. Lávame por completo de mi maldad, y límpiame de mi pecado. Crea en mí, oh Dios, un corazón limpio, y renueva un espíritu recto dentro de mí.” — Salmo 51:1-2, 10

Venga a un Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat ™ y experimente la compasión de Dios y un espíritu renovado en Cristo Jesús después de un aborto. El próximo viñedo de Rachel en el área de Lubbock será del 18 al 20 de septiembre de 2020, en español. Contacto confidencial: Mindy en rios2000us@yahoo.com o 806-702-2284.

Recurring (Weekly) Activities

FILIPINO MASS – First Sunday of the month, Saint Elizabeth Chapel, 5 p.m.

DOMINICAN LAITY meet first Sunday of the month, at the Saint Elizabeth Conference Center (except this month—on September 15)

ADORATION – Mondays, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Plainview Sacred Heart.

HOLY HOUR – (in Spanish) Tuesdays - 7 p.m., Levelland Saint Michael Church.

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION, Tuesdays – 7 p.m., Woodrow San Ramon

DIVINE MERCY Chaplet every Wednesday- 3 p.m. Holy Spirit Parish Chapel.

ADORATION – Second Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Mass at 6:30, Our Lady Queen of Apostles.

HOLY HOUR – Thursdays - 8:15 a.m., Levelland Saint Michael Church.

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION-Saint John Neumann, 22nd & Frankford, 7 p.m., Thursdays, (Confession-5:30-6:30 p.m.)

HOLY HOURS for Vocations- Christ the King Cathedral, 7 p.m., second Thursday, Lubbock Our Lady of Guadalupe- Thursdays after 6:00 p.m, Mass until 7:30 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY Rosary (6:30 a.m.) & Mass (6:55 a.m.) for Vocations, Christ the King, 4011 54th.

First Friday Rosary for vocations, 7 a.m., Holy Spirit, 98th & Frankford, Lubbock

First Friday -7 p.m. (Mass & adoration), Saint Isidore, 17813 N I-27, Abernathy

HOLY HOUR, Adoration & Benediction, 5 p.m., Fridays, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Slaton

FIRST FRIDAY MASS @ Noon to end abortion and euthanasia, Saint John Neumann, 22nd & Frankford. Every First Friday of the year.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS- 6 p.m. (English), Adoration after Mass until 10 p.m.-Lubbock Our Lady of Guadalupe, 52nd &Avenue L

HORA SANTA – Fridays, 7:30-8:30 p.m., (Spanish) Saint Elizabeth Chapel, 2305 Main, Lubbock.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL- 3 p.m. First Saturdays at Christ the King, 4011 54th Street.

First Saturday Mass, 8 a.m., Holy Spirit, 98th & Frankford, Lubbock

First Saturday Adoration and Reconciliation - 4-4:45 p.m., Saint John the Baptist, 10805 Indiana

CATHOLIC MOMS OF LUBBOCK – Fridays @ 10 a.m.. Contact: Jenna Chang, 792-3943 ext. 201 for more information.
COUNSELING: Affordable marriage and family counseling offered by Marriage & Family Life Office, in collaboration with TTU Marriage & Family Clinic. For appointment, call Dr. Nicole Springer at 806-742-3074.

ONLINE MASS – Christ the King Cathedral offers live streaming: Go to www.ctkcathedral.org, and click "Mass Online." Contact Margo at 792-6168.

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OUR LADY OF FATIMA RADIO- Plainview: Tune in to LP 100.7 FM 24 hours a day, seven days a week! Mass streamed live on Sundays at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

TWITTER: Bishop Coerver is now on Twitter. You can follow him @BishopLubbock.
https://twitter.com/BishopLubbock

CONNECT WITH THE DIOCESE OF LUBBOCK: Follow: @CatholicLubbock on Twitter & Instagram

SEND South Plains Catholic story ideas, stories, and photos (including names and explanations) to:
PO Box 98700, Lubbock, Texas 79499-8700, or lflores@catholiclubbock.org. The next deadlines are:

EDITION DATE: April 2020
DEADLINE: March 20

SAVE THE DATE:
Rural Life Mass – May 1, 6 p.m., Hess Farm, Brownfield
June 5, 2020 – Night to Remember, Catholic Charities
Aug 8 – Leadership Day, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

JAMAICA CENTRAL –
May 3 – Haskell Saint George, Cinco de Mayo, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
June 7 – Lubbock Saint Patrick, 12-7 p.m.
June 7 – Lubbock Saint Theresa
June 13 – Saint Peter, Olton, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
June 13 – Anton Saint Anthony, 12-6 p.m.
June 13 – Saint Joseph, Crosbyton, 3-11 p.m.
June 13 – Saint Philip, Idalou, 3-10 p.m.
June 14 – Saint Francis, Wolfforth, 12-7 p.m.
June 20 – Petersburg Sacred Heart
June 28 – Lubbock Saint Joseph, Guadalupe Park, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
July 11 – Saint Michael Church, Ralls, 11-11
July 12 – Saint Ann, Morton
July 12 – San Ramon, Woodrow, 12-7 p.m.
July 12 - Sacred Heart, Plainview, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
July 18 – Saint Mary Magdalen, Floydada
July 19 – Our Lady of Grace
July 25 – Abernathy Saint Isidore, 11-8
July 26 – Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lubbock
July 26 – Saint William, Denver City, 11-9
August 2 – New Deal Our Lady Queen of Apostles, 12-8:30 p.m.
August 8 – San Lorenzo, Lorenzo, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.
August 8 - Our Lady of Guadalupe, Slaton
August 9 – Levelland Saint Michael’s
August 16 – Saint Philip, Shallowater, 12-8 p.m. (Summer Fest)
Temporary Precautions in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock

Due to Covid-19 | As of March 11, 2020

The distribution of Holy Communion from the Chalice is suspended.

The Sign of Peace will not take place during Mass.

The Catholic faithful are encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand.

Suspend use of Holy Water Fonts unless they are recirculating and filtered.
Precauciones Temporáneas en La Diócesis de Lubbock

Debido a Covid-19 | Desde el 11 de Marzo del 2020

Se suspende la distribución de la Preciosísima Sangre del cáliz.

Omitiremos el saludo de paz durante la Misa.

Se anima a los fieles Católicos a recibir la Santa Comunión en la mano.

Se suspende el uso de la fuente de agua bendita.