

Dear friends in Christ,

The joyful season of Lent begins this Wednesday, Feb. 21 with Ash Wednesday. Joyful? Lent? Should those two words even be in the same sentence together?

In a word, yes! The 40 days of Lent are obviously penitential in nature, but that does not mean they need to be 40 days of misery. Rather, it is an opportunity to reflect on the loving mercy of God. It is a time to prepare ourselves spiritually to celebrate the death, resurrection and life of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Paschal Mystery, as it is known, is supremely good news. Let's inject a notion of joy into our Lenten practices while remembering our need to "turn away from sin, and be faithful to the Gospel."

One way to celebrate the joy of Lent is at Mass. We are encouraged to "give up" something during the season of Lent, but let me suggest this year that you "take up" the practice of coming to Mass during the week. The Sunday Liturgy is still the supreme expression of our faith, and it goes without saying that we need to make that our top priority, but I encourage you to look at your schedule and see if you can make time to attend Mass at least once during the week in the season of Lent. If you can come more than once, even better. We have Mass at 9 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. If you can't make Mass here, you might check the schedule at some of the neighboring parishes or at a parish near where you work. Those of you who work downtown might check the schedule at the Holy Cross Chapel at [www.holycrosschapel.org](http://www.holycrosschapel.org). There are several masses at the chapel each day during the lunch hour.

Our schedule here at CtR on Ash Wednesday offers plenty of opportunities to receive ashes. Remember, Ash Wednesday is not a holy day, though you wouldn't know it by looking at the crowds of people who come to church on that day. It is customary to begin the Lenten season by receiving ashes on our foreheads as a solemn reminder of our fragile humanity and the need we all have to do penance. We will begin early in the morning at 6:30 a.m. with a Liturgy of the Word service with ashes for those of you who want to come before work. I expect this to be about a 30-40 minute service. You should be on the road by 7:15 a.m. at the latest for those of you who must endure the 290 traffic. We will also have Liturgy of the Word services with ashes at 12 noon and again at 4:30 p.m. We will have two masses on Ash Wednesday at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is also a day of fast (eating smaller meals with no snacking in between) and abstinence (refraining from meat). Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Following the 4:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Word service and 7 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday, we'll be offering a simple soup meal in the community center. Don't forget that the Knights of Columbus will be selling fish dinners every Friday in Lent beginning this Friday, Feb. 23. These are always popular, so come early and enjoy wonderful fish (either fried or baked) with your fellow parishioners. You can eat here or get it to go. All proceeds go to benefit KC charities.

Please note that there will be no confessions on Ash Wednesday evening at 6:15 p.m. as is customary because of the great size of the crowds. There will be

plenty of opportunities for confessions during Lent, most specifically at our Lenten Penance Service on Wednesday, March 21, at 7 p.m. I encourage you to put that on your calendar and join us that evening to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with several priest confessors.

Other Lenten practices that I encourage you to partake in this year include Operation Rice Bowl. This was a great success for us last year and we are pleased to offer it again. This is a great family activity and encourages children to realize that by putting a few coins into the Rice Bowl each week (replacing something that they would have bought with that money) they can in turn help someone put real food on their plate. All the money collected in Operation Rice bowl will go to international charities to help feed the hungry.

We are also offering a new Lenten practice at CtR this year called "The Little Black Book." We'll have them for distribution this weekend. It's a simple little book to carry with you during Lent that contains daily meditations to keep you focused on the nature of Lent. It includes spiritual writings and Scripture passages. The Little Black Book was first introduced by the late Bishop Ken Untener in the Diocese of Saginaw, MI. They have since become a great Lenten devotion for people the world over and we are happy to offer it at CtR. Keep your Little Black Book with you and use it daily during Lent. I think you will find it to be a great spiritual aide.

As you can see, we've got a lot going on during Lent. Let us spend these 40 days with joyful hearts that we might experience God's infinite mercy and ready ourselves to celebrate the even greater joy of Easter.

In other news, we welcome officially to CtR this weekend our new director of music, Mr. Felipe Gasper. Felipe comes to us from Cincinnati, OH, and he is going to be a great addition to our parish. He's a talented music director with a deep love for the Church's liturgy. He'll be working with our choirs and all of us so we might all sing joyfully to our Lord. Please take a moment to make him feel welcome.

Finally, thanks to all who made their DSF pledge commitment last weekend. If you have not yet done so, please do your part for our parish so that we can see that the work of ministry throughout our archdiocese continues. Pledge envelopes will be available in the back of church and the parish offices. We need your support. Peace, Fr. Sean

**Mass Intentions for Week of February 19, 2007**

Monday	9:00 AM	Michael Aiello+, Anthony Miglicco+
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Stephen Spratley+, Bob Mousa+
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Priest's Intentions
	7:00 PM	Ralph Porcelli+
Thursday	9:00 AM	Carl Rizzotto+, Paul & Eva Theriot+ Irma & Joseph Spiletic+
Friday	9:00 AM	Janet Scianna+
Saturday	5:00 PM	Dorothy Zajac+, Julian Laskowski Michael Aiello+
Sunday	7:30 AM	Mary Flaherty
	9:00 AM	CtR Parishioners
	11:00 AM	Jason Plata+, Lisa Racine Felix Neuburger+
	5:00 PM	Nellie Sicola+, John Joseph Lopez+ Dorothy & Jim Townsend+

## THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### Parish Events

#### Sunday, February 18

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am and 5:00 pm		
8:30 am	Crawfish Boil	Mall
9:00 am	RCIA Dismissal	201,204,205
9:00 am	Children's Liturgy of Word	111
10:00 am	Welcome Reception	111
1:00 pm	Schola Rehearsal	Church
1:30 pm	The Classics	CC
3:30 pm	Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church

#### Monday, February 19

8:00 am	Church Cleaning	Church
9:00 am	Mass	Chapel
9:30 am	Lenten Environment Setup	Ch, Chapel
7:30 pm	Venture Scouts	215,217

#### Tuesday, February 20

9:00 am	Mass	Chapel
9:30 am	Rosary	Chapel
12:00 pm	Building Committee	112
4:30 pm	Chorister's Rehearsal	CC, Church
7:00 pm	Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church
7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee	112
7:00 pm	Serenity Support Group	217
7:00 pm	Youth Bible Study	201

#### Wednesday, February 21 Ash Wednesday

6:30 am	Word/Ashes	Church
9:00 am	Ash Wed. Mass	Church
9:30 am	Catholic Scripture Study	111 & Upstairs
9:30 am	Familia 3	112, Nsy
12:00 pm	Word/Ashes	Church
4:30 pm	Word/Ashes	Church
5:00 pm	Soup Dinner	CC
7:00 pm	Ash Wed. Mass	Church
8:00 pm	Adoration Quarterly Mtg.	Chapel

#### Thursday, February 22

9:00 am	Mass	Chapel
6:45 pm	Girl Scout Jr. Troop 5015	207
7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study	112, Nsy
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church, 111
7:00 pm	Youth Group	201
7:30 pm	BSA Committee Mtg.	217

#### Friday, February 23

9:00 am	Mass	Chapel
10:00 am	Friday Morning Bible Study	113
5:00 pm	K of C Lenten Fish Fry	CC
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	Church

#### Saturday, February 24

7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group	111
8:00 am	K of C Fish Fry Clean Up	CC
8:30 am	Women's Prayer Group	112
9:30 am	RCIA Day of Pray/Children	217, CC
5:00 pm	Mass	Church
6:30 pm	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat	CC

#### Sunday, February 25

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am and 5:00 pm		
8:30 am	GSA Cookie Sale	Mall
9:00 am	RCIA Dismissal	201,204,205
9:00 am	RCIA Rite of Sending	Church
11:00 am	Children's Liturgy of Word	111
11:00 am	PPC Installation	Church
3:30 pm	Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church

Coffee & Donuts – The Classics

### Religious Education News

#### Ash Wednesday:

Classes are canceled on Ash Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### 2nd gr. parent/child video:

During class times, parents are required to attend class with their child the week of Mar. 25 – 28 for a video on First Eucharist. Mark your calendars.

### Youth Doings

#### Youth Bible Study:

You are invited to attend youth bible study on Tuesdays from 7-8:30 pm in rooms 201 & 203. This group of young people has a thirst for learning more about the bible.

#### Thursday Night groups

Generation Next (jr.high group) and Generation Christ (high school group) are currently meeting on Thursday evenings from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in room 201 (the youth room). All Jr. High and High School youth are invited.

#### OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Week of February 11, 2007

Envelopes (663).....	\$24,203
Loose .....	\$9,005
Mailed in.....	\$1,872
Children's Envelopes .....	\$30
Total .....	\$35,110
Weekly Budgeted Expense.....	\$34,350

#### 2006 IRS Statements

To request your IRS statement, please call the office (281-469-5533) or email Charlotte ([parishsecretary@ctrcc.com](mailto:parishsecretary@ctrcc.com)). We will have it ready for you to pick up at the office the next day. You may also request that it be mailed to you.

*If you place your Capital Campaign pledge in the Sunday Collection, or the 'Building Fund' envelope please mark "Capital Campaign" on it. The 'Building Fund' is an ongoing fund for our parish. Thank you.*

#### National Collection for Black and Indian Missions

"Support U. S. Black, Indian, Eskimo and Aleut Missions"  
The annual appeal is a vital part of the Church. The funds are needed to continue present Evangelization programs: even more, to assist those parishes devastated by hurricanes to totally rebuild their programs. Many places lost everything, and the rebuilding cannot be done overnight. The evangelization programs torn apart by the devastation need to be woven back together. Many new evangelization efforts are being made in these areas, as well as the other Black, Indian, Eskimo and Aleut communities assisted by this Collection.

***Together we are the Church and we help each other.***



**In Our Parish**

Let us keep the following people in our prayers: Glen Wright, Kathy Stout, Christine Novak, Frank Castronovo, Mary Ann & Joseph Taylor, Serena Willis and Baby Annabelle, Joseph Eicher, Jim Robinson, Dianna Ostendorf, Sandy Moore, Alan McDonald, Dona Varney, Agnes Machacek, Hilbert Pechacek, Eileen Lennox, Rose

Cemino, Bill & Gerry Jones, Laura Brooke, Sonda Criswell, Melanie Berken, Jay Maduzia, Priyanna Franklin, Margaret Kaucher, Gerry Farrell, Betty Lou Furlong, Anne Cassidy, Paul Bozych, Lorraine Kram, Beverly Eades, Karen Kassler, Desiree & Deron Arceneaux, Camille Joseph, Marlene Haraka, Steve Supercinski, Natalie Gibson, Ann and Lou Frayler, Helen LaKome, and Bob Young. Please keep them and all the sick of our parish in your prayers.

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In your prayers, please remember Jonathan Hooper, of the Hooper family, who recently passed into eternal life. And in your prayers remember the family that they may feel the love and comfort of the Father to heal their pain.



**Prayer List for our Service Men & Women**

Please keep the following in your prayers as they serve this wonderful country:

Casey Smith, Ernesto Meruelo, Paul Mallory, USNA, Jaime Martinez, Brett Guidry, Marcus

Malek, Lcpl Dave Lewis, Lcpl Nathan Keminitz, Josh Beaver, Lcpl Michael Jenigan, Lt. Luke Gorney, Lt. Michael Gorney, Ross Christensen, Allen Bravenec, David Frederick, Wesley Drake, John Snead, Sgt. Sean Taylor, Sgt. Mark Howell, Kyle Berlanga, PFC David Wilhite, Jeremy Miller, Major Jason Colbert, Cpt. Mark Grahmann, Stuart Laperouse, Brady Bennett, Melissa Montelongo, Nate Brown, Matthew Macejewski, Rick Grog, Corp. Paul Black Jr., Spc. Edward Herrera, Marc Weiner, Brandon Sokora, Joseph Vinklerek, Ian Roberts, Ordet Klekar, Major Lloyd Waugh, Lcpl. John Buikema, Angela Tripp, Wade Coker, Tyler Coker, Karl Aschenbeck, Donnie Fricks, Jr., Alex Lambert, Augusto Cespedes, Jr., Lt. Col. Patrick D. Bertlshofer, Christopher Petrovich, Lcpl. Louie G. Welch, Cadet Greg Lambert, USMA, Anthony Barth, Lt. Col. Peter A. Lee, Capt. Christopher B. Lee, Rayford Siegel, Brig. Gen. Stephen Mueller, Lt. Neal Simpson, Matthew Phillips, Lt. Matthew Schlarmann, Michael Zdunkawicz, Jr., Cadet Will Callegari, Staff. Sgt. Christopher Bell, Nick Prien, Cadet Alex Lathrop, Staff Sgt. Jose G. Meruelo IV, Lt. Col. Mary Ann Rich, Spc. Kris Kassler, Capt. Scott Dellinger, Capt. Jason Jeager, Cpl. Brad McKee, Jason Windrum, Lt. Col. Maureen Weber, Staff Sgt. Jeffery Kopp, Ben Sledge, Emiliano Dizon Vitug, Sgt. Cesar Vasquez, and Allen Cruz.

(Please call the parish office to add the name of your loved one in the Armed Services to our prayer list. If your soldier has been discharged from the service, please call and let us know.)

**Stewardship Corner**

Today's Gospel has encouraging words for good stewards — "Give and it shall be given to you. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." What encouragement to give generously of the resources entrusted to our care!

**Welcome Committee**

We provide a warm welcome to families and adults new to our parish. We make phone calls, put together the Welcome packets, and make them available after Sunday morning Masses and the second Saturday/Sunday each month, after the 5 p.m. Mass. We also host welcome receptions quarterly.

Contact Person: Nancy Dysart

Phone: 281-370-9377

Email Address: [ndysart@houston.rr.com](mailto:ndysart@houston.rr.com).

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

Brave, strong, and committed individuals (young and old) wanted now for a scheduled Holy Hour at 2; 3 and 4 am (various weeknights); busy parents, newcomers, and working folks also invited!

Start now as a Lenten sacrifice.

Contact: **Joseph Eicher** (2 am Captain) or **Mike Angelle** (3 am Captain) or **Candy Sleezer** (4 am Captain) via [ctradoration@yahoo.com](mailto:ctradoration@yahoo.com) or 281.856.0989

**Readings for the Week of February 18, 2007**

Sunday 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38  
Monday Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93; Mk 9:14-29  
Tuesday Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37; Mk 9:30-37  
Wednesday Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23; Mt 16:13-19  
Friday Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Mt 9:14-15  
Saturday Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Lk 5:27-32  
Daily Scripture readings at: [www.usccb.org/nab](http://www.usccb.org/nab)

**MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

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## THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### LITURGY CORNER

### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ashes

*Remember; man, you are dust and to dust you will return.*

- Roman Missal: Rite of Imposition of Ashes

These are the words that most of us will hear this week as ashes are smeared onto our foreheads at the beginning of Lent. We know that these words are a profound statement of our faith: Without God and his great mercy we are nothing! Dust! Mere ashes!

Ashes have long been used as signs of repentance. The Old Testament recounts their use throughout salvation history (see Jonah 3:6 and Job 2:8). In their physical state, they are the burnt remains of the blessed palms from the previous year's liturgy of Palm

Sunday. Now they act as further reminders of the great mercy with which Christ rules and of our repentance in the face of such mercy.

Aware of our brokenness and our need for penance, we come forward and allow ourselves to be marked with the shape of the cross, the sign of God's ultimate victory over sin, separation, and death. This is reason to hope. It is reason to rejoice at the start of this great season. For as strong as our sin is and as strong as our brokenness is, God's mercy is stronger.

The irony of the ashes is that as loudly as they proclaim the realization of our own sinfulness, the fact that they are in the shape of Christ's cross is an even louder proclamation of our faith and hope in the mercy of the one who is our salvation.

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### Liturgical Minister Schedule – February 24/25, 2007

Sacristan - Bill Bradley, Bobbi Lund, Rudy Zajac							Mike Conroy
Saturday - 5 PM	Sunday - 7:30 AM	Sunday - 9 AM	Sunday - 11 AM				
5:00PM	7:30AM	9:00AM	11:00AM	Sunday - 5 PM			
EMHC	EMHC	EMHC	EMHC	EMHC			
1 Andro, Marj	1 Danish, Helen	1 Armstrong, Jonathan	1 Caravantes, Brian	1 Cross, Katie			
2 Andro, Ron	2 Danish, Tom	2 Bonin, Mike	2 Caravantes, Susan	2 Eisenacher, Geoff			
3 Bodman, Anita	3 Eicher, Joseph	3 Breerwood, Mike	3 Haas, Jennifer	3 Glen, Stephen			
4 Brangwynne, Bill	4 Gonzales, Kathryn	4 Hroch, Joseph	4 Hawkins, Arlene	4 Hayes, Archie			
5 Cudahy, Paul	5 Hawkins, Rebecca	5 Macejewski, Albina	5 Mosher, Suzy	5 Lapps, Drew			
6 Duffy, Bill	6 Henderson, Mollie	6 McCarren, Dick	6 Rock, Dolores	6 Lopez, Marvin			
7 Gottardy, Steve	7 Lund, Bobbi	7 Muck, Susie	7 Rodriguez, Karla	7 Lopez, Sara			
8 Hood, Arthur	8 McManus, Michelle	8 Patek, Marzaline	8 Tomczyszyn, Michelle	8 Mattingly, Julie			
9 Hood, Genie	9 Mestayer, F.J.	9 Reifschneider, Karrie	9 Tomczyszyn, Sammy	9 Meche, Eddie			
10 Romano, Mike	10 Mestayer, Margueritte	10 Westphal, Della	10	10 Meche, Nolena			
11	11	11 Wieland, Randy	11	11 Soukup, Maria			
Greeter	Greeter	Greeter	Greeter	Greeter			
1	1	1 Moore, Frank	1	1 Hall, Andrew			
2	2	2	2	2			
Server	Server	Server	Server	Server			
1 D'Alessio, Ray	1 Franklin, D.J.	1 Daves, Gregory	1 Caravantes, Katie	1 Lopez, Clarissa			
2 Parker, Mason	2 Franklin, Nathan	2 Moore, Whitney	2 Liller, Katie	2 Meche, Alisha			
3 Weyand, Sydney - N	3 Veit, Bryan	3 Snowden, Natalie	3 Liller, Megan	3 Otto, Joey			
4	4	4 Spidle, Cody	4	4			
Usher	Usher	Usher	Usher	Usher			
1 Drouet, Paul	1 Nauman, Stan	1 Daves, Nancy	1 Herbert, Trudy	1 Babin, Anne			
2 Gerdich, Greg	2 Rottman, Henrietta	2 DeJohn, Joe	2 Polivka, Kevin	2 Bishop, Missy			
3 Sage, Julia	3 Strum, Tom	3 Watso, David	3 Walker, Scott	3 Shoulders, Bob			
4	4 Vidis, Jan	4	4	4			
Lector	Lector	Lector	Lector	Lector			
1 Head, Norma	1 LeMaire, Jennifer	1 Connelly, Joe	1 Worth, Dona	1 Veselka, Brittany			
2 Kirk, Mollye	2 Atchison, Ken	2 Fiala, Kristine	2 Worth, Jerry	2 Meche, Eddie			

**Women's Prayer Group - G.R.A.C.E.**

Ladies join our faith-sharing community, G.R.A.C.E. (Growing Relationships in A Christian Environment) on Saturday, February 24, from 8:30 to 10 a.m., in Room 112 of the RE Building. For additional information, contact Nadia Matt at 281-351-5280 or Mikki McCarren at 281-376-5893 (email: [mimccarren@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mimccarren@sbcglobal.net)).

**CtR Men of Faith and Fellowship**

The CtR Men's Group would like to extend an invitation to other men of the parish to join them in their next discussion on Saturday, February 24, from 7 to 8:30 a.m. in room 111 of the Administration Building. We will study and discuss the Mass readings for next Sunday and what lessons we should learn from a Catholic man's perspective. Please come and join us as we build our faith and share fellowship. Contact Mike Bonin (281-374-0354) or John Huston (281-897-0010) if you have questions.



**The Classics** is a group for those over the age of 50. Our regularly scheduled meeting and pot-luck dinner will be held today, Sunday, February 18 at 1:30 P.M. in the Community Center. We will celebrate Mardi Gras at this meeting. If you like, come dressed in purple, green and/or gold and make or buy a mask. On Tuesday, March 13 we will have our traditional trip for Lent. This year we will visit Galveston Churches. Call Barbara Stewart at 281-469-5138 for more information about this trip, our next meeting or becoming a Classics member.

**Young Adult Group:** 18 – 35, single, married, or dating. Together, we explore our faith and values in a fun relaxed atmosphere, and also make a few new friends. Whether you are rejoining the church after a long absence, want to learn more about Catholicism, or just meet other Catholics, who value their faith and heritage, we encourage you to join us. Contact CJ at (281) 469-5533 [[cjmccarren@ctrcc.com](mailto:cjmccarren@ctrcc.com)], or Nina (832) 444-3479 [[ninasm91@yahoo.com](mailto:ninasm91@yahoo.com)] for more information or questions, you can also find out more at [www.ctrcc.com](http://www.ctrcc.com).

**Attention: Parents of all Scouts**

Scout Sunday is February 25<sup>th</sup>, and CtR will celebrate this day at the 9 a.m. Mass. We will acknowledge all scouts who have received a religious award during the past year. If your son or daughter had received a religious award, please send Deacon Jim an email at ([deacon@ctrcc.com](mailto:deacon@ctrcc.com)) giving the scout's name, and the title of the religious award received. All scouts should come dressed in uniform.



**I Feel Good When I Thank God**

Here are some of "My Good Deeds" from the children's envelopes: scrofiging stuff for friends. – me helping somebody else. – Helped my teacher by pulling her trunk. – Keeping quiet and not waking the baby. – I did not get five points this week.



Brooke Kathleen McConnell  
Marissa Nicole Corcoran  
Sanjay Sandeep Mistry  
Molly Marie Best  
Charlotte Mae Schouten  
Christopher Carter McClendon  
Luke Evan Sruber

Aidyn Yasmeen Shaikh  
Addison Marie Dumoit  
Easton Lynnlea Grove  
Clayton Michael Worchesik  
Camryn Jeanette Guzzetta  
Ava Grace Shaikh  
Sydney Yvonne Dumoit  
Taylor Philip Colaiacomo  
Lance Joseph Lyle



David & Michelle Gutierrez  
Jeff & Marla Schroder  
James Wright & Samantha Knoll  
Amanda Alford & Orrie McNeil  
Linda Arevalo & Brandon Stewart  
Rodolfo Gutierrez & Karina Escobar

Ervin & Ludmila Olle  
Phil & Jan Dibert  
Patrick & Brandi Gomez  
Derek & Jennifer Fernandez  
James Helton  
Leonard & Sylvia Kramr  
Peter & Patricia Neuse  
Aaron Jablonsky & Abby Gode  
Hal & Terri Winsaver  
Paul & Rhonda Daricek  
Stephen & Allie Paul  
Miguel & Myra Peralta  
Rosa Delgado  
Mitch & Anna Masterson  
Perrin & Beth Rodriguez

**Daily Mass Downtown**

Daily Mass is available at Holy Cross Chapel. We are open M – F and offer Mass at 11:35 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and there is a communion Service at 1:05 p.m. During Lent, we will also have a Mass at 7 a.m. Our Ash Wednesday Masses are 7, 10:15, and 11:15 a.m., & 12:15, 1:15, and 5:15 p.m. Confessions are also available during the day. For more information, call the Chapel at 713-650-1323, or visit [www.holycrosschapel.org](http://www.holycrosschapel.org).

**Many Parts – One Body: The Wonderful Works of God.**

Please accept our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all who have made their generous commitment to this year's Diocesan Services Fund. Catholics throughout our archdiocesan church are uniting in faith, sharing their blessings and giving gifts in Jesus' name. Remember that no gift is too small. For those who have not yet responded, we urge you to consider offering your commitment at this time. Each gift helps. With every parishioner's meaningful participation, we will succeed in reaching our goal of \$170,000 and provide hope and help for those among us who are most in need. If you prefer to donate on-line, visit [www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf).

**Houston Women for the Third Millennium**

Save the date of Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> for its third annual breakfast presentation with guest speaker, Teresa Tomeo. Affirm your vocation as women, and learn how to transform the culture as women. Contact Leslie Roppolo at [leslieroppolo@houston.rr.com](mailto:leslieroppolo@houston.rr.com), or 832-863-4071.