

**Holy Family Church
Fort Worth, Texas**

Whole Community Catechesis

March 7, 2010

NEWS FROM SERVICE

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS: If you need information about elementary level sessions please call Pat Mancuso at 817.737.6768, ext. 108 during work hours. My home phone number is 817.246.2920. Please continue to pray for the families preparing children for First Reconciliation on **Monday, March 8th** at 7:00 P.M.

NO CLASSES ON SUNDAY, MARCH 14th. Enjoy your Spring Break! We will return to class, **Sunday March 21st**. Teachers will have Teacher Training after regular class on March 21st.

RCIA: Join us on **Thursday, March 11th** at 7:00 P.M. in the Education Room. The topic will be "The Lord's Prayer" and Mary Ellen McBee will be the facilitator. Questions, call Mary Ellen McBee at 817.737.6768, ext. 107.

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO HONDURAS: We are now preparing for our annual youth mission trip to Honduras **June 24th thru July 2nd, 2010**. All interested youth (9th grade and older) should contact Genni Sayers at 817.737.6768, ext. 109 or at gennisays@aol.com for more information. Space is limited so call now!

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Our next session is **Sunday, March 7th** from 1:30 to 3:30 P.M. Please be on time!

SAVE THE DATE! DCYC: Our annual Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference will be **July 9th thru 11th**. All youth 6th – 12th grade are welcome to attend. This year's theme is Live, Love, Serve! Registration will begin soon.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

HFSA SATURDAY SOIREE: Join us on **Saturday, March 13th** at Brad's house for our monthly social gathering for food, friends and fun. Watch the update as the date gets closer for more details. Questions? Contact Brad at Bsmorian@gmail.com.

HFSA: MASS 'N MUNCH: Join us on Saturday, March 27th, 5:30 P.M. Mass at St. Andrew's followed by dinner at Pappas Burgers. Last month was our largest turnout for this event, so please join us again (or for the first time) for Mass followed by dinner and fellowship! For more information contact Natalie Ayala at natjayala@gmail.com or 817.614.6406.

30 & OVER SINGLES MINISTRY: "Game Night and Fellowship" will be held on **Tuesday, March 16th** at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center for all singles and single again. Please bring your favorite snack to share. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Contact Monica Molina for more information and to RSVP at 817.737.6768 or mmolina@holymfamilyfw.org.

MENS' CLUB: The Men's Club monthly meeting will be on **Wednesday, March 10th** in Room C at 7:00 P.M. Following dinner, our guest speaker is Dave Palmer, general manager of KATH radio. He will speak on how this catholic radio station provides many services to our North Texas faithful. Everyone is welcome!

SERVICE MINISTRY: Save the Date! A workshop on parenting called "Becoming a Love & Logic Parent" will be provided on Monday evenings from **April 12th through May 10th**. This five week course in parenting is designed to give you practical skills that can be used immediately. Registration is required. Please contact Monica Molina for more information at 817.737.6768.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: SVDP was able to come to the aid of over ten families paying over \$4,000 because of your generous donations. Their needs varied from utility bills to rent bills to lack of food to medical needs. Please keep them in your prayers.

IT'S OKAY TO BE HUMAN... An important theme of the Lenten season is the humanity of Christ. In Jesus, God became human and fully experienced the wide range of emotions we all encounter in life. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger, disappointment, grief, and abandonment. That is part of being human. Another part of being human is needing help from each other. So when you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Stephen Ministers can bring the love of Jesus back into your life. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you! Questions, contact Karen Roach at 817.737. 6768, ext.103.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl unites us in prayer, fasting and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities.

Third Sunday in Lent

LITURGY NOTES

See **THE FAITH CONNECTION** insert

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

This coming **Thursday, March 4th** we will celebrate our monthly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. in the chapel. During the last thirty minutes of adoration we will pray the Rosary for Life. All are invited to drop by during the day and spend some time in prayer before Christ in the Eucharist. You will find the Adoration Signy Book outside the chapel.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK of March 8

Monday, March 8	Barbara Ross
Wednesday, March 10	Marian Wyatt +
Thursday, March 11	Roberto & Ines Marino Barbosa +
Friday, March 12	Jerry Mocek +
Saturday, March 13	Mary Wrentmore +



CHALICE PARTICIPANTS

February 27th & 28th

5:00 P.M. – Sandra Hoester
7:45 A.M. - Michael, Anita & Anna Franko
9:15 A.M. – Jim & Karen Roach
12:00 P.M. – Ronnie, Alma & Sierrah
Blackwell

WELCOME VISITORS

The Community of Holy Family welcomes you! We are delighted you have joined us for Mass. If you are interested in becoming a member of our faith community, please call the Pastoral Center for a registration form. Registration forms may also be found in the racks, located at the entrances of the church. If you need additional information regarding our parish community please call Karen Roach or Monica Molina at 817.737.6768. However if you are just visiting, please know that you are always welcome.

“ALL THINGS POSSIBLE” CAMPAIGN: The Stewardship and Development Office of the Diocese is managing the remittance process for the “All Things Possible” Campaign. All checks should be made payable to “The All Things Possible” Campaign and can be sent to: All Things Possible, PO Box 151709, Fort Worth, TX 76108-1709. If you have any questions concerning your pledge or payments, please contact Karen Roach at 817.737.6768, ext. 103.

If you are going to another parish or moving from this area, or changing address or telephone number, please contact the Pastoral Center at mpacheco@hollyfamilyfw.org.

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN POSITION:

Holy Family Parish is looking for a warm, enthusiastic, and faith-filled Catholic to fill the position of **Coordinator of Religious Education for Children**. Duties include overseeing the Religious Education Program for children ages 3 years through 5th grade; Vacation Bible School; Sacramental Preparation Program for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Good organization and communication skills required. Experience in Religious Education is a requirement and a Degree preferred. Please send resume to Mary Ellen McBee at Holy Family Parish office or via e-mail to: membec@hollyfamilyfw.org.



REGISTRATION IN PROGRESS: Holy Family Catholic School is now accepting applications for enrollment for the 2010 - 2011 school year. HFCS provides academic excellence from 3-year-old Pre-kindergarten through 8th Grade, while teaching the way of Jesus Christ. For a tour of our campus, please contact Pearl Middleton, 817.737.4201. Enrollment information and forms are also available on our website, www.hfsfw.org.

Holy Family Catholic School 8th graders adopted two families from the “Welcome the Stranger” program through Catholic Charities. The 8th graders raised money through coke sales to help these families establish a homestead. The students took a field trip to Target to purchase basic living necessities for these families. Our students are making a difference in lives of those who are less fortunate.

Annual Appeal Fund Drive: Because of your generous support, HFCS is at 79% for this years’ goal of \$40,000. Thank you to those of you who are helping us realize our goal. If you have not done so, please consider a gift to further our mission of “Teaching the way of Jesus Christ.” HFCS has 65 years of success built on a strong foundation.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH/SCHOOL

COOKBOOK: Have you heard what's cookin' at Holy Family? Holy Family Church & School are working on a cookbook - "We are Family!" All profits benefit the school through Pot O' Gold. Submit your favorite family recipes to HFCookbook@gmail.com today and stay tuned for more info.

WESTAID THANKS YOU: WestAid is very appreciative to all Holy Family parishioners who helped with food and monetary contributions to their Food Drive. It was a huge success.

Please join us for the Annual

Stewardship Fair of Time & Talent

“Tapestry of Gifts”

Saturday, March 6th

Sunday, March 7th

Family Life Center following all Masses

AND THE

Wellness Day

Hosted by



HFC Parish Nurse Ministry

Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital

Sunday, March 7th

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

And

Catholic Renewal Bookstore

Third Sunday in Lent

Holy Family Catholic Community
“Stewardship . . . Our Way of Life”
A TAPESTRY OF GIFTS...Time, Talent & Treasure



Stewardship Scripture Reflection

Dan Potvin, Archdiocese of Winnipeg

God heard the cry of His people in Egypt and responded generously by bringing them out of captivity. But in the desert the Israelites began complaining to Moses. They were not grateful for the gift of their freedom – *a grateful heart silences a complaining voice!* We good stewards pray that we will always be grateful for the gifts and opportunities that we are given. When we are at times not grateful, when we are overcome with an unhealthy lust for material things, power, or prestige, we are called to repent, and we are grateful for the Lord’s mercy.

Stewardship Prayer

Lord Jesus,
At this time of year,
our thoughts are turned to the ultimate sacrifice
You made for us on the cross.
Inspire us to make whatever personal sacrifice
will bring us closer to You,
and strengthen us in that sacrifice.
Pope John Paul II reminded us that “simplicity,
moderation, and discipline, as well as a spirit
of sacrifice, must become a part of [our]
everyday life...”
May our practice of sacrificial stewardship
during this Lenten season
lead us to the victory of the Resurrection.
In your holy name, we pray,

Amen.

Sharing our Gifts

Many of us share our gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure with our parish community and other charitable organizations. This year during the stewardship fair, we are asking you to share with us where you use your gifts from God. A banner will be available during the stewardship fair in the Family Life Center to write down the different ministries you are involved with at Holy Family Church and/or the parish school. We also would like for you to write down the other charitable ministries you are involved with for example Meals on Wheels, Tarrant Area Food Bank, etc...

We are so blest here at Holy Family. We have a community of grateful hearts that recognize that everything we are and have comes from God. Let us continue to embrace our life as a “steward” and “serve one another through love...bear one another’s burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ.” (Gal 5:13, 6:2).

