We welcome newcomers to our church! If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the blue registration forms, which you will find on the table near the front door of the church. You can bring the form to the office during business hours or put it into the collection basket.

Mass Intentions		
2/28/21	For the People of the Parish	
3/1/21	Rev. Delphyn Meeks	
3/3/21	William and Cynthia Ann Biggers	
3/4/21	Elmo and Carl Blanchard	
3/5/21	David Swenson	
3/6/21	Philomena Andrews	

Week of February 21 - 27, 2021

Income \$2,189.00 CCD \$130.00 Second Collection \$464.00 Expenses \$9,751.72

Birthday List		
Travis Gilfillian	3/1	
Jimena Del Castillo	3/2	
Rick Hagel	3/3	
Myla Sykes	3/4	
Deborah Spikes	3/5	
Matthew Hebert	3/6	

February 28, 2021

The Second Sunday of Lent

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT Our parishioners, Josh and Kristin Leventry are pleased to be offering a marriage enrichment series for all married couples here at OLOV! They are looking for 3 to 5 couples to join their small group to help each other grow in their faith as well as their journeys of marriage and family! The **Together in Holiness Formation Series** consists of a short video lesson followed by a group discussion, and lots of fellowship! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity, and if you would like more information, as well as dates and times, please contact Josh and Kristin for more information! (409) 790-9396

March 3 is the Memorial of **Saint Katharine Drexel**, Virgin. Katharine Drexel was born in Philadelphia, on 26 November 1858, the daughter of Francis A Drexel, a prominent banker, and Hannah Langstroth, who died shortly after Katharine's birth. Her father later married Emma Bouvier Drexel. It was from them that Katharine and her two sisters learned the lessons of love of God and neighbor, especially the poor. Katharine gave her fortune and her life to serve the poor and oppressed, particularly African American and Native American people. She helped finance many missions among them. In 1891, she founded a mission community, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. The Eucharist was the center and sustenance for her life; she saw it as the source of unity among races. Katharine died on 3 March 1955, in her 97th year, and was beatified by Pope St John Paul II, on 20 November 1988. She was canonized by the same pope on 1 October in the year 2000. (Liturgy of the Hours) The schools founded by Katharine's Sisters include Blessed Sacrament in Beaumont, St Therese in Orange and Sacred Heart in Port Arthur.

Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday in Lent at 6:00 p.m.

What Does the Catechism Teach?

"From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master 'began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things. . . and be killed, and on the third day be raised.' (Mt.16:21) Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, (Mk. 9:2-10) before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking 'of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem. (Lk.9:31) A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' (Lk.9:35) For a moment Jesus discloses his divine glory, confirming Peter's confession. He also reveals that he will have to go by the way of the cross at Jerusalem in order to 'enter into his glory.' (Lk.24:26) Moses and Elijah had seen God's glory on the Mountain; the Law and the Prophets had announced the Messiah's sufferings. Christ's Passion is the will of the Father: the Son acts as God's servant; The cloud indicates the presence of the Holy Spirit. 'The whole Trinity appeared: the Father in the voice; the Son in the man; the Spirit in the shining cloud.' (St Thomas Aguinas) On the threshold of the public life: the baptism; on the threshold of the Passover: the Transfiguration. Jesus' baptism proclaimed 'the mystery of the first regeneration, namely, our Baptism; the Transfiguration is the sacrament of the second regeneration': our own Resurrection. (St Thomas Aguinas) From now on we share in the Lord's Resurrection through the Spirit who acts in the sacraments of the Body of Christ. The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious

coming, when he 'will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body.' (Phil.3:21) But it also recalls that 'it is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God.' (Acts14:22)" – from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, #554, 555, 556



Ofc. William McKeon, Lequita Baldwin, Barbara Allen, JoAnne & Travis Harris, Martin Brantley, Wanda Brantley, Nancy Huckabee, Kimberly Huckabee, Daniel Begnaud, Alice Loftin, Fred Blanchette, Castro Family, Vivian Lopez, Maylee Converse, Cody Warner, Denise Tremonte, Phyllis Rhodes, Linda Brown, Sue Dickey, Sandra Dugan, Jim Kaiser, Woodrow Guidry, Dora Robinson, Annie Marino, Kelcey Converse, Jo Frances Manuel, Mary Rogan-Reeder, Joseph Reeder, Steve Morris, Karon Preiss, Roy Harmon, Ann Crain, Edward Waggoner, Donia Brown, Cece Cobb, Patsy Bobo, Aprille McLaughlin, Norman Lytle, Sami Thibodeaux, Mrs. Martha, Melanie Pickering, Janet Swearingen, Larry Britain, Angela Grisham, The Men and Women of the USS Makin Island, Sara Spikes, Leah & Natalie Spikes-King, Abril Spikes, Mathew Mull, Stan Davis, David Ready, Martha Waggoner