



The Gospel today is sometimes called "the Gospel in miniature" because it so concisely sums up the whole Gospel message. In even more condensed form, "God loved...God gave..." It is the paradigm for stewardship – we give because we love.

MONDAY	2Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12
TUESDAY	2Pt 3:12-15,17-18; Mk 12:13-17
WEDNESDAY	2Tm 1:1-3,6-12; Mk 12:18-27
THURSDAY	2Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
FRIDAY	Dt 7:6-11; 1Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30
SATURDAY	2Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44
SUNDAY	Hos 6:3-6; Rom 4:18-25; Mt 9:9-13

Cash flow for March 2002

Bank & Savings Account Balances 2/28/02	\$309,600.05
5-Sunday Collections	\$77,704.50
Miscellaneous	<u>913.87</u>
Regular Receipts	+\$78,618.37
Less Regular Expenses	-\$35,122.33
Less Mo. Principal & Int.	-7,186.81
Less Cath. Tax	<u>-6,200.00</u>
Total of Regular Expenses	-48,509.14
Difference in Suspense Accts.	<u>+7,543.62</u>
Sub-Total	\$347,252.90
Less Lump Sum Payment on Ed. Bldg.	-8,600.00
Add New Church Fund Drive	+37,835.16
Less Architect fees/other costs-new church	-0.00
Less Building Fund Tax to Bishop	-2,200.00
Less Payment to Bishop Campaign	<u>-53,000.00</u>
Bank & Savings Balance 03/31/02	321,288.06

Cash flow for April 2002

Bank & Savings Account Balances 3/31/02	\$321,288.06
4-Sunday Collections	\$54,566.34
KC Rent	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	<u>1,462.43</u>
Regular Receipts	+\$57,228.77
Less Regular Expenses	-\$47,711.53
Less Mo. Principal & Int.	-7,293.22
Less Cath. Tax	<u>-5,200.00</u>
Total of Regular Expenses	-60,204.75
Difference in Suspense Accts.	<u>+1,534.34</u>
Sub-Total	\$319,846.42
Less Lump Sum Payment on Ed. Bldg.	-19,600.00
Add New Church Fund Drive	+38,162.17
Less Architect fees/other costs-new church	-0.00
Less Building Fund Tax to Bishop	-2,500.00
Less Payment to Bishop Campaign	-0.00
Bank & Savings Balance 04/30/02	\$335,908.59

Debt for Spiritual Learning Center is \$295,000 as of 4/30/02
Debt to the Bishop Campaign is 424,000 as of 4/30/02

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Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 4 THROUGH JUNE 9

TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	✚Jody Martinets by his Grandparents
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	✚Alfred Psencik by the Haas & Psencik Families
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	✚Jesse Clark by Irene McGaughey
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	✚Ed Carmody by M/M Frank Dodge
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	✚Harold Muhl by the Badeaux Family
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	✚Emil Kubesch by M/M Jack Lippman
	9:30A.M.	✚Marie Paul by M/M Jozsef Varga
	11:00A.M.	✚Darlene Bernzen by M/M John Bernzen



Please pray for those of our community who have requested our prayers.

Savana Allen, Hugo Arevalo, Billy Ray Barnett, Janet Barone, Robert Behr, Scott Blanchard, Josephine Bogo, **Bennie Paul Bono**, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, Ruth Cleaver, James Conalty, Mary Coxle, Cecil Cromeans, Lorene Cromeans, Anita Cromis, Gene Curtis, Pete D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Terry Ditzes, Cody Drapela, Lenora Duval, Clarence Ebey, Isabel Evans, Payton Ewald, Marcella Ezell, Marcia Flournoy, Jared Floyd, Norma Forey, Clarence Forse, Lucille Fourrier, Colette Easter Garcia, Paul Garcia, Craig Garrison, **Robert Goodpaster**, Barbara Grant, Edith Hall, Wanda Hanks, Venita Harang, Dorothy Harnden, Mary Harnden, Lorraine Hayes, **Wanda Henry**, Kristen Hinojosa, Pam Hocutt, Rae Holt, Brenda Kelley, Rebecca Kelly, Taylor Kibodeaux, Gloria Kissinger, Jerry Lacoume, Morris Landry, **Joe Langston**, Cindy Loftus, Tim & Larry Loftus, Robin Loftus, Cindy Lusk, Michael Maddox, Dionisio Martinez, Mary Martinez, Mary McClintock, Irene McGaughey, Ed McGuckin, Vicky Melton, Royce Mullens, Ounida Muniza, Heloise Murray, Natalie Pena, Johnny Peres, III, Cecelia Peterson, Anna Mae Reixach, Christina Robinson, **Mary Rogers, John Rosser**, Doris Rutkows ki, Sandy Sendejo. Bud Stover, Coletta Stover, Billie Stricklin, Barney Supak, Joshua Teague, Linda Thompson, Evelyn Tumlinson, Jennifer Villarreal. Anna Mae Walters, Evelyn White, John Edward White, Shane Williams, Reese Williams, Ed Windler, Margaret Young and Jack Yonge.

YOUTH MINISTRY**SPIRIT:** 6th: 6:30-8pm SLC

Al Rangel, 265-4343

JR. TEAM: 7th-8th: 6:30-8pm SLC

Janice Rodrigue 299-3509/292-0501

TEAM: 6:30-8:30 FLC

Helen Fagg, 297-3043

CONFIRMATION: 6:30-8:30pm SLC

Alice & Sean Artman 299-0048



Several times during the Mass, the liturgical texts invite us to observe silence.

It makes you wonder if the folks who wrote those instructions had any idea how noisy a typical pew can be. Kneelers, hymnals, kids and coughing make it hard for anyone to remember what silence sounds like.

TIME for
VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL

**NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE**

SCHOOL: We need empty round oatmeal containers, clean adult black socks, clean girl's white nylons, and clean clear 2 liter plastic soda bottles. Please drop by the Religious Education Office, Tuesday-Friday. Thanks!



The Beginning Experience

The Young People Beginning Experience Weekend (Y.P.B.E.)

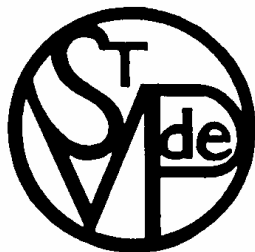
is for young people 12-18 years old, whose parents

are separated, divorced or widowed. The program helps young people sort out some of the confused, lonely and angry feelings that often accompany the changes that take place in their family lives. The next Y.P.B.E. weekend is scheduled for June 28-30.

Please contact Rosanne Konarik at 281-820-2994, for registration or other information. Space is limited, confirmation required. E-mail:

houstonteenbe@yahoo.com Details and registration:
www.geocities.com/houstonteenbe

Thanks to your generosity the pantry is presently in excellent shape with canned goods. Our need is now greater for peanut butter, jelly, sugar, and flour. If you can help, please take a sack in the back of the church and return it next week. Thanks.



Still, the liturgy soldiers on, suggesting that at certain moments we just keep quiet.

For example, when the priest says, "Let us pray," he really means what he says. How do you normally pray? Hands folded? Eyes closed? Calming yourself down so you can concentrate on the presence of God? Keeping silent? He's inviting us to assume our prayer position. But sometimes he's busy signaling the server, flipping pages and adjusting his glasses. Sometimes we're whispering, looking at the bulletin, or just wishing he'd get on with it so we can sit down again. Silence here is an invitation to pray, not to squirm.

Another occasion for silent prayer is after Communion. The liturgy bids us all to be quiet for a while to thank God for the wondrous sacrament we have received.

Sometimes people want their silence during Communion; they don't want to be disturbed by singing. Others can't stand the silence after Communion because they want to get out to the parking lot before everyone else.

But silence follows Communion. Communion itself is one of the most important times to sing. It gathers us as the body of Christ and wraps us in joyful song, since spoken words or silent thought can't express what music can. Then, after all have received the Mystery, we pause together to meditate on its splendor. Singing followed by silence helps the whole assembly celebrate Communion together.

Sometimes we observe silence after the readings or after the homily. The first Eucharistic prayer invites us to silence while we ask God to remember those, living or deceased, "for whom we now pray". Silence is hard in our culture. Most of us habitually turn on a TV or radio. But we also know the benefits of being in silence once in a while—outside, enjoying nature, getting some quiet time alone at home or in our room. Silence is golden. And the liturgy yearns for us to have some.