



SAINT MATILDA
(c. 895 – 968)
Patroness of Parents of Large Families
Feast Day - March 14th

St. Matilda was happily married to Henry of Saxony, and the couple became parents to five children, among them St. Bruno. Henry and Matilda became King and Queen of Germany. Henry and his subjects acknowledged their successes in battle to be largely a result of Matilda's prayers. When Henry died, she immediately gave a priest the jewels she was wearing as a sign that she henceforth gave up the world's empty pleasures. Matilda's almsgiving caused Emperor Otto, her eldest son, to accuse her of wasting money and concealing royal treasure. Her younger son Duke Henry also persecuted her. Matilda handed over her inheritance to her two sons, Otto and Henry, and retired to the country residence where she had been born, but then Henry became ill, and at the urging of the nobles and clergy, Otto's wife, Edith, persuaded Otto to ask for his mother's forgiveness. Matilda returned, forgave her sons, and resumed her care for the poor. After Henry died, she built convents at Nordhausen, Quedlinburg, Engern, and a monastery at Poehlen. She lived chiefly at her foundations, particularly Nordhausen. She died in Quedlinburg and was buried there with her husband. She was venerated locally as a saint from the moment of her death. She is often represented with a church in her hands or a bag of money because of her generous gifts to the poor and to the religious communities she founded.



If parishioners would like to contact Fr. Patrick with suggestions or concerns, you can contact him via email at: pmontgomery@rcdlc.org

“The Catechism in a Year “ with Fr. Mike Schmitz
An Ascension Podcast began on January 1st. The program is presented by Ascension Press. To Learn about the podcast go to : www.ascensionpress.com

Our Parish Mission — ‘Nuestra Senora de La Luz’ (Our Lady of the Light) is a community that comes together to model Jesus to all peoples by addressing physical concerns and spiritual matters, and to do as Jesus did, giving everything to bring people into a closer relationship with God, in celebration.



Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Weekend Masses:
Saturday Evening: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am - Rosary recited before Mass
Communion Service: Monday & Wednesday, & Friday at 8:30am
Weekday Masses: Tuesday, & Thursday at 9:00am
Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays after the 9:00 am morning Mass
Anointing of the Sick: 1st Friday of the month after the 9:00am morning Mass.

Mass Intentions
Sat: + Bessie & Ismael Sanchez by their family.
Sun: + Stacy Miller by Mom & Tina.
Mon: Communion Service
Tues: Sp. Int. for Tillie Telles on her 91st Birthday.
Wed.: Communion Service
Thurs: +Bethe & Ray Foree by B. Foree
Fri: Communion Service
Sat: +Micky Stumpf

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3rd Sunday of Lent
March 12th, 2023

Altar Servers - C. Garcia (575) 446-2129
Mar. 11 - Victor
Mar. 12 - Joshua & Joseph
Mar. 18 - Victor
Mar. 19 - Jacob & Joseph

Lectors - Carol Garcia (575) - 446-2129)
Mar. 11 - T. & C. McGinn
Mar. 12 - M. Granados & D. Chelgren
Mar. 18 - C. McGinn
Mar. 19 - S. & C. Moquin

Eucharistic Ministers—Carol Garcia
Mar. 11 - N. Kline, M. Diaz, & M. Engelhardt
Mar. 12 - S. & C. Moquin, H. Sanchez
Mar. 18 - D. Clark, T. McGinn, G. Aguilar
Mar. 19 - R. & D. Garmon, C. Garcia,

March Church Cleaners: Frances De Wijn & Janet Baca If you can't make your assigned date, or you need to get into the church to clean, please contact Carol Garcia at (575- 446-2129).

****Parish Office Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 10:00am - 4:00pm
Closed on Wednesdays & Fridays & Major Holidays.
Parish Office phone: (575) 434-9460
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Thank You!

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We would like to thank all the volunteers, those who donated desserts and those of you who purchased Enchilada dinners! Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



Our Lenten Journey

Lent should be a time of prayer, fasting and giving alms. As a Parish, we can do all three.

Stations of the Cross - Stations of the Cross will be held at 6:00pm on Fridays of Lent followed by a meatless soup supper. **This week's Soup Supper hosts will be the Lectors and Parish Council members.**

Rice Bowls - This year again parishioners will have an opportunity to participate in the CRS Rice Bowl Campaign. You can participate by giving alms to the poor in other countries. The Rice Bowls can be found at the back of the church.

Weekend Collection
Reg. Collection - \$3,845.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Second Collection—CRS Collection

We will have a 2nd collection next weekend for the Catholic Relief Services which enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world.-those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

Visit Our Website for Parish News, Events, & Photos!
<http://www.ourladyofthelight.org>

Prayer List

David Kellar
Martha Kellar
Bob Kellar
Marie Black
Tilly Telles
Bill Gayso
Erlinda Garcia
Sandra Carrillo
Bobby Granados
Amber Cuellar-Town
Carmen Guitard
Martha Walters
Gabriel Silva
Becky Chavez
Rob Williams
Robert & Karen Lee
Stephane Ebner
Dick & Pat Antram
Betty Luevano
Ernestine Rodriguez
Leo Samora
Eric Wolffe
Isidro Garcia
Joe Garcia
Terry Tomke
Cheryl Kline
Ramona Garcia
Ethel Vigil Abner
Horace Cordova

Please keep the family of Micky Stumpf in your prayers. Mrs. Stumpf passed away last week.

Please pray for those serving in our military

Major Paul Weaver (USAF)
Jeremiah Williams (USAF)
Eric Gayso -(Army)
Blaine Gayso - (USAF)
SSgt. Eliza Granados (USAF)
Tec. Sgt. Robert Seaburgh (USAF)
Markie Campbell
Raul Martinez Jr. (USAF)
Ralaya Martinez (USAF)
Capt. Amanda Armijo
Katherine Agnew (Army)
John Gill - (USAF)
Clinton Caleb Muncy (Marines)
Victor Baray (Marines)
Tec. Sgt. Veronica C.de Baca
Tec. Sgt. Matt Leal (Air Force)
Mario Gallegos (Marines)
Christopher Garcia (USAF)
Vincent L. Amasula - (Army)

Our Lady of the Light Food Pantry

Last Saturday, the pantry served 44 families with 104 individuals in those families. The Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays (except for the 1st Tuesday of the Month) from 10:00am - 2:00pm and is open on the first Saturday of the month (from 10:00 - noon.) We want to sincerely thank the pantry volunteers and all who have contributed food and given monetary donations this year. God bless you all.



The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 28th at 5:30pm at the Cathedral Of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Las Cruces. Everyone is invited to this special celebration.

3rd Week of Lent

“Hear the Truth, Tell the Truth”

“Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Messiah”- John 4:29

No one is perfect. The greatest saints were sinners. We sin, God knows it. Everyone who knows us, knows it. The Gospel passage we hear this Sunday is about being open to the truth and telling the truth. With all truth-telling there is relief. We have admitted our secrets. We are known and still we are loved. Lent is a good time to celebrate the sacrament of penance. Make a plan to go as a family either at your parish's regularly scheduled confession time or to a communal penance service in your area. Resolve to tell the truth and listen patiently and nonjudgmentally to the truth of others.

- from Catholic Update - A Lenten Guide.

To Keep our Church Safe

Please remember to leave the pew kneeler down and place the Missal/Hymnal on the pew after Mass. So that we can sanitize the pews.

Holy Cross Upcoming Retreats

Holy Cross Retreat Center has prepared three upcoming retreats for your enrichment. A Silent Midweek Retreat on March 13-15 during Lent. For more information, please call 575-524-3811.

- Fr. Tom Smith OFM Conv. Director.

During the Lenten Season

Remember

Fasting (age 18-59) - 2 small meals cannot equal or exceed your 1 large meal.

Abstinence (age 14 and over) - Refrain from eating meat and meat products.

Fast & Abstinence: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday
Abstinence: Fridays of Lent

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

All new and existing volunteers must be Safe Environment compliant. A background check must be conducted and participation in the online, Protecting God's Children workshop, is required. (In-person trainings are no longer offered). To accomplish this, log in to: www.virtusonline.org. For questions contact your Virtus Local Administrator at your parish, or Mary Garcia at the diocese, mgarcia@redlc.org