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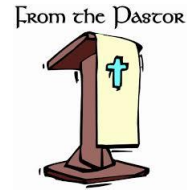
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From the Pastor

How do I want to be during Lent this year? More quiet and thoughtful? More open to God's desires? Better able to sit with people who need me? More attentive to sacred readings, whether in church or in private? Do I need to be more compassionate toward my own fears and failings? Do I need to become more courageous about using the gifts God has given me? In the days prior to Lent, try one or more of these suggestions.

- 1) Ask God, every day, "What does my soul need?" Just ask, and wait quietly. Because we're very good at fooling ourselves about how we're doing, it might take several days of praying this question before we're truly open and humble enough to know the answer.
- 2) Ask God, every day, "What about my life makes you happy?" Yes, when God looks at your life, some parts of it—perhaps many aspects of it—bring joy to God's heart. Think of how your children or grandchildren or other people close to you make you happy. God is in a relationship with you, which means that your sins grieve God's heart, but also that your growth and love and freedom and kindness bring joy to God of the universe. Again, you will probably need to pray this a few times before you are willing to consider that you give God pleasure, that you make God happy in any way. Stick with this little prayer and keep listening.
- 3) Tell God, and yourself, every day, "I want to be open to the graces of this Lenten season." Maybe you're not open right now, or you're not as open and willing as you'd like to be or think you should be. What else is new? We can always open our lives a bit more, let go of more stuff, listen better, and do more quickly and passionately what we know helps nurture God's kingdom on earth.

**The Lenten Study** series will be held on Thursday in Oakley at 6:30pm and Angelus on Sunday at 1:30pm. We will be studying *Saints of the Reformation*.

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE:**

Oakley 12:07 pm & 6pm. Angelus 7:40pm

**ST. JOSEPH NEWS:**

Join us for a **ROAST BEEF DINNER**, Sunday, February 27, in St Joseph School, serving from 11 AM to 1 PM. Dine-in and enjoy the fellowship or carry out. Homemade pies and desserts are included! Sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella.

**K of C Fish Fry** at St. Joseph School on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. Drive-through and sit-down will be available.

St. Joseph School is sponsoring the **13th Annual Hydrocephalus Penny Drive** from Feb. 28 - March 11. A tub will be outside of the school office for the pennies. All proceeds will go to the Hydrocephalus Association to benefit children and adults who have hydrocephalus.

**Kindergarten Screening** for children coming to St. Joseph Kindergarten for the 2022-2023 school year. The screening will take place at St. Joseph School on Thursday, Feb. 24. Please call the school office @ 785-671-4451 to schedule an appointment. Areas screened are motor skills, communication, and academic readiness.

**St. Joseph School's annual carnival will be held on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.** We will soon be preparing raffle tickets and could use your donation. If you wish to donate a raffle prize, please send an email to [schooloffice@sjoakley.org](mailto:schooloffice@sjoakley.org), call the school office at 785-671-4451, or call Vicky Joseph at 785-672-7864 by Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for all of your support!!!

**St. Joseph Bible Study:** Epic: The Early Church on Thursday mornings at 9:20 (after the St. Joseph School Mass) in the church basement. Come learn more of the fascinating history of our Church. This is our story. This is our family.

**St. Joseph School** is currently looking for a 3rd Grade Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact Mrs. Selzer @ the school at 785-671-4451 or by email: [mselzer@sjoakley.org](mailto:mselzer@sjoakley.org) if you are interested.

**Our Tithes from last week:**

Oakley: \$1643.00      Angelus: \$519.00

**ST. PAUL NEWS:**

The Angelus Knights of Columbus invite you to attend our annual Vocations breakfast at the Hall in Angelus on March 6th. Serving from 8:30am to 11:00am. This breakfast is to raise money for our seminarian Collin Thielen. Please come and support our vocations.

Wilfred & Donna Engel will be celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on March 2, 2022. Due to Wilf's recent fall and then surgery they will not be home for a while. Cards can reach them at Wilfred & Donna Engel c/o of Steve Engel 18797 E. Berry Place, Aurora, Colorado 80015.

**St. Mary's Altar Society of Immaculate Conception Parish, Grinnell,** will be having their St. Patrick's Celebration on Sunday, March 13th. Bishop Vincke will say a Mass at 10:30 AM, followed by a roast beef/ham, mashed potatoes & gravy or potato casserole, green beans with bacon, salads, and pie for dessert, serving 11:30 to 1:00 PM. At 1:00 will be the raffle for mostly cash prizes, ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 top prize. Tickets are \$25 and winners will be put back in, so 1 ticket may win multiple times. There will be some nice prizes for children, too. Contact Leona at 785-672-1201, or Brenda at 785-769-4085 for info or tickets if you can't join us in person.

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	26 - 5pm - Parishioners
Sun	27 - <b>8am Mass (Angelus) - Special Intention for Wilfred &amp; Donna Engels 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary</b> <b>10:30am Mass + Carolyn Denchfield</b> 11am – 1pm - Roast Beef Dinner by D of I
Mon	28 - NO MASS
Tues	01 - <b>8:30am Mass + Robert "Bob" Robben</b>
Wed	02 - <b>12:07pm Mass - Parishioners</b> <b>6pm Mass - Pope Francis</b> <b>7:40pm Mass (Angelus) + Jim Stephens</b>
Thur	03 - <b>8:30am Mass + Pauline Zimmerman</b> 6:30pm Lenten Study in Oakley
Fri	04 - <b>7am Mass + Charlotte Wasko</b> 5 – 7pm Fish Fry at the school sponsored by K of C 7pm – Stations in Angelus 7pm – Stations, Adoration, and Confessions
Sat	05 - 8am – Confessions <b>9am - Mass</b> <b>5pm Mass + Parishioners</b>
Sun	06 - <b>8am Mass (Angelus) + Jefferson Davis</b> 8:30-11am - K of C Vocations Breakfast in Angelus <b>10:30am Mass + Raymond Schreiner</b> 11am – 1pm - D of I Roast Beef Dinner at the School 1:30pm Lenten Study in Angelus

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday, March 5 <sup>th</sup> 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday March 6 <sup>th</sup> 10:30am	Servers	Isabelle U., Danielle & Cody P.
	Lectors	Wendy Glassman		Lectors	Brandon Maurath
	EMHC's	None Needed		EMHC's	None Needed
	Gifts	Darin Munk Family		Gifts	Mike & Katie Chrisler
	Hospitality	Frank Kaiser & Gloria Pabst		Hospitality	Brad & Vicky Joseph

Sunday, March 6 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	LaRynn Rumback
	Lectors	Bill Kuhlman & Nancy Schwarz
	EMHC's	Elsie Rietcheck
	Gifts/Hosp.	Daryl & Judy Bixenman
	Ushers	Gary Ostmeyer, Jeff Ostmeyer, Joe Rehmer & Ron Rietcheck