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From the Pastor

Lent: The penitential season of Lent begins this Wednesday, March 5th. This season is directed towards not only rooting out sin in our life but also promoting virtue and holiness. With that in mind, the book *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory* will be free. It is a great way to grow in one's love of the Eucharist as we prepare as a Church for the Resurrection at Easter. I hope many of you will take advantage of this opportunity.

From a letter to the Corinthians by Pope St. Clement: Let us fix our attention on the blood of Christ and recognize how precious it is to God his Father, since it was shed for our salvation and brought the grace of repentance to all the world. If we review the various ages of history, we will see that in every generation the Lord has offered the opportunity of repentance to any who were willing to turn to him. When Noah preached God's message of repentance, all who listened to him were saved. Jonah told the Ninevites they were going to be destroyed, but when they repented, their prayers gained God's forgiveness for their sins, and they were saved, even though they were not of God's people. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the ministers of God's grace have spoken of repentance; indeed, the Master of the whole universe himself spoke of repentance with an oath: As I live, says the Lord, I do not wish the death of the sinner but his repentance. He added this evidence of his goodness: House of Israel, repent of your wickedness. Tell the sons of my people: If their sins should reach from earth to heaven, if they are brighter than scarlet and blacker than sackcloth, you need only turn to me with your whole heart and say, "Father", and I will listen to you as a holy people. In other words, God wanted all his beloved ones to have the opportunity to repent and he confirmed this desire by his own almighty will. That is why we should obey his sovereign and glorious will and prayerfully entreat his mercy and kindness. We should be suppliant before him and turn to his compassion, rejecting empty works and quarrelling and jealousy which only lead to death...Sharing then in the heritage of so many vast and glorious achievements, let us hasten toward the goal of peace, set before us from the beginning. Let us keep our eyes firmly fixed on the Father and Creator of the whole universe, and hold fast to his splendid and transcendent gifts of peace and all his blessings.

Lenten Penances: This is my yearly reminder to all of you, with the choosing of a Lenten penance, to not make your penance other people's penance as well. While a penance is supposed to challenge you, it should not make others miserable who are around. Discern and choose wisely. May your Lent be fruitful so you may celebrate the Resurrection with great joy.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School Carnival is on Sunday, March 30.

ST. JOSEPH NEWS:


St. Joseph Bible Study: *Luke, The Story of Salvation Fulfilled* will begin in January on Tuesday mornings following the 8:30 St. Joseph School Mass in the Conference Room at the rectory.

Adoration: A reminder that the extended schedule for First Friday Adoration begins this Friday at 3pm. Regular First Friday devotions will be said at 7pm along with confession from 7pm-8pm (with the exception of during Lent when Stations of the Cross are also said). Thank you to all who signed up, and if anyone wishes to add their name to the list please contact Cheri Weber with the information on the Adoration Sheet on the bulletin board at the main entrance.

ST. PAUL NEWS:

St. Anne Altar Society, Angelus, will hold its next meeting on Monday, March 3, at 7:00pm in the church basement. The agenda will include discussing the format for serving funeral meals as proposed in the yearbook, cleaning out the flower cabinets, and Easter general church cleaning. Any and all comments are needed about the future of funeral meals.

The Angelus Knights of Columbus meeting is in the hall on March 3rd at 7:00 pm.



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$3,079.00 Angelus: \$1,979.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

- Sat 01 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
- Sun 02 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Wilfred & Donna Engel
10:30am Mass + Raymond Bussen
- Mon 03 – NO Mass
7pm Angelus Altar Society meeting
7pm Angelus K of C Meeting
- Tues 04 – 8:30am Mass + Lynn Plummer
9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
- Wed 05 – Mass at 12:07pm + Dennis & Connie Dawson
6pm Mass + Mildred Kuhlman
7pm CCD at both parishes
7:40pm (Angelus) + Beatta Robben
- Thur 06 – 8:30am Mass + Ron Brenner
- Fri 07 – 7am Mass + Bill Schwarz
3pm Adoration
7pm Confessions
7pm Stations of the Cross at both parishes
- Sat 08 – 8am – Confessions
9am Mass
5pm Mass + JoAnn Engel
- Sun 09 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Joe Rehmer Sr.
10:30am Mass - Parishioners

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

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| Saturday Mar 8 th 5pm | Servers | Volunteers | Sunday Mar 9 th 10:30 am | Servers | Alexander B, Carter K. & Faith K. |
| | Lector | Cecilia Brungardt | | Lector | Jace Ochs |
| | Gifts | Darren & Tori Goetz | | Gifts | Mike & Katie Chrisler |
| | Hospitality | Jerry & Darlene Chaput | | Hospitality | Mike & Katie Chrisler |

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| Sunday, Mar 9 th 8 am | Servers | Nick Robben |
| | Lectors | Nancy Schwarz & Gary Ostmeyer |
| | Gifts | Bob & Nancy Schwarz |
| | Ushers | Steve Fellhoelter, Ron Lager, Larry Mense & Gary Ostmeyer |