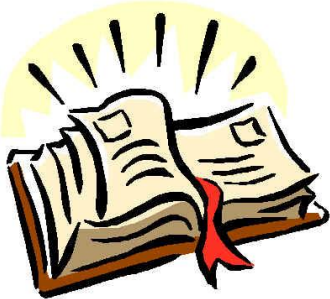


SCRIPTURE READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God ordered Abraham to take his beloved only son to Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham built an altar and took out a knife to sacrifice his son Isaac. But God called out to him and told him of blessings that would be bestowed on him and his descendants because he had been willing to do what God had asked.



Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34

Paul reminds the people that God did not spare his only Son, but gave him up for the sake of all people. This proves God views us all as his children, and that no person can harm or condemn us because God will protect us.

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus led Peter, James and John up a high mountain, where he conversed with Elijah and Moses. A voice proclaimed 'This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him.' Then Jesus was alone and warned them not to tell anyone what they had seen until he had risen from the dead.

For the Week of March 1st through March 7th

Sunday

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

First Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

First Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 28th

4:00 p.m. Allison Lane Murphy

Sunday, March 1st

8:00 a.m. Ray Brilz, II

10:00 a.m. John Joseph Stack

Monday March 2nd

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

Tuesday, February 3rd

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday February 4th

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, February 5th

8:30 a.m. Kathleen Kolsun

Friday, February 6th

8:30 a.m. Clare Griffin

Saturday, February 7th

8:30 a.m. Jason Benson

4:00 p.m. Rosetta Lins

Sunday, March 8th

8:00 a.m. Florence Jankowski

10:00 a.m. Heinz Gallatti

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:

*Julia Ridgely, Barron
Scott, Thomas Parson,
Barbara Darrah, John
Troffo, Valerie*

*Lindyberg, Patricia
Dana, and Jim Kestell,*
and all those whose
names appear in the
PARISH BOOK OF

INTENTIONS located in the front foyer of
Sacred Heart and St. John's.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

"I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit within you. I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." Ezekiel 36:26

GOOD FRIDAY – STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR CHILDREN: We are preparing a unique Stations of the Cross experience for children and their families for Lent.

Please *mark your calendars* for **Friday, April 3rd at 6:00 p.m.** in the Church. Following the Stations everyone is invited to our Soup & Bread Fellowship in the Hall. Come and walk with your children grades K - 8 through Jesus' journey to the cross.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND

SPONSORS: Important preparation class and rehearsal for the sacrament is scheduled for **Sunday, March 15th from 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.** We will meet in the church hall.

Please pray for the following young people as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this month:



Jamie Nicholson
Emma Peterson
Kenny Platt
Zachary Reed
Matthew Shearon
Cade Terrill
Scott Walton
Genna Wilson

PREP SCHEDULE

March:

Sunday, 1st – Last Day for the Water Step Shoe Collection Drive.

Sunday, 1st – PREP Sunday – All students attend 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Sunday, 15th – Special Class & Rehearsal for Confirmands and Sponsors.

April:

Sunday, 5th – NO CLASSES – Happy Easter!

Sunday, 12th and Sunday, 19th – Diocesan Assessments for Grades 2-8.

Sunday – 26th Family of Faith for 1st Eucharist Families – 11:00 a.m. (Parents and Children).



OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

LENTEN JOURNEY – Session # 2
Friday, March 6th at 6:00 p.m.

TRADITIONAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The STATIONS OF THE CROSS, also called the Via Dolorosa or Way of Sorrows are an ancient form of prayer that commemorates the passion of Christ. They are rooted in the Holy Land, where early Christians followed Jesus' path to

Calvary, stopping at various points to pray and meditate. Praying the Stations can help us identify with the suffering and sacrifices of Jesus and of the challenges in our own lives and in our world.

We will meet in Sacred Heart Church at 6:00 p.m. The session will be followed by a Soup & Bread Fellowship in the Sacred Heart Hall.

COME AND JOIN THE JOURNEY!

Catechism CONNECTION

In our Gospel reading this weekend, Mark recounts the story of the Transfiguration, when, in the presence of Peter, James, and John, Jesus is seen to appear with Elijah and Moses. In their presence a voice from a cloud proclaims, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him."

"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."

- *Catechism of the Catholic Church, 555*

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PARISH LIFE

TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH:

This Adult Formation activity meets **each Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. Mass** in the front foyer of Sacred Heart Church. *Coordinator: Barbara Kelly*

Today's topic: Sacrament of Reconciliation
Facilitators: Barbara Foster and Mary Jo Frohlich

Can you think of a time in our world when someone forgave another and it made the news?

What about when forgiveness was not extended? What does that say to us about how the world views forgiveness?

Next Week: Moral Decision Making
Facilitator: Dan Ashe

THANK YOU.....and a Reminder

THANK YOU for the 424 pounds of food donated by Parishioners of Sacred Heart Church to the *Special Valentine' Day Food Drive*. **Remember** that there are baskets at the entrances of the church for **WEEKLY** donations of much-needed food for the 200+ families who depend on this aid each month.



EASTER EGGS NEEDED: We are asking for donations of plastic eggs for our yearly Easter Egg hunt. New or used will do. You may bring your donation of plastic eggs to the PREP office upstairs in the hall on any Sunday or drop them off at the church office during the week.

Thanks for your help.

THANK YOU: The Father George S. Bradford Council Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St. John's and Sacred Heart Churches for their support of the annual pancake supper. Also, thank you to the PREP students who helped serve and clean up, and to Ann Ashe for her help in organizing their efforts. Thanks again to all who helped make this annual dinner a success.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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| SACRED HEART (2/15/15) | \$ | 3,213 |
| SACRED HEART (2/22/15) | \$ | 2,358 |
| ELECTRONIC GIVING (2/15/15) | \$ | 1,303 |
| ELECTRONIC GIVING (2/22/15) | \$ | 403 |

(Mass at St. John's was cancelled on 2/15 and 2/22 due to weather conditions)

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS:

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| SACRED HEART: | \$ | 922 |
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—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Deacon John Davis with any questions at 443-875-6898, or deaconjohn@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

RCIA ANNOUNCEMENT



It is an honor to share the news with our community that *Janyce Turner, Missy Hollis, and Brett*

VanZant are preparing to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church this Easter. Please remember them in your prayers as they participated this past weekend in the *Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates* in Wilmington. At this rite, upon the testimony of sponsors and catechists and their affirmation of their intention to join the Church, the Church makes its "election" of these candidates to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. These candidates will be welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Service.