

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

- 9:30 AM—Altar & Rosary Meeting
- 11:00 AM—Mass (Mike Bell)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2016

Lenten Weekday (1)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Lenten Weekday (1)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Lenten Weekday; *The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order*

- 9:00 AM—Communion Service followed by Coffee.
- 6:30 PM—K thru 8 Faith Formation
- 6:30 PM—High school youth meeting

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 PM—Finance Council Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Lenten Weekday

- 6:00 PM—Adoration
- 6:30 PM—Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Lenten Weekday

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Darrell Holder, brother of Irma Bell)



When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time. Luke 4:13

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18
Ps 19:8-10, 15
Mk 25:31-46

Tuesday:

Is 55:10-11
Ps 34:4-7, 16-19
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10
Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25
Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8
Mt 7:7-12



Friday

Ez 18:21-28
Ps 130:1-8
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

Dt 26:16-19
Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18
Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14
Phil 3:17—4: or 3:20—4:1
Lk 9:2, 8b-36

SOME DATES TO NOTE

- Feb. 14—Altar & Rosary Meeting
- Feb. 18—Finance Council Meeting
- Feb. 25—Liturgy Committee Meeting
- Feb. 25—Parish Council Meeting

Medical Mission Trip to El Salvador

A group will again be going down to El Salvador on a medical mission trip. Your support of them in the past has been most generous and they are grateful. **The first-Sunday-of-the-month collection for February will support the mission trip.** List of Non-medicine Supplies for El Salvador

- * Sunglasses
- * Oral Hygiene: Toothbrushes and tooth paste
- * Toiletries: shampoo (no conditioner please), soap, combs, brushes, etc. (no lotions needed)
- * Educational supplies: Books in Spanish, paper, notebooks crayons, folders, rulers, pencils, sharpeners, glue, etc.
- * Baby bundle supplies: cloth diapers, diaper pins, onesies, t-shirts, receiving blankets, wash cloth/towels, caps, baby outfits, pajamas
- * Recreational items: stickers, bubbles, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, balloons, Frisbees, soccer items
- * Suitcases: medium or large size, sturdy

We will be collecting supplies through Feb 21st. Our departure date is Feb 27th.

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Collection	\$1,947.00
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El Salvador Medical Mission Trip	\$469.26



"Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. Luke 9:28

Cathedral Sunday: February 14

This weekend is the 2nd annual Cathedral Sunday celebration commemorating Sacred Heart Cathedral as the Mother Church of our diocese, the home of our Bishop and sign of our unity of our Catholic family. Just as we come together as a faith family to maintain our own church, we are encouraged through this special collection to express our unity with our Bishop through our financial and spiritual support of our Mother Church. Thank you for your generous contributions to this campaign. Envelopes may be found in your envelope packet or in the gathering space.

Collection for El Salvador Mission

Last week we took up a special collection for the Medical Mission. If you would still like to help, you may do so. Be sure to mark you check, El Salvador

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Knights who worked so hard to make the Dinner, Raffle, and Basket Auction event so successful. Thank you also to those who weren't Knights and to the Alter & Rosary women who also helped. Thanks to all those who donated "Baskets" to be auctioned off. A BIG thank you goes to Leland Braun who spent countless hours shopping for groceries and cooking a fabulous dinner. One last thank you goes to all those who came out to support us.

Bud Wilson



FROM THE DEACON'S DESK

Excerpts from Bishop Amos' Lenten Letter

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In announcing the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis noted that "The season of Lent during this Jubilee Year should also be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy" (Misericordiae Vultus 17). In his message for Lent this year, the Holy Father also stressed that this Jubilee Lent is a "...favorable time to overcome our existential alienation by listening to God's word and by practicing the works of mercy" (Lenten Message 2016). During Lent, we are invited into a closer relationship

with God through prayer and time spent with the Scriptures (MV 17)

During Lent, we are invited into a closer relationship with God through acts of service. As Pope Francis has reminded us, in serving our brothers and sisters in need we "touch the flesh of Christ" (Lenten Message 2016). During Lent, we are invited to a closer relationship with God through our fasting. Pope Francis, citing Patriarch Bartholomew, calls us to a way of loving that moves us away "from what I want to what God's world needs," from simply giving things up to learning to give and so being freed from "fear, greed and compulsion" (Laudato Si 8). Perhaps we can embrace our Lenten fasting with just such a spirit.

To that end, please allow me to remind you of what is called for by our Lenten discipline: • Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10, 2016) and all the Fridays of Lent. • Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10, 2016) and Good Friday (March 25, 2016). • On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal one full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. • To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is a serious matter.

As Pope Francis has said, "Let us not waste this season of Lent, so favorable a time for conversion" (Lenten Message 2016)!

Most Rev. Martin Amos/Bishop of Davenport

God's abundant blessings Dc. Joe



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Classes will meet this week, Feb. 17, at 6:30 as usual.

Communal Reconciliation Wednesday, March 2

Immaculate Conception will celebrate Communal Reconciliation of Wednesday, March 2, at 7:00 PM. Some other celebrations in the area:

St. Mary, Grinnell, Sunday, February 28, 4:00 PM

Sacred Heart, Newton, Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 PM



Lenten Opportunities

Adoration: Starting on Friday, February 12, we will have a half hour of adoration beginning at 6:00 PM.

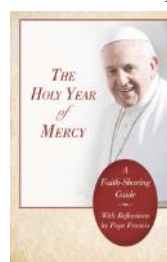
Stations of the Cross. Starting on Friday, February 12, we will pray the stations of the cross at 6:30 PM and closing with evening prayer. (You may come for adoration, for the stations, or for both.)

Communion Service: We will have our regular communion service on Wednesday morning at 9:00.

Communal Reconciliation: Communal reconciliation service will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at 7:00 PM. (Other opportunities in the area will be listed in the bulletin in the future.)

The Word Among Us, Five Minutes with the Word, and The Little Black Book: These daily meditation books are in the gathering space for you to take. They each offer a different daily meditation.

Rice Bowl: The rice bowls are available in the gathering space. Rice bowl is a perfect way to observe the three practices of Lent: prayer, almsgiving, and fasting.



Discussion Groups on the Holy Year of Mercy: A collection of homilies by Pope Francis on Mercy. Groups will gather on Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM, Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM, and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM. These gatherings will begin on Wednesday, February 17. The books and sign-up sheets are available in the gathering space.

If you would like to read the book but can't attend any of the small group sessions, you may read it on your own. If there is enough interest, we might try an on-line discussion group.

SAINT OF THE WEEK THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER: 13th century

Feast day—February 17

In 1233, seven Florentine laymen—two married, two widowed, three single—all well-known merchants and members of a Marian confraternity, abandoned homes, jobs, and wealth for a life of poverty, prayer, and penance at Monte Senario, where they built a chapel and hermitage. Within a few years, they formed the Order of Friar Servants of Mary, or Servites, a mendicant order that received formal papal approval in 1304. The seven founders, jointly canonized in 1888, are: Bonfiliius, Bonajuncta, Amadeus, Hugh, Manettus, Sostene, and Alexis. Alexis, who out of modesty refused ordination, served the order in various ways as a lay brother; he outlived the other founders and reportedly died at age 110. Copyright © 2016, Catholic News Service—United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Used with permission



Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Ministers: February 14, 2016—11:00 AM

Lectors: Nancy Hopkins & Meta Hill

Eucharistic Ministers: Cathy Hayden & Rita Krueger

Altar Servers: Brooke Dross & Irma Bell

Greeters: Jack & Joann Carrothers

Ministers: February 21, 2016—11:00 AM

Lectors: Brad Hagarty & Phil Webb

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Bussan & Joann Carrothers

Altar Servers: Dane Owens & Rita Krueger

Greeters: Ed & Mary Dell Flattery



Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Greg Ernst, nephew of Rita Krueger

Julia Jorensen, niece of Mary May

Wes and Donna Koebrick (parents of Linda Barnum)

Jeannette Weldon, mother of Irma Bell

JoAnn Besler, sister of Karen Van Dusseldorp

Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood, nephew of Diane Wood

James and Edward cousins of Janette Baldwin and Claire Gillan

For our parish and our faith formation program.

For all who have died and for vocations.



Youth Ministry News

The high school will meet on Wednesday, February 17 at 6:30 as usual. All high school youth are welcome and urged to attend.

A Stewardship Moment

The First Sunday of Lent

The second reading from Saint Paul to the Romans is a favorite of those involved in the ministry of evangelization. There are no "secret" disciples of the Lord. Those who exercise good stewardship of their faith realize that publicly identifying themselves as followers of Christ has a cleansing effect on their lives. Openly confessing Christ makes them more conscious of how they live their daily lives. Are we content to privatize our faith or are we good stewards of a faith that we share, make public, and regularly identify as a life in Christ?

Blest Art: Next Sunday, February 21

Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. For centuries, the Christians in and around Bethlehem have earned a living by carving religious olive wood art to sell to visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the Holy Land today, making it difficult for those Christians to support their families. As a result, there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the Holy Land. Now, less than 1% of the population in the Holy Land is Christians.

When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. We kindly invite you to visit our display and to consider purchasing a piece of art from the Holy Land. In doing so, you will help support the many families who depend on this form or art for their living. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

"The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing." Psalm 2:4



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Don't forget to pick up your rice bowl in the gathering space and use it as a source of prayer and alms giving.

The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting invites all Catholic Scouts, leaders & their families to THE BISHOP'S MASS FOR SCOUTING

Sunday, February 28, 2016

2 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral

422 East 10th Street Davenport, Iowa

This Mass will celebrate Scouting: Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls & Boys, & American Heritage Girls. Please come in uniform. There will be an acknowledgment of Scouts who have earned Catholic Religious Emblems. A brief reception will follow in the lower level of the Parish Center. Please join us to celebrate Scouting & the gift it is to our Church.

Please RSVP to Denise McMonagle at dccs@diodav.org

Wounded by Abortion?

Project Rachel Can Help:

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the Helpline: 563-333-4107 or 1-888-456-HOPE. Calls are answered personally and confidentially Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Voice messaging is available all other times. Calls will be returned promptly and directly.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.