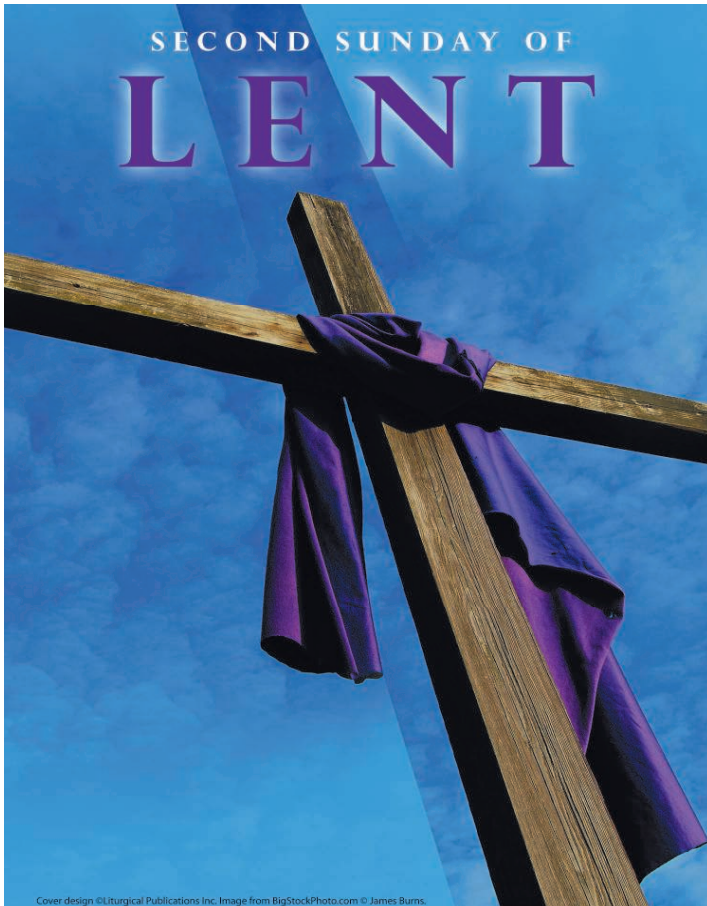


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Bulletin

Announcements are due on Monday by 10:00 a.m. for the next Sunday's bulletin. *Items received after 10:00 a.m. will appear in the following week's bulletin.*

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 3:40 p.m.

and by appointment

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Readings for the Week of February 25, 2018

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

CHILDREN & LENT



During this time of Lent, students in our Faith Formation classes and Community of Saints Regional Catholic School are experiencing the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time and our parish is preparing for a Penitential Service to be celebrated on March 4 at 2 pm. I invite you to read and reflect on an article called “Children & Lent” written by Doris Murphy who was the Director of Faith Formation at St. Bridget’s Parish in River Falls, WI.

“Recently, while interviewing children for their first Reconciliation, I asked Tommy what “penance” was. He answered without hesitation: “It’s sort of like a time-out.” A young mother told me that when her little daughter was throwing her food rather than eating it, she put her in the time-out space. Lucia increased her crying, of course. Her 7-year-old brother spoke on her behalf to his mother: “Couldn’t you just give her another chance?” What a wonderful image of the God who loves us so much that a second chance comes easily.

Perhaps this child’s experience is what Lent is like for us. It’s a time-out. It provides the space and time for us to stop and think about our behavior, all the while knowing we can be forgiven. We all need time-out to reflect on what is happening in our lives: how we are affecting others; how we are growing in our faith; how our family is surviving with such hectic schedules; how we are sharing the goods we have — though meager — with others; what we are doing to bring peace to the world; how we spend our Sundays; how well we strive to be people with integrity.

During Lent, we might read children’s books and watch children’s movies that reflect the themes of simplicity, honesty, love, sharing and caring. Children have the capacity to see humor and foolishness while adults often tend to take things too seriously. Children are much closer to the original blessing of their birth, closer to the God who shared in their life from the beginning. As adults, we demand proof for the existence of God, we are anxious about the surety of “intelligent design,” we are troubled about the church in the midst of scandals. Meanwhile, children go merrily on their way following their parents and basically answering every religion question with the same answers: “Jesus loves me, and God made me.” Those truths seem quite sufficient for them.

Children take us by the hand. Children look at us in wonder. Lent, which carries with it the gruesome reality of the death of Jesus, is seen through the eyes of children as “I feel sorry for poor Jesus,” rather than being a time of concern over whether we are being good enough. Often, for adults, Lent is about “what I have done.” Children see that Lent is not about them. Children draw pictures that reveal what they know and believe about Jesus. My favorite picture was in a second-grade classroom. It was of Jesus praying in the garden. There was Jesus kneeling amid the carrots and the onions and the corn. With signs labeling each row! For the child, Jesus is simple. Jesus is like us in all things but sin. It is easy for a child to relate to such a Jesus.

Children are actually fascinated by the atrocities of the Passion narrative even when we try to couch the language in love. They cannot believe this would really happen to such a good person. A young boy said he knew how Jesus died: “It was the crown of thorns that finally got him!” We do not have to go into the details about the death of Jesus, but perhaps it is this amazing story, simply told, that allows children to recognize that Jesus stood for good and he suffered. When we stand for what is good, we, too, may have to suffer — not death but indignation. Perhaps we will be told we are not patriotic because we stand for peace; perhaps we will be called a sissy because we are not a bully; perhaps we will be called a nerd because we would rather study than waste our precious time. These are ways that even children can suffer. And as adults, we need to be there to hold them up, to support them through these small death and resurrection experiences. Children are involved through the days of Lent by ashes, stories, crosses, “sacrifices,” reading from the Bible and doing good for others. They, too, get ready to celebrate the great Easter Vigil when the “happy fault” is proclaimed. Children, who are too often reminded of their own “faults,” can learn about the happy fault that brought Jesus to be among us so we could follow him, hold his hand, play in the sand around him, jump on his lap, share our food with him when asked and get in his way.

Especially during Lent, God embraces all people. God determines who is worthy to be at the table. God will judge who should live or die. It is during Lent, during this time-out, that we have time to stop, to look and to listen to our conscience, to our heart, to be touched by this God. Lent invites all, even children, to take time-out to change behavior, evaluate attitudes and study about this Jesus who is more than we can comprehend.”

www.CelebrationsPublications.org, March 2006)

News and Events

BELLS OF SAINT MATTHEW

The bells at Saint Matthew will ring on March 4th for Jeff Goers in celebration of his 40th birthday.

FISH FRY - EVERY FRIDAY THROUGH MARCH 30TH

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BLAZING FORWARD

Where were you in 1968? Did you see the church burn or take pictures of it after the fire? We'd like to share the stories of that day at our 50th anniversary celebration on Sunday, April 15th. As reported at the Fire Hall Museum, it was the fourth largest fire in St. Paul that year at \$231,000. Do you have a souvenir from the fire that you would like to have us display? All items would be returned to you. Come see a piece of our history from April 15, 1968. In addition to the event, Father Steve Adrian will be the celebrant for the Mass that day – and there will be birthday cake for his 76th birthday.

If you have items you are willing to share, please connect with Linda Rivera at the Parish Center [651-224-9793](tel:651-224-9793) or Karen Thompson at [651-245-0535](tel:651-245-0535).

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who has responded to last week's initial Catholic Appeal weekend and to those who have responded directly by mail. We encourage you to support the Catholic Appeal and the many ministries it supports. **Remember that Saint's Matthew's will receive twenty-five percent of the total donations received from Saint Matthew's parishioners.** Please fill out your 2018 pledge form and drop it in the plate or mail it directly to the CSAF processing center using the prepaid envelope you received in the mail from the CSAF.



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Every Friday of Lent at 4:00 p.m.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS 02-18-2018

Parish		School	\$ 106
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 3,123		
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 24

4:00 pm Bob & Sue Nowak, Special Intention

Sunday, February 25

10:00 am Our Parish

Tina Saucedo-Baker Spec. Intention

Monday, February 26

8:00 am Rose, Joseph Sr. & Joseph Jr. Karas†

Wednesday, February 28

8:00 am Michael Garvey†

Friday, March 2

8:00 am Poor Souls

Saturday, March 3

4:00 pm Arthur Geis†

Sunday, March 4

10:00 am Our Parish

Jeff Goers Special Intention

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, February 24

10:00 am 1st Reconciliation followed by

Refreshments in the SH

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 25

9:00 am Choir Practice

10:00 am Mass

11:00 am Coffee Sunday

Monday, February 26

8:00 am Mass

Monday, Feb. 26-Thursday, Mar. 1

5:00 - 6:00 pm Loaves & Fishes SH

Tuesday, February 27

Wednesday, February 28

8:00 am - 5:30 pm St. Mary's Clinic PC

6:30 pm Faith Formation

Thursday, March 1

9:30 am Mass COS

Friday, March 2

8:00 am Mass

4:00 pm Stations of the Cross C

4:30 - 7:30 Fish Fry SH

Saturday, March 3

4:00 pm Mass

5:00 pm Ham Bingo SH

Sunday, March 4

9:00 am Choir Practice

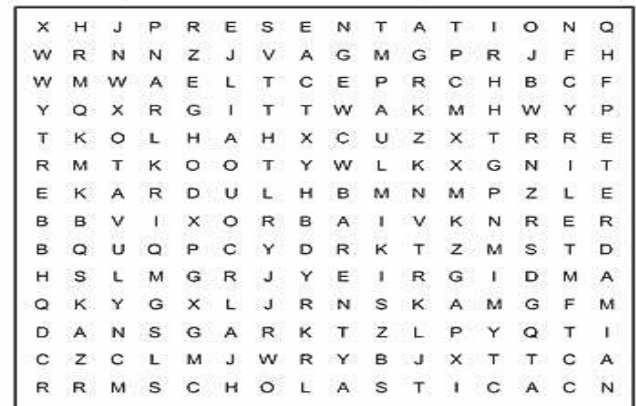
10:00 am Mass

11:00 am Coffee Sunday

2:00 pm Penitential Service

Children's Corner

February Saints and Feast Days Word Search



*Directions: Search only for the parts of the saints names or feast days that are in bold print.

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