

February 27 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER IN HIS LOVE

There was once a young religious woman who had just entered religious life. She was happy...She found a kind, holy, elderly

religious woman...“How are you?” asked the elderly Sister. “This is paradise,” the young woman replied enthusiastically. “Wait a little,” the elderly woman said. “This is also purgatory!” She continued, “There is a purgatory here, and it takes patience to carry on.”

The word community means coming together *in unity* with one another. What then kills community/parish life? What prevents us from “being better together?” Pope Francis encourages us to flee from gossip. Do not speak ill of others. This is not easy because it sometimes comes from the heart, it comes from envy, from many sins that we have within. But what helps us to not speak ill of others? Prayer, kindness...?

Pope Francis continued by saying that there is a medicine which is very “homemade”: bite your tongue. Before speaking ill of others, bite your tongue so that it will swell and fill up your mouth and you will be unable to speak badly. “Please flee from gossip,” he says, which destroys community/parish life!

The other thing that Pope Francis suggested was not to lose our sense of humor. There will always be many things that do not go well. There are always things that we do not like. He continues by saying, “Know how to laugh at oneself, at situations, and also at others with a good heart, but do not lose your sense of humor. It will greatly help.”

As we, during this Lenten season, continue to reflect upon this year’s theme “*We’re Better Together in His Love*,” may we heed Pope Francis’ advice to never speak ill of others: to bite our tongue and then keep our sense of humor. If we follow these words of wisdom, then **TOGETHER** we will meet and rejoice in the Risen Christ!

SANCTUARY LIGHT

February 27 – Kathryn Conrad
March 6 – Carl and Patricia Mistler
March 13 – Henry Schwering

MASS INTENTIONS

February 26 – Francis Vawter
February 27 – Lucille Simon
March 2 – Dennis Schwering
March 5 – Mark Eckstein
March 6 – Richard and Dolores Wagner

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Ash Wednesday – March 2 at 7:00 PM

Lectors: Cindy Weisenbach, Jack Ferkinhoff

Gifts: Children

Eucharist Minister: Terry Harmeyer

Saturday – March 5 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Tara Ricke

Gifts: Brian and Karen Horan

Eucharist Minister: Roseann Wirth

Sunday – March 6 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Arlene Gehl, Jane Pictor

Gifts: Ron and Donna Harlemert

Eucharist Minister: Cindy Weisenbach

Saturday – March 12 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Terry Harmeyer

Gifts: Dennis and Flo Wagner

Eucharist Minister: Judy Steuri

Sunday – March 13 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Amy Kinker, Donna Harlemert

Gifts: David and Jenny Hardesty

Eucharist Minister: Leslie Hicks

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3699.00
Children’s Envelopes	\$ 13.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 231.00</u>
Total Collection	\$3943.00
Religious Education	\$210.00
Criterion	\$20.00
Capital Improvement	\$275.00
Eastern Europe	\$263.00

**APPRECIATE ALL THE BLESSINGS IN
YOUR LIFE. WE APPRECIATE THE
BLESSING OF YOUR WEEKLY TREASURE!**

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST – Congratulations to **Winifred Marie Platt**, the daughter of William Platt and Rachel Toops, who was baptized on February 20. May she come to know God's deep love for her!

SECOND COLLECTION – Next weekend's second collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Place your offering in the regular collection.

DONUTS AND COFFEE – Beginning on March 6, donuts and coffee will be served after the 10:00 AM Mass only on the first Sunday of each month.

SOUP AND SALAD – Mark your calendar for a Soup and Salad Supper on Sunday, March 20, 4:00 PM, sponsored by the Faith Formation Committee. "We're better together in His love."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Preschool through Grade 5 will have religion class on Wednesday, March 2, 6:45 PM.

Junior High and High School will meet for class on Sunday, March 6, 8:30 AM.


MARY & MARTHA CIRCLE – The Mary & Martha Circle will meet this Thursday, March 3, 6:00 PM, in the parish hall, to make plans for the Spring Dinner. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Each Friday during Lent, the Way of the Cross with Communion will be prayed at 6:00 PM, beginning on March 4th.

ADORATION – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held each Friday of Lent from 8:00 AM until 12:00 noon. This also begins on Friday, March 4th.

BENEFIT – Have you heard or read of the day to support Craig Simon and his family? A three-piece chicken dinner with all the trimmings is planned for Sunday, March 6, 3:00-6:00 PM, at the Knights of St. John Hall, Millhousen. Cost is \$15.00 (cash or check only). A raffle and free-will donation bake sale will be held that day as well. You are also able to donate to this cause at any of the Napoleon State Banks. Let us remember Craig and his family in our daily prayers.

"FOR
DUST
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What is it about Ash Wednesday that resonates so deeply with people that even those who have been away from church feel compelled to return and be marked with the sign of the cross? It is a spiritual practice that brings us back to our very core, that pulls us away from the worldly concerns that often occupy our time, and forces us to face the truth we so often want to avoid: We are dust and to dust we shall return.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS: MARCH 2, 7:00 PM.

ACCEPT GOD'S INVITATION AND OURS.

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your Blood Pressure checked next weekend in the St. Anne Room following the Masses.






SANCTUARY LIGHT – We are still accepting intentions for the sanctuary light. The suggested offering is \$5.00. Please place intention and money in an envelope and drop in the collection basket.

CHURCH CLEANING – Committee #3 with Cathy Wagner as chairperson will be cleaning church for the month of March. Thanks to the ladies for doing a good job!

ST. MARY'S KINDERGARTEN – If you are interested in registering your child for St. Mary's, Greensburg, Kindergarten class, please see the information on the bulletin board in the vestibule of church.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – Recently, at an Irish wedding reception, someone yelled, "All the married men, please stand next to the one person who has made your life worth living." The bartender was nearly crushed to death. (The Joyful Noiseletter)

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	1	2	3	4	5
			 Ash Wednesday Mass – 7:00 PM RE Classes (Mass) <i>Fast and Abstinence</i>	Mary and Martha Circle Meeting 6:00 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon Way of the Cross with Communion 7:00 PM <i>Abstain From Meat</i>	Mass 4:00 PM (Confession Before and After Mass) Pick Pocketers
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
RE Classes 8:30 AM First Sunday of Lent Mass 10:00 AM (Confession Before and After Mass) Pick Pocketers			Religious Education Classes 6:45 PM	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon Way of the Cross with Communion 7:00 PM <i>Abstain From Meat</i>	Mass 4:00 PM (Confession Before and After Mass)
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
RE Classes – 8:30 AM -Confirmation Interviews- Second Sunday of Lent Mass 10:00 AM (Confession Before and After Mass) DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME			NO Religious Education Classes	St. Patrick's Day 	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon Way of the Cross with Communion 7:00 PM <i>Abstain From Meat</i>	 FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH Liturgy Committee Meeting – 9:00 AM Mass – 4:00 PM (Confession Before and After Mass)
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
NO RE Classes – Spring Break Third Sunday of Lent Mass 10:00 AM (Confession Before and After Mass) Soup and Salad Supper 4:00 PM			NO Religious Education Classes – Spring Break		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon Way of the Cross with Communion 7:00 PM <i>Abstain From Meat</i>	Mass 4:00 PM (Confession Before and After Mass)
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
RE Classes 8:30 AM Fourth Sunday of Lent Mass 10:00 AM (Confession Before and After Mass)			Religious Education Classes 6:45 PM Penance Service		 The Pope's Prayer Intentions this Month: Christians Facing New Bioethical Challenges. May they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.	