

First Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2007

Mass Intentions For the Week

Sunday, February 25

7:00 pm (*St. Joseph's*) Mission Talk and Service

Monday, February 26

8:15 am (*St. Joseph's*) Ellen Minshall

7:00 pm (*St. Mary's*) Mission Talk and Service

Tuesday, February 27

8:15 am (*St. Mary's*) Leonard Stuntebeck

7:00 pm (*St. Joseph's*) Mission Talk and
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, February 28

8:15 am (*St. Joseph's*) Arthur Maertz

7:00 pm (*St. Mary's*) Mission Talk and Mass

Thursday, March 1

8:15 am (*St. Mary's*) Laura Plachy

Friday, March 2

8:15 am (*St. Joseph's*) Tom Riedl

Saturday, March 3

4:00 pm (*St. Joseph's*) Arluwine Scribner

5:30 pm (*St. Mary's*) Parishioner

Sunday, March 4

9:00 am (*St. Joseph's*) Robert Kohn

10:30 am (*St. Mary's*) Special Intention (R. Traut)

12:30 pm (*St. Mary's*) *Misa en español*

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings
March 4, 2007 "Second Sunday of Lent"

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18 Philippians 3: 17- 4: 1
Luke 9: 28-36



Parish Mission Begins This Sunday Night, February 25

Father Steve Benden, a Redemptorist priest will be preaching our mission. Here is the schedule and the topics he will discuss each evening:

**Sunday night, February 25, 7:00 pm – at
St. Joseph:**

Topic: Salvation – God's desire and our response.

Goal: To deepen our acceptance of God's love for us.

**Monday night, February 26th, 7:00 pm – at
St. Mary of the Nativity**

Topic: Jesus as Savior – Who is Jesus for us?

Goal: To renew personal faith in Jesus.

**Tuesday night, February 27th, 7:00 pm – at
St. Joseph**

Topic: Sin, Reconciliation, and healing – Conversion.

Goal: Liberation from the burden of evil, sin, and grudges. (Tuesday's service includes Sacrament of Penance, with several priests available for confessions.)


**Wednesday night, February 28th, 7:00 pm – at
St. Mary of the Nativity**

Topic: Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Goal: To grow in our appreciation of the Eucharist and the Christian Life.

Food and fellowship follow the Mission talk and service each night. There will be something a little special served, each night a little different. The Altar Sodality and Council of Catholic Women are providing the food. Father Benden will be preaching at all the Masses this weekend to give us all a brief preview of the Mission

Liturgical Roles March 3 and 4, 2007

Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Lectors
4:00 pm (W) Tammy Krueger, Jim Sheehy and Patti Toben	4:00 pm (W) Jack Bergan and Josh Tomazewski	4:00 pm (W) Cathy Drenoske
5:30 pm (M) John Lutz, Pete Ponti, and Susan Tubbs	5:30 pm (M) Bridget Behan and Olivia Meinholz	5:30 pm (M) Sheila James
9:00 am (W) Carol Otte, Kay and Dan Radloff	9:00 am (W) Matthew and Karl Hundt	9:00 am (W) Kurt Simatic
10:30 am (M) Tom and Barb Mulhern and Barb Klopping	10:30 am (M) Jacob Wildman and Jacob Heiman	10:30 am (M) Bob Meinholz
	Greeters	Ushers
	4:00 pm (W) Barbara Setz	4:00 pm (W) Al Stangler and Tim Thomas
	5:30 pm (M) B. Lazars & D. Ludkey	5:30 pm (M) Fred Gmeinder and Wayne Pfeifer
	9:00 am (W) Tesmer Family	9:00 am (W) M. Tesmer and Ken Dorn
	10:30 am (M) M. Stuntebeck & J. Boebel	10:30 am (M) Rod and Chris Meinholz



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St. Mary of the Nativity Parish

Sacrificial Giving

February 18, 2007

Envelopes:	\$2,239.00
Offertory:	<u>94.67</u>
	\$2,33.67
<i>Diocesan Services Appeal:</i>	<i>220.00</i>
<i>Catholic Herald:</i>	<i>40.00</i>
<i>Council of Catholic Women:</i>	<i>6.00</i>
<i>Vigil Lights:</i>	<i>20.02</i>

Thank You for Your Gift!

Council of Catholic Women

- Heartfelt thanks to all who donated blankets, comforters, sheets and bedding for St. Vincent de Paul Recycle the Warmth campaign. They were thrilled with our parish efforts and very grateful for a successful drive. God bless each one for your generosity to provide warmth and comfort for many Dane County neighbors in need.
- Sincere Thank You for sharing our chocolate bar sales for Valentine's time. You helped purchase two donkeys and one implement, beginning a small family business for two mothers, supporting their families. Plus the Fair Trade cocoa purchase provided the farmers with a living wage. Bless you for your cheerful participation.
- We are truly grateful to all the ladies and men, and wonderful Confirmation Class students who volunteered time and talent to cook and serve the Medina Mutual Banquet last Saturday. It was a tremendous success and your work was fantastic. Thank you to Darrell and Caroline Langer for working out all the details. The generous gift of help is truly appreciated. God bless.
- Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry is fully appreciative of the donations you bring to church. Keep that effort in mind. Thank you!

Music News



St. Mary's **children's choir** will be practice on March 4th and 18th before RE classes. (No practice on th11th).

St. Mary's **adult choir** will practice on March 7th, following the Lenten service.



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St. Joseph Parish

Sacrificial Giving

February 18, 2007

Envelopes:	\$1,639.00
Offertory:	<u>162.00</u>
	\$1,801.00
<i>School Endowment Fund:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Catholic Herald:</i>	<i>80.00</i>

Thank You for Your Gift!

Congratulations...



to Harrison James Schaefer, son of James and Christine baptized at St. Joseph Church on February 18, 2007; his godparents are Todd Schaefer and Renee Michael.

Stewardship thought for the Week

Lent is a good time to take a closer look at our stewardship. It is a time to reassess how we are using the gifts God has entrusted to us and to resolve anew to use our time and resources in the service of His kingdom.

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

Faith-Sharing

Fr. Ron will meet with the group next on March 9 at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph School.

Card Party

Sunday, March 4 come and enjoy an afternoon of fun with your friends! Play cards (euchre/sheephead) and have a great meal all for \$5.00! Plus a chance to win cash! Yes, you can play cards and have a meal for \$5.00/person. Sponsored by the Catholic Order of Foresters.

Everyone is welcome the doors open at **12:30 pm**, card playing starts at **1:00 pm** at St. Mary's Parish Hall.



St Joseph Parish Festival Four Weeks and Counting!

Mark your calendars for our parish festival, luncheon and auctions on **Sunday, March 18th**. A sandwich luncheon with home made desserts; raffle (\$1000 grand prize), live and silent auctions and children's auction will highlight the event.

Donations needed: We are again asking parishioners to share their talents and resources by contributing to the auctions with crafts, services, skills and household items that appeal to would-be bidders. Auction donations can be left at the school office any time during school hours or on the auction tables in the church entryway. *A festival flier and donation form are available in the bulletin for your convenience* Additional forms can be found in the church entryway.

Kitchen Help: Workers are needed in the kitchen. A sign up sheet is located in the church entryway.

Pies, Bars, Pickles and Carrot Donations: Located in the church entryway are sheets for parishioners to sign up to bake and donate pies and bars for the festival, and also donate carrots and pickles. **Anyone unable to bake or work a shift who would like to make a monetary donation to help defray the costs of food items, may put a monetary contribution into an envelope and mark it "Food Donation for Festival".** The envelope may be placed in the weekend Mass collection baskets.

Raffle Tickets: St Joe's parishioners, be sure to claim and sell your raffle tickets. Please put the stubs and money into the white box in the church entry. If you don't plan to sell your tickets, please place them in the box as well.

Lenten Reflections

Daily Lenten Reflections from contributors across the Edgewood College Community are available on the Edgewood College website: <http://www.edgewood.edu>. These reflections, based on readings from the Common Christian Lectionary, are meant to serve as a guide and point of inspiration during this year's observance of Lent.

The Catholic Herald

The Catholic Herald is "Your Link to God, Church, and Parish." If you receive the paper, please read it. If you do not subscribe but wish to receive the Catholic Herald in your home, please contact the parish office.



Knights of Columbus Raffle



The Knights of Columbus Council 1669 are selling raffle tickets for the KC State Charity Raffle. Anyone wishing to purchase a \$5 raffle ticket for a chance to win the \$50,000 1st prize or other prizes totaling \$135,000, please contact Kurt Kelsey at 478-3159 or John Wells at 478-2248. A portion of this money comes back to our local council and is used to help families in this area. The drawing is April 28th at 7:00 pm at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton, WI

Day of Recollection

St. Martin House will hold a special Lenten Day of Recollection on Thursday, March 1 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Catholic Multicultural Center, 1862 Beld St., Madison. A day of prayer and spiritual reflection will be led by Msgr. George Hastrich. There will be Mass and an opportunity for private Reconciliation during the day. Coffee and rolls will be available at 8:45 am and lunch will be served at noon. There is no charge for participating, but free will offerings will be accepted. Please RSVP to 255-1287, ext. 200 or smaurice@straphael.org by February 27.

Respect Life Dinner

All are invited to "Draw Together" Respect Life Dinner featuring Bishop Robert Morlino and pro-life cartoonist Chuck Asay for an evening of thought-provoking fun. Date and Place: Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at 5:30 pm at the Edgewater Hotel, Madison. Reserve your tickets (\$30) by March 1 through the Office of Justice and Pastoral Outreach, 702 S. High Point Rd., Madison, WI 53719 or call 608-821-3086.

Church Bulletin Board Items

***Our Bulletin Boards in Back of Church
Provide More Information on These Items
as well as Many Others***

- St. Michael Parish, Dane will be having a family-style fish fry on Friday, March 2. Serving time will be 5:00 to 8:00 pm in the parish hall.
- St. Jerome School, 1550 Farnham St., Columbus, will be holding their 42nd Annual Pancake Breakfast, on Sunday, March 11th from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages 5-10 and Free for children under age 5. There will be homemade candies, a plant booth and a raffle. Please join us.
- Retrouvaille
- Separated/Divorced Support Group