

LENTEN REGULATIONS AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM . . .

Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless 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 another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, 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 seriously sinful.

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

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MASSES:	M-W-TH-F	7:30 AM
	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	7:30 & 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4:30-4:50 PM or by appointment

“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

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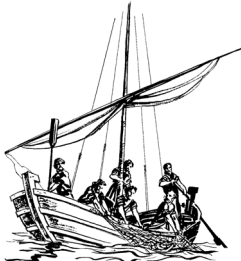
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MASS: SUNDAY 9:00 AM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2013

Mon.	2/11	7:30 AM	Irene Farrare
Tue.	2/12	NO MASS	
Wed.	2/13	7:30 AM	Rosemary German Reeves by Roxanne & Nick Adsit & Family
Thur.	2/14	7:30 AM	Velma Reichert by Her Church Family
Fri.	2/15	7:30 AM	Helen McTaggart by Her Family
Sat.	2/16	5:00 PM	Anita Tatro by Bernard Tatro & Family
Sun.	2/17	7:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		9:00 AM	Fred Schmitt by Joan Bolles
		10:30 AM	Vincent & Janet O'Brien by The Martin Family



Offerings at St. Edmund's, Feb. 2/3:

Sunday:	\$ 2577.00
Church in Latin America:	\$ 35.00
Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 515.00
Anonymous Roof Fund Donation:	\$ 10000.00
Mass Stipends:	\$ 80.00
Stipend for Baptism:	\$ 25.00
Donation:	\$ 5084.63
First Offering:	\$ 10.00
Total Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 58257.59

Offerings at St. Joseph's, Feb. 2/3:

Sunday:	\$ 414.00
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Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
1st Sunday of Lent "C"
Luke 4:1-13
"Worship the Lord your God, serve him alone!"

- How can food and drink tempt me?
- Do I "worship" anyone or anything beside God?
- Do I ever try to manipulate God?

Prayer: In the desert Lord Jesus, you were tempted in every way that I am. By your example help me follow your example and say "no" to anything that may separate me from the love of your Father and "yes" to all that he wants from me. Amen!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2013

This week you are asked to review the Annual Appeal tabloid that you will receive with your bulletin today. The Annual Appeal campaign is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable over 10 months.

A significant gift to the CMAA will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of the Diocese of Joliet. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Diocese of Joliet is no exception.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. For those who did not receive a mailing, we will have extra envelopes in the entrance of the Church.

If our parishes exceed their goals in **paid** pledges, 50% of any additional funds are returned for use in our parishes.

EUCHRE PARTY

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will be having their next Euchre Party on Thursday, February 14, at 1 p.m. at the Parish Center. Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome to attend. All attendees are asked to please bring an item for our local food pantry.

Fr. Mike will present his 2nd segment on his **This is Our Faith** series, **"The Church"**, on Monday, Feb. 18, from 7-8 p.m. at the Parish Center.

REMINDER: This weekend's second collection is for our **Catholic Home Missions**.

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

Feb. 16/17	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Amy Curry	Julie Schippert	Michael Bevelle
SERVERS	B. Seabert & A. Kidwell	O. & W. Claire	N. King & L. Lambert
COMMUNION	Diana Wessels	Lynette Moyer	Julie Arseneau
HOSPITALITY	M/M Doug Duffy Family	M/M Kyle Cluver	M/M Andy Guimond Family
		M/M Rick McTaggart	Sharon Quinn

This **Wednesday, February 13**, is **Ash Wednesday**. There will be Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., with ashes being administered after each Mass. Ashes only will be administered at 5 p.m. Below are the liturgical appointments for the 7 p.m. Mass:

LECTOR	Steve McCullough
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:	Lorraine Smith
ALTAR SERVERS:	Landon & Trenton Hemp
HOSPITALITY:	M/M Gene Ochs M/M Ron Morriral

Lenten Services will be offered each Friday during Lent beginning at 7 p.m. We are alternating between a Mass and Stations of the Cross with Benediction. The schedule is as follows:

February 15	Mass
February 22	Stations of the Cross/Benediction
March 1	Mass
March 8	Stations of the Cross/Benediction
March 15	Mass
March 22	Stations of the Cross/Benediction

St. Edmund's Church will be open for private prayer each Friday during Lent from 11 a.m.—1 p.m.

Stations of the Cross with Benediction will also be offered at St. Joseph's in Crescent City every Thursday during Lent beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Condolences to Jeanne Elliott whose mother, Dorothy Zeller, was called home to the Lord.
May her soul rest in peace.

From the desk of Patti Duffy . . .

Our 7th & 8th graders have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. We invite you to support and encourage these young people by becoming a **Prayer Partner** to one of these candidates. **Prayer Partner** envelopes can be found in the basket on the table in the vestibule of the Church. If you wish to be a **Prayer Partner** please:

- Take an envelope from the basket (the name and address of one candidate will be inside).
- Pray for this candidate.
- Let him/her know of your prayers and encouragement through cards, letters or personal contact.

Next week we will take up the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe** (typically on Ash Wednesday). This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and train seminarians in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and aid, your donations help restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please give generously to the collection next week. Visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more.

The next meeting of the **Knights of Columbus** is Thursday, February 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church basement. It's our **Chili Cook-Off** so don't forget to bring a sample of your secret recipe! 2013 K of C District Free Throw Contest is on Sunday, February 17, at the Glenn Raymond gym.

FYI: Our Lenten Fish Fries this year will be held on March 1st at St. Edmund's and March 22nd at Immaculate Conception in Gilman.

It is always springtime in the heart that loves God!
-St. John Vianney