

FEBRUARY 26, 2006: EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

THE CALENDAR:

Monday, February 27: Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Peter 1:9; Mark 10:17-27

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Ken and Luella Berger
 11:30 Subs For Lunch
 3:15-4:15 p.m. CCD (D) Grades 1-6
 7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. (D) Henry and Dapore Families
 7:00 p.m. New Beginnings (at St Denis)

Tuesday, February 28: Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Peter 1:10-16; Mark 10:28-31

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Virginia B. Harmon
 7:00 –9:00 Seasons of Grief (D)
 7:30 p.m. St. Ann Meeting (HF)

Wednesday, March 1: Ash Wednesday (Fast & Abstinence)

Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
 7:30 p.m. Mass (D): Doug Condon
 No CCD at Holy Family or at St Denis

Thursday, March 2: Lenten Weekday

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

6:30 a.m. Communion Service (D)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Cecelia Monnin
 Exposition after Mass until Benediction (8:30 p.m.)
 3:00-4:00; 7:00-8:00 Sacrament of Penance

Friday, March 3: Lenten Weekday (Day of Abstinence)

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15

6:30 a.m. Communion Service (D)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Betty Grilliot

Saturday, March 4: Lenten Weekday

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

8:45-12:00 Jesus Day (HF)
 3:45 – 4:45 Sacrament of Penance
 5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Henry and Dapore Families (RCIA)

Sunday, March 5: First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
 9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Parishioners
 11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
 8:00-12:00 Lions Club Breakfast
 6:00 p.m. Fourth Confirmation Session (D)

Sunday: We recall God's covenant with Noah as we prepare for the covenant of Easter (Genesis 9:8-15). We pray in the psalm to keep God's covenant (Psalm 25). The letter of Peter recalls the covenant with Noah and Christ at his resurrection (2 Peter 3:18-22). The Spirit impels Jesus into the desert (Mark 1:12-15).

WEDDINGS AND MARRIAGES

Marriage Encounter, the weekend of **March 31-April 2**, can enhance your marriage. Please call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00.

Retrouaille (French for Rediscovery) can help you save your marriage. Please call 1-800-470-2230 for more information.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Call 937-492-4449 for more information.

BAPTISM

Next pre-baptismal program: Sunday, March 12, 1:00 to 3:00 for expectant parents & parents of newborns. Call the office to register.

Next scheduled baptisms: Easter time.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS March 4 & 5, 2006

5:00 p.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 1; *Lector:* Zita Henry

Eucharist: Melissa Heft, Judy Pierron, Marvin Pierron (P) Cheryl Huelskamp, Dave Huelskamp, Sharon Kramer, Jane Pierron, Jeff Keiser, Karen Keiser, Kim Murphy, Bonnie Philpot (C); *Servers:* Eric Huelskamp, Brian Kramer, Jessica Barga

Gifts: Ralph and Cindy Dapore Family

8:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 6; *Lector:* Elaine Bergman

Eucharist: Jerry Wilker, Diane Elsas, Jerry Elsas (P) Phyllis Guillozet, Mary Ann Gump, Mary Lou Nerderman, Jim Nerderman, John Harman, Lester Monnin, George Kuether (C); *Servers:* Casey Rismiller, Michael Heaton, Matt Heaton

Gifts: Paul and Mary Jean Meyer

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF):

Ushers: Bill Goettemoeller and Eugene Kramer

Lector: Judy Barga *Eucharist:* Connie Schuette (P) Bill Schuette and Alan Stammen (C); *Servers:* Justin May and Ryan and Brandon Rethman

Gifts: Randy and Sandy Mangan Family

11:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 11 *Lector:* Connie Schrader

Eucharist: Brad Luthman, Jennifer Francis, Ken Moorman (P) Joe Gigandet, Curt Goubeaux, Jean Grieshop, John Schmitmeyer, Robert Goubeaux, Erin Keiser, Caitlin Liette, Ryan Schlater (C) *Servers:* Mary Prakes, Margaret Prakes, Kelsey Schlater

Gifts: Joe and Lynn Schlater Family

VOCATION VIEWS

God chooses ordinary people to speak his message. Try to perceive the voice of God in those around you. If you hear God's voice, harden not your heart.

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: See your dentist every six months. **Mind:** Never get behind the wheel while upset. **Spirit:** Try to understand the spirituality and beliefs of others.

ELIZABETH NEW LIFE CENTER

For help on a broad range of problems or questions of fertility and infertility, call Elizabeth New Life Center, 359 Forest Ave, Dayton, Ohio, 937-226-7414 or 222-4196.

St. ANN MEETING

Tuesday, February 28, 7:30 p.m. in Holy Family Parish Hall.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Please call Versailles Elementary School at 526-4681 to register your child for kindergarten. Do this by March 17.

TRAINING FOR SERVERS, LECTORS AND DISTRIBUTORS

We have scheduled training programs for Servers, Lectors and Distributors for Saturday, March 18. While we have designed it for people new in these duties, others may find the training a good refresher.

Servers: 9:00 to 11:00 in St Denis Church

Lectors: 11:00 to 1:00 in St Denis Church

Distributors: 1:00 to 3:00 in St Denis Church

If you cannot make training on March 18, please contact Fr Dave to schedule another time.

FATHER DAVE and LENT

Thanks to all who came to supper last Sunday. I want to thank in a special way Jean Grieshop, Linda Meyer and Ginny Moorman who helped serve, decorate and prepare for the meal.

Lent starts Wednesday. If what you do during Lent makes life harder for others, give up whatever you have started doing out of charity for the others. Your fast should cause others to feast. Your penance should cause others to relax. Your Lent should change you for the better, not make others adapt to you.

Fasting obliges those between the ages of 18 and 59 only on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. We recommend it also for Holy Saturday. Fasting means eating less food.

Abstaining from meat obliges all over 14 on the Fridays of Lent and on the fast days.

If you go some place and your host serves you meat, eat it gratefully. If you eat in a cafeteria or some place that serves only meat, eat it gratefully. If you order meat and then remember it, do not waste the food, but eat it with gratitude.

LITURGY

We call the process for bringing the unbaptized into the Church, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, RCIA for short. This process, mandated by the Church, involves more than teaching the doctrines of the Church. It involves giving information and providing formation. It involves study and discussion. It involves also the rituals of Lent. The Bishop oversees the admission of people into the Church. The first ritual element of Lent with send our catechumens and candidates for full union to the Bishop so that he can approve them for baptism and full Christian initiation. We shall send our catechumens and candidates forth at the five o'clock Mass next Saturday. They will meet the Bishop Sunday at 3:30 at Immaculate Conception Church in Dayton.

LENT

I recommend celebrating the Eucharist with us more during Lent. We have daily Mass at 8:00 a.m. most of the time. We have daily communion services before school (except on Ash Wednesday) at 6:30 a.m.

I also recommend celebrating the Sacrament of Penance during Lent.

I recommend also Jean's series on faith sharing on the Mondays of Lent at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Lent ends at suppertime on Holy Thursday. At that point the Sacred Triduum (Three Days) starts which leads us to baptism and the celebration of Easter in the Church.

During Lent we still use the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary on Sundays. Sunday also celebrates the Easter mystery. Lent itself focuses on baptism and repentance, not on the sufferings of the Lord.

CONFIRMATION

Our next program to prepare our ninth graders for Confirmation will take place tonight at 6:00 p.m. at St Denis.

WELCOME

We extend our hands and hearts in fellowship to you here, whether longtime residents, newly arrived in the parish or not Catholic, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have not registered, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____

ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Please use this form for a change of address.



COLLECTION Feb. 19, 2006

Holy Family (need \$1500):

Loose (28) \$ 124.00

Envelopes (36) \$ 428.00

Total: \$ 552.00

Catholic Telegraph \$ 44.00

St Denis (need \$6500):

Loose (181) \$ 755.00

Envelopes (222) \$ 2727.00

Total: \$ 3482.00

Catholic Telegraph \$ 176.00

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior High Retreat: Please pray for our Junior High teens who make their annual retreat this weekend.

Intercessory Prayer for Youth: This year during Lent we will again have intercessory prayer for youth. You can pick up envelopes at the exits of church Ash Wednesday and next Sunday. Each envelope contains the names of five students, chosen at random, from grades 7 through 12. Follow the guidelines in the envelope. Your prayers, your example and your teaching help our teenager very much. Thank you for supporting them.

BBQ Chicken Dinner Tickets: We have begun selling BBQ chicken dinner tickets for Sunday, March 19. Contact Mike or participating youth to purchase tickets. They are \$5.00 per dinner.

Next Subs for Lunch: Tomorrow, February 27.

Thanks: Thank you for all the support you have given me this past week at the death of my Dad. My Mom, Carla, my kids and my sisters send their thanks also.

READING FOR LENT

You can get *Parish Life*, *The Catechist's Connection* and *The Reflecting Community* free at www.celebrationseries.org. Click the Parishioner-Participant Email Registration button and use our code 511599. You will receive them via e-mail every month.

We have printed copies of the March issues in the back of Church for you today.

FAITH SHARING

Jean will host sessions for faith sharing on the Mondays of Lent from March 6 through April 10. She will have two sessions each day, one from 10:00 to 11:30 and one from 7:00 to 8:30 in the church basement at St Denis. She will discuss the question, "How can I better follow in Jesus' footsteps as we explore Jesus' passion, death and resurrection through the way of the cross. Please call Jean to sign up.

LIONS CLUB BREAKFAST

The Versailles Lions Club will have their annual pancake breakfast next Sunday, 8:30-12:30 in the church basement. All funds go for Lions charities. Please drop off used eyeglasses then.

JEAN'S CORNER

Spiritual Renewal Program, "New Beginnings": Jerome Borchers, who spearheaded this program for St Paul Church in Yellow Springs, will come tomorrow night to present the program for core leaders at 7:00.

Journeying through the Season of Grief: This program offers support and guidance for adults grieving the death of loved ones. It has six weekly sessions with presentations and group sharing. Winnie Kemper of Troy will present these sessions on Tuesday evenings February 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4 in the church basement. Call Jean at the office (526-4945) to register.