

MARCH 4, 2007: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

THE CALENDAR:

Sunday, March 4: First Sunday of Lent

Blood Pressure checks after all Masses

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Session #4

Monday, March 5: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 9:4b-10, Luke 6:36-38

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Fred & Terry Bohman

3:13-4:15 CCD (D) grades 1-6

7:00 p.m. RCIA (D):

Tuesday, March 6: Lenten Weekday

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy

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

7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (D)

Wednesday, March 7: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy

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

Bible Study: 1:00-2:00 & 7:00-8:00 (D) Rectory

7:00-8:00 CCD (D) grades 7-12; (HF) 1-12

7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Lenten Service (Methodist Church)

8:00 p.m. Worship Commission

Thursday, March 8: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy

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

8:45-8:30 p.m. Exposition (Benediction at 8:30 p.m.)

3:00-4:00; 7:00-8:00 Sacrament of Penance

Friday, March 9: Lenten Weekday (Day of Abstinence)

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Matthew 21:33-43. 45-46

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy

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

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 10: Lenten Weekday

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

3:45-4:45 Sacrament of Penance

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

Sunday, March 11: Third Sunday of Lent

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

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

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

8:30 a.m. Lions Club Breakfast

1:00 p.m. Baptismal Program (D)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Cycle C)

God appears to Moses in the burning bush (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15). The Lord shows us kindness and mercy (Psalm 103). If we think we stand secure, we should take care not to fall (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12). The Lord calls us to repentance (Luke 13:1-9).

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Cycle A)

God pours out water from the rock (Exodus 17:3-7). When the Lord speaks, listen to him (Psalm 95). Christ died for the ungodly (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8). The Lord talks to the woman at the well (John 4:5-42).

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

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

BAPTISM

The next pre-baptismal program for new or expectant parents will take place next Sunday, March 11 at 1:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS February March 10 & 11, 2007

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday (Cycle A for the readings)

Ushers: Group 3; *Lector:* Jeff Keiser

Eucharist: Danielle Condon, Diane Elsas, Jerry Elsas (P)

Brittany Drees, Phyllis Guillozet, John Davis, Dave Huelskamp,

Betty Jutte, Betty Poly, Melissa Heft, Cheryl Huelskamp (C)

Servers: Eric Huelskamp, Jessica Barga, Joe Gehret

Gifts: Steve and Judy Cordonnier Family

8:00 a.m. (D): Sunday (Cycle C for the readings)

Ushers: Group 6 *Lector:* Roberta Mangen

Eucharist: Elaine Bohman, Kim Borchers, Aaron Condon (P)

Rich Schwieterman, Janice Schwieterman, Ann Borchers, Lil

Borchers, Ryan Borchers, Mary Ann Gump, Brittany Reed, John

Harman (C); *Servers:* Katie Schwieterman, Joshua Borchers, Tom

Borchers

Gifts: Jim & Mary Lou Nerderman

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): (Deacon Jack) (Cycle C for the readings)

Ushers: Rick Heitkamp and Mike Kramer *Lector:* Judy Barga

Eucharist: Urban Gehret (P) Irene Gehret (C); *Servers:* Jason

Bergman, Josh Didier and Brittany Bruns

Gifts: Brad and Lil Bruns Family

Cleaning: Wilma Didier, Almareda Bruns and Linda Pohlman

11:00 a.m. Mass (D): (Cycle C for the readings)

Ushers: Group 12 & 16; *Lector:* Emily Pitsenbarger *Eucharist:*

Janet Turner, Nicholas Eilerman, Joe Gigandet (P) Peggy Bernholt,

Ben Dapore, Jennifer Francis, Bob Goubeaux, Curt Goubeaux, Jean

Grieshop, Brian Griesdorn, Kathy Wood

Servers: Matt Stover, Joanna Cruz, Michael Heaton

Gifts: Bob Goubeaux Family

VOCATION VIEWS

Are you listening to Jesus, the Chosen One? Be open to what he reveals to you. Let his message dwell in your heart. (See: Luke 9:28-36)

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Stretch your muscles after every workout. **Mind:** Share your feelings with a friend. **Spirit:** Sacrifice for a cause you believe in.

WEDDINGS AND MARRIAGES

Marriage Encounter, the weekend of February 16-18, can enhance your marriage. Please call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00. **Retrouvaille** (French for Rediscovery) can help you save your marriage. Please call 1-800-470-2230 for more information.

BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT

Father Dave will conduct two Bible Studies during Lent on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 2:00 and repeated from 7:00 to 8:00 in the rectory starting February 28. If interested, please call the office.

COMMUNITY MEALS

See today's insert on how you can help with the community meals. Our parishes will sponsor the meal on March 21.

COMMUNION LITURGIES DURING LENT

We have a Communion Liturgy scheduled for most weekdays at 6:30. This allows you to celebrate the word of God and receive Communion before school or work. We hope a large number come. If you cannot come for Mass, come at 6:30.

Blood Pressure screening after all the Masses this weekend.

FATHER DAVE

We have a full moon this weekend. It came yesterday. We always have one either on this Sunday of Lent or within four days of this day. This puts us within a month of the first full moon after the first of spring, which determines the date of Easter. One story has it that the transfiguration of the Lord took place forty days before Palm Sunday, but I cannot vouch for the accuracy of this. I do know that the presence of the full moon on the Second Sunday of Lent may explain why in the readings for this Sunday we have had a gospel of the transfiguration of the lord for centuries. The Lord shows us his radiance as the moon shows us hers.

LENT

On Tuesday of this past week, the Church gave us the Our Father as an example of how we should pray. I started thinking about how the prayer has changed over the years. We now use the doxology in the Roman Rite at Mass and in some of our rituals for sacramentals. We use it in some of our Catholic table blessings, for we do have other forms than the familiar "Bless us, O Lord." We do not use the doxology in the ritual for the seven sacraments, except for Mass.

The doxology has an ancient history. It appears is a note in the margin of some ancient texts of the gospel. The Eastern Catholic Church has used it for centuries in a somewhat different form. The Protestant communities use it even though many, as I understand, understand that the oldest texts of the gospels do not contain it.

It comes from a Catholic tradition and remains a part of our Catholic tradition even though we do not use it in our daily praying of the Our Father.

PENANCE SERVICES AND EVENING MASSES

We have two penance services scheduled during Lent as follows:

Monday, March 12 at 3:15 with five priests

Thursday, March 22 at 7:00 with seven priests

We also have scheduled evening Masses during Lent as follows:

Thursdays, March 15 to present the Creed to the Elect, and March 29, at 7:00, to present them the Our Father, both at 7:00.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Marian Young Farmers Breakfast: Today, 9:00-12:00 at Maria Stein Knights Hall. Under 5 free, 6-12, \$4; 12 and over \$6.

Spaghetti Dinner: Today at Trinity Lutheran Church from 11:00-1:00 in the church basement.

Walleye Fish Fry: Fridays, March 16 and 30 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Covington. Serving from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Shelby Co. Right to Life Garage Sale: March 15 to 17 at the Russia Community Center, 9:00 to 5:00 on Thursday and Friday and 9:00 to 11:00 on Saturday. Any questions, call 937-295-2303.

2007 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL FUND

The 2007 Archdiocesan Annual Fund has begun, with a good response. We invite your support by returning your card in the collection basket or mail. Holy Family has 4% of its goal of \$3,300 and St Denis has collected 11% of its goal of \$16,000. All gifts, even small ones, help. We hope that everyone in our parishes participates with a gift of some amount.

WELCOME

We welcome all here, whether longtime residents or newly-arrived, whether Catholic or not, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have a comment or would like to register or give a change of address, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____
ZIP: _____ Phone: _____



This is my chosen Son;
listen to him. Luke 9:35

**COLLECTION
February 25, 2007**

Holy Family

Loose (26)	\$ 164.75
Envelopes (41)	\$ 646.00
Total	\$ 810.75
Ash Wednesday	\$ 63.00
AAF (4)	\$ 145.00

St Denis

Loose (202)	\$ 985.75
Envelopes (216)	\$ 2952.00
Total	\$ 3937.75
Ash Wednesday	\$ 701.85
AAF (32)	\$ 1837.00

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MANY THANKS

YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior High Retreat: The Junior High Retreat has been re-scheduled for Friday, March 30 overnight to Saturday morning due to weather related cancellations. All junior high students are welcome to attend. Revised forms and flyers are available at the church exits or by contacting Mike at the youth office at 526-4945, or by e-mail at mikem@stdenishf.org. If you have already registered we will change the date on the form. If you cannot attend the new date and have registered, your money will be refunded.

BBQ Chicken Dinners: Both junior and senior high youth ministry will be selling BBQ chicken dinners on Sunday, March 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the rectory garage. Pre-sale tickets have been distributed to the youth and can be purchased from any youth ministry student or by contacting the youth office. The tickets are \$6.00 a piece and you get a half chicken, applesauce, chips and a roll.

Subs for Lunch: This Monday, March 5 during all lunch periods.

ADULT EDUCATION AT ST MARY'S IN GREENVILLE

See the bulletin boards for more on adult education there.

LIONS CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Lions Club will have a breakfast at St. Denis on Sunday, March 11 from 8:30-12:30. Adults \$5, children (12 and under) \$3. You may drop off your used eyeglasses and frames for the Lions Club Sight program.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

We have our next session for Confirmation: today at St Denis from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. We ask parents to come and help. The fifth session will take place March 25 from 6:00 to 8:00.

MUSIC LESSONS

Pam Beisner will offer free lessons to anyone interested in learning how to play the guitar Wednesday night CCD during Lent, (8:00 - 8:45). Call her at 526-3806. Someone taught her and she wants to pass the favor along to others.

RCIA, INITIATION INTO THE CHURCH

The Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for both parishes meets on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement.

ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERVICES

The Versailles Council of Churches will hold Lenten Services each Wednesday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. All services are at Versailles United Methodist Church, 104 W. Wood St. Fr Dave will lead the services on Wednesday, March 7.

COMMUNITY MEALS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 5:00-6:30

Trinity Lutheran Church has established a community meal every Wednesday from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Several of our surrounding communities have successfully done these community meals. Trinity Lutheran has volunteered as a resource to set up these in our community. All the meals are served in the basement at Trinity Lutheran and are free to anyone in the community. Free will offerings are accepted but not necessary. St. Denis and Holy Family have accepted this unique opportunity to serve the community by supporting Trinity Lutheran in this effort. We will sponsor the meal every third Wednesday of each month

The schedule will be as follows:

- First Wednesday — Trinity Lutheran
- Second Wednesday — Versailles Health Care Center
- Third Wednesday — St. Denis and Holy Family**
- Fourth Wednesday — Trinity Lutheran
- Fifth Wednesday (when there is one) — Council of Churches

The food and meal preparation is done through donations and volunteer help. Kathy Miller, Krista Harman, and Kathy Wood will be organizing our menus each month and will post sign up sheets in the back of Church to let parishioners know what is needed in the way of volunteers and food. Most meals will be prepared at Trinity Lutheran kitchen. The first meal we sponsor will be March 21st. Our menu will consist of chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, bread & butter, pie and drinks. This month we need volunteers for serving, cleaning up (approximately 8-10 people) and providing pies. Please see the sign up sheet in the back of church to volunteer to help serve or donate a pie.

Donations in form of food (dry or canned that can be stored or frozen) or money are always appreciated. We already have some very generous sponsors from our parish to cover some of the expenses for the upcoming months! Since this is a new venture, we may have to make adjustments as we go. If anyone has suggestions to help us improve this project, please feel free to share with us. We would appreciate your interest. We see this as an opportunity not only to serve our community, but to join in new fellowship within the community. We hope you agree and are willing to support us in this effort!

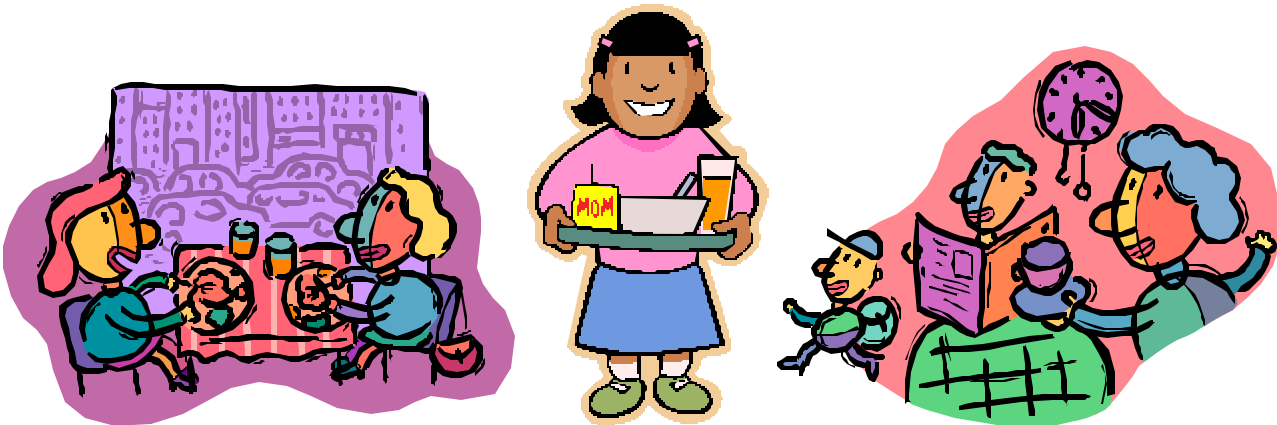
We invite all the St. Denis and Holy Family parishioners to see for themselves by coming to Trinity Lutheran on a Wednesday night and enjoy the food and fellowship.

For March 21:

Menu:

Chicken	mashed potatoes	gravy
corn	bread & butter	pie
drinks		

Help: Serving cleaning up pies



FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Fast days (less food to eat, affects those between ages of 18 and 59): Good Friday (optional for Holy Saturday) [includes abstinence].

Abstinence (no meat. Affects those 14 and over): All Fridays during Lent [on Fridays during the year we may substitute works of charity for abstaining].

The obligation does allow some leeway. If your host serves you meat, eat it. If you order it by mistake, eat it. You do not need a dispensation or permission from the pastor for this. If you have a god reason, you may eat meat on Fridays at Lent at times.

MICROPHONES IN CHURCH

This past week we upgraded the microphones at both churches. Holy Family now has a separate microphone for the deacon and priest; they no longer have to share one frequency. We replaced the gooseneck with a quieter microphone and added a microphone for the choir loft. St Denis now has a better microphone for the priest and will soon have replaced the dead cords on the deacon's microphone. This should give us better sound in both parishes.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

There will be a Life in the Spirit Seminar next weekend, March 9-11, at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein. All high school age youth are invited to attend. The cost is \$90.00 per person for a dorm room, \$125.00 per person for a private room and \$105.00 per person to share a private room. Life in the Spirit Seminar is a spiritual renewal opportunity which empowers youth to dive deeper into their faith. More information along with registration forms is available at the youth office.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (NCYC)

The National Catholic Youth Conference this November will be in Columbus, Ohio. This bi-annual event is a mixture of awesome speakers, great music, amazing prayer experiences and Mass. It is sponsored by the National Federation for Youth Ministry. This is a huge opportunity for the youth of Holy Family and St. Denis parishes because it is so close to home. It is an advantage to register early so we will begin promoting NCYC this Wednesday night. The dates of this event are November 8-11. It would require an excused absence from school on Friday, November 9. In the past, we have attended NCYC in St. Louis, Missouri, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Houston, Texas. They have all been awesome experiences. We would like to begin making preliminary lists of interested youth and adults. Forms are not yet available, but will be coming soon. If you are interested, contact Mike at the Youth Office.

NOTRE DAME CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Notre Dame University students sponsor Christian Leadership Conferences every year at the University Campus during the summer months. This year we would like to invite youth to attend a four day conference which will be held July 16-20. This is a great opportunity to grow as a Christian Leader. Holy Family/St. Denis Youth Ministry has never sent youth to any of these conferences and would like to offer the opportunity this year. If you are interested, contact Mike as soon as possible because Notre Dame offers significant discounts for early registrations.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008 AUSTRALIA

Two years ago eight people from Holy Family and St. Denis parishes attended World Youth Day with Pope Benedict XVI in Cologne, Germany. It was a memorable spirit-filled pilgrimage for all who attended. The next World Youth Day will be in Australia. We are planning on going with other youth from the northern Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The projected dates are July 9-20. We are already scheduling fundraising events to help offset the cost for this trip. It would be helpful for youth to begin signing up for this now. If you are interested, contact Mike at the youth office. Youth must be sixteen years old or older, in high school, college or beyond, in order to attend. We will also need adults chaperones to go on this trip. We want to emphasize that this is a pilgrimage of faith, not a vacation.

LOCAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The local service leadership team has decided to sponsor a food drive for the Council of Churches' food pantry. St Denis and Holy Family youth will collect food and household items on Good Friday, April 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. If you live in town and would like to donate food, just leave it on your porch or by your front door and we will pick it up and bring it to the food pantry (We ask you not to give green beans, peas or corn since the pantry has nine times more of these than other vegetables). If you live out of town, you can bring your donations to St. Denis and Holy Family Church Parking Lots where we will have collection teams. The food pantry serves many area people each year who have experienced financial crisis. Your donations will be very much appreciated.

UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior High Youth Leaders Retreat Planning Meeting:

Monday March 5, 6:30 p.m.

Spring Retreat Planning Meeting for Spring Retreat Focus Group:

Wednesday, March 7, immediately following CCD.

Senior Citizen's Prom Planning Meeting for Senior Citizen's Prom Focus Group:

Wednesday, March 14, immediately following CCD