

FEBRUARY 24, 2008: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

THE CALENDAR:

Sunday, February 24: Third Sunday of Lent

11:00-1:00 Pork Chop Dinners (D)
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Program (D)

Monday, February 25: Lenten Weekday

2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Fred and Terence Bohman
11:30 a.m. Subs for Lunch
3:13-4:15 CCD (D) grades 1-6
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (D) Church basement

Tuesday, February 26: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35
6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy (D)
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Richard J. Marchal
11:30 a.m. Soup, Salad & Sandwich (D)
7:00 p.m. RCIA
7:30 p.m. St. Ann Meeting (HF)

Wednesday, February 27: Lenten Weekday

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19
6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy (D)
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Virginia & Clifford Harmon
5:00-6:30 Community Supper (Lutheran Church)
7:00-8:00 CCD (D) grades 7-12; (HF) 1-19
7:00 p.m. Adult Lenten Program (Methodist Church)

Thursday, February 28: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23
6:30 & 8:00 No Mass or Communion Liturgy (D)
7:00 p.m. Mass (D): Norma Jean Gigandet
8:45-8:30 p.m. No Exposition
3:00-4:00 Sacrament of Penance (none 7:00-8:00)

Friday, February 29: Lenten Weekday

Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34
6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy (D)
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Harold Schieltz
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (D)

Saturday, March 1: Lenten Weekday

Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14;
3:45-4:45 Sacrament of Penance (D)
5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Carl Gasson

Sunday, March 2: Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Mass (HF) Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners (RCIA)
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Program

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

How do blindness and other handicaps show forth the glory of God? How have you walked in darkness and how have you walked in the light? The readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

BAPTISM

The next pre-baptismal programs for new or expectant parents will take place on April 20 at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. Please call the office to register. Next baptism after Mass: March 30, 12:15.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Call 937-492-4449 for more information. Call 513-588-0080 or email pfeirstine@cinci.rr.com for more information.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CHURCH

Tuesday evenings at 7:00 in St Denis Church basement
Everybody welcome.
Catholics, non-Catholic spouses, others.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS March 2, 2008

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday: March 1

Ushers: Group 1 *Lector:* Jane Pierron *Deacon Jack*
Eucharist: Karen Keiser, Diane Elsas, Jerry Elsas (P); Jeff Keiser, Diane Martino, Dave Huelskamp, Cheryl Huelskamp, Mike Kramer, Brian Kramer, Katie Mestemaker
Servers: Eric Huelskamp, Andrew Kramer

Gifts: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Sunday, March 2

Ushers: Group 7 *Lector:* Roberta Mangen
Eucharist: George Kuether, Michael McClurg, Dale Meier (P); Mary Ann Gump, Brittany Reed, John Harman, Brittany McMaken, Shirley McMaken, Carl Meyer, Linda Meyer, Barbara Monnin; *Servers:* Ann Borchers, Adam Borchers, Emily Harman

Gifts: Bob and Michelle Dircksen Family

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

Ushers: James Pohlman and Eugene Kramer
Lector: Judy Barga *Eucharist:* Alan Stammen (P), Jeff Wuebker and Melvin Stucke (C);
Servers: Rick Mayo, Jeff Mayo and Cierra Todd

Gifts: Gary & Denise Heitkamp Family

Cleaning: Doris Kremer, Mary Ann Stucke and Mary Ann Stucke

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

Ushers: Group 15 *Lector:* Bob Goubeaux
Eucharist: Curt Goubeaux, Maria Goubeaux, Jean Grieshop (P); Brian Griesdorn, Connie Grillot, Matt Hileman, Kristi Luthman, Betsy Moorman, Ken Moorman, Marvin Luthman, Jennifer Paulus
Servers: Laura Paulus, Joshua Paulus, Jacquie Moorman;
Gifts: Chris Stover Family

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: See your dentist every six months. **Mind:** Never get behind the wheel while upset. **Spirit:** Be open to spirituality and other's beliefs.

VOCATION VIEWS

A surprise encounter can turn our lives around. God offers us living water. Come and drink. See: John 4:5-42

CATHOLIC TELEGRAPH

Use the envelope in your box or mark an envelope, *Catholic Telegraph* to support our diocesan newspaper.

LEARN TO PLAY GUITAR

Pam Beisner will teach guitar lessons to anyone high school age or older on the six Wednesdays of Lent from 8:15 to 9:00 p.m. Contact her at 526-3806 if you are interested.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Marriage Encounter, (March 28-30 at Dayton, Oh) 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.

PRAYER MEETING

We invite you to join our weekly prayer meeting on Mondays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the church basement.

ST. ANN MEETING

Installation of new officers will take place at the St. Ann Meeting this Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Family parish hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

FATHER DAVE

Despite the weather, I have seen great crowds of people coming to daily Mass and the communion liturgies. We have room for more at both services. On Thursday we need your help at the 7:00 evening Mass for the presentation of the Creed to the elect. As part of their learning about the church, the CCD students at St Denis will help us present the Creed. I hope that many of you adults join us also. Whether you come or cannot come, you have a stake and a hand in bringing those chosen for baptism into the church.

LITURGY -- RCIA

Today and the next two Sundays, we celebrate the scrutinies for the elect, those chosen for the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. The church intends these scrutinies to heal their weaknesses, defect or sins and to strengthen their good points and virtues. The church intends in these scrutinies to deliver them from the power of sin and Satan and protect them against temptation. The scrutinies also call us, the baptized, to deeper repentance from sin. We provide the encouragement to the elect and they provide us with the example of repentance from sin.

During this second week of Lent, we make the first of two presentations to the elect. We present them with the Creed, the basic statement of our beliefs as Christians. We shall make this presentation at Mass Thursday evening. Our CCD students at St Denis will join in this celebration and presentation what we believe in the Catholic Church.

COMMUNITY SUPPER – ALL WELCOME
Every Wednesday. 5:00-6:30
At Trinity Lutheran Church
We cook March 19.

NOTICES:

Bible Study: The Tuesday night Bible Study has resumed at 7:30 p.m. Call 526-3376 or 526-4465 to sign up.

Lenten Lunchtime Scripture Study: the next four Tuesdays of Lent: 12:00-1:00 at Trinity Center in Dayton. Pre-register at: www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction/paulscripturestudy.html.

Walleye Fish Fry: St. Teresa, Covington, Oh, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Fridays, February 15, 29 and March 14.

Traveling Monstrance: February 25, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St Remy; February 26, 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Holy Redeemer, New Bremen; February 27, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St Michael in Fort Loramie; February 27, 3:15 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Sts Peter and Paul in Newport. Pray for vocations to the ordained priesthood.

Day of Recollection: Thursday, March 6, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Transfiguration Center in West Milton. Father Glen Perin will lead the day (men and women). Call 548-3798 by noon Tuesday.

VOTING

No matter what someone tries to tell you, the Catholic Church does not endorse candidates or parties. No candidate or party follows the social teachings of the church completely. Please vote in the elections coming up.

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: _____



Jesus sat down by the well; a Samaritan woman came to draw water.

COLLECTION	
February 17, 2008	
Holy Family	
Envelopes (42)	\$ 590.00
Loose (25)	\$ 94.00
Total	\$ 684.00
Catholic Telegraph	\$ 44.00
CMA Appeal	\$ 299.00
St Denis	
Envelopes (217)	\$2763.45
Loose (153)	\$ 700.76
Total	\$3464.21
Catholic Telegraph	\$ 22.00
CMA Appeal	\$ 417.00
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MANY THANKS	

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World Youth Day Pork Chop Dinners: Those youth going to World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia are selling pork chop dinner tickets. The dinners are available this Sunday, February 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the rectory garage. We have planned for extra dinners so stop by after the 11:00 Mass and get some while supplies last. They are \$6.00 per dinner.

Junior High Retreat: The annual Junior High Retreat will take place on Friday, February 29-Saturday March 1 at Holy Family Parish Hall. Forms can be picked up at the church exits, Youth group, CCD or from Mike at the office. Turn in your forms by this Wednesday, February 27 if possible.

BBQ Chicken Dinners: The youth ministry is selling BBQ pre-sale chicken Dinner tickets for pick-up on Sunday, March 9, 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the rectory garage. The tickets are \$6.00 a piece and can be purchased from any high school student or by contacting Mike at the rectory. The proceeds will be put in the youth ministry fund.

Apologetics Course: This Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

Youth Breakfast and Bake Sale: Holy Family Parish Hall, Palm Sunday, March 16.

Subs for Lunch: Monday, February 25 in St. Denis Church basement.

CONFIRMATION

The fourth session for our candidates for confirmation will take place today. The fifth and sixth sessions will take place March 2, March 9, (Wednesday, March 26: Confirmation Retreat from 4:00 to 9:00 with confirmation on Thursday, April 3 at 7:30 p.m. (D)). We expect all the candidates to attend all sessions.

ST VINCENT DEPAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

Our students of St. Denis and Holy Family will participate in the annual St. Vincent DePaul Bundle Sunday to benefit people who are in need. They will accept clean, usable clothing and linens (all items must be bagged or boxed). The trailer will park at Holy Family Parish Hall on Saturday, March 8 and Sunday, March 9. Please place your items in the trailer if no one is there to help.

PILGRIMAGES

Eucharistic Congress in Quebec, June 15-24: Round trip from Cincinnati for \$2595; call 800-908-2378 (info@bestcatholic.com)

Secular Franciscan Pilgrimage to Assisi, September 17-26 with visit to Vatican City for \$2290; go to www.stfrancispilgrimages.com.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Please pledge your support for six of our very important regional church ministries, through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. 100% of your contribution goes to Catholic Social Services, campus ministries, lay and ordained ministries education, St Rita School for the Deaf, support of our retired priests, and chaplains for our hospitals and prisons. Our parishes goals this year are (Holy Family) \$3,300 and (St Denis) \$16,000. Please visit CatholicAppeal.info for more information and make your pledge today. You can use the envelopes in the pews. Make checks payable to your parish.

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL -- MARTIN SHEEN'S ENDORSEMENT

Some did not hear Martin Sheen's presentation last Sunday, so we have put it into the bulletin this week.

It is not enough to say, "I love God, but not my neighbor." That is what Mother Theresa said when she accepted her Nobel Peace Prize. "Christ is in our hearts; Christ is in the poor we meet; Christ is in the smile we give, and in the smile we receive," she said. Her calling was to serve the poorest of the poor all over the world; our mission is much closer to home, right here in Ohio, in the parishes that make up the archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Hello, I am Martin Sheen. I grew up in Ohio and I went to Catholic schools in Dayton. I went to Holy Trinity Grade School and Chaminade High School, and I saw for myself the great work being done by Catholic organizations in this region. I believe all of us are called to make a difference, to recognize the needs of others and to respond in whatever ways we can. As Mother Theresa showed us, we can see the face of God in the people whose lives are changed by our service and our sharing.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is an important calling to serve and share your love with your neighbors, the deaf, the aged, the ill, the children waiting for adoption, refugees, immigrants and people seeking political asylum, families in crisis, people who seek counseling or the comforting words of the chaplains serving in hospitals, in prisons and on college campuses, young seminarians and deacons beginning their lives of service, senior priests who have retired after many decades of sacrifice and devotion. In our area, thousands of people from many different religious, social and economic backgrounds are helped annually by the combined efforts of the Catholic ministries. Yes, the face of God is visible right here in Ohio every day, and so is the opportunity to help. By participating in the Catholic Ministries Appeal, you can help alleviate suffering and ease the way for someone in need. I am supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal and I ask you to do the same. Mother Theresa reminds us, "We are not asked to do great things, we are asked to do all things with great love. Thank you.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Parenting 101 Seminar: *Preparing for a Successful Summer*

Catholic Social Services will present a free five-session parent educational series as part of the agency's ongoing parent and teacher enhancement program. *Preparing for a Successful Summer* will be held on Thursday evenings, March 6 through April 10, 2008. Presenters, Michelle Paulus and Rick Williams, will provide positive tools to assist parents with encouraging self-esteem, self-control, discipline, sharing and problem-solving. The first session will be held March 6 from 6:00 p.m. at Christian Missionary Alliance Church, 306 Devor, Greenville, OH. Supper and childcare with homework help will be provided without cost to participants. Call 1-800-521-6419 Ext 128 or register via email at jfavorite@cssmv-sidney.org.

PENANCE SERVICE

We have our regional Lenten penance service Thursday, March 6 at 7:00. Our two parishes and the parishes of Bradford and Greenville have joined together for this service. We have ten priests coming to help with the sacrament. We have room for at least 400 people.

DIABETES

Wayne Hospital and the Ohio State University Extension have sponsored a cooking program for people with diabetes in the family from 1:00 to 3:00 on March 11, 18 and 25 at the OSU Extension. It costs \$25.00. It includes learning, eating and exercise. Call 547-5750 for more information.

WOMEN'S RETREAT MARCH 7-9, 2008

The Precious Blood Sisters invite women to a Lenten Vocation Discernment Retreat at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. It starts at 5:00 p.m. March 7 and ends at 1:00 March 9. vocations@PreciousBloodSistersDayton.org.

LUTHERAN SPAGHETTI DINNER MARCH 2

Trinity Lutheran Church welcomes us to its annual Spaghetti Dinner with serving from 11:00 to 1:00. Donations: \$5.00 adults; \$3.00 children between the ages of 6 to 12 and free for those five and under.

HOUSE OF BREAD AND HUNGER AWARENESS

Sheri McEldowney, originally from Versailles, now works with the Social Work Club at Wright State. She sends this notice. The House of Bread (9 Orth Avenue in Dayton, one block south of Salem and Edwin Moses Blvd) will have its third annual dinner to raise our awareness of hunger. For \$10.00, you can feast on the fish of the day, rice, salad, dessert and beverage. The Catholic Order of Foresters will match dollar for dollar up to \$1500. To make a donation, contact Carl Brun at 937-775-2751 (WSU, 270 Millett Hall, 3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy, 5435, ATTN Carl Brun.

DIVINE MERCY

The Church of the Transfiguration will celebrate Divine Mercy on Sunday, March 30, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CEMETERY BURIALS 2007

In 2007, we had the following burials in the Holy Family Cemetery: Esther M. Baltes; Carl E. Gasson and Lawrence J. Barton.

During the same time, we had the following burials in the St Valbert Cemetery: Kathleen Simon; Matilda Paulus; Henrietta Baltes; Clifford Harmon; Edna Wilt; Edward Thiebeau; Margarete Drake; Treva Millet; Beatrice Barga; Ethan Pohl; Evelyn Smith; Norma Jean Gigandet; Velma Billiter; Margaret Baltes; Lucille McClurg; John Gasson; Floyd Echeman and Norbert Beyke. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

LENTE PENANCE

As a community and a group, we abstain from the meat of mammals on Fridays during Lent. We do the same on Good Friday during the Easter Triduum and add fasting. We do the same by recommendation on Holy Saturday. The penance during Lent should lead us to repent of our sins. The fasting on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, during the Easter Triduum, prepares us to celebrate the Paschal Vigil with hearts and minds renewed and in union with those preparing for the sacraments of initiation. Fasting obliges those between the ages of 18 and 59. Abstinence obliges those over 14.

Your Lenten penance should not cause others penance. If what you do causes others problems, change what you do. Enjoy Lent.

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SCHEDULE FOR MASS

AND SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday, February 25:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 26:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
12:30-1:00 Sacrament of Penance

Wednesday, February 27:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday, February 28:

3:00 to 4:00 Sacrament of Penance
Mass at 7:00 p.m. (the Creed)

Friday, February 29:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Junior High Retreat at Holy Family

Saturday, March 1:

3:45-4:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 2: Scrutinies at 11:00 Mass

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Session

Monday, March 3:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
3:15 p.m. RCIA with First Grade

Tuesday, March 4: VOTE IN ELECTIONS

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
1:30 p.m. Mass (Health Care Center)

Wednesday, March 5:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Lenten program (V.U.M.C.)

Thursday, March 6:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
3:00 to 4:00 Sacrament of Penance
7:00 Penance (10 Priests (D))

Friday, March 7:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
6:50 a.m. Breakfast with the Lord
8:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 p.m. Station of the Cross

Saturday, March 8:

3:45-4:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 9: Scrutinies at 11:00 Mass

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Session
with sponsors
8:00 p.m. practice & group picture

Monday, March 10:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 11:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
12:00 - 1:00 Sacrament of Penance

Wednesday, March 12:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 13:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
3:00 to 4:00 Sacrament of Penance
Mass at 7:00 p.m. (the Our Father)

Friday, March 14:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 15:

2:45-4:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
5:00 p.m. Mass, Blessing of palm
6:15 - 6:45 Sacrament of Penance

Sunday, March 16: PALM SUNDAY

Usual schedule of Masses
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
with Blessing of palm
8:00-12:30 Youth Breakfast and
St. Ann Bake Sale

Monday, March 17:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Communion Liturgy

Tuesday, March 18:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
12:30 until people stop coming,
Sacrament of Penance
3:30 departure for 7:30 Mass of
Chrism at Cathedral

Wednesday, March 19:

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy
8:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. until people stop coming,
Sacrament of Penance

Thursday, March 20 HOLY THURSDAY:

Lent ends at 5:00 p.m.

EASTER TRIDUUM:

Mass at 5:30 p.m. (D) Mass of the
Lord's Supper
Mass at 7:30 p.m. (HF) Mass of the
Lord's Supper
Adoration afterwards

Friday, March 21:

GOOD FRIDAY [Fast and Abstinence]

12:45 Stations of the Cross (D)
1:30 Afternoon Liturgical Service
with Communion (D)
6:45 Stations of the Cross (HF)
7:30 Afternoon Liturgical Service
with Communion (HF)

Saturday, March 22:

HOLY SATURDAY

[Fast and Abstinence recommended]
1:00-3:00 RCIA retreat
9:00 p.m. EASTER VIGIL MASS

Sunday, March 23: EASTER SUNDAY 1

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.