



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 19, 2012

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH

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Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday: 9 AM -3 PM

New Parishioners: Register online at www.qas.org.

Sacrament of PENANCE: Saturday: 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a preparation class at least 2 months prior to the baptism. Call the parish office for an appointment 90 days prior to your desired baptismal date.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date.

PASTORAL CARE TO THE HOMEBOUND: Holy Communion for the homebound is available by calling Liz Armstrong, 879-8856 or the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Anyone who is seriously ill should receive this sacrament as soon as possible

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Mission Statement

Queen of All Saints, a Roman Catholic parish, nourished by the Eucharist and centered on the sacraments, is called by God to share our time, talents, treasures, and prayers through our worship, education and loving service.

Monday, February 20

7:30 a.m. Deanna Henley

Tuesday, February 21

8:30 a.m. Richard Zdyb

Wednesday, February 22—Ash Wednesday

6:00 a.m. Liturgy of Word with distribution of Ashes

8:30 a.m. Parish Family

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7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Thursday, February 23

8:30 a.m. Frank & Katherine Schaefer

Friday, February 24

6:00 a.m. All Souls

2:15 p.m. Stations

6:00 p.m. Stations

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour Spanish Community

Saturday, February 25

7:30 a.m. Joseph Debiak

4:30 p.m. Josephine Stahoviak

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Huber

Sunday, February 26—First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Anthony & Genevieve Malecki

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Huber

9:30 a.m. George Sabo

Celebrant: Fr. Frank Torres

Homilist: Deacon Mark Plaiss

11:30 a.m. Barb Gondeck

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Huber

4:00 p.m. Parish Family

Celebrant: Fr. Frank Torres

SERVERS

Saturday, February 25

4:30 p.m. Jonathan Zerbes, Niko Cabela, Rory Neary

Sunday, February 26

7:30 a.m. Joseph Gondeck, Madison Root

9:30 a.m. Elizabeth McGuckin, Natalie McGuckin, Taylor Krueger

11:30 a.m. Lauren Zaknoun, Emma Zaknoun, Jacob Dabkowski

LECTORS

Saturday, February 25

4:30 p.m. Dan Roman

Sunday, February 26

7:30 a.m. Michael Brennan

9:30 a.m. Frank Flanagan

11:30 a.m. Lauren Miltenberger

4:00 p.m. Ana Rosa y Ruth Serrano

Dear Friends in the Lord,

For the last few weeks, I have been presenting various disciplines to observe the Lenten season. In addition to days of fast and abstinence and abstaining from meat on Friday, we can celebrate Ash Wednesday, avail ourselves to frequent use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, pray the Stations of the Cross on Fridays, participate in the St. Joseph Table on March 18th, arrive at Mass earlier, and pay more attention to how we genuflect, make the Sign of the Cross, and receive Holy Communion. This week, I want to reflect on the use of silence during the Lenten season.

As you may know, we are losing our sensitivity to silence. With the proliferation of cell phones, pagers, televisions, XM radio, and other technological devices, our lives are filled with sound, intrusions, and interruptions. While we have become starved for silence and solitude, we are unaware of the problem because we are focused on responding to the demands of everyday life. Even more, when we have time to be silent, we are unsure what to do with the space that we have created. Please be sure that I participate in this tension, too.

For this reason, I envision our worship during the Lenten season to be a little more grounded in silence. I know that we come to Mass anticipating a completion time of 60 minutes. However, for the six weeks of Lent, let's extend to 65 minutes the time we reserve for worship, which will give us a few more minutes of silence in our day and five more minutes with the Lord on Sunday.

Enhancing our use of silence has a firm foundation. In the *General Instructions of the Roman Missal*, we receive from the Church very specific recommendations about the use of silence. "Sacred silence also, as part of the celebration, is to be observed at the designated times. Its nature, however, depends on the moment when it occurs in the different parts of the celebration. For in the Penitential Act and again after the invitation to pray, individuals recollect themselves; whereas after a reading or after the Homily, all meditate briefly on what they have heard; then after Communion, they praise God in their hearts and pray to Him." (45) As such, during Lent we will observe longer periods of silence at the recommended times during Mass.

I encourage you to observe silence in our worship space, as well. Again, the *General Instructions of the Roman Missal* provides clear guidance in this regard. "Even before the celebration itself, it is a praiseworthy practice for silence to be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred celebration in a devout and fitting manner." (45) Especially during the Lenten season we can make an additional effort to avoid unnecessary conversation in the church before and after Mass. Conversations can be shared in the back of church or in the southwest and southeast entrances of the church.

If you are wincing at my suggestion, I share your discomfort. I am guilty of unnecessary conversation before Mass and after Mass and moving expeditiously from one part of the Mass to the other. For many of us, Sunday worship provides opportunities to see friends and network with people. Emphasizing silence is not meant to stifle relationships or limit communication. Rather, silence creates a wider interior space and provides a more reflective and reverential environment in which to worship, enhancing our primary relationship with the Lord Jesus. If we are faithful to this discipline, we will see the blessing of silence as individuals and as a community when we arrive at the celebration of Easter.

Please give these suggestions and recommendations serious consideration. If we embrace the Lenten season with unity of heart, mind, and will, our disciplines will be easier to bear; we will feel the support of one another. As we anticipate Ash Wednesday, please be sure of my fortified prayers for you and your loved ones that God give you strength and courage to embrace the Lenten cross.

Faithfully yours in the Lord Jesus,

Fr. Kevin Huber

STEWARDSHIP

Our Faith Response For Sunday, February 12, 2012

COLLECTION		Number of Envelopes	
		Used	Return Rate
Adult & Children	\$ 10,259.55	403	39%
Loose	1,227.21		
Latin America	5.00		
Parish Improvement	836.00	70	7%
Automatic Giving	1,169.00		
Classroom Donations	225.00		
Eastern Europe	<u>15.00</u>		
Total	\$ 13,736.76		

Number of Envelopes Mailed = 1031

Church Office Hours Presidents Day

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, February 20th.

In case of an emergency, please call 219-872-9196 and someone will return your call promptly!

The Staff of Queen of All Saints Parish

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Thank you to everyone for their continuous support of the SCRIP program!

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GUIDELINES FOR FAST & ABSTINENCE FOR THE LENTEN SEASON

FASTING

In the customary fast, those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

In the fast of the early Church, the fast began upon rising. No meals were taken until the customary work day ended at approximately 5 p.m. A glass of juice may be taken in the morning and simple liquids during the day, e.g., water, coffee, tea. The fast ends with a brief prayer, followed by an adequate meal. For many this may work as a more natural way to fast.

Ash Wednesday, & Good Friday through Holy Saturday

These days are marked by fasting and by abstinence from meat. Please note that these days are not part of Lent or the Lenten fast.

ABSTINENCE

Abstinence is to be practiced by all Catholics who are 14 years of age or older. Those who have celebrated their 59th birthday are welcome to share with the community in the practice of fasting. However, they should take appropriate care regarding their personal health conditions.

Traditional abstinence is the practice of refraining from meat and meat products.

Entering fully into the spirit of the Lenten fast, we are also encouraged to abstain from other foods, practices or activities. The Lenten fast is one of penance. Our self-denial is a way of emphasizing our dependence on God. Failure to observe individual days of penance is not considered serious. However, failure to observe a substantial number or all of the penitential days during Lent must be considered serious.

Abstinence is practiced on Ash Wednesday, on all Fridays during Lent and Good Friday through Holy Saturday.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Come & See Weekend

Sisters of St. Benedict, Ferdinand, Indiana - March 16-18, 2012 For single, Catholic woman between the ages of 18 to 40. Get to know our Benedictine sisters, share in our community life and prayer, and meet other women who are considering religious life - no pressure, no commitment! For more information or to register online, visit www.thedome.org, or call Sister Michelle Sinkhorn at 800-734-9999, or email vocation@thedome.org.

“Band of Sisters” Documentary

Parishioners and friends are cordially invited to a fundraising party for an important documentary film. “Band of Sisters” tells the unforgettable story of Catholic sisters in the U.S. in the last 50 years, their response to Vatican II and their involvement with social justice.

An exclusive screening of the work-in-progress will be shown SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2012, 2-4 PM, at the Notre Dame Parish Center, 1010 Moore Road, Michigan City. Drinks and light appetizers will be served.

Contributions are fully tax deductible. Inviting committee includes Maryan Carroll, Rev. Charles Doyle, Marge Gosnell, Dr. Monica Lorimer, Rev. Gerry Sroka, Gina and Jim Wilkinson.

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Thursday, March 16, 2012
7:00 – 9:00 pm

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When: The third Thursday of every month
Email: STMCareerGroup@gmail.com

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The LaPorte County Right to Life City Wide Student Assembly and Annual Banquet Dinner Thursday, March 29th

Mr. Steven Mosher is our very distinguished guest who will be exploring the issue of overpopulation, truth or myth?

City Wide Student Assembly: 1:15 pm. To 2:00

Queen of All Saints School, 1715 E. Barker, Michigan City
All private middle and high school students and home school students are invited. Please provide chaperones for your students. This educational event is free to all. Donation are very welcome.

Annual Banquet Dinner, 5:30 Registration, 6:00 dinner & Guest Speaker

Marquette High School Scholl Center, 306 W. 10th St., Michigan City, IN. For reservations call Sheryll Werner at 219.873.9084.

Tickets: \$20/person tickets, \$25/person at the door
Table hosts 8 seats/\$150

Any student wishing to help with the evening event for service hours is invited to call Sheryll Werner, 219 873-9084.

PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Special Lenten Program

Sponsored by: Diocesan P/S Justice Commission
Tuesday, Feb. 28th - 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Consolation Hall
8303 Taft, Merrillville

Topic: “Global Hunger”

Speakers:

Fr. Tom Mcquaid & Fellican Randriamanantenaso

From: Catholic Relief Services

The invitation to this Peace and Social Justice Program is extended to ALL parishioners.

There is no fee.

PARISH LIFE

REMINDER! TO ALL COUNCIL & COMMISSION MEMBERS!

If you missed the meeting that was held on February 6th, please attend the meeting being held on Monday, February 20th – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Consolation Parish.

All parishioners are welcomed at these sessions. If you are interested in the Pastoral Council and Commission structure, please attend.

PARISH LIFE

Northwest Indiana Catholic Subscription Renewal

February is National Catholic Press Month and the perfect time to consider the value of receiving a Catholic publication into your home for an annual rate of only **\$26**. Subscribe now through your parish by dropping a check or money order into the collection basket now through March 12. Credit or debit card users go to www.nwicatholic.com.

LORD, Heal My Soul
For I Have Sinned Against
YOU.

Rice Bowls

On Wednesday, February 22, Catholics around the world will begin their Lenten journey. For many Catholics in the United States, the spiritual journey of Lent is enriched by their participation in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl. For the six weeks of Lent, Operation Rice Bowl introduces participants to countries where poor communities are being strengthened by the work of the Catholic Church through Catholic Relief Services. A collection of short videos, personal stories, and simple meatless recipes from each country, along with a daily guide, provides reflections and ideas to enhance the Lenten experience for Catholics of all ages. As part of our community's observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in this program of prayer, fasting, learning and giving. Please be sure to take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Visit www.crs.org for more information.

Mardi Gras Family Night

Come enjoy a "**Fat Tuesday**" potluck with the members of the parish and spend part of the evening preparing activities to guide your family to grow in holiness during Lent.

When: Tuesday, February 21, 2012, 6:00 p.m.
Where: Queen of All Saints gym and cafeteria.

Please RSVP: to Mary LaBerge
at 873-6436 ext. 6436 by Feb. 15.

A-F: appetizer; **G-P:** main dish; **Q-Z:** dessert

A free will offering will be taken
to help defray the cost of materials.

Please bring an offering of nonperishable
food items to be donated to the food pantry.

Queen of All Saints Knights of Columbus #12951 Fish Fry

Served in the Queen of All Saints School Cafeteria from 4-7 p.m.

February 24: Profits go to Gibault Home for
troubled boys and girls in Terre Haute.
March 2: Profits go to Sharing Meadows
March 9: Profits go to Queen of All Saints School
March 23: Profits go to Queen of All Saints School
March 30: Profits go to Catholic Charities

Menu: Whitefish, Baked Potatoes or French Fries, Coleslaw,
Bread, Butter, & Applesauce.

Adults: \$8.50, **Seniors:** \$7.00, **Children:** \$5.00

NEW ITEM

Shrimp Dinners

Adults: \$7.50, **Seniors:** \$6.50, **Children:** \$5.00

Also available cheese pizza by the slice for \$1.75

FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION (AUGUST, 2011—JULY, 2012)

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Graf-Novak Families
Jerome Loniewski
Kemiell, Tuszynski & Regeski Families

Laughlin & Burkhardt Families
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Margaret R. Kniola Family
McElwee & Fein Families
Margaret Milcoff
Nicki & Karen Clemens
Paul, Rebich & Iddins Families
Pedzinski's & Dobbins Families
Prosser, Saturday & Ladwig Families
Satkoski-Levendoski Family & Arnold

Shermak-LaHanse Family
Stanton & Pliskey Families
Swistek-Dallie-McDougal Families
The Kolasa and Piecuch Families
The Sykes and Voss Families
The Ramion and Eckert Families
Verne & Eloise Cavanaugh Family

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