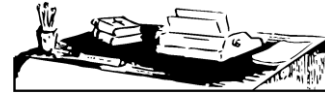




Mass Intentions



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Monday, February 20

6:30 a.m. Gloria & Sabino Lopez (S.I.)
12:10 p.m. Verna Starr

Tuesday, February 21

6:30 a.m. Flora Martini & Family (S.I.)
12:10 p.m. Florence Barbee

Wednesday, February 22 (Ash Wednesday)

6:30 a.m. Fr. Gustavo Lopez (S.I.)
8:15 a.m. Jeanette Blankman
12:10 p.m. Marcella Jones
5:30 p.m. Robert Gray

Thursday, February 23

6:30 a.m. Sandra Davies
12:10 p.m. For All Priests

Friday, February 24

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory
12:10 p.m. Mary Lou Field

Saturday, February 25

8:00 a.m. Tom & Jean Martin (S.I.)
4:30 p.m. Lawrence Batta

Sunday, February 26

7:30 a.m. Becky Korty
9:30 a.m. John Aschenberg
12:15 p.m. For all Parishioners



Dates to Remember

Monday, February 20

5:30 p.m. CCD Classes-SMC

Tuesday, February 21

7:00 p.m. Faithful City Prayer Group-SPC
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts-SPC

Wednesday, February 22

10:00 a.m. Rosary Makers-SMC
1:45 p.m. Confession-Church
7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. RCIA-SMC
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts-SPC

Thursday, February 23

1:00 p.m. Little Flowers-SMC & SPC
7:00 p.m. Hispanic Prayer-SMC

Friday, February 24

8:10 a.m. Pro-Life Rosary-Church
9:30 a.m. Mother's Prayer Apostolate-SPC
2:20 p.m. Stations of the Cross-Church
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross-Church
7:00 p.m. Hispanic Youth-SMC

Sunday, February 26

11:00 a.m. CCD Classes-SMC
7:00 p.m. Vespers

This Wednesday we begin the season of Lent -- a season of such great opportunity for spiritual growth.

What are some practical things that we might do this Lent to increase our love of God? What can we do to allow God to convert us completely? Here are just a few suggestions for Lent, 2012. And remember, be careful! If you try to do too much, or try to "do" without God's Grace, you may not succeed in anything.

- This Lent, get up earlier than anyone else in your house and spend your first 15 minutes of the day thanking God for the gift of life and offering your day to Him.

- Go to daily Mass. If you can't go daily, go to Mass on Fridays in addition to Sunday, and thank Him for offering His life for you.

- Spend at least 30 minutes in Eucharistic Adoration at least one time during the week. St. Elizabeth chapel needs committed adorers!

- Return to Reconciliation at least once during Lent -- after making a good examination of conscience.

- Make a decision to read at least some Scripture every day -- starting with TODAY'S! A book called The Better Part will help you learn to meditate using the Gospels.

- Make the Stations of the Cross each Friday of the Season of Lent -- if you have kids, bring them.

- Make it a habit to stop at least five times a day, raise your heart and mind to God, and say a short prayer such as "Jesus, I love you," or "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner," or "Lord, I offer it up for you."

- Pray each day for the intentions and health of the Holy Father.

- Pray each day for Bishop Doherty, Bishop Higi and all the bishops of the Catholic Church.

- Pray for your enemies. In fact, think of the person who has most hurt you or who most annoys you and spend several minutes each day thanking God for that person and asking God to bless him or her.

- Pray for an end to abortion on demand in the United States. Pray for pregnant women contemplating abortion.

- Find a form of fasting that is appropriate for you, given your age, state of health, and state of life.

- Find a written biography of a Saint that particularly appeals to you, and read it during Lent.

- Volunteer for Matrix, Project Gianna, Project Rachel, St. Ann's Soup Kitchen or the LUM Homeless Shelter. Serve the people there with the understanding that in so doing, you are serving Jesus. Try to see Jesus in each person there.

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Visit someone at a nursing home or in the hospital or sick at home -- ask Sr. Jane for suggestions. Again, love Jesus in and through the suffering person.

- Spend some quality time with your spouse, strengthening your marriage. Start praying together, or make praying together happen more often.

- Spend some quality time together with each of your children. Listen. Pray. Maybe even have fun!!

- Attend Parish Mission Days: March 10 - 15.

Just a few suggestions I can offer. If we give God the time, He will deepen our spiritual lives this Lent!

Fr. Tim, MI

Weekly Collection

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| Collected YTD | \$156,524.09 |
| Sunday, Feb. 12 | \$17,982.74 |
| Automatic Deposits | \$2,406.92 |

BUSTED!



The St. Boniface **SOUPER Bowl IV** has set another record! Last year, SOUPER Bowl III scored around \$2500. The final "score" for this year's collection was \$3463. This amount was multiplied by 5% by purchasing grocery gift cards at a 5% discount. In addition, Kroger and Marsh give the Soup Kitchen another 5 to 10% discount for quantity purchases. So the total of \$3463 was increased to at least \$3818! It's a modern day loaves and fishes miracle! Thank you for your generosity toward the hungry of our community. *Matthew 25!*

Christ is the light which illumines the way (Blessed John Paul II). The collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe illuminates the way for the people of the region by helping Catholic organizations provide food, shelter, medical care, and compassion for the depressed and lonely, in addition to pastoral care and catechesis. Your donation today helps to reinforce the Christian ideals of charity, family values, and kindness in a place of struggling in the aftermath of 70 years of atheistic Soviet rule. Please be generous to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections to learn more about the important projects funded by the collection.

Join the Faithful City Prayer Group to praise God, share His Word, and exercise the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Praise with live music will begin **Tuesday**, February 21, at 7 pm in the St. Philomena Center. All are welcome. For questions, call Chuck Bunnell (296-6955).



The 40 Days for Life Campaign will take place from February 22nd through April 1st both in the United States and worldwide. During this time, pray and fast for an end to abortion and volunteer to pray outside of the Lafayette Planned Parenthood. Please spread the word to your family members, neighbors, co-workers and your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ about this important life-saving effort. For additional information please contact Mrs. Mary Hall at 765-743-5576, Mrs. Donna Lynch at 765-497-1759 or Mrs. Janet Reust at janreust@yahoo.com or <http://www.40daysforlife.com/lafayette>

Habitat for Humanity Catholic House 2012

The six Catholic parishes in Lafayette/West Lafayette are gearing up to build our sixth Habitat for Humanity House in September. We will be seeking volunteers to help with fundraising, construction, and hospitality (feeding the workers). If you are interested in getting more involved with Habitat for Humanity through this Catholic House build, please contact Mary Ann Haan - jgmahaan@yahoo.com or 296-3510.

¿Te quieres casar por la Iglesia?

2 Platicas en Español. Ministerio Hispano

Días: 24 y 31 de Marzo del 2012

Horario: 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Donde: St Michael Center

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Ultimo día de registracion: 17 de Marzo/2012