

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Feb. 22	8:00am	+Francis & Marie Bertjens
Tuesday, Feb. 23	8:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday, Feb. 24	8:00am	+Dale O. & Patricia J. Kettler
Thursday, Feb. 25	1:30pm	Manor Care Nursing Home
Friday, Feb. 26	8:15am	+Ruth Gish
WEEKEND LITURGIES		
Saturday, Feb. 27	4:00pm	+Vernon Blindert
Sunday, Feb. 28	9:00am	+Dale & Marion Whitaker

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1st Sunday of Lent - Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
 Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19.
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15.
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32.
 Thursday: Est C: 12. 14-16, 23-25.
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26.
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 2nd Sunday of Lent: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/
 Phil. 3:17--41/Lk 9:28b-36.



REFLECTION

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." - Deuteronomy 26:10
 This simple line from the Old Testament presents us with two challenges. First, do we bring God our first fruits – the best that we have to offer? Second, do we remember that everything we have has been given to us by God? We brought nothing into this world and we can take nothing from it. So why not share what we have while we are here?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Augustine — Wednesday, February 24 - 7:15pm

"Bear Fruit In The Future" (Luke 13-9)



The words from the Gospel of Luke serve as the theme for the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Diocese of Madison. Next weekend, our Pastor, Fr. Charles will be preaching at all Masses to inform us about this Appeal and to encourage our generous support.

Contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal not only support ministries, education and services today, they also help to assure a strong future for Diocese of Madison and the people that it serves.

Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal campaign is much different than a one time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over five months.

This week, you are asked to pray for the success of this important appeal. As you consider your contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Diocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given as a sign of your gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Diocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Diocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses on the weekend of March 6-7.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

With Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the families of:

Alma H. Nodell, sister of Mervin (Berniece) Broihahn, who died Friday, February, 5th;
 Elwyan Stodola, father of Tom (Mary) Stodola, who died Tuesday, February 16th;
 Gerald Scheppers, husband of Elvera, who died Tuesday, February 16th.
 Dave Shea, grandson of Murt and Gen Shea, who died Wednesday, February 17th

*Eternal rest grant unto them Oh, Lord
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace.*

Pray For Us!

Please remember to pray for our candidates and catechumens today as they travel to Waunakee for the Rite of Election and Continuing Conversion. Our catechumens are Lee Swindall & Brittney Richert and our candidates are Ranae Carey, Danielle Feit, Alisha Parrott, Maria Perry & Neil Riley.

Sat., Feb. 27 4:00pm	Sun., Feb. 28 9:00am
Altar Servers	
Kiayia Jackering Mary Ann Klar Jacob Klein Zach Klein	Cole Reuter Brooke Runde Melanie Schaefer Tyler Schaefer
Lectors & Leader of Prayer	
Kent Scheuerell Bob Bodden Deacon Bill Bussan	Jackie Kieler Mark Ihm Deacon Bill Bussan
Sacristan	
Tom Stodola	Dona Lofy
Music Ministry	
Boddens	Open Ensemble
Greeters	
Tammie VanNatta Brian & Marie Whisenant Mike & Vicki Worachek	Rosemary Anderson Howard & Cathy Brooks Jack Flogel Mark & Sheila Kelley
SCRIP	
Julie Klein	Chris Budden

MINI LENTEN RETREAT

The Platteville Catholic Adult Faith is offering a mini Lenten retreat on Thursdays: Feb. 18, 25 & Mar. 4 at 7pm in the St. Mary Hospitality Room. We will view a 3 part DVD by Fr. Robert Barron on the topic (Untold Blessings" followed by prayer and reflection . Come one night or all 3 times. For information contact Diane Drefcinski or Tom Stodola. If there is any interest in a day time viewing, please contact Diane.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS - St. Mary Parish and the CCW are seeking donations to defray the cost of flowers and decorations. Envelopes for donations for particular items are on a table by the center entrance of church and can be dropped in the collection basket or at the rectory. If you wish your gift to be a memorial, please indicate this on the envelope so we may acknowledge it.

SIXTH ANNUAL DIOCESAN — MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis and the Knights of Divine Mercy invite all Catholic men to join their brothers in Christ for the sixth annual diocesan men's Lenten retreat from (March 5-6) Friday 7pm- Sat 5pm. This short retreat promises an opportunity to pursue your Lenten journey through spiritual talks (Bishop Morlino & 3 priests) and time for reflection and prayer. Check it out & register online @ www.MadisonDiocese.org , then click on 'Catholic Life/ Live it' in upper left hand corner. Or call 608.821.3181. Brochures may be available in the back of church.

**Sunday, Feb. 28 after Mass
Home & School Homemade Cinnamon Roll Sale**

SURF'S UP

MAKE SURE TO HOLD THE DATE SATURDAY, MARCH 27TH

Annual St. Mary School Auction at the Governor Dodge Convention Center We are looking for donations from businesses and/or Parish members Ideas include: Sports Tickets, New Electronics (TV's, Video Game Machines, etc) Gift Certificates to area attractions/ hotel stays. Donate a talent or service (salons, massage, car wash, landscaping/yard work) If you or your business would like to donate, contact Linda Murphy at 348-2513. We look forward to seeing you there!

St. Mary Council of Catholic Women meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 24 has been rescheduled for Monday, Mar. 1 due to a conflict. This meeting will be held at 7pm in the church hospitality room and involve budget planning for the year as well as pre-planning for the Spring Salad Supper. The CCW recently purchased 300 chili/soup sized bowls for the kitchen so we could cut down on the use of disposable products.

Catholic Heart Workcamp Fundraiser: We have teamed up with Younkers in the Kennedy Mall, Dubuque, IA to send 8 students to Knoxville, TN. Younkers Sponsors Community Day - a 1 day shopping event in which you purchase a coupon book for \$5. which contains a \$10 coupon (on your first purchase) good on almost any merchandise item of \$10 or more. Community day is Saturday, Feb. 27. Booklets are available after the weekend Masses on Feb. 20/21 or in the parish office. More info call Chris at 348-9735 or Nancy Salzmann at 348-7195.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Wednesday, Feb. 24 - Grades 1-6, class at St. Mary's, 3:30pm.

Sunday, Feb. 28 - Confirmation Class at St. Augustine, 4pm.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Tuesday - Mission Sewing, 8:30 - 10:30am.

RCIA at St. Augustine, 7pm.

Finance - 5:30pm.

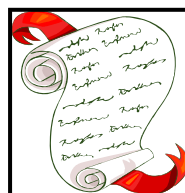
Wednesday - Rel. Ed. See below.

Joint Pastoral Outreach, 7pm at St. Augustine.

Thursday - Pastoral Council, 7pm.

Friday - Scripture Sharing, 9:00am.

Sunday - Home & School Homemade Cinnamon Roll Sale after Mass.



SIGN-UP-NOW! For the Dead Sea Scrolls Bus Trip. Reservations have been made to see the Dead Sea Scrolls at the Milwaukee Public Museum.

The bus trip will cost \$18 and tickets for the exhibit are \$24 adults, \$22 seniors (60+), teens and college students; and \$17 for children, \$5 for an audio headset. Please sign up as soon as possible for this outing as viewing is by appointment only. We have only seven spots left so sign-up now . Form is in the back of the church.

VOLUNTEER/S NEEDED to chair the Easter Holiday Baskets. The chair of this project would be responsible for helping to plan the Easter menu and getting a few people to help call for food donations. We also spend about an hour and a half sorting and packing about 50 boxes with the food. (We have a great list of persons willing to donate food so call list is ready.) If you can help with this project please call Linda at 348-9735. Thanks

EVENTS IN THE AREA

Wed. Feb. 24 **St. Patrick Parish, Benton, Lasagna Supper** 4:30-7pm in parish hall.

Wed., Mar. 3 **Holy Ghost Parish, Dickeyville** , The Knights of Columbus Council #765 (Cuba City, Dickeyville, Kieler) will be hosting a Spaghetti Supper serving from 4:30-7:30 pm in school gym. This is a fundraiser for the refurbishing of the crucifixion Statues at the Dickeyville Grotto.

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