

Sunday, February 21, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 22, 2010

6:30am TLM

8:00am † Vincent J. Endres/Roy and Agnes Schoepp

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

6:30am Special Intention

8:00am For the living and deceased of St. Norbert's Parish Family

Wednesday, February 24, 2010

6:30am Stephen Howard

8:00am † Germain Breunig

Thursday, February 25, 2010

6:30am Don and Ethel Howard Family

8:00am † John Raab/Rich and Eleanore Fassbender

Friday, February 26, 2010

6:30am Maria Klimek

8:00am † Art Morschauser

Saturday, February 27, 2010

4:00pm † Marcella M. Breunig

8:00pm † Louis Breunig/Marvin and Carol Frey

Sunday, February 28, 2010

8:00am † Robert Frey/Glenn and Dorothy Mack

11:00am *The Consecrated Ladies of the SJCP*

EASTER FLOWERS

Anyone interested in donating an Easter flower in memory of or in honor of a loved one is asked to place your \$20 donation in an envelope with your name, your phone number, the person you are requesting the flower for all clearly printed on it and place it in the collection. Or you may contact Bev at 643-6912 or Carol at 643-3807. All requests are due on Sunday, March 28.

BAPTISM

Little Brinkley Genevieve Eslinger was baptized on Saturday. Congratulations to the proud parents, Bill and Erin Ziegler Eslinger, and a warm welcome to little Brinkley Genevieve.

NEW MEMBERS

St. Norbert's Parish Family would like to welcome our newest members: Rick and Marie Ruetten, and Doug and Kari Haselwander and their daughter, Marissa. May all of you find a very happy home among us.

TO REQUEST A MASS

Please contact Juanita Wipperfurth at 643-8108 for mass intentions, this includes Traditional Latin Masses. Or you may place an envelope in the collection labeled "mass intentions" with your PRINTED request, phone number and a \$10 stipend payable to St. Norbert Parish. There are still quite a few daily 8:00am masses available in March.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements and information for the bulletin are due on Wednesdays. Please contact Juanita at 643-8108.

SOME 2009 RECEIPTS STILL AVAILABLE

There are still quite a few 2009 receipts that have not been picked up. If you have not taken yours yet, please do so this weekend after Mass. The box is located on the back register.

BULLETIN INSERT

Inserted in each bulletin is a letter from Father Miguel's concerning Lent. And on the back side of his letter is a memo from the Bishop concerning St. Al's Middle School. Also inserted is a purple flyer that contains information about the various Lenten activities in all the cluster parishes. A special thank you to Ann over at St. Aloysius for all her hard work in preparing this insert.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2010

"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, Father 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.

MASS SERVERS

Sat. Feb. 20 @ 4:00pm - *Tristan Blechinger, Clayton Radl

Sat. Feb. 20 @ 8:00pm - Bryant Ziegler, Nik Marx

Sun. Feb. 21 @ 8:00am - Cameron Maier, Jackson Breunig

Sat. Feb. 27 @ 4:00pm - Josh Holler, Devin Ballweg

Sat. Feb. 27 @ 8:00pm - Cole Miller, Brendan Ballweg

Sun. Feb. 28 @ 8:00am - *Michael Breunig, Francis Sisul

* = new server

On Friday, March 12 from 5:30 - 7:30pm all servers are invited to training, pizza and a movie.

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday: 30 minutes before the 8:00am mass

Thursdays: 5:00pm - 5:45pm

Saturday and Sundays: 1 hour before all masses

30 minutes before and after the TLM masses

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Choir Rehearsals Wednesdays: Senior Choir at 5:30pm and Junior Choir at 6:45pm. Latin Mass Choir Rehearsal Thursdays at 7:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays after the 8:00am Mass.

Thursdays after Benediction at 6:00pm.

Wednesday, March 3 at 7:35pm. Especially for all RE students and their families and anyone else interested in participating.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration on Thursdays following the 8:00am Mass until Benediction at 5:45pm.

OLD PALMS

Please bring in your old palms and place them in the box at the main entrance of the church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preschool - Sixth Grades: Class Sundays, 9:00 - 10:00am.

We would like to thank the Ninth Grade Religious Education Students, their families and their teachers, Mike Schoepp and Yolanda Piedra, who attended Mass last Sunday as a class and as a family. Though you were few in number your presence meant a lot.

Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh Grades: Class Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:30pm

Please call the Religious Education Office at 643-6611 to report an absence.

LENTEN TALKS

On Tuesdays in Lent, at St. Aloysius, starting at 7:00pm, there will be informative talks, lasting less than an hour, followed by questions and answers. Tuesday, February 23 the topic will be: *What Is a Sacrament?* On Fridays in Lent St. Barnabas will offer Soup and Lenten talks, starting with soup at 6:00pm and talks at 6:30pm. Friday, February 26 the topic will be: *Church practices: saints, holy water, the Virgin Mary, etc.*

REGISTRATION FORMS

Thank you to everyone who has already filled out and returned a registration form. If you still need to return yours, you may place it in the box available on the register at the back of church, drop it in the collection basket, or mail it to the parish at 8944 County Road Y, Sauk City, WI 53583 attention Juanita.

Last week we sent out registration forms to all previously registered parishioners that we hadn't received a registration form from and many of you already returned them, thank you. Please notify Juanita at 643-8108 or the office at 643-6611 with any changes in your membership status or if you did not receive one. We ask that all forms be turned in by February 28. In March we will do one more mailing and then we will start making phone calls, please help save our volunteers some time and the parish some money and turn your forms in as soon as possible. Additional forms are available at all bulletin stations and in the pamphlet rack.

DIVINE MERCY OFFERS RAY OF HOPE DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES

Starting this March 3rd up to Divine Mercy Sunday, join the Apostolate for Family Consecration, St. Aloysius, St. Mary and the cluster parishes as we pray for the outpouring of Divine Mercy on our families and our country for the protection of families, the sanctity of marriage and human life, for those struggling with unemployment, for the recovery of our economy, for the safety of our military personnel in the Middle East and for grace and guidance for our civil leaders.

For 40 days, we will reflect on God's greatest attribute using the *Drawing Down Divine Mercy Prayer and Meditation* book. It's a perfect daily meditation for the Lenten Season. *Drawing Down Divine Mercy Prayer and Meditation* book is a complete presentation on the richness of the Divine Mercy devotion. It features excerpts taken from Pope John Paul II's encyclical, "Rich in Mercy", and St. Faustina's writings arranged into 40 daily meditations. It also includes the prayers for the Divine Mercy novena which Our Lord gave to St. Faustina to be prayed from Good Friday until Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope John Paul II spoke often of the strength of Divine Mercy. During the Jubilee Year 2000, he officially designated the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, or the Feast of Mercy, to show the trust he placed in the devotion.

Purchase your copy of *Drawing Down Divine Mercy* at St. Aloysius parish office or visit www.familyland.org and click on *Drawing Down Divine Mercy* for free resources including the book *Drawing Down Mercy*, video and audio items. Also look for other opportunities to learn about Divine Mercy throughout this Lenten season in the cluster parishes. Questions contact Kevin Blau at kab68@wildblue.net or 643-2449. God Bless your Lenten journey.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sat. Feb. 20 @ 4:00pm - Eric and Heidi Breunig
Sat. Feb. 20 @ 8:00pm - Darren and Patty Latham
Sun. Feb. 21 @ 8:00am - Olivia Flanagan and Family
Sat. Feb. 27 @ 4:00pm - Julie and Mike Rogers
Sat. Feb. 27 @ 8:00pm - Simon Patterson and Family
Sun. Feb. 28 @ 8:00am - The Eighth Grade Religious Education Class
Sat. Mar. 6 @ 4:00pm - Hannah Kruckman and Family
Sat. Mar. 6 @ 8:00pm - Macy Ziegler and Family
Sun. Mar. 7 @ 8:00am - Confirmation Students
Sat. Mar. 13 @ 4:00pm - Dylan Andrews and Family
Sat. Mar. 13 @ 8:00pm - Brad and Deb Miller
Sun. Mar. 14 @ 8:00am - The Sixth Grade Religious Education Class
Sat. Mar. 20 @ 4:00pm
Sat. Mar. 20 @ 8:00pm - Ken and Pat Annen
Sat. Mar. 21 @ 8:00am - The Seventh Grade Religious Education Class

Please contact Juanita at 643-8108 if you can volunteer to help with the offertory gifts.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Feb. 21 Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast at St. Aloysius in the school gym serving from 8:00am - noon. All emergency personnel are invited to come in their uniform to breakfast as a guest of the Knights of Columbus.**
- Feb. 21 Country Style Breakfast at St. Peter School Hall, Ashton serving from 8:00am - noon sponsored by the Ashton Ridgerunners Snowmobile Club.
- Feb. 21 Knights of Columbus BINGO at St. Thomas Church, Poynette beginning at 1:00pm.
- Feb. 23 Latin Mass Server Training, 6:30 - 7:45pm.
- Feb. 26 Catholic School Fish Fry Co-Sponsored by Catholic Knights at St. Peter Parish, Ashton serving from 5:00 - 8:00pm.
- Feb. 28 All You Can Eat Country Breakfast at St. Martin's Parish Center, Martinsville, serving from 8:30am - 12:30pm. Sponsored by St. Martin's CCW.
- Feb. 28 Pork Hock N' Kraut Dinner at St. James, Madison, serving from 11:30am - 4:30pm.
- Mar. 5 Fish Fry at St. Luke, Plain serving from 5:00 - 8:00pm.
- Mar. 6 Sauk Prairie Music Association BINGO in the St. Aloysius School Gym. Doors open at 6:00pm. Games start promptly at 7:00pm.
- Mar. 7 Knights of Columbus BINGO at St. Thomas Church, Poynette. BINGO beginning at 1:00pm.
- Mar. 7 Chili Supper at St. John Lutheran Church, Leland, serving from 3:30 - 7:00pm.
- Mar. 9 Knights of Columbus Meeting in the Church Hall at 7:00pm.
- Mar. 9 Latin Mass Server Training, 6:30 - 7:45pm.
- Mar. 12 Server Training, Pizza and a Movie from 5:30 - 7:30pm.
- Mar. 12 Fish Fry at St. Peter Parish, Ashton, serving from 5:00 - 8:00pm.
- Mar. 16 Parish Council Meeting in the Church Hall starting at 6:30pm.
- Mar. 20 CCW Luncheon Card Party. Lunch at 12:30pm. Cards to follow until 3:30pm. Sponsored by Group 11 of the CCW.
- Mar. 21 CCW Meeting at 9:00am in the Church Hall.
- Apr. 17 Group 13 of the CCW will be Cleaning the Church starting at 8:00am.

Dear parishioners,

This past Wednesday we began the season of Lent, a time to prepare ourselves to celebrate the greatest mysteries of our salvation: the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This time of preparation can be seen as a journey, a Lenten journey of conversion.

The first thing we must do in this journey is to make sure we are going the right way, towards God. We might need to turn the right way, and that means to turn from our sinful ways that lead us away from God. A good and thorough examination of conscience before a contrite and sincere confession will certainly be a great way to start this journey. Confession brings a plus, because with the forgiveness of our sins we begin our journey throwing away the excess weight that we carry from our sins and we receive the grace from God to do better and to fight off temptation.

But that is only the beginning. We must actively walk to God; we must get nearer to Him. Prayer will help us get to know him better. Talk to Him; spend some time with Him. Adoration on Thursdays is a great opportunity to do that. A visit to the Blessed Sacrament is an act of love that Our Lord appreciates very much and that always leaves us refreshed.

Another great way of getting to know Him better is by learning more about our Faith. How long has it been since we read or studied about our Faith? The basic catechism that we learned when we were preparing for our First Communion and Confirmation is not enough. There is always more to learn about God and his Revelation. There are many Catholics who did not receive a solid formation when they were getting ready to receive the sacraments, others never had the opportunity, there are others who may just wish to review or learn more about the teachings and commandments of God and of the Church. For one reason or another, it is always very fruitful to learn more about our Faith. It is not enough to know that God and the Church teach this or that. We have to know the reasons; we must know why things are the way they are. Only then will we see and appreciate the beauty of our Faith. It is a gift from God, a treasure dearer and more precious than our own life. Understanding our Faith and the reason for God's commandments will allow us to practice it with joy and gratitude. It will help us live and defend it in a world that encourages ways opposite our Faith. It is easier to follow God's will if we understand the reasons why He wants things the way He decided them to be. Have you heard something in the news about the Catholic faith you are not sure about? Have you heard something in a homily that you had never heard before? Why does Father do this or that? What is the Mass and what do its different parts mean? What is the Church's position on marriage, contraception, life, death, sin, forgiveness, etc? Why? Some of these questions can be answered by attending the Lenten talks that are going to be given at St. Aloysius during the coming weeks. Reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church is also a very good option. You are also welcome to come and talk to me. I would be more than happy to meet with anyone who wants to know more about why we do things the way we do or any other question related to our Faith and Morals.

I would like to finish this Lenten encouragement by directing your attention to an article that was published in the New York Times and was reprinted last week in the Catholic Herald titled "Latin Mass appeal." Take a moment to read it if you still have not done so. This article does not just talk about the Latin Mass. It talks about Pope Benedict's desire to bring to the Church a renewal in the Liturgy. "*[Pope] Benedict understands that his younger priests and seminarians – most born after Vatican II – are helping lead a counterrevolution. They value the beauty of the solemn high Mass and its accompanying chant, incense, and ceremony. Priests in cassocks and Sisters in habits are again common; traditionalists societies like the Institute of Christ the King are expanding.*" Our Pope wants us Catholics to treat the Eucharist with more reverence. He wants us to follow the commandments of God and of the Church with conviction and determination. He wants young priests, religious Brothers and Sisters to fall in love with Jesus Christ and to give a witness to the world of fidelity to the Church's teachings. He wants us to put our Faith above any other human interest or goal. The Society of Jesus Christ the Priest is trying to spearhead – along with many other new movements in the Church – Pope Benedict's desire to bring back "order and meaning" to our Faith.

May God grant you a blessed beginning of Lent,

Fr. Miguel



February 17, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the course of the last several months, steps have been taken to prepare St. Aloysius for the addition of grades 6-8 in the fall of 2010. While progress was being made in this direction, we now face a situation that is much different than that for which we had begun preparing six months ago.

After meeting with Fr. Jared Hood, and after committing our deliberations to prayerful consideration, I have concluded that, due to a variety of circumstances not the least of which is the merger between St. Aloysius, St. Mary Health of the Sick, and St. Camillus, the time is not right to add the middle school grades to St. Aloysius School. Consequently, St. Aloysius School will remain as it is, extending only through grade five. It will remain so for the 2010-2011 school year and into the foreseeable future.

As we prepare to enter the Season of Lent, let us join together in prayer that we may open our hearts and minds to the Spirit working within us, that we may always seek to know and enact God's Will for our lives.

As always, I am,

Faithfully yours in Christ,

+ Robert C. Morlino
Most Reverend Robert C. Morlino
Bishop of Madison

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