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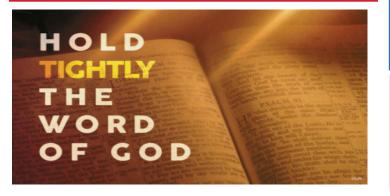
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Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you prostate yourself and worship me."

Matthew 4:8-9



DYING TO SELF

In today's Gospel we see Christ in the desert, struggling with the tempter. Through prayer, fasting, and fidelity to the word of God he emerges victorious.

We all have to face temptations. Lent provides us with a great opportunity to intensify our efforts to overcome them. Let us reflect for a moment on our worst and constant temptation.

Through the grace of Christ we too can be victorious over our temptations.

Lord, through the grace of this holy season you call us to repentance. Lord, have mercy.

Through the grace of this holy season you help us to die to self. Christ, have mercy.

Through the grace of this holy season you help us to renew our hearts and our lives. Lord, have mercy.

1st READING (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7). This deals with the tempting of Adam and Eve. In spite of all God did for them, at the first suggestion of the tempter, they disobeyed him.

2nd READING (Romans 5:12-19). By his obedience to God, Christ undid the harm done by the disobedience of Adam.

GOSPEL (Matthew 4:1-11). This Gospel shows that, like us, Jesus had to struggle against evil. He was tempted in every way that we are, but he did not succumb.



Stations of the Cross are held every Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm

First Sunday of Lent February 26, 2023

Mass Schedule

Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 7:00 pm

Weekdays: 8:00 am

Holy Rosary: Daily at 7:30 am

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm **Reconciliation**: Weekday 7:30 am - 7:50 am Saturdays: 7:30 - 7:50am and 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the date you wish to request.

Baptism: Pre-baptismal class for parents, who are contributing members of the parish for at least 3 months, is required. Class is held 2nd Sunday of the month, 9:30 am in Deacon Terry's office. Pre-register at 551-9004. Baptisms held during weekend Masses (your choice of Mass) on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. Regular Church attendance is required.

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\$468,016.00. Again, thank you for your contributions! Milwaukee is totaling up the amounts and we will keep you informed. If you decide to contribute, there are envelopes available on the table in back of church.

Please Pray for Marian Fathers

Please pray for the sick and homebound: Alvin Arndt, Jr., Prayer Heidi Arndt, Mary Baas, Requests Hannah Basquez, Victoria Basquez. Barb Behringer,



Debbie Beier, Angelika Bierzynska, Fred Biskup, Gerald Bitto, Jackie Branscomb, Darlene Brodieski, Richard Bulik, Monica Burr, Frances Cargille, Michele Carlson, Ken Dempsey, Thelma Dunnum, Diane Formella, Jeff Fraid, Tom Degener, Nancy Fiore, Frank Fonk, Michael Glidden, Philip Golle, Robert Hagen, Megan Heise, Waltraud Henry, Charles Hilleshiem, Ronda Hoening, Agnieszka Jaworska, Shannon Kafura, Paul Kaminski, Mirjam Koehler, Tom Land, Carol Lytkowski, Luisa Maravilla, Rose Martin, Dennis Massie, Stephen Matelski, George Mich, Robert McGinley, Nadine Niesen, Eva Niesen, Tim Niesen, Betty Olson, Jack Otahal, Dr. Nora S. Perez, Poplawski, Jacob Reindl, Frank Rhodes, Latzia Rizzitano, Carol Robillard, Elizabeth Rocco, Michelle Rodden, Lillian Romanowski, Arlene Rymes, Christine Savage, Darrell & Irene Schimek. Michelle Schranz, Marianne & Dieter Schumacher, Sue Seymour, Deacon Richard Stanula, Robert Stark, Laura Straate, Stephanie Sucher, Kenneth Dale Swanson, Shirley Swanson, Paul Vagnoni, Kathy Walter, Alice Waznewski, Daisy Williams, Pearl Wegner, Stephen Welsch, Leona Werner, Anthony Yust, Florence Zalatoris

The Women's League will join together for the 8:00 am Mass

on **Sunday, March 5th.** and will be meeting after Mass in the Club Room.





THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will have their next meeting on Thursday, March 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Club Room. All men are welcome to attend.

GOSPA Craft Group is having a craft sale in the lobby on Saturday, March 4th and Sunday, March 5th.



The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (5) "Dress in Your Sunday Best!"

From Fr. Michael Baker, MIC



A couple of years back while serving as a chaplain on the campus of Franciscan University

of Steubenville, a student came to me, dressed casually in jeans, an untucked t-shirt with sandals, and no socks, sat down in the chair opposite me and quipped: "it's ok for me to go to Mass dressed like this, right?"

Rather than give him an immediate answer, I responded like any good teacher would, with a question. I asked him: "If you got an invitation to go meet with the Queen of England or another powerful world leader— let's suppose a president or a prime minister—would you go dressed like that? He answered: "No. I'd wear my best."

He got the point. So often we're willing to dress up for a first date, a job interview, a wedding or a funeral, a family photograph, or even to make a good first impression, but when it comes to assisting at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, many of us are content to just come as we are—casual, and sometimes less than casual. Why?

I went on to explain to this young man that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the most important event that happens on the face of the earth—more important than any gathering of world leaders, the signing of a global peace accord, the inauguration of a monarch or an international trade agreement. In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, heaven and earth kiss at the moment of the Consecration, and Jesus Christ Himself, is once again made present on the sacred altar, in an un-bloody manner, representing the Sacrifice He made for you

and for me, to the Father, through the hands of His priests! There's absolutely nothing more important on the face of the earth! And for this reason, when we dress for Holy Mass, we dress to meet God.

A good rule of thumb to remember, and it stands to reason, is that we dress appropriately for whatever the occasion we find ourselves in. Meaning, the way I dress at the poolside or while at home doing yard work, will look entirely different from the way I dress for work, school, or Church.

And remember, this may vary depending on background, family, and income. This is why we call it "Sunday best." Not everyone can afford a suit, but everyone can have a nice set of clothing that they keep for special occasions, such as Holy Mass. What is important is that it is appropriate, respectful, and dignifying to the person.

It's important, not only because it shows due respect for God, but also because it edifies our neighbor, and lifts the solemnity of the occasion to a whole new level. We

are our brother's keeper!

Let us consider the example we set to our



children, grandchildren, and neighbor. How we dress often reveals what we truly believe inside. And while it is true, as the saying goes, that the habit does not make the monk; the monk makes the habit; the habit sure does help the monk to be in the right mindset.

(to be continued)

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 26, First Sunday of Lent

8:00 †Richard Loewen by wife, Suzanne

10:30 †Edward Schlecht by Schlecht Family

7:00 †Casimir Rogowski by Daughter

Monday, February 27

8:00 †David Bleashka by Scott & Susan Sheaffer

Tuesday, February 28

8:00 †Carmen Gloria by Isabel G. Martinez

— People of St. Peter's Parish

Wednesday, March 1

8:00 †Christine Cripps by Rhonda Hemmings

Thursday, March 2

8:00 †Lee Maack by Family

First Friday, March 3

8:00 †Thoele-Perez-Salapare-Reyes Families (living & deceased) by Karl & Maria Thoele

First Saturday, March 4

8:00 Shirley Paris by Family

5:00 †Elizabeth Watkins by William Watkins

Sunday, March 5, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 †Women's League (living & deceased members)

10:30 †Hal Larson by Christine McGrath 7:00 †Charles Baumann by Kurt Baumann

Schedule of Lector March 4/5

 $5:00 \; \mathrm{pm} - \mathrm{K.} \; \mathrm{Dosemagen}$

8:00 am — J. Koehler

10:30 am — Hassett Family

7:00 pm — K. Baumann

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Bible Study During this Lenten season please join us for a journey through the Gospel of John. The youngest Apostle, who stood at the foot of the cross, proclaims the story of God's salvation through Christ's life, death and resurrection. This 6 week Session will be held on **Wednesdays, beginning March 1 at 9:30am - 11am** in the All Purpose Room. Any questions, contact Rose Parquette at (262) 654-5594.

Once again we will be having the St. Peter's Parish annual Soup Social Gathering after Stations of the Cross during the



Lenten season. Gatherings will be held in the parish cafeteria immediately after Stations of the Cross beginning on **March 3rd and going through March 31st.** If you would care to bring soup or bread to share, contact Carol Lytkowski or Rose Parquette or by calling the parish office. Also, if you know of anyone who would like to attend the Soup Gathering or would like to donate soup/bread, please let them know of the information. Thank you and may God bless you, Rose Parquette (262)654-5594.



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