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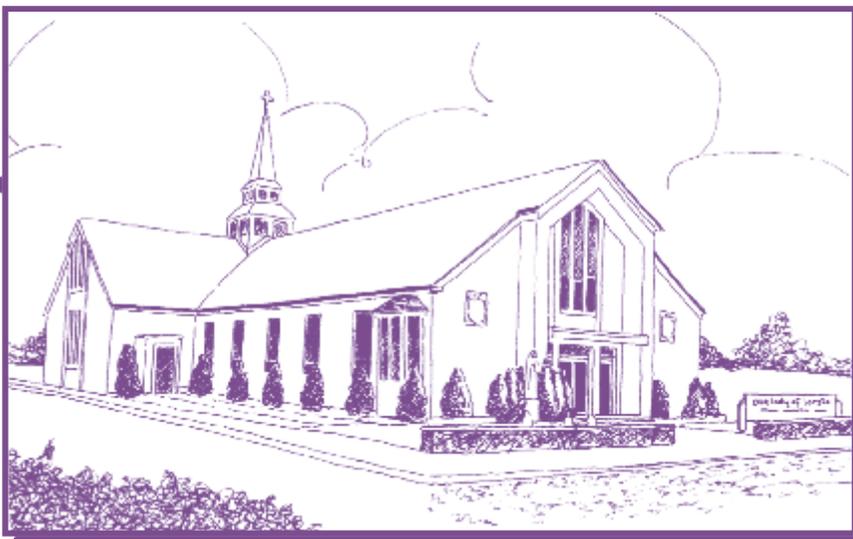
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*Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday
of the Month*

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*Meets the 1st & 3rd Monday
Of the Month*

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9AM to 1PM

Schedule of Masses:

Saturday Vigil..... 5:00PM • 7:30PM (Brazilian)

Sunday 8:30AM • 10:30AM

Confessions:

Saturdays at 4:00PM or by appointment.

Baptisms:

By appointment. A Baptismal Preparation Program is required. Please call the rectory three months prior to the birth of your child.

Marriages:

Arrangements must be made one year prior to the date of marriage.

Care Of The Sick:

Please advise us of anyone from your family who is homebound, sick or in the hospital that we might keep them in our prayers, visit them or bring them communion, or administer the anointing of the sick.

Holy Orders:

If you feel God may be calling you to serve as a priest, see the pastor or call the vocation office at 331-1316 or visit www.catholicpriest.com.

WELCOME! If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at the Rectory. We want to know you and serve you. We hope you will support your parish by your prayers, your presence and your talents.

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| February | 27 | Saturday |
| 5:00PM | | <i>Manuel J. Gonsalves
& Virginia DePina Faulkner
By their Family</i> |
| | | Brazilian Mass |
| 7:30PM | | |
| February | 28 | Sunday |
| 8:30AM | | <i>For the People of the Parish</i> |
| 10:30AM | | Mass |
| March | 1 | Monday |
| 6:40AM | | Rosary |
| 7:00AM | | Mass |
| March | 2 | Tuesday |
| 6:40AM | | Rosary |
| 7:00AM | | Mass |
| March | 3 | Wednesday |
| 6:40AM | | Rosary |
| 7:00AM | | Mass |
| March | 5 | First Friday |
| 6:30PM | | Stations of the Cross |
| 7:00PM | | Mass |
| March | 6 | Saturday |
| 5:00PM | | <i>Brian Andrew Lundstrom
By his Grandparents</i> |
| | | Brazilian Mass |
| 7:30PM | | |
| March | 7 | Sunday |
| 8:30AM | | Mass |
| 10:30AM | | <i>For the People of the Parish</i> |



COLLECTION
February 21:
Budget \$4,451.00

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OPERATION RICE BOWL

HUNGER IN OUR WORLD
 Jesus told us that whatever we did for one of these least brothers of his we did for him. Reflect on the challenge of global hunger it is a reality for millions of our sisters and brothers. What will you do to support the hungry in our community and around the world?

BETTER MEALS IN MADAGASCAR
 In Madagascar, half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. But communities are changing this by focusing on improving health and nutrition. What role has food played in your life? How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food.

What Catholics Believe
From the Catechism of the Catholic Church .

**THE MYSTERIES OF JESUS' PUBLIC LIFE
& JESUS' TEMPTATIONS**

"The kingdom of God is at hand"

"Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying: **'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent, and believe in the gospel.'**" "To carry out the will of the Father Christ inaugurated the kingdom of heaven on earth." Now the Father's will is "to raise up men to share in his own divine life". He does this by gathering men around his Son Jesus Christ. This gathering is the Church, "on earth the seed and beginning of that kingdoms".

Christ stands at the heart of this gathering of men into the "family of God"



In your Charity please pray for the deceased members and friends of the parish.



Prayer Corner

Praying on the 2nd Sunday of Lent

Listen!

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. The readings for this second Sunday in Lent invite us to listen and to trust that God will lead us in ways that are life-giving.

Abraham learns that he can trust God with the life of his precious son, even though what he is asked to do seems contrary to all God's previous promises. His obedience and faithfulness are blessed by God (First Reading). **St. Paul** reminds us that, since God gave up his only Son as his gift to us, we can be certain that he will not refuse us anything that we ask. God is on our side! We can trust him for our needs (Second Reading). **In the Gospel**, we hear Jesus ask for a different kind of trust from Peter, James and John. After seeing Jesus transfigured in all his glory on the mountain top, they are asked to listen and believe in him, but to wait for the right time to speak of all they have seen and heard.

AS Catholic **Christians** we are observing this period of time as **lent**, which began on **Ash Wednesday**. It marks the **forty-day fasting** and **prayers of Jesus Christ in the wilderness**. Lent is a special time of **prayer, penance, sacrifice** and **good works** in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Please remember to pray for Our Lady of Loreto's parish family, for the members of our parish community who are homebound, and for the residents of Linn Health Care and Winslow Gardens that our parish serves weekly.

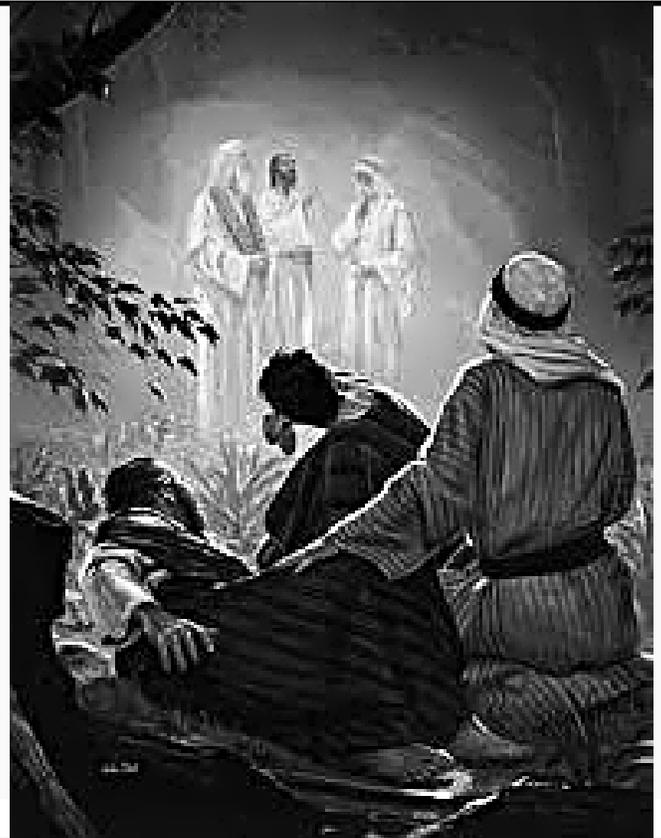
Our Lady of Loreto's Prayer Group would like to remind anyone wishing to offer a prayer or a special intention, to please use the prayer intention book in the **main candle room** or you may contact our *prayer team* by calling the parish office **(434-3535)** during regular business hours or email us at : **Loreto5@ymail.com**. If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call us! Due to confidentiality please tell us what the intention is only. ***From your lips to God's ears—the power of prayer at work!***

Baltimore Catechism Quiz

Last week's question: What is the altar stone, and of what does it remind us?

Last week's answer: *The altar stone is that part of the altar upon which the priest rests the Chalice during Mass. This stone contains some holy relics sealed up in it by the bishop, and if the altar is of wood this stone is inserted just in front of the Tabernacle. The altar stone reminds us of the early history of the Church, when the martyrs' tombs were used for altars by the persecuted Christians.*

This week's question: *What lesson do we learn from the practice of using martyrs' tombs for altars?*



CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL 2021
Faith & Good Works
Goal \$33,250.00

Returns :2~\$160, 1~\$150, 1~\$125, 1~\$50,
Numbers of returns this week: 5

Total of returns this week: \$645.00

Total to date: \$12,935.00

Thank you for your support!

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL 2021

The Catholic Charity Appeal is now underway in our parish. Every family should have received a letter from Bishop Tobin back in January regarding Catholic Charities along with a donation envelope for you to mail your contribution directly to the diocese. *If you are ready to make your gift, you can do so at any time. Our parish's In-Pew collection will take place in April.* Thank you in advance for your kind generosity.

Sacred Mystery in the Heart of Creation

Online Retreat

Via ZOOM

Join us!

Saturday, March 27 from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

To register please visit www.MiramarRetreat.org

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Book Series via ZOOM!

Joan Chittister's

The Time is Now:

A Call to Uncommon Courage

In *The Time Is Now*, Sister Joan Chittister, OSB, a beloved nun and social activist, draws on the wisdom of prophets, both ancient and modern, to help us confront the societal forces that attempt to silence the sacred voices among us.

Pairing scriptural insights with narratives of the truth-tellers that came before us, Sister Joan offers a compelling vision for readers to combat complacency and to propel us toward a world of justice, freedom, peace, and empowerment.

Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18 and 25
10:00 to 11:30 AM

Led by Maureen Casey SND & Mark Schramm SVD
\$40 (\$10 per session)

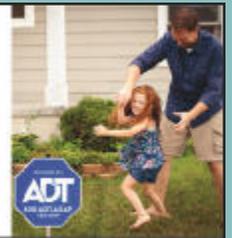
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Genesis 2:7 "Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being."

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