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Saturday Evening - 4:00 p.m.
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Holy Days - 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
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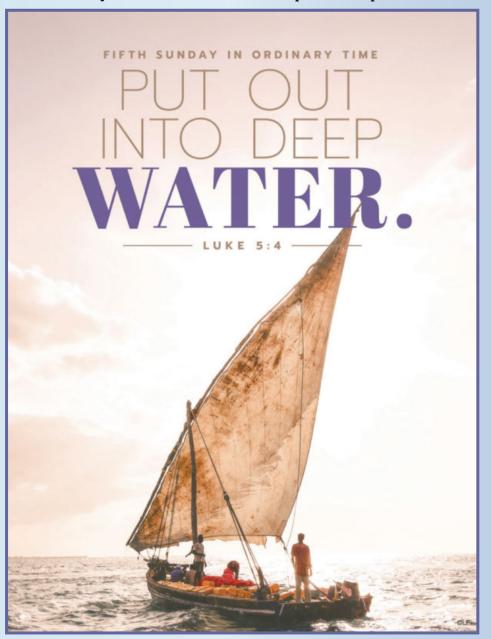
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#### **Parish Membership**

Membership includes active participation in the sacramental life of the Church, involvement in the activities of the faith community and financial support of the parish.

New members are welcome to register

by calling the parish office.







FOOD PANTRY — Please help support the food pantry sponsored by Community Action. In February, the parish and school are collecting donations of Box Food (such as Pasta), Sauces, and Soup. Any other

non-perishable food items are always appreciated. Please place donated items in the designated containers in the lobby of the church. Thank you, Thank you!

**THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** is scheduled for Saturday, February 15 at 3:00 p.m. (or by appointment).

# QUESTIONS MOST CATHOLICS CAN'T ANSWER More from The Ultimate Catholic Quiz (100 Questions Most Catholics Can't Answer) by Karl Keating.

Apparitions of Mary

- a. are only pious illusions, but the Church does not forbid belief in them.
- b. must be believed, if they are authentic, since any authentic revelation must be believed.
- c. bind in conscience, if they are authentic, only the recipients of the apparitions.
- d. are infallibly determined to have occurred if they are approved by the Church.
- e. none of the above.

Answer and more information on the opposite page.



#### CENTURY CLUB TICKETS —

2025 Century Club tickets are on sale now!

Each ticket is \$100 and will be sold after the weekend Masses in the lobby of the church. You may also contact Amy at the parish office by calling 814-226-8433 Ext. 100 or emailing her at abish@icclarion.org.

There is one Early Bird Drawing on March 31st for \$200. Other drawings are as follows:

April 30th: (1) \$300 / (1) \$200 / (2) \$100 / (5) \$50 May 30th: (1) \$300 / (2) \$200 / (2) \$100 / (5) \$50 June 30th: (1) \$500 / (1) \$400 / (3) \$200 /

(3) \$100 / (10) \$50

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK – The Anointing of the Sick will be administered on Tuesday, February 11 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.



# QUESTIONS of the WEEK FOR FAITH SHARING

#### Stretching Our Limits

Simon Peter fell down at Jesus' knees saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." (Luke 5:8, 10b)

**Adults:** When have you felt inadequate to a task or role you were given? How did you respond?

**Kids:** When have you been asked to do something you felt might be too hard for you? What did you do?



As we continue to look at the aspects of the Jubilee Year, we'll examine LITURGY.

**LITURGY** — The liturgy is the public prayer of the Church: in the words of the Second Vatican Council, it is the "summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; [and,] at the same time it is the

font from which all her power flows." (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 10). At the center of the Christian liturgy is the Mass - the Eucharistic celebration, where the Body and Blood of Christ are truly received. As a pilgrim, Christ himself walks alongside the disciples and reveals to them the mysteries of the Father, so that they too can say, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." (Luke 24:29).

One liturgical rite that is specific to the Jubilee year is the opening of the Holy Door. Until the last century, the Pope would symbolically initiate the demolition of the wall that kept the Holy Door bricked up on non-Jubilee years. Masons would then fully remove the brick wall to be able to open the Holy Door. Since 1950, the ceremony has changed and now the wall is dismantled beforehand and, within a solemn choral liturgy, the Pope pushes open the door from the outside, passing through it as the first pilgrim. This and the other liturgical expressions that accompany the Holy Year emphasize that the Jubilee pilgrimage is not merely an intimate, personal gesture, but is a sign of the journey of the whole people of God toward the Kingdom.



### **2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

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email abish@icclarion.org or call 814-226-8433 ext. 100.

# ANSWER TO "QUESTIONS MOST CATHOLICS CAN'T ANSWER"

- a. Some apparitions are illusions or just plain bogus, but some are real.
- b. You must believe in general revelation but are free to reject any private revelation or apparition, even one approved by a Church authority, such as a bishop or even a pope. General revelation ceased with the death of the last apostle (about A.D. 100) and is found in Scripture and Sacred Tradition. Any later revelation is called private revelation, no matter how many people may be informed of it.
- c. Only the recipient of a private apparition is bound in conscience to follow it, if he thinks it is real. Anyone else is free to ignore a private apparition, even those who are convinced that a particular private apparition actually occurred. (This is not to say that you are free to ignore whatever true teachings are repeated through an apparition. Truth is truth, no matter where it appears.)
- d. Even approved apparitions are not guaranteed by the Church to have occurred. Approval means only that nothing that purportedly has been taught via an apparition is contrary to the faith or to good morals.
- e. The rather minimalistic c is correct.



# Monday, February 10 - Saint Scholastica

NO MASS

#### Tuesday, February 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes

11:00 a.m. Rose Clark (Estate)

Wednesday, February 12

- NO MASS

Thursday, February 13

11:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the

Andrew and Pauline Griebel Family

# <u>Friday, February 14 – Saints Cyril and Methodius</u> Valentine's Day

- NO MASS -

Saturday, February 15

4:00 p.m. Marcus Wolbert, Jr. (Gary and Sue Wolbert)

Sunday, February 16 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Don Weidner (Nancy and the Girls) 8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Deceased Mothers and

Fathers of Immaculate Conception Parish

11:00 a.m. For the People

#### Readings for the week of February 9, 2025

**Monday:** Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12,

24 and 35c//Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28,

29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30

**Friday:** Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37 **Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13

/Mk 8:1-10

**Next Sunday:** Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)

/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26



A Marriage Prayer — Dear Lord, bless our marriage with love that grows stronger each day. Grant us the patience, understanding, and strength to support one another in every circumstance. May our relationship always reflect Your grace and truth, serving as a testament to the love You have for us. Keep us united and faithful, and let our partnership glorify You in all things. Amen.



Additions to the Prayer List:
Brenda Kapp
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