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Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

For a sacramental emergency, in case of imminent death, please call Fr. Ed at 419-634-2626 x.7.

For non-emergency anointings, or for communion visits to the sick, please notify the office.

Sacrament of Penance

Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30am
Saturdays at 3:30pm • Sundays at 8:30am
Or by arrangement with Fr. Ed

Baptisms

To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament of Baptism, call the Office.

Marriages

Please make initial arrangements at the Office at least 9 months before the intended wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday Evening – 4pm Sunday – 9am Last Sunday of the month at 7pm (Spanish)

Holy Days

Please consult bulletin.

Weekdays

Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9am; Mass on Tuesdays at 5:30pm and Fridays at 9am are at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

STEWARDSHIP

In today's second reading, Timothy is issued a strong directive: "Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." For the early Christians this could mean torture and execution. For most Christians today enduring hardship for the gospel might include accepting ridicule or mockery, or the suggestion that we lack sophistication. Nevertheless, in his letters, Saint Paul is adamant that we should not be ashamed of being followers of Christ. Good stewards are not ashamed of their allegiance to Christ. They do not hide their faith. Reflect on this question: Are you willing to speak about following Christ Jesus no matter who your listeners happen to be?



Masses for the Week

| Tuesday | March 7 5:30pm | |
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| Wednesday | | St. John of God, Religious Stanley Hunt/Monica Mangano -ICC |
| Thursday | March 9 9:00am | St. Frances of Rome, Religious Jim Brenner - ICC |
| Friday | March 10 9:00am | |
| Saturday | March 11 4:00pm | Third Sunday of Lent People of the Parish |
| Sunday | March 12 9:00am | Third Sunday of Lent Rosemary Callahan |

Please remember to keep our Nursing Home Parishioners and the Home Bound and the sick in your prayers:

Charlene Hilty, Diane Jaeger, Rita Scharf, Carol Lowery, Ellen Ramge, Dr. Kate Johnson, Don Conkle, Gerry Cote, and Ernie Klingelhofer.

Penance Service

Saturday, March 4 after the 4pm Mass from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays of Lent at 6:00pm at ICC and OLL.

Please note that services this year for Holy Week will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes. This includes Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Easter Sunday masses will be at the normal time at both churches.

Knights of Columbus will be serving donuts after this Sunday's Mass, March 5, followed by St. Vincent DePaul Society meeting.





Weekly Readings for Masses March 7 - 12

| Monday | Daniel 9:4b-10 & Luke 6:36-38 |
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| Tuesday | Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 & Matthew 23:1-12 |
| Wednesday | Jeremiah 18:18-20 & Matthew 20:17-28 |
| Thursday | Jeremiah 17:5-10 & Luke 16:19-31 |
| <mark>Friday</mark> | Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a & Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46 |
| Saturday | Malachi 7:14-15, 18-20 & Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 |
| Sunday | Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42 |



Week of February 19

| Regular (32 env) | 1,185.00 |
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| Loose | 137.00 |
| Monthly Maintenance | 180.00 |
| Total | \$1,502.00 |

Week of February 26

| Regular (27) | |
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| Total | |
| Black and Indian | \$ 395.00 |

Year to date offertory beginning July. . . . \$76,706.65

Taking Eucharist to the Shut Ins

We would like to increase the number of people that take the Eucharist to the shut-ins. Maybe you would like to take Jesus to a family member or a friend. Maybe you would like to take the Eucharist to another member of our parish.

If you would like more information, please call the parish office at 419-675-1162 or call Joyce Wrasman at 419-675-1409. Also, if you, or someone you know is not able to come to mass and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office to let us know.

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Good News Café Scripture Study

Tuesday, March 7 at 10am. Reflection will be on the Sunday Scripture Readings. The session begins with light refreshments, then moves to prayer and discussion.

The Chosen Season 2 watch party

We will be hosting $\underline{\text{The Chosen}}$ Season 2 watch party on Sundays from 6pm-7.30pm for Lent.

Sunday, March 5. Episode 2

All are welcome to bring snacks to share with the group. It will be held in the Center.

Please pray for our Seminarians

Every week we will pray for one of our Seminarians.

This week please keep Justin Fagge from St. Paul in Westerville in your prayers.

Father, You love us and call each of us to go on mission with you in advancing your kingdom. You equip us with everything that we need to



serve and love others in that mission. We pray for our seminarians whom you have called to seminary to discern a possible call to serve you as priests. Please watch over them, Lord. Guide them and help them grow in holiness. Grant them wisdom and courage to give themselves radically to You. We pray also for the grace to grow in holiness ourselves and to seek always your will in our lives. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers
Mary Lou Sweet and Joe Dietz, brother of
Connie Dietz, who recently passed away.
May God grant them eternal rest and
peace.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner - March 18

The Kenton Knights of Columbus will be hosting a corned beef and cabbage dinner on Saturday, March 18 after mass (5pm to 8pm or until we run out)) for St. Patrick's Day. Donations will be accepted. Carryout will be available. If you wish to pre-order carryout, call Brad Lautar at 419-675-0822 and leave a message of name and how many servings.

Kenton Knights of Columbus "Super Cash Bonanza"

The Kenton K of C will be selling tickets for the "Super Cash Bonanza" to support Ohio Charity Foundation as well as our local K of C charities. The tickets are \$5 each with a chance of winning over \$100,000 in prizes. Call Brad Lautar 419-675-0822 or see any K of C member to purchase your chance of winning some cash.

40 Days of Adoration

We will have a day of Eucharistic Adoration at both parishes during Lent. At ICC, our day of adoration will be on Sunday, March 12th following the 9am Mass until 9pm. At OLL, our day of adoration will be on Friday, March 31st, following the 9am Mass until 9pm. Sign-up sheets are in back of church. Please sign up for a one hour spot.



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Days of Abstinence and Fasting during Lent and the Sacred Triduum



Abstinence – All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. The Law of Abstinence binds all those who have completed their

 14^{th} year of age and older. On those days these faithful are not to eat meat.

Fasting – Good Friday is a day of Fasting. The Law of Fasting binds all from the age of 18 through the end of the 59th year. The Law of Fasting prescribes that only one full meal a day be taken. Two lighter meals are permitted but combined should not be more than one full meal.



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