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MASSES: SAT EVENING 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
TU, WED, FRI: 8:00 A.M.
THURSDAY: 5:00 P.M.
ADORATION: FRIDAYS, 8:30 A.M.-6:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
TUES, WEDS, FRI: 7:30-7:45 A.M.
THURSDAY: 4:00-4:45 P.M.
SATURDAY: 3:45-4:45 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS: TUES-FRI 8:30-NOON & 1:00-4:00
CLOSED ON MONDAYS

WELCOME! WE EXTEND OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE WITH US, WHETHER LONGTIME RESIDENT OR NEWLY ARRIVED IN THE PARISH. WE THANK GOD THAT YOU ARE WITH US

The Week Ahead

Saturday, March 5, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Lector: Kevin Rupp

Eucharistic Ministers: James Schmitt, Janelle Schmitt

Acolytes: Van Reed, Lukus Schmitt

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteer, Andrew Herber

Sunday, March 6, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Chris Morgan

Eucharistic Ministers: Dick Buchanan, Melinda Woll

Acolytes: Eddie & Jude Lieb

Ministers of Hospitality: Mary & Mike Gregory

Sunday, March 6, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Lector: Don Neff

Eucharistic Ministers: Brandi Duncan, Joe Cochran

Acolytes: Emma Flanagan, Samuel Hunter

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteers



February 27 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) † Parishioners

8:00 a.m. (Sun.) † Dick Miller

10:30 a.m. (Sun.) † George Hagenjos

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

(Adoration one hour before Saturday Mass and Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass)

February 28 Monday: Weekday

No Mass

March 1 Tuesday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Rosemary Riemen

March 2 Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. † Parishioners

7:00 p.m. † Jim Brock

There will also be distribution of ashes at 12 noon with no Mass.

March 3 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

5:00 p.m. † First Thursday Memorial

March 4 Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. † John Wright

March 5/6 First Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 5

5:00 p.m.: † Jerry Zorger

Confession: 3:45-4:45

Sunday, March 6

8:00 a.m.: † Parishioners

10:30 a.m. : † Justin Hinen

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

Adoration: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Homebound Ministry of the Sick.

There are parishioners who are not able to make it to church due to health reasons; maybe they are in the hospital, in an assisted care or nursing home. Maybe they are confined to home for health reasons and can't make it to church. Maybe you have been in one of these positions yourself. Did you contact church to let us know? Could you receive communion? Did someone from St. Paul of the Cross visit you? If not, maybe it was because the church office didn't know, or maybe...there was not a parishioner available to come visit. WE NEED YOU! Help us visit the sick and distribute communion. The more help that we have the less time it will be for all. This is one of the Corporal Works of Mercy. So, if you have the calling, and I think that you do, contact Joe Cochran, or Jeanne in the church office. Don't be afraid; we will give you simple instructions and God will guide you and give you many graces.

Collections for February 20, 2022

Offering Envelopes	\$ 2720.00
Loose	246.25
Repair	225.00
Candles	23.00
Religious Ed	25.00
Total in pew	\$ 3,239.25

Online Collections (February 14-20)

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 2,291.00
Repair	229.00
Religious Ed	12.00
Total Online	\$ 2,532.00

“Do not live any longer in yourself, but let Jesus Christ live in you in such a way that the virtue of this Divine Savior may be resplendent in all your actions, in order that all may see in you a true portrait of the Crucified and sense the sweetest fragrance of the holy virtues of the Lord, in interior and exterior modesty, in patience, in gentleness, suffering, charity, humility, and in all others that follow.”

~St. Paul of the Cross~

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

In life we have many opportunities to express different concepts through the use of words. From a spiritual point of view, words can be powerful and influential. Think of the words that are expressed within family gatherings that can be spiritually uplifting, such as in a wedding or a funeral. Words can lead us to reflect and ponder about important aspects of our lives in relation to God and others. Lyrics in a song can have a transformative power which can move us intellectually and emotionally.

In this Sunday's Scripture readings, we hear of the reference made about speech. In the book of Sirach 27:4-7, it is mentioned that "one's faults appear when one speaks." Also, "so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested." Finally, in Luke 6:42, Jesus simply states: "From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." With these passages we must reflect on how often do we think before we speak. Do we usually speak words that glorify the Lord and edify others, or is it a mixed bag?

As children we may have repeated to bullies: "Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me." Well...words can and do hurt. But with God's grace we can redeem words by changing our attitude when we speak. For instance, Simon Peter denied Jesus three times before Christ's death. However, Jesus will ask him three times: "Do you love me?" and Simon Peter will respond affirmatively all three times (see Jn 21:15-17). Simon Peter's strongest evidence that he really meant what he said when affirming his love for Jesus is his martyrdom. He proved what he said by living and dying for God (by the way, crucified upside down). May we praise Jesus Christ who is God's final word. May our hearts be purified so that, like our Blessed Mother, our speech may proclaim "the greatness of the Lord" (Lk 1:46).

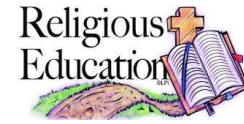
PENANCE SERVICE



There will be a Penance Service here at St. Paul on Thursday, March 31st at 6 p.m. There will be three priests available to hear confessions.



Please bring in your palms from last year so they may be burned for the ashes for Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is March 2nd. There is a box provided in the narthex. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for ministers to help with Ash Wednesday Masses.



There will be a Candidate and Sponsor meeting this Sunday, February 27th at 6 pm in the church. All Candidates and Sponsor are expected to be present. If a sponsor is not able to be in attendance then a parent is asked to please be there in place of the sponsor.

INTO THE DEEP

Into the Deep is back again and will present: Building a Domestic church & Living Liturgically. If you've ever wondered, "What are these and why are they important?" or "How do I implement this in my own home?" Come join us this Sunday, February 27 from 9:15 a.m.-10:00 in the Deacon Joe Zickgraf Community Center. We will learn how to keep our lives focused on Christ by following the Church's liturgical seasons, planning Catholic family events, and creating a prayerful home environment. There will be take home activities, prizes, and interactive planning. All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

Did you miss donating blood at our last couple of drives, because of illness, travels or just plain too busy? The Red Cross/Knights of Columbus is presenting you with another opportunity to donate on Sunday, March 6th at the Deacon Joe Center from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. If you did donate at our last drive in January, you are eligible to donate again. However, if you donated double red cells, you are not eligible to donate until our May 15th drive. If you have never donated, please consider donating for the first time. Individuals sixteen years of age and older are eligible to donate. Your forty minutes of time could save the lives of three people. Donation times have been filling up just before our drives, so sign-up **NOW** to get your preferred time slot.

The Red Cross would like **ALL** donors to sign-up online. Please sign-up online @redcross.org or use the Blood Donor App.

Get the free Blood Donor App by texting BLOODAPP to 90999. This will make signing up and filling out your rapid pass the day of your donation very simple.

Pick up an information card at the display in the Narthex. If you have any question or need help, please feel free to call John Herrmann @ 260 229 5499.