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The Fifth Sunday of Lent—April 2, 2017

Gospel Acclamation: *I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die. John 11:25a, 26*

Sedar Supper, Next Sunday, April 9th at 6:30

pm: Please sign up in the hall. Families are asked to bring any 2 of the following: side dish, salad, dessert.

Changes to the Schedule this Week: Holy Mass on Monday & Tuesday is at 12:15 pm (not 5:15 pm). Holy Mass on Wednesday is at 6:30 pm (not 5:15 pm), and there is no adoration on Wednesday.

Rice Bowls (donations for the poor collected during Lent): are due on Easter Sunday.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

Sunday, April 2

No Meeting: CCD
Sacrament of Reconciliation – 9:30 to 9:45 am
Rosary – 9:30 am
Holy Mass – 10:00 am
Misa en Español - 2 de Abril al medio día aquí.
Holy Mass in Spanish - April 2nd at noon.
Sacrament of Reconciliation, Sorrell Chapel - 4:35 pm
Holy Mass, Sorrell Chapel - 5:00 pm
Holy Mass in Vietnamese - 5:00 pm
Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting - 6:15 pm - 7:30pm
Parish Mission - 6:30 pm

Monday, April 3

The Trudy Schroeder Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am
Holy Mass (Special Time) - 12:15 pm
Parish Mission - 6:30 pm

Tuesday, April 4

Men of St. Martin - 6:30 am
Holy Mass (Special Time) - 12:15 pm
Parish Mission - 6:30 pm

Wednesday, April 5

Holy Mass (Special Time) - 6:30 pm
Parish Mission - 6:30 pm

Thursday, April 6

Holy Mass - 12:15 pm
RCIA - 6:00 pm

Friday, April 7

Holy Mass - 6:30 am
Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm

Saturday, April 8

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 4:45 to 5:15 pm
Holy Mass—5:30 pm

Sunday, April 9

CCD - 8:30 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation – 9:30 to 9:45 am
Rosary – 9:30 am
Holy Mass – 10:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation, Sorrell Chapel - 4:35 pm
Holy Mass, Sorrell Chapel - 5:00 pm
No Meeting: Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting
Sedar Supper - 6:30 pm

Parish Mission Sunday – Wednesday, April 2 – 5

Renew, Reconnect, Recommit with the Redemptorists

Sunday 6:30 pm Theme: **God's plan of salvation and our response to God's Word of love.**

Monday 6:30 pm Theme **Who is Jesus for us?**

Holy Mass 12:15 pm (no 5:15 pm Mass)

Tuesday 6:30 pm Theme **Sin, Reconciliation and Healing.**

We will have a reconciliation service tonight.

Holy Mass 12:15 pm (no 5:15 pm Mass)

Wednesday 6:30 pm Theme **At the altar we seal our covenant with our God and are nourished with the Bread of Life to live our mission as baptized disciples.**

Holy Mass 6:30 pm (no 5:15 pm Mass)

Two priests of the Redemptorist religious order will put on the mission.

Yard Workers Needed: if you could help mow, edge, & trim the grass on our property, please give Vern Crowe a call (██████████). We could really use your help, and it is a great service to the parish.

Holy Mass & Confessions in Vietnamese Sunday, April 2nd: Holy Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 pm and confessions will be heard beginning at 3:00 pm. Fr. Doug Vu will be with us from Birmingham.

Personal Hygiene for Prisoners & Canned Goods for the Troy Area:

About 250 of the prisoners at Easterling Prison, where Fr. Irwin visits once a month, are indigent and cannot afford to buy their own supplies. Therefore, please **only donate** the following: **deodorants (non-aerosol), bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes** for these men (there is not a lot of need for shampoo). Please note: the prison has strict rules as to what you can bring in! These items are given only to those who cannot afford them. Please leave these items in the box in the parish hall. Our Lord said, "I was in prison and you visited me" Matt 25. **Please turn these items in by Easter Sunday.**

Holy Week Schedule

Passion (Palm) Sunday April 9th (8th) 10:00 am

The Easter Triduum (or three days)

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper April 13th, 7:00 pm

Good Friday: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion April 14th, 7:00 pm

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 3:15 pm on Good Friday

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 15th, 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 16th, 10 am

Easter Egg Hunt following Holy Mass

Pray the Rosary Sunday at 9:30 am



Let us Pray for:

Raymond F. Klein, Mike McCorkle, Sharon Listul, Ellen Blum, Bruce Tustin, and Carol Gibbs. Please send an email to [REDACTED] to add or remove a name from the prayer list.



Renovating the Old Rectory: The old rectory is located above the parish office and consists of a living room, small kitchen, and two bedrooms with their corresponding bathrooms. Because it is so small in its current layout, it is a much underutilized space. The living room can only seat about 11 people comfortably and so is not usable for our teens, Spanish speakers or adult faith study groups. The proposed renovation would be fairly simple and inexpensive. It would involve: removing the old, dirty carpet and replacing it with some type of laminate flooring, painting the walls, and adding some lighting. Furthermore, the biggest change would involve taking out two walls so that the living room, kitchen and one of the bedrooms become one large room (the other bedroom would remain intact). Fr. Irwin presented the idea to the pastoral council, and there was unanimous approval among the eight members at the meeting (one council member being absent). Best of all, through the donation of a parishioner, the entire cost of the renovations will most likely be covered.

Our Sixth Station of the Cross: will be repaired following the Lenten season. As you might have noticed, it is very much in need of repair. It accidentally fell from its place when we moved back into the main church following the renovations this past summer. We are hopeful that the same company who made the stations will be able to restore it almost completely.

Choir Practice for Easter Sunday Morning Mass: will be after Holy Mass this Sunday, April 2nd.

No CCD Sunday April 2: due to spring break.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK

Saturday – April 8, 2017

Greeters: Chris Gambles

Lectors: Beth Ann Gibson, Anna Gooden

Ushers: John Leveque, Barbara Staskowski

Gift Bearers: The Messick Family

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Dianne Leveque, Nick Drosyk

Altar Servers:

Sunday – April 9, 2017, Palm Sunday

Greeters: Jeffrey and Stace Blair

Lectors: Kelsey Burgans, Randy Leutzinger

Ushers: Barry Smolcic, Mike Kreis

Gift Bearers: The Robledo Family

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Herb Huner, Pat Block

Altar Servers: Eduardo Martinez, Lisbeth Martinez, Hannah Huner

Changes to the Schedule Monday & Tuesday, April 10th & 11th:

Holy Mass will be offered at 12:15 pm instead of 5:15 pm on Monday. There will be no Mass on Tuesday since all the priests of the archdiocese, along with Fr. Irwin, will be at the Chrism Mass in Mobile.

Resources and Opportunities during Lent

Holy Mass will be offered on **Mondays at 5:15 pm** in addition to the normal schedule.

Stations of the Cross: each Friday of Lent at **5:30 pm**. This would be a great opportunity to bring some non-Catholic friends to a beautiful Catholic devotional practice.

Almsgiving (Donations for Charitable Causes) During Lent, please consider forgoing some of the entertainment you normally enjoy and save the money you would have spent. At the end of Lent we will collect the money; 25% of the money collected will be used here locally to help the poor; 75% of it will go to CRS, Catholic Relief Services; they carry out international relief efforts including aiding those who suffer due to natural disasters, war, and to help the poor and the needy.

Liturgical Volunteers & Decorators Needed For Easter

Triduum: Please sign up for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. We will need help decorating as well.

Live Stations of the Cross: courtesy of our College students Tuesday, April 11th at 6:00 pm in the church. There will be a potluck supper following stations in the hall. Please bring a side dish or salad if possible.

Collection to Aid the Church in Central & Eastern Europe & Africa is Next Week. This collection aids many of the countries where the Church was severely persecuted by Communism as well as countries in Africa where there is much poverty. The money goes to help build parishes, schools and seminaries and also aids the poor.

Please Help Set Up for the Sedar Supper, Saturday, April 8 at 10:00 am:

Please direct questions to Jana Rogers [REDACTED] or Cheryl DiChiara [REDACTED].

Those Preparing to Become Catholic in our parish deserve our prayers; please pray for them: Phylecya Cheatham is preparing for Baptism, and Seth Hundley, Stan Rutter, Jamie Leverette, & Matt Young are Christians preparing to come into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Tithing Report March 5, 2017

Regular - \$2,797.00
Catholic Relief Services - \$583.00

Total - \$3,380.00

Renovation Campaign

Pledges Received - \$92,504.00
Percent of Total Pledged - 88%