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The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 19, 2017

*Gospel Acclamation: Whoever keeps the word of Christ, the love of God is truly perfected in him.
1 John 2:5*

For the months of January & February we will be visiting the elderly: If you know of an elderly person that may like a visit and help around the house please contact Fr. Irwin or Jeffrey Blair at home [REDACTED] (no calls after 7pm please), cell [REDACTED] or email [REDACTED].

Holy Mass by Candlelight Feb. 19, 5:00 pm at Sorrell Chapel: Mass will be offered by candlelight at Sorrell Chapel on Sunday Feb. 19th at 5:00 pm.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

Sunday, February 19

No Meeting: CCD

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

Monday, February 20

The Trudy Schroeder Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am

Tuesday, February 21

Men of St. Martin - 6:30 am

Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

Wednesday, February 22

Adoration - 9 am - 8 pm

Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

Thursday, February 23

Holy Mass - 12:15 pm

RCIA - 6:00 pm

Bible Study in Spanish - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday, February 24

Holy Mass - 6:30 am

Saturday, February 25

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 4:45 to 5:15 pm

Holy Mass—5:30 pm

Sunday, February 26

CCD - 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 9:30 to 9:45 am

Rosary – 9:30 am

Holy Mass – 10:00 am

Missa Cantata, Traditional Latin Mass - 12:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation, Sorrell Chapel - 4:35 pm

Holy Mass, Sorrell Chapel - 5:00 pm

Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting - 6:15 pm - 7:30pm

Holy Mass for the Dead Each Month: Beginning this month, we will be offering Holy Mass for the dead (if there is no Mass intention) and praying for the deceased on the last Wednesday of the month; therefore, we will do so on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd this month.

Thanks Jana Rogers for being our Catholic Charities Appeal

Chairperson: Jana did a great job as usual. We really appreciate all of her phone calls and for distributing materials for the appeal as well as for attending the meeting in Montgomery.

Catholic Charities Appeal Update: Thanks for the good response to the appeal. As a parish, 57 families have pledged around \$35,149. Our goal is 65 pledges for \$31,000! Thanks so much!

You can Give to Catholic Charities online and by Texting: simply text CCA2017 to 41444. You can give online by going to <http://www.mobarch.org/giving/charities.cfm>.

Thank You Lunch for the Parish Sunday, Feb. 19th following

Holy Mass: We rely on funds from the Catholic Charities Appeal to support our ministry to college students. And so, as a thank you to the parish for supporting Catholic Charities, our college students would like to host the parish for a delicious lunch. Please make plans to attend; you only have to bring yourself!

Traditional Latin Mass: Sunday, February 26 at 12:30 p.m. The Mass will be a Missa Cantata in the Extraordinary Form. Everyone is welcome.

New Roof on Parish Hall: As of last weekend, we now have a new roof on the parish hall. We got the best that we could find so hopefully we will be set for years to come.

Please sign up for our Annual Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) Party:

Plan on bringing the whole family Tuesday, February 28 for some great food and fun. Please sign up on the bulletin board and let us know how many people are coming. Please bring a side or a dessert.

Pray the Rosary Sunday at 9:30 am



Let us Pray for:

Mike McCorkle, Sharon Listul, Denise Broxton, K.D. Blair, Ellen Blum, Bruce Tustin, Charles Owens and Carol Gibbs. Please send an email to [REDACTED] to add or remove a name from the prayer list.



The Parish Code for Access to FORMED.ORG: is [REDACTED]. Please keep in mind that this code is for our parishioners and students only. I believe very strongly in honoring these sorts of rules. After all, if we want good Catholic material to learn from and share with our children, someone has to pay for it! (In case friends from other places enquire about getting access to FORMED, individuals are welcome to purchase access to the site as well as parishes). Thanks, Fr. Irwin

Spotlight on FORMED.ORG

Movie: "Don Bosco". Don Bosco was a priest who spent his life working with boys from troubled homes. To attract them he would do acrobatic stunts and challenge them to races etc.

Teachings: "A Catholic Moral Vision"; this is a part of the series Symbolon: the Catholic Faith Explained. Catholic morality isn't all about rules and regulations. It is about being a person of virtue.

Children's Movie: "Ben Hur: A Race to Glory"

- Use FORMED.ORG on your computer, tablet, or smartphone.
- Scripture Studies, Adult Faith Formation, Marriage Preparation and Enrichment, RCIA, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more!

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK

Saturday – February 25, 2017

Greeters: Chris Gambles
Lectors: Anna Gooden, Brittney Meyer
Ushers: Jeffrey and Rick Messick
Gift Bearers: The Messick Family
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Julia Tran, Barbara Staskowski
Altar Servers:

Sunday – February 26, 2017

Greeters: Jeffrey and Stace Blair
Lectors: Kelsey Burgans, Randy Leutzinger
Ushers: Bobby Hussey, Barry Smolcic
Gift Bearers: The Smolcic Family
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Herb Huner, Jo Ann Gibson
Altar Servers: Avery Ernsberger, Eduardo Martinez, Lisbeth Martinez

Eve Sharpless Rest in Peace: Eve passed away this past Tuesday at her home in Elba. A small funeral service was held in Elba on Thursday. Please pray for her, her husband Jim, her daughter Sherry and the rest of her family.

Auction/Raffle of our Old Christmas Trees: The pastoral council decided that our old Christmas trees would be raffled off to two people. However, all those who want to enter the raffle must be willing to donate \$150 if their names are drawn. The raffle will take place at our Mardi Gras party (you do not have to be present to win). The trees were purchased for \$1,000 each around 6 years ago. As of last year, they worked beautifully. As far as anyone can remember, they are about 10 feet tall and about 4 to 5 feet wide. They come with the lights already on them. Please fill out a red entry form, fold it and place it in the baskets near the church doors if you would like to enter the raffle and you are willing to donate \$150 if your name is drawn.

Retreat Opportunity: Be Not Afraid: Living our Faith with Parrhesia (Courage) will be held March 24-26, 2017 presented by Fr. David Zimmer and Dan Loughman. For more information, please contact The Sister Servants of the Eternal Word, 3721 Belmont Road, Birmingham, AL 35210-3434. For more information visit the website at: www.sisterservants.org or call 205-956-6760.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February



Comfort for the Afflicted: That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

Tithing Report February 5, 2017

Regular - \$3,886.18
Total - \$3,886.18

Tithing Report February 12, 2017

Regular - \$3,903.10
Total - \$3,903.10

Renovation Campaign

Pledges Received - \$91,544.00
Percent of Total Pledged - 87%