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RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 3:00—3:35 PM

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25 FEBRUARY, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM FATHER CHUCK

Diocesan Appeal.

We received our Annual Diocesan Appeal Assessment for the coming year. Our goal for the Appeal increased \$4952.84 over last year. This is an increase of 7%. The goal is \$74,169.00. This year's appeal will be the greatest challenge that we have had in my years as pastor. The target goal that I am asking you to consider \$270.00 or 7% more than you gave last year. If we all do our part we should reach our goal. In the letter that we received it stated that the greatest increase has been the cost of health care for the priests, the cost of health care has risen over 70% in the past 7 years. This past year we missed our appeal goal by over \$12,000.00. I hope that since the Ignite Campaign is over with that we be able to reach this goal.

Ash Wednesday.

As I reflect on Ash Wednesday I am very pleased with the number of people who attended the four Ash Wednesday masses. When we added the fourth mass I wondered what the attendance would be and I am pleased with the attendance at each mass. I also wish to thank you for your generosity. The collection for the poor was over \$1,000.00. This money will be a great help to many people as the need for assistance continues to grow each week.

Lenten Activities.

I hope that everyone has the Lenten schedule for the various activities that will take place in the coming weeks. I spoke about this on Ash Wednesday that Lent is a very short season and it is the greatest opportunity for us to grow in our spiritual life. One of my observations is that I can see the holiness of our parish grow especially in the Lenten season.

Ten Things to Do in Lent.

First, I hope that your relationship with Jesus grows because of the time that you spend with Jesus in prayer.

Second, I hope that you experience the genius of the Catholic Faith and that your knowledge of the church increases.

Third, I hope you can experience stations of the cross and benediction.

Fourth, Attend the mass, stations, soup supper and program so you learn more about the church and the scriptures.

Fifth, Take advantage of the Lenten season of penance so that you don't lose these moments of grace.

Sixth, attend the Shrimp Supper so that you experience the joy of Saint Peter's parish family.

Seventh, Use the Lenten materials that we have provided.

Eighth, All of the acts of penance and sacrifice will lead you to greater peace of mind, heart and soul.

Ninth, come to the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday services.

Tenth, realize that all of your Lenten practices will lead you to high place in heaven. Don't forget to do something for the poor.

Bethlehem House

The needs for the Bethlehem House are: Women's clothing, maternity clothing, children clothing, infant clothing, cleaning supplies, diapers, and laundry soap. The collection boxes for these items are at the doors of the church.

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