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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8am

Thurs: 5:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm

Sunday 7:00-7:45am

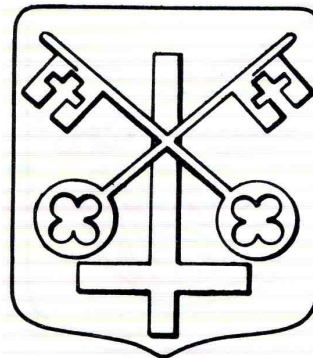
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Save the Date!

Saturday, February 22nd

Feed the Children

9 am—2 pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall

Wednesday, March 5th

Ash Wednesday

8, noon, 6:30, St Peter's Church

Sunday—Monday 3/30-3/31

Nun Run to Omaha and Lincoln

depart ~3 pm from St Peter's

16 FEBRUARY, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From Father Jacob

Now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

We sometimes think that the things that Jesus did and the things that happened to Him are unique to Jesus, but *nothing could be further from the truth*. Jesus came to be like us in all things but sin.

Jesus lived in a family so your family could be holy.

Jesus worked so your work could be holy.

Jesus fed the hungry and healed the sick so you could too.

Jesus forgave his enemies so you could too.

Jesus suffered on the cross so your sufferings could be made holy and even life-giving.

Jesus died so even your eventual death could be with Him.

Jesus rose from the dead so that you will rise too.

Of course as God Jesus really is totally unique. But Jesus became man not to be unique, but to make you like Him.

Often we would rather think of Jesus as unique because we don't actually want to be like Him, we just want Him to solve some of our problems and then leave us alone. But:

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all.

We should want to be like Jesus, including in generosity, including in obedience to the Father, including even in sufferings and hardships, so that we can also be like Him in the Father's love and in glorious resurrection! Jesus didn't do any of these things *instead of* you. He did all of them so that, united to Him and filled with His grace, *you could do them too*.

Preparing for Lent

We will begin Lent on Ash Wednesday, which falls on March 5th this year. During the 40 days of Lent, we pray, fast, and give alms in a more intentional way. We do this for several reasons:

1. **Sorrow for sin**—when we are sorry for something we naturally want to *do something* as an expression of our sorrow.
2. **Union with Christ**—Christians are united to Jesus in every good thing we do. When we voluntarily take on some suffering we are especially united to Him on His cross, which is the source of life and every grace.
3. **Solidarity with the poor**—Jesus chose the cross voluntarily to pay our debts and pour out life and blessings on us. When we choose some cross we can also use it spiritually (offer it up) and practically (a donation, a kindness, money saved) to pay others' debts and give blessings to those in economic, emotional, or spiritual need.
4. **To train ourselves**—Athletes train in small, controlled ways so they can do big things on the sports field. We resist some small things that we *could* do to strengthen ourselves to resist sin which we *must not* do.
5. **To order the senses**—We give up good things because, even though they are good, they are not the center of our lives. They need to be put in their proper place.
6. **To prepare**—We fast now so that we are prepared to feast and celebrate the joys of Easter!

As you can see, there are a lot of good reasons to enter fully into Lent! See the flyer included in the bulletin this week for our parish schedule and a personal guide for Lent.

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READINGS FOR: February 23, 2025
1ST READING: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
2ND READING: 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49
GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue 2/18 8:00 am Betty Burke-RIP & Michael Reisz-RIP
Wed 2/19 8:00 am Bernie Erickson-RIP
Thurs 2/20 5:30 pm Rita Scichilone
Fri 2/21 8:00 am Dick & Joan Buntten-RIP
Sat 2/22 4:00 pm Clare J Kirlin
Sun 2/23 8:00 am St. Peter's Parish
10:00 am Deceased members of Knights of Columbus
Noon Lisa Shafer

SATURDAY, 4PM February 22, 2025
ALTAR SERVERS: Rowan Jackson, Nicholas Moses, Evelyn Duitsman
LECTORS: Christina Beck, Jim Beck
EUCH MINISTERS: Pat Shadden, Jacque Liston, Cindy Bussey
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, Mark Assman

SUNDAY, 8 AM, February 23, 2025
ALTAR SERVERS: Owen Juranek, Caroline & Claire Reineke
LECTORS: Peter Finn, Sean Dunphy
EUCH MINISTERS: Mary Novonte, Norma Finn, Hunter Venteiter
USHERS: Russ Goeser, George Garst, Mike Rosloniec, Keith Wirtz

SUNDAY, 10 AM February 23, 2025
ALTAR SERVERS: Cole, Connor, & Charlotte Noon
LECTORS: Eric Ely, Mike Noon
EUCH MINISTERS: Jennifer Lighthipe, Jon Garrigan, Maureen Garrigan
USHERS: Dave Bristol, Margine Henry, Bryan Carolus, Jill Clevenger

SUNDAY, NOON February 23, 2025
ALTAR SERVERS: Payton & Ben Johnson, Grace Burroughs
LECTORS: Chris Maher, Mikayla Yanovich
EUCH MINISTERS: Susan Lorkovic
USHERS: Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich, Chris Olson, Mikey Donovan

Father's Thought for the Week

Blessed are you... Woe to you...

The Beatitudes require of us real faith in Jesus Christ, because he promises blessings and woes that we don't see in this world.

This week I ought to review them, and consider changing one thing every day to live more like they are *actually true*.

Remember...FEED THE CHILDREN will be next Saturday, February 22 starting at 9:00 am.

Coffee & rolls will be held Sunday, February 23 after the 8 and 10 masses. Please come and share the fellowship.

Knights of Columbus meeting will be Monday, February 24 6pm in the Father Kottas Social Hall.

Women's Book Club is Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 pm in the Father Kottas Social Hall.

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- I had the rudest, nastiest, slowest cashier today. I guess it's my own fault for using the self-checkout lane.
- Maturing in marriage is understanding that husbands don't actually grow up, they're just giant children who have selective hearing, the memory of a squirrel, and can nap anywhere, at anytime. Just kidding Mike, I know you have a longer memory than a squirrel. More like a racoon.
- I love putting on warm clothes fresh out of the dryer. Plus it's fun to look around the laundromat and guess who they belong to.
- The gurgling noise that the coffee pot makes as it finishes, that is the music of my people.
- Marriage is realizing that your wife didn't marry you for money. She married you to reach things from high shelves and kill spiders.
- Mike and I decided to plan that expensive getaway. First we took a romantic stroll around the grocery store then hit up the gas station on the way home.
- I always start my diet on the same day...Tomorrow.
- When I get old (er) people are never going to say, "What a sweet old lady." They're going to say, "What on Earth is she up to now?"
- Marriage is when your wife decides to start a DIY project and now you're an employee for a job you didn't apply for, don't get paid for, and you can't quit..
- It's all fun and games until your oversized shirts start fitting.
- Sometimes I feel old but then I realize my husband is older. Sorry Mike it had to be said.
- Truth: the fastest reflex in the human body is the one that taps the brake when you see a cop.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, February 16-Fully Alive Youth Group 7-9pm at Corpus Christi

Wednesday, February 19-Rel Ed & Confirmation 6:15pm

Thursday, February 20-RCIA in Social Hall

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