

# February 15, 2015

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Saturday 6:00 P.M. Rosary

**6:30 P.M.** +Eleanor Mynarcik; +John & Mary King; +Monica King; +Theresa Walker; +Bernard Lenart, Sr.; For the Health of Louis Mynarcik; and Thanksgiving for the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Gary & JoAnn Kreder

**Sun. 7:30 A.M.** +Louis Cepak; +Agnes Zatopek; and For the Health of Feryn Schulte

**Sun. 9:00 A.M.** +Evelyn Gerik

**Sun. 10:30 A.M.** +Jimmy & Louise Snokhous; +Cody Dragoo; and +Colby Hutyra, Anniv.

**Sun. Spanish Mass (Noon)** +Francisca Mendez; +Teresa Ibarra; and Parish Family

**Mon 6:30 P.M.** Communion Service

**Tues. 6:30 A.M.** +Patsy Picha

**Wed. 6:00 A.M.** +Joe Holy, Jr.; and For the Health of Feryn Schulte

**8:15 A.M.** (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)+Willie Mae Holecek and +Bill "Swamp" Pokluda

**6:15 P.M.** +Joe Woycheshin

**8:15 P.M.** (Spanish) Health of Charlie Ferguson; and Parish Family

**Thurs. 6:30 A.M.** +Mildred Maguire, BD; and +Ronald Wilkinson, Anniv.

**Fri. 8:15 A.M. (NO MASS)**

**Next Sat. 6:00 P.M. Rosary**

**6:30 P.M.** +Ervin Pustejovsky, BD; +Andrew Hlavenka; +Herman Grimm; +George Hubik, BD; and +Darrell Dan Gerik

**Next Sun. 7:30 A.M.** +Fred Matula; +Robert Karlik, Anniv.; and For the Health of Feryn Schulte

**Next Sun. 9:00 A.M.** +Dr. Joe Eisma; and +Franklin Karasek, Sr.

**Next Sun. 10:30 A.M.** +Barbara Rejcek Smith; +Bruce Malaer; +Nicholas Van Pelt; and +Lucille Isom

**Next Sun. Spanish (Noon)** Parish Family

**CSA** -- It has recently been brought to our attention that a batch of CSA gifts from St. Mary, Church of the Assumption was not received. This issue should effect only 45 families. If you made a pledge to the CSA recently and your check has not been cashed, please contact Sonia Martinez at the diocese directly at (512) 949-2458. Some of you may have received a letter in the mail from Bishop Vásquez asking you to renew your gift to the CSA. We ask that you prayerfully consider this request, either by returning the envelope or by calling the diocese to process your transaction directly. Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Services Appeal.

**TODAY** -- Our adult Sunday study group will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

**TODAY** - CCE grades 9th & 10th classes today from 9-10:15 a.m.

**MONDAY** – RCIA meets at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph's Hall.

**TUESDAY** --- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and time for personal prayer will begin, in the cry room, after 6:30 a.m. Mass.

**TUESDAY** ---*E.I.M. BASIC Course will be held Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30pm-9:30 pm in the St. Joseph's Hall.*

**TUESDAY – PRE-K 4 & KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP** --- Come by and learn how our Catholic faith is an integral part of our student's core curriculum at St. Mary's! Tour the school and meet the teachers. If unable to attend, contact the school office for more information and to pick up a registration packet. The St. Mary's School office phone number is 826-5991.

**CDA FAT TUESDAY** – The Catholic Daughters of Americas Sacred Heart Court #829 will host the annual Taco Soup and Salad Luncheon on Tuesday at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The donations for adults will be \$7 and children \$3. “Take-outs” will be available. There will be a Silent Auction during the luncheon. Raffle tickets are available for \$2 each or 3 for \$5. For tickets contact any CDA member, or call Dianne Friend, 826-4320.

**WEDNESDAY** – CCE grades K thru 8<sup>th</sup> grades at 6:15 p.m. will be attending Mass for ASH WEDNESDAY. All parishes in the Diocese of Austin are to take up a special collection on Ash Wednesday for world and home missions.: The Catholic Church in the U.S. has a strong history of supporting worthy causes in our own parish communities and beyond. This combined collection will benefit areas in the Church that are greatest in need, including Black and Indian Missions in the U.S. Additionally, there are many places beyond our borders where the Church is poor, communities are scattered, and priests are few. This special appeal helps Catholic communities in Latin America and Central and Eastern Europe, by underwriting evangelization, religious education, education for future priests, and training for lay ministers. Thank you for your support. **Ash Wednesday Masses at 6:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m., 6:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.**

**Guidelines for Fasting and Abstinence**  
Abstinence – In the United States, this penitential practice consists of refraining from the consumption of meat. The Latin Church’s requirement of abstinence binds Catholics after they have celebrated their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, and it is practiced on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent. Pastors and parents are encouraged to see that children who are not bound by the obligation to fast and abstain are led to appreciate an authentic sense of penance.

Fasting – By refraining from eating, a person can signify oneness with the Lord, acknowledge our need for conversion, and give witness to our solidarity with those less fortunate. Catholics who are 18 years and older and in good health are bound until their 59<sup>th</sup> birthday by the obligation to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Traditionally, the canonical obligation of fasting has been understood in the church as the taking of only one full meal a day.  
-Penitential Practices for Today’s Catholics, Committee on Pastoral Practices, NCCB

**THURSDAY** - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and time for personal prayer will begin in the cry room after 6:30 a.m. Mass.

**FRIDAY** – The Men’s Group meets at 6 a.m. at St. Joseph’s for Bible Study.

**FRIDAY** – Stations of the Cross with the children at 2, 7 in English & 8 p.m. (Spanish).

**FRIDAY**--West Over 40's Dance on February 20 at Tours Hall from 7-10 p.m. Music provided by Texas Heartbeat and admission is \$5.00. Please bring finger foods to share.

**FRIDAY - FRIED FISH DINNER** --- Do you want the BEST FISH dinner that you can get on the First Friday of LENT? The KJT #31 is sponsoring a **FRIED FISH DINNER** on Friday to benefit Priest & Religious Retirement Fund. The dinner will start at 5 p.m. It will be held at the Parish Center. The cost is \$8 per plate. A Drive-thru will be available for to-go-plates, look for the signs. Come on out and help us raise money for the Priests.

**SATURDAY--E.I.M. Refresher Course** will be held Saturday Morning, February 21<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00am-11:15am in the Parish Center Cafeteria.

**NEXT SUNDAY** - 50/50 Club meets in the Parish Center after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

**NEXT SUNDAY** - CCE grades 9th & 10th classes today from 9-10:15 a.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY** -- Our adult Sunday study group will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

**NEXT SUNDAY** -- The Church of Nativity, Penelope, Texas is having our annual chicken dinner with all the trimmings Sunday, February 22. Serving begins at 11:30 a.m.-? Adults and plates to go \$9.50 and Children \$5.00

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL** -- St. Mary's Catholic School invites you to join them for our 115<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass on Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Joe. S. Vasquez, Bishop of Austin. Reception will follow.

**NEXT SATURDAY 6:30 P.M.**

**LECTOR** –Lori Janek

**GIFTS** –Chris Janek Family

**ALTAR SERVERS** –Everette Bernsen, Jady Evans

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** – Kenny & Carla Sykora, Stephanie Sullins

**SUNDAY – 7:30 A.M.**

**LECTOR** –Max Tacker

**GIFTS** – Jerimy Williams Family

**ALTAR SERVERS** –Clay Nors, Kearstyn Woodard, Madison Gerik

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** –George Meurer, Jon & Sharon Hlavenka

**9:00 A.M.**

**LECTOR** – Mike Lednický

**GIFTS** – Donny Cook Family

**SERVERS** –Christian Barton, Kinslee Adams, Toby Cook

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** –Kris Cooper, Mark & Amy Hutyra

**10:30 A.M.**

**LECTOR** –Grace Banik

**GIFTS** – Paul Sulak Family

**SERVERS** –Chris Berger

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** –Darrin & Torie Banik, Julie Jensen

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Offertory Collection.....	\$ 15,728.00
St. Mary's School.....	\$ 155.00
CCE Program.....	\$ 15.00
Building Fund.....	..\$ 140.00

**ST. MARY'S ENDOWMENT FUND .....**

In loving memory of **GINGER**

**KUTSCHEROUSKY** by Raymond and Theresa Jaska.

In loving memory of **PATSY PICHA** by Raymond & Theresa Jaska.

In loving memory of **JOE HOLY, JR.** by John & Darlene Simcik & Family.

**VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX** will be in the home of Raymond & Joyce Dulock this week.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** is in memory of Colby Hutyra by Johnie & Michell Hutyra and family.

**MARIAN SHRINE LIGHT** is for the Health of Feryn Schulte and for the Strength of the Schulte Family.

**PRAYERFUL SYMPATHIES** to the following Malcolm Haberl and Dencie Kubacak on the loss of their brother Frank Haberl; and to Lorene Holy on the loss of her husband; to Charles Holy, Sr. and Martha Sinkule on the loss of their brother, Joe Holy, Jr.

**CEF PERPETUAL ENROLLMENTS.....**

In loving memory of the **JOE HOLY, JR.**

**FAMILY** by Ellouise Anderson; Cliff & Bonnie Archer, Ernest & Evelyn Bezdek; Lillian Bohannan; Doug & Clara Carter; Raymond & Joyce Dulock; Lori Eisma; Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff; Dianne Friend; Nita Gerik; Henry & Cressie Girard; Bill & Laurann Grimm; Dorothy Hajek; Ernest Holecek; Gene & Martha Hosek; Harry Lee

& Mary Ann Hykel; Agnes M. Johnson; K.J.T. St. Joseph's Society #31; Anna Louise Kaska; Elaine Kolar, Kara and Kailey; John & Wilma Kostecka; Charles & Rose Kubacak; Kenneth & Margaret Kubala; Ervin & Geraldine Laubert; Jim & Jeanie Maguire; Milada Mazanec; George Meurer; Charles & Marsha Nemec; Robert & Georgie Nors; Evelyn Petter; Larry & Kathy Podsednik; Dan & Jeanette Pokluda; Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky; James & Marcella Sinkule; Thomas & Margaret Sinkule; William & Angie Sinkule; Tony & Wanda Stacha; Lucille Sulak; Rose Sulak; Helen Trlica; Lillian Urbanovsky; Steve & Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell; Margaret Webre; Robert & Marcella Wolf; and Royce & Virginia Zatopek.

**PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF THE FOLLOWING:** Bruce Huffines, Brayden Ballard, Feryn Schulte, Charlie Ferguson, Mitzi Urbanovsky, Ana Maria Vajello de Moya, Kelly Hooper, Jennifer Jares Ashley; Lillian Hromadka, Lillie Mynar; Karcyn Kauffman, Larry Holecek, Wesley Mashek, Nilce Carman, Amanda Bettge, Harvey Janek, Marcy Youngman, Nathaniel Torres, Ann Vanek, Wendell Harrison, Billy Kelm, Paula Ledford, Royce Zatopek, Earline Rochester, Martha Sulak Gerik, Cathy Heltenberg, Eugene Roznos, Louis Mynarcik, Larry Payne, Mildred Bajer, Ken Bernsen, Jason Neill, Albin Poehls, Tony Stacha, Zander Williams, William Buchanan, Hattie Kolar, Evelyn Bedzek, Chris Hutyra, Delbert Helms, Dawn Hand, Stephanie Schriener and Helen Mynar.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Mon. Genesis 4:1-15, 25: Mark 8:11-13  
 Tues Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10: Mark 8:14-21  
 Wed. Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18  
 Thurs. Deut. 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25  
 Fri. Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15  
 Sat. Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

**LENTEN SCHEDULE-** Beginning on February 25<sup>th</sup> Confessions will be heard before the 6:30 p.m. Mass starting at 5:15 to 6 p.m. On Tuesday & Thursday Mass at 6:30 a.m. confessions will be heard after Mass during the rosary.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** – Masses are at 6 & 8:15 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. in Spanish.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be said every Friday at 2 p.m. with the children, 7 p.m. in English and in Spanish at 8 p.m.

**MISSION TRIP** – Attention college students: Have you ever wanted the opportunity to grow in your faith and let the Lord work through you by taking part in a missionary experience to help others? If you are a college student at least 20 years old that would be interested in taking part in a potential mission trip in the summer of 2015, please contact Chelsea Kendrick at [chelsea\\_kendrick94@yahoo.com](mailto:chelsea_kendrick94@yahoo.com) or 254-723-0095. Thank you and God bless.  
**Psalm 96:3** “Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!”

**Catholic Social Teaching Corner** -- In the Gospel today, Jesus continues His healing ministry by curing a leper. Who are those who are considered “unclean” in our society today? Who are those that must remain separated from the community? They might be those coming out of jails, or those suffering from mental illness. They might be suffering from a disease that we fear – like Ebola or AIDS. They might be undocumented immigrants who fear that their families might be deported and torn apart. They might be the poor just struggling to keep their lives together. How can we continue the ministry of Jesus today by reaching out to those who feel rejected and cast out of society?

**THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?** Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or how to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 10-12, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ---** Married couples are invited to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and renew their marriage with more warmth, passion and intimacy. Come and experience God's love, forgiveness and tenderness with one another. Upcoming weekends are Feb. 20-22 and May 15-17 at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton, and July 17-19 at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock. The weekend begins Friday at 7:30 p.m. and ends Sunday around 4 p.m. For more information or to apply to attend, visit the website [www.austinme.org](http://www.austinme.org) or contact Steve and Linda Jaramillo at (512) 677-WWME (9963) or [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com).

**A DAY OF REFLECTION** will be held on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17, at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The real sign of Lent is not the ashes but the cross. Jesus says, "If anyone wants to become my followers, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me" (Mk 8:35). Begin this Lenten journey by reflecting on the challenges Jesus lays before us. The day will begin with Mass and the distribution of ashes. Brian Egan, Beverly Collin and Father Angelo Bertini will present this retreat. Cost is \$35 and includes lunch. To register, call (254) 780-2436 or e-mail [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

**"Lenten Retreat: Living the Beatitudes"** will be held March 13-15 at Cedarbrake

Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Sister of St. Joseph Carol Cimino will lead retreatants through the beatitudes. The cost is \$195 for a private room, \$160 for a shared room or \$85 for commuters. To register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

If I accept that all I am and all I have is God-given and are therefore God-gifts, just maybe I owe something to both God and my fellow humans besides a humble smile.

The gift you have received, give as a gift.

Matthew 10:8