

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: February 24 - March 2, 2008

Sunday, February 24:

- ❖ **St. Patrick's Grandparents Day & Parish Appreciation Brunch** will be held following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. This special celebration will honor all grandparents and also thank all who have helped in **any way** to make our parish a family. That includes lectors, servers, ministers, ushers, teachers, council members, and all who helped with events throughout the year. *Please plan to attend.*
- ❖ **CCD Class No. 20 for PreK-5** will meet at St. Mary's from 9:15-10:15 a.m. with Reconciliation for second and fifth grades. **St. Mary's Grandparent Mass** will follow at 10:30 as a Children's Mass honoring Grandparents. Luncheon will follow Mass.
- ❖ **Special Seminarian Appeal Collection Weekend** at all Masses. Last year our two parishes provided support in the amount of \$4,331 for the young men studying in seminary to become priests in our Diocese. Please open your hearts again this year to this very special Appeal. Envelopes are available in the back of both churches.
- ❖ **Lenten Communal Penance Service** for both parishes will be at St. Patrick's in Walnut beginning at 4:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Lenten Service and Soup Supper** will be at the Presbyterian Church in Walnut beginning at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Week Number 5 of 6 for our Bible Study Groups.**

Monday, February 25:

- ❖ **Adult Faith Committee** will meet at St. Patrick's Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 26:

- ❖ **Stations of the Cross** at St. Patrick's in Walnut beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27:

- ❖ **Mass Followed by Stations of the Cross** at St. Mary's in Avoca starting at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **CCD Class No. 22 for Grades 6-12** from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. There will be reconciliation for grades sixth and eighth with a prayer service.

Thursday, February 28:

- ❖ **Knights of Columbus** will have their February meeting at 7:30 p.m. It will be preceded by Mass at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church.

Friday, February 29:

- ❖ **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry** at St. Mary's Parish Hall with serving from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Show your support of our KC's by your attendance!!

Sunday, March 2:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee, Rolls, & Fellowship** hosted by the 11th grade CCD students at St. Mary's following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Show your support of their activities by your attendance.
- ❖ **CCD Class No. 21 for PreK-5** at St. Mary's from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Please bring a canned food item. There will be reconciliation for third graders.
- ❖ **Second Collection at St. Patrick's:** On March 17th, 24 seniors from St. Albert High School, including our very own parishioner, senior Mike Hoffmann, will be traveling to the Dominican Republic to participate in a mission project. They will be helping to create a more sanitary environment for many families in a rural camp. To help fund building supplies and transportation for him and his classmates, we will be having a second collection at St. Patrick's 10:30 Sunday Mass on March 2nd.
- ❖ **Minden United Church of Christ** will be serving Staley's Chicken Dinner from 11:00 to 1:30 p.m. Cost: Adults, \$8; Children 12 & Under, \$5; Under 2, free.
- ❖ **Lenten Service and Soup Supper** at St. Mary's in Avoca at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Week Number 6 of 6 for our Bible Study Groups.**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- √ **St. Mary's Finance Council** will meet March 4th at the rectory patio room at 7:00 p.m.
- √ **St. Mary's Parish Council** will meet March 6th at the rectory patio room at 7:00 p.m.
- √ **"Jesus Day Retreat"** for 2nd graders and their parents will be March 8th from 9 a.m. to noon.

"THE CATHOLIC MIRROR" subscription drive is getting underway inviting you to pay for your subscription to our Diocesan newspaper. This is a good resource for news, inspirational stories and keeping up-to-date on the latest in our family of faith.

KEEP PRAYERS AND MINISTRY COMING FOR: Barbara Hoffmann, Jennifer Kern, Ethel Thomas, Gordon Gladdin, Georgia Sievers, Peggy Benson, Armond Feauto, Bob Wood, Mike Carter, Susan Anderson, Leona Bladt, Lillie Sue Mace, Nathan Hall, Fr. Fred Reischl, Ruth Hicks, Nancy Blum, Louise Crivaro, Shannon Szadis, Sherman Snyder, Margaret Murphy, Earl Sanny, Carol Gubbels.

ASSIGNMENTS (Please find your own replacement.): St. Mary's Liturgy: Sat., Mar. 1, 5:30 p.m. *Servers:* Dagny, Henry, & Mary Nagengast. *Lector:* Rose Sternberg. *Euch. Ministers:* Dave Sternberg, Lonn Nelsen, Deb McCarthy. *Ushers:* Larry Bladt, Mike Knutsen. *Gifts:* Collette Bladt, Carla Knutsen. **Sun., Mar. 2, 8:00 a.m.** *Servers:* Grace Paulson, Dustin Maassen, Nathan Bauer. *Lector:* Jan Kenkel. *Euch. Ministers:* Tony Wingert*, Bob Prokupek, Ron Kenkel. *Ushers:* Brent Hansen, Jim Kloewer. *Gifts:* Joan, Samantha, & Mitchell Kloewer.

St. Patrick's Liturgy: Sun., Mar. 2, 10:30 a.m. *Servers:* Kelsey & Kendra Croghan. *Lector:* Lou Totilas. *Euch. Ministers:* Robert Stuart, Bob Wood, Julie Gross. *Ushers:* Leo Stuart, Robert Stuart. *Gifts:* Jo Cable Family.

St. Patrick's Breakfast: Feb. 24: Nicole/Josh Cunningham, Betty/Jim Blum, Leo Stuart.