

# PARISH CALENDAR

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 26, 2017

Remember your mercies, O Lord!

Saturday, February 25	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, February 26	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... <b>10:45 a. m.</b>	<b>Religious Education Classes (Gr. 1-8)</b>
		<b>Confirmation &amp; Youth Ministry</b>
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, February 27	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	.... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, February 28	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
Wednesday, March 1	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... <b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY - MASS</b>
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... <b>7:00 p. m.</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY - MASS</b>
Thursday, March 2	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, March 3	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	.... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p. m.	<i>Stations of the Cross - <b>R. E. - Confirmation Candidates</b></i>
Saturday, March 4	..... 4:00-4:45 pm	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Gensis:2:7-9, 3:1-7: Adam and Eve are tempted.**  
**Romans: 5:12-15: Jesus' obedience overcomes sin.**  
**Matt:4:1-11: Jesus himself is tempted.**

### **Living Catholic in the 808! Rice Bowl: Not Just for Keiki Any More!**

*In a few days we begin one of Catholics' favorite seasons: Lent. (Why do we love this season so much??) 40 days in the desert. Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Bring it on, yes?!*

*As you discern how to live out your Catholic faith this Lent, might you consider an 'oldie but goodie,' namely Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl. (As you may know, CRS is **THE** international outreach ministry of our U.S. Catholic Bishops. It is how we minister to those in need all the world over, including our own back yards.)*

*CRS offers us the chance to **PRAY, FAST** and **GIVE** this Lent in solidarity with our bishops and with those in need. By downloading the app, you can access your new Lenten prayer routine. You can watch weekly videos, encountering those helped by CRS and learning more about Catholic Social Teaching. And you can commit the money saved from your fasting to support CRS.*

*And families? The Rice Bowl app offers you ways to pray with your keiki this Lent. You can make meals together, inspired by those weekly video stories. And, yes, you can even throw your pennies into that cardboard box – the same one you may have used as a child.*

*Download the Rice Bowl app. Pray. Fast. Give.*

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JESUS said to his disciples:

*Learn from the way  
 the wild flowers grow.  
 They do not work or spin.*

*But I tell you that not even  
 Solomon in all his splendor  
 was clothed like one of them.*

*If God clothes the grass  
 of the field, will he not  
 much more provide for you,  
 O you of little faith?*

*Seek first  
 the Kingdom of God!*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITE GROUP:

Are you called to a deeper spiritual life? If so, the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelite (OCDS) may fulfill that need. Secular Carmelite work together to deepen their relationship with God through prayer, spiritual formation and good work. For more information, brochures are available on the front cabinet in the church and/or you can contact Kathy Paishon at 668-1949.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL: ENCOUNTER LENT;** Join our faith community – and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the **back of church** on **Ash Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

Don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! *May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.*

**RESPECT LIFE:** The Hawaii state legislature is considering adding Hawaii to the states that allow for physician assisted suicide. We need your prayers and involvement to assure that this does not happen. Please read/reread Bishop Larry Silva's letter on the matter. It can be found at the following website: <http://www.hawaiicatholicerald.com/2017/02/09/regarding-assisted-suicide/>

**WORD OF LIFE:** "Whether its last for a brief moment or for a hundred years each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love. . Every life is worth living." –USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities *Respect Life Program Flyer*, ([www.goo.gl/sYADTw](http://www.goo.gl/sYADTw))

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Feb 26 Sun: 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isa: 49:14-15; Ps 62; 1 Cor: 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

**Feb 27 Mon: Ordinary Weekday**

Sir: 17:20-24; Ps: 32: 1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 10:17-27

**Feb 28 Tue: Ordinary Weekday**

Sir: 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 & 23; Mk 10:28-31

**Mar 1 Wed: Ash Wednesday**

Jl: 2:12-18; Ps: 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17; 2 Cor: 5:20-6:2;

Mt: 6:1-6, 16-18

**Mar 2 Thur: Thursday after Ash Wednesday**

Dt: 30:15-20; Ps: 1: 1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 9:22-25

**Mar 3 Fri: Friday after Ash Wednesday**

Is: 58:1-9a; Ps: 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

**Mar 4 Sat: Saturday aft Ash Wednesday**

Lv: 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 86:1-3, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32

## I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU

It is a wonderful gift for someone to say, "I will never forget you!" We want to be remembered, to have made a lasting difference.

Perhaps some of our anxiety about what we will wear and what we will accomplish tomorrow can be traced to this desire. "Will anyone remember me?" "Will I contribute anything of lasting value?"

In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah, our God says: "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15). Before we ever see tomorrow, before we ever achieve any of our lofty goals, God declares us eternally valuable and unforgettable.

## NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

Saint Paul reminds us as baptized Christians, as those who have shared the Eucharist with one another, that we are "servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God." We are not to define ourselves by our age, ethnicity, gender, social status, work, vocation or avocation. Our primary self-understanding should be that of servants and stewards of the Lord and all that has been entrusted to us. Can we accept this self-understanding? Do we find it encouraging? (*International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin*)

## LIVE TODAY FULLY

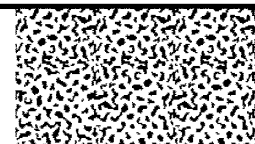
There is an old saying that life is what happens to us while we are busy making other plans. How often do the people and events of today pass unnoticed because we are preoccupied with concerns about the future?

Sometimes after a death in a family, one hears the survivors lament all that they did not do for the deceased. "I was so busy with my career plans, I never spent time with her." "I put so much energy into establishing my place in the community, I forgot he was lonesome."

One would suppose that the birds in the sky do not spend a great deal of time mapping out a lifetime flight plan. They seem to fly where they need to go today, trusting that that will eventually bring them where they must be tomorrow and next winter. Similarly, the wildflowers do not appear to bemoan their plot of earth or jockey for position. Rather, each accepts the sun and rain given it today and grows, imperceptibly perhaps, but beautifully.



JESUS  
CHRIST  
the LORD



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