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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent
Beginning at 7:00 pm
(Weather permitting)

2016 LENTEN SCHEDULE & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND
February 27 & 28
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Love One Another Campaign: $95.00
Parish Debt: $172,802.36
Youth Group Collection: $10.00
Votive Candle: $7.00
Special Collection: $5.00

Please remember our Love One Another Campaign.

Each month St. Bridget needs Capital Campaign Contributions of $8,115.84
for our principal and interest payment.

February Debt (Collected mtd) $8,564.71
$8,115.84 (Obligation) =
Overage $448.87 (Deficit) ($)

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Rice Bowls are now available in the vestibule

2016 LENTON RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

March 9 – Presentation School (9:15 am)
March 9 – Holy Spirit Parish
March 13 – Presentation Parish
March 15 – St. Robert Bellarmine
All services are at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

THE TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, AND EASTER
(March 24th) ~ (March 25th) ~ (March 27th)

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil
on Saturday will begin at 7:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.

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From Msgr. Murphy

As you listen to the Parable of the Prodigal Son this weekend, who do you relate to? How would you relate to the others in the story if you were the Father? The Prodigal Son? The other brother? Is there a lesson from the Lord coming to you in your meditation?

Daylight Savings Time starts next Sunday, March 13. It seems like only yesterday that I was harping in this column about it ending! In preparation, I cleaned the table and chair on my deck.

Have you had a chance to go to Confession this Lent? Dear Mary, Penance Services remaining are: Wed. March 9 at Holy Spirit; Sunday, March 13 at Our Lady of Presentation; and Wed. March 15, St. Robert’s. They are all at 7:00 p.m.

As a friend of mine often says: “You can feel Sanctifying Grace.” The four “children” are preparing for my Mom's 100th birthday on April 9. It is hard to believe (but even harder for my Mom).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ready for some fun! The Lay Clergy Council’s annual fundraiser, Sharing of the Green, is Saturday, March 19 (Please note this meeting date has been changed from March 14, 2016). Doors open at 4:45 pm with the buffet line release through forgiveness.

Discovering peace, meaning and purpose. Experiencing a release from emotional burden.

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LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH

Fourth Sunday of Lent C 1

Simple Blessings

Unleavened cakes and parched grain do not sound like much of a menu. But it was a banquet for the Israelites of long ago. Freed from their slavery in Egypt, they made the long trek through the desert to reach the Promised Land. They trusted a long, tiring, and dangerous journey. Moses, their leader, had died. Now Joshua, his successor, had brought them to their homeland.

It was Passover, the festival commemorating their departure from Egypt. So the people celebrated the feast with food from their new home: unleavened cakes and parched grain. They no longer ate the manna from the desert. Now, camped on a plain in Gilgal, they ate the food of their new home, the food of freedom.

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**Lenten Regulations**

The Church requires the abstention from meat to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may eat two full meals. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

The special Paschal fast and abstinence are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday. By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer the church should undertake serious practice of these three traditions. Failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

**101 Practical Fasting Ideas for Lent**

Fasting, praying and almsgiving are three penitential practices that we are asked to engage in during Lent. In addition to fasting and abstaining with the rest of the Church on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent, we are also challenged to make individual sacrifices appropriate to our own spiritual state. However, without asking questions like these we are ready to decide what to give up or what to add to our lives during Lent. Only after asking questions like these are we ready to decide what to give up or what to add to our lives during Lent.

**WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Saturday, March 12th**

**Event 1:** Pleasant Hill Historical Museum

What to Bring: Your Creativity, food or monetary donation for the Lay Clergy and any special decorations you would like to decorate your own bonnet. We will have decorating supplies for you already. Join the Red Hat Ladies with a decorating bonnet contest. Bring a small can of food or donations for the food pantry. Pictures of the bonnets will be taken and voted on. Winner will receive a basket full of goodies from the downtown merchants.

**Event 2:**

The following merchants will either have an egg hunt, egg giveaway or a craft for your youngster to do at the following businesses: Jumble & Co, Pleasant Hill Thrift Store, New Town Bicycle and Coffee Shop, Mokam Liquidators, Recycled Reading, Pleasant Hill Historical Museum, Top 2 Bottoms, A Sweet Expression, Tayabella, Flippin Furniture, Bally peddler, The Knot Hole and R & S Creative.

**LAY CLERGY NEWS**

Food Pantry Needs – We are in need of spaghetti, spaghetti sauce and jello.

Join the Downtown Merchants for an Easter Extravaganza

Saturday, March 12th – both events 11-3 pm

**CONFIRMATION**

Our new Confirmation date will be FRIDAY APRIL 15 AT 7:00 P.M. AT ST. BRIDGET.

Confirmation practice will be THURSDAY APRIL 14 AT 7:00 P.M. AT ST. BRIDGET.

**MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

Memorial Flowers and lilies used to decorate our church and altar may be purchased for a suggested donation of $15 each. Memorial Flowers and lilies used to decorate our church and altar may be purchased for a suggested donation of $15 each. Memorial Flowers and lilies used to decorate our church and altar may be purchased for a suggested donation of $15 each. Memorial Flowers and lilies used to decorate our church and altar may be purchased for a suggested donation of $15 each.

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER**

**SOR WEATHER CANCELLATION PROCEDURE**

The St. Bridget SOR cancellation procedure will follow the Pleasant Hill School District for cancellation of classes due to bad weather. If Pleasant Hill Schools have been dismissed early or cancelled completely due to bad weather, St. Bridget’s SOR program will be cancelled that evening as well.

**K OF C NEWS**

**6th – 1st Degree – Lee’s Summit**

10th – Monthly Meeting

11th – Fish Fry of 2016 (Baseball Theme)

27th – Easter Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt

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**AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR**

AED Training is scheduled for Thursday, March 8th at 7:00 pm in church. This training will last approximately 30-minutes. We would like to invite members of the K of C, Altar & Rosary Society, SOR Teachers & Aides, Bible Study Groups, Youth Group Leaders, Choir, musicians, ushers, liturgical ministers, all staff as well as any parishioner who would like to attend this training on how to use this lifesaving device.

**YOUR TRAINING MAY HELP SAVE A LIFE!**

**WELCOME TO ST. BRIDGET!**

If you are just visiting St. Bridget welcome! We pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey home. If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to introduce yourselves and register with us. Forms are available in the vestibule, parish office or online at www.stbridgetcatholicchurch.org

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, March 6**

COFFEE & DONUT SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass - 2nd Collection for Debt Reduction & CSR

10 am Confirmation

K of C 1st Degree

**Monday, March 7**

8:30 am Mass

7:00 am Rosary - Lenten Part 3

**Tuesday, March 8**

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Prayer & Rosary Group

7:00 pm AED Training

**Wednesday, March 9**

8:30 am Mass

6:30 pm SOR

6:30 pm Women of Grace

6:30 pm TMYI #19

**Thursday, March 10**

8:30 am Communion Service

2-7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm K of C Meeting

**Friday, March 11**

Deadline for Easter Memorials Today

8:30 am Communion Service

9:00 am Bible Study

1pm Deadline for March 10th Bulletin

5:00-7:00 pm K of C Fish Fry

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 12**

4-4:45 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, March 13**

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

6:00 pm EDGE