

WEEDAY MASS READINGS-February 21-28:

FEBRUARY 21: SUN—Purple—1st Sunday of Lent—Gn 9:8-15—1 Pt 3:18-22—Mk 1:12-15 (23)

FEBRUARY 22: MON—White—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle—1 Pt 5:1-4—Mt 16:3-19 (535)

FEBRUARY 23: TUES—Purple—St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr—Is 55:10-11—Mt 6:7-15 (225)



FEBRUARY 24: WED— Purple—Jon 3:1-10—Lk 11:29-32 (226)

FEBRUARY 25: THURS—Purple—Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25—Mt 7:7-12 (227)

FEBRUARY 26: FRI— Purple—Ez 18:21-28—Mt 5:20-26 (228)

FEBRUARY 27: SAT— Purple—Dt 26:16-19—Mt 5:43-48 (229)

FEBRUARY 28: SUN—Purple—2nd Sunday of Lent—Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18—Rom 8:31b-34—Mk 9:2-10 (26)

Video taping of Mass for the weekend of February 27th-28th will be held this TUESDAY, February 23rd, 4pm, at Church of the Risen Savior, Rhineland. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) pledges to date from our Parish \$21,806. Our Parish goal is \$26,000.00. If we make our goal we will once again receive 10% of the goal, plus 90% of any funds raised above the goal. That we may be transformed by the Spirit to live a life of stewardship marked by faith-filled prayers, service to our neighbors and generous sharing....we pray to the Lord

COLLECTION, February 14th, 2021

Adults (84)\$ 6,025.25
Loose 290.00
\$ 6,315.25



Property Maintenance.... \$520.00
Education Fund..... \$315.00

Thank you to all who regularly use their church envelopes, use automatic bill pay or give in the loose collection, and therefore, support your parish!!! Your sacrifices are greatly appreciated!!

FROM THE PASTOR: The novelist Morris West wrote a book entitled "Lazarus," that was about a fictional pope named Leo XIV. All his life Leo XIV had been fascinated by the story of Lazarus in the Bible whom Jesus raised from the dead. The Pope had always wondered what it was like for Lazarus after coming out of that tomb; whether he really wanted to return to his earthly life; whether the world he returned to seemed any different after the short time he spent in the tomb; whether he himself was different; whether he saw things differently and did things differently. Morris West presents an irony in this fictional story when his main character, the Pope himself, has a near-death experience during a very delicate open heart surgery. After coming out of it, as his life begins a second time, the Pope begins to question and wonder about what he has achieved as head of the Church. Where previously he had given priority to policies and rules, now he begins to wonder more about people and their needs. Where once firmness had seemed of greatest value, now he began to act with greater humility and openness and compassion. Pope Leo is now somewhat able to relate to the biblical Lazarus's experience of seeing things differently after having come very close to his own death.

Lent is a season of "dying." Not our physical death, but rather putting to death those things that cause us to sin, things that mess up our relationships, things that take the place of God in our lives, things that lure us away from being Jesus' loyal disciples. Lent gives us a chance to look at things differently, hopefully look at things better, and start over. If or when you decide to do something special for this 2021 season of Lent, I suggest you ask yourself these questions which may give you reason to think a little bit more about what you are going to do: 1. Will this help my marriage? 2. Will this help my relationship with my children? 3. Will this help me at my work place? Will this help me with my school mates? Will this help me with my relationship with my parents?

Let's remember that what we do "during" Lent is supposed to help us "beyond" Lent. Hopefully whatever improvements we make during Lent 2021 will become a big part of the remainder of 2021 and beyond. – Msgr. Greg

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

for High School Seniors and Post-Secondary students will be available at the Counselors Office at the High School or you can email tbruckerhoff62@gmail.com to receive an electronic copy.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY-FEB 21:

7am — Jim Thomas Anniv

10:30am — Parishioners of St. George

MONDAY-Feb.22:

8:00am — Communion Service

TUESDAY-Feb 23:

8:00am — Mary Lammers Fricke

WEDNESDAY– Feb 24:

7:50am StG— Jim Lowes

6:30pm — CRS— Mass

THURSDAY– Feb 25:

8:00am — Liv Dec Ladies Sodality

FRIDAY-Feb 26:

8:00am — Albert & Eileen Baumstark

SATURDAY-Feb 27:

5pm — George Hackmann

SUNDAY-Feb 28:

7am — Parishioners of St. George

10:30am — Ray & Lillian Jacquin Anniv

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

FEBRUARY 27-28:

5:00pm Mass

Lector: Mary Beth

Strassner

Comm. Minister: Dave Strassner

Sacristan: Jeff Englert

Ushers: Jeff Englert-Jim Schneider

7:00am Mass

Lector: Lance Conway

Comm. Minister: John Van Booven

Sacristan: Rick Kopman

Ushers: Larry Bock-Dennis Kohne

10:30am Mass

Lector: Lynn Bucher

Comm. Minister: Debby

Heying

Sacristan: Kellie Witthaus

Ushers: Jim Bucher-Mike Heying

Trustees: Allen Speckhals-Chad Eggen



ANONING OF THE SICK Due to all hospitals' strict protocols, it is important to seek the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation **prior** to going to the hospital. Most hospitals only allow a priest to provide sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick if the patient has been placed on comfort care (hospice) or is nearing death.

PLEASE PRAY for the health and safety of our Front Line Responders and Health Care Workers, all affected by the COVID Virus, Bishops, Priest, Deacons, our parishioners, Fr Chris Aubuchon, Mary Korman, Maura Winkelmann, Jim Welschmeyer, all Military, especially from our parish: Bo Epple, Alex Hahne, Lucas Landolt, Tyler Sparks. Let us pray to the Lord—**Please let us know if you want names added to this list in the bulletin.**

SCRIP ON HAND is sold at the rectory office from 8am to 3pm, Monday through Friday, 7 to 8am in the church basement on Friday and after 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

As a family practice you might take home a "**Rice Bowl**" that you can find in the back of church. Put in some coins or bills at each meal as a way to connect with the homeless and hungry of our country and our world. Turn in the Rice Bowl at the end of Lent.

VFW FISH FRYS will be held every Friday in Lent from 4:30 to 7pm. Eat in (social distancing) or carry-out—486-5632

CHARTER MEMBER WINNER for February 14th was Mary Weiser who won a Handmade cutting Board made & donated by Vincent & Jovita Klott and Richard Klott. **Congratulations!!**

2021-2022 SIMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS may be downloaded at diojeffcity.org/scholarship and are being accepted through March 31st.

All persons who have already celebrated their 14th birthday are required to **“abstain”** from eating meat on both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, as well as all Fridays of Lent.

FASTING: All Catholics 18-59 are required to follow the Lenten practice of “fasting” on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meaning that they eat one less meal on those days and less food at the other two meals.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO DURING LENT?? Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited every Saturday, beginning February 20th, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows, Starkenburg. Come join us.

GO TO Dynamiccatholic.com and sign up for **THE BEST LENT EVER** program. Each day you will automatically receive a short inspirational video from Matthew Kelly. The program is FREE...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday during Lent different classes of the school will participate and host Stations of the Cross beginning at 2:15pm. The Stations will also be held at StG & CRS every Friday evening beginning at 7:00pm

PRO-LIFE ROSARY is recited every Monday evening at 7PM in Church. Come and pray for all life!!!