

## The Week Ahead

**Sat / March 18**

4pm - Vigil Mass: Howard Debus † by M & M Winston  
Collection for Easter Flowers and Decorations

**Sun / March 19 - Third Sunday of Lent**

9am - Mass: Alice Benson † by Family  
Collection for Easter Flowers and Decorations  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall  
NO CCD this week

2:30pm - \*Mass (L): Michael A. Plunkett - SI by M & M Winston

4pm - Potluck to follow Mass, everyone invited

**Mon / March 20 - Feast of St. Joseph**

9am - Mass: Nicholas Kocz & family - SI by M Kocz

**Tue / March 21**

9am - Mass: Magnificat Ministry

**Wed / March 22**

NO Mass (Fr. Naz will be attending Clergy Cont Ed Classes)

6:45pm - RCIA /Adult Ed Classes, meet in the Library

**Thu / March 23** - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

NO Mass (Fr. Naz will be attending Clergy Cont Ed Classes)

6pm - B--I--N--G--O

**Fri / March 24** - Bl. Oscar Romero

9am - Mass: Jeanette Debus - SI by M & M Winston

5pm - Stations of the Cross

KC Fish Fry to follow, see announcement

**Sat / March 25 - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

9am - Mass: Anne Schneider † by J & D Schneider

3-3:45pm - Confessions

4pm - Vigil Mass: Jeanette Debus - SI by M & M Winston

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Anointing of the Sick after Mass, in the Church

**Sun / March 26 - Fourth Sunday of Lent**

9am - Mass: People of the Parish

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Anointing of the Sick after Mass, in the Church

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

10:30-11:30am - CCD

2:30pm - Mass (L): Special Intention by G.D.

## KC Lenten Fish Fries

The Knights of Columbus will offer a Fish Fry Dinner following Stations of the Cross this Friday, **March 24<sup>th</sup>**. Locally raised fried catfish, french fries, green beans, hush puppies, drinks and cake will be served. Cost of the meal is \$7.50 for adults; \$5 for children 12 and under.

## A Lenten Prayer

Lord our God, You formed man from the clay of the earth & breathed into him the spirit of life, but we turned from Your face & sinned. In this time of repentance we call out for Your mercy. Bring us back to You & to the life Your Son won for us by His death on the cross, for he lives & reigns for ever & ever. † Amen †

## Birthdays Next Week:

21-Kathleen Pester, Becky Pope, Kile Richardson

22-Liz Pope, Bob Rohricht

24-PeterPaul DiCresce

25-Lucmaria Huerta

26-Rebecca Huscher

We wish you many blessings on your birthday!

Join us for "Stations of the Cross"  
beginning at 5pm each Friday during Lent.

## No CCD This Week

CCD will be out for Spring Break this Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and resume on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Last day of class is Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>; plans are still in the making for a year-end party that day. Stay tuned!

## Catholic Relief Services Collection

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> collection next weekend supports the work of Catholic Relief Services, which includes six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from the Collection help provide food to the hungry, welcome and support to displaced refugees, and invaluable life skills to those seeking a better life. Thank you for your generosity to this collection!

## Next PC Meeting, March 30, 12noon

Parish Council meetings are open to parishioners. Call the Office if you wish a topic to be added to the agenda for the meeting

Coffee & Donuts next week, March 26<sup>th</sup>, will be served by Linda Rodenbeck & group # 4.

### Missed Contributions

Whether it's vacation or bad weather that keeps you from Mass, please make up your missed contributions. Like at your home, even though you are away, the bills still have to get paid. We appreciate your generosity. God bless you all.

### **Adoration Coordinator Needed**

An Adoration Coordinator is needed to help with 10am-2pm coverage. Speak to one of the other coordinators, Anne Kootz or Bernie Brandenburg, if interested.

**OPEN HOURS in Chapel: Friday 4-6pm**

### **Thank You**

I wish to thank my parish family for their prayers for me during my surgery. I'm back up on my feet. God is good!

God bless you all - Joyce Speir

### **Homebound or Sick?**

**If you, or your loved one, is sick or homebound**, please call Lila Hickert, 870-257-2383, so that we can bring Communion and minister to any other needs. So often we hear a complaint that "my husband/wife has been sick for a month and no one has come to see him/her." If you don't tell us you're sick, how are we to know? Having surgery? Plan ahead and be Anointed the last weekend of the month prior to your scheduled surgery. **If you go to the hospital in an emergency, make it known to the nurses that 'you are Catholic and would like them to call the local priest'.** Because of the privacy laws, we can not call for you, YOU must request a visit.

### **"Meek and Gentle Servant"**

*The Life of Fr. Venantius Preske*

A copy of the book written about Fr. Preske's life has been donated by his family to our Parish. It is now available to check out from our Parish Library.

### **Ministerial Alliance Lenten Luncheons**

This Thursday's Lenten Luncheon and Reflection will take place at the Spring River Baptist Church in Hardy at 12noon. See the note on the bulletin boards for the complete schedule for this year's Lenten Luncheons.

### **Parish Lenten Retreat**

Our Lenten Retreat, April 3-5, with Fr. Norbert Rappold, will be here soon. To get adequate materials ordered for the retreat, **please sign-up on the sheet in the vestibule.** Our retreat will begin each day with 9am Mass. Fr. Norbert will be available for Confessions on **Tuesday:** 10am-12noon and 2-5pm. The evening sessions will begin at 5:30pm with a shared potluck meal followed by Father's reflection. Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be a soup and bread potluck; Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, will be a one-dish casserole potluck; Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, will be a smörgåsbord potluck. The evening sessions will be held in the Church Hall. All are welcome; invite someone to join you!

### **Welcome Ministry**

Our newly started Welcoming Ministry needs one or two more couples/singles to help us. If you are interested in volunteering in this rewarding ministry, or need more information, please contact Sharon Vander Zyl, Acting Coordinator, at 870-847-3095.

### **Thank You**

Thank you to Fr. Maduba and the Eucharistic Ministers, and for all your prayers, cards, visits, and thoughtful healing gifts. I'll be home on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>! In the hearts of Jesus, Mary and Joseph I remain. ~ Marcella

### **A Taste of Cherokee Village**

Friday, March 31, 10:30am, Cherokee Lodge

### **Healthy Cooking**

Sponsored by: WRMC North Complex

**\$5.50 Registration**  
**(includes samples)**

RSVP by March 20

870-257-6010 or 870-994-7363