

February 11, 2018 6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 13th No Mass Wednesday 14th Ash Wednesday **11**^{am} + Claude DeBenedet – The Pihulak Family Thursday 15th at Rainvcrest 10^{am} + John Koles – Margrit Schaum and the Intentions of Vince & Barb and Jackie & Jami - Louella Friday 16th 9^{am} + Margaret Lambert & Gord Begin – Anna McNay Saturday 17th **5**^{pm} **+** Jill Wynn Austin – The Family (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes) Sunday 18th 9^{am} Intentions of the Boon Family **11**^{am} + Otto Mueller – The Family

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1st reading: (Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46) **2nd reading: (**1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1**) Gospel:** (Mark 1.40-45)

Jesus touched the man with leprosy and he was cured.



In your prayers, please remember those who are sick: Eva Mattson, Arlene Steinke, Ewan MacKintosh, Rosalie Cousineau, Shirley Fraser, Nick Mutz, Kari Urquart, Ernie McColeman, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagné. Nicole LePine, Larry Mattson, Dianne Pattison, Noella & Rick Hamilton, Holly Mitchell, David Whalen, Isabella Keuler, Ismael Albao, Susan Flemming, Cyril Chabot, Kathy Johnson

> Offertory Collection for St. Mary's Weekend Of February 4th - \$2649.67

> > *Counting Teams* February 12th - Linda



Congratulations to Andrew & Tanya Mueller, who had their son, Miles Weston, baptized on February 4th!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent at 7pm February 16 – Lectors February 23 – The Catholic Women's League March 02 – The Youth Groups March 09 – The Knights of Columbus March 16 – The Bereavement Group March 23 – Associates of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville All are welcome!



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH NEWS In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Jan Adams, Linda Anderson, Doug Cross, George Supinski, Curtis Jourdain, Florence Lampi, Jan Glueheisen, Phyllis Johnson (Bruyere), Kayla Bruyere, Desiree Alfred, Brian McPherson, Judy Bird

Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes Weekend of

February 4th - \$840.48

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes are joining together to invite you to the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 13th at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall. All are welcome. Doors open at 5pm.



Ash Wednesday Mass is on February 14th at 11:00am at St. Mary's and at 6:30pm at St. Thomas Aquinas in International Falls.

What's going on?!

- February 12 CWL Rosary & Gathering 2:00pm
- Soup & Bun Planning Meeting 6:30pm
- February 13 Bereavement Group 1:00pm
- February 13 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner at OLOL - 5:00pm
- February 14 Ash Wednesday Mass 11:00am – St. Thomas Ash Wed. Mass – 6:30pm
- February 15 EDGE Night 6:30–8:30pm
- February 16 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Lectors)
- February 17 Youth Mass & Life Teen
- February 19 OFFICE CLOSED Family Day
- February 22 K.C. 4th Degree 12:00pm
- February 23 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (CWL)
- February 24 Annual Day of Reflection 9:00am-3:00pm

ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION

Our lives are busy with many activities and responsibilities and our spiritual wellbeing is often overlooked. As God's people we need to take time periodically to look at the direction our lives are taking. Do you think with God's grace a change in your thinking is do-able?

With Lent just around the corner, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to "come away with Him to a quiet place" and refresh your spirit.

Saturday, February 24th from 9:00am – 3:00pm in the meeting room.



EDGE: Youth groups for grades 6-9

This past week the EDGE youth meet at St. Mike's for a sports night. **Our next EDGE is Feb. 15th at St. Mary's.** Thanks to all our

wonderful parents for providing snacks!



LIFE TEEN Youth groups for grades 9-12

Our next Life Night will be held on February 17th. Hope to see everyone there!

LIFE TEEN Lunches:

The next Life Teen lunch at the Northwest Catholic District School Board Office will be held on **February 21**st from 11:30am-12:15pm. See everyone there!





The Annual Soup & Bun fundraiser will be taking place March 3rd & 4th. We are having a planning meeting on February 12th at 6:30 pm in the

meeting room. Any and all parishioners interested in helping out are welcome to attend.



We need help to teach the Children's Liturgy program. If you are able to help with this important program, please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233.

EUTHANASIA PREVENTION COALITION RESOURCE:

This organization has developed a special call line or help line to assist people who are questioning or contemplating the issue of medical assistance in dying or MAID. The number: **The Compassionate Community Care (CCC) helpline, 1-855-675-8749** is a national service for people who are seeking advice, help & support regarding euthanasia & assisted suicide prevention, and/or end-of-life treament issues or concerns.



Lent comes every year. It's meant to be a time when we invite God to help us become the-bestversion-of-ourselves. But for many of us, Lent isn't a transformative experience. It's just a time when we give up chocolate or something else we enjoy, then go back to it at Easter. This Lent, do something different. Sign up for BEST LENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you'll receive an email with Inspirational Videos, **Practical** Tips, & Encouraging Stories. Sign at up **DynamicCatholic.com/40Days.**

BEST LENT EVER is based on the book 'Perfectly Yourself' by Matthew Kelly, which is available in the lobby.

Food for Your Journey - Pride

One day, many little frogs were jumping and playing among the flowers that grew at the edge of a little pond. A herd of cattle were feeding nearby and a big ox came tramping over to the pond to get a drink. His big hoof came down with a squish into the mud and plumped right in the middle of a family of frogs and crushed all but one to death.

This little fellow hopped over to his mother and told his terrifying story. His mother turned from green to yellow with rage. "Such an animal cannot be allowed in our meadow, I'll go and drive him out."

"But, mother, you can't. He's very, very big," said the baby frog.

"Rubbish! No matter how big he is, I can make myself bigger."

So she started to puff herself out with air. She swallowed mouthful after mouthful of air and soon doubled her size. Then holding her breath, she asked, "Was that strange monster as big as this?"

"Oh, mother, much, much bigger; as big as a mountain. If you try to make yourself that big, you'll burst."

But she just closed her eyes and opened her mouth wide and swallowed so much air that she looked a terrible sight; then she did burst...

Everybody now mourned over the mother frog, but someone wagged his head and said, "Of what use was it to puff herself out in that way? Even if she were as big as her enemy, she only had air inside, after all."

<u> A Smile for Your Journey – Parking Infringement</u>

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter.

Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss by appointment. Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note. "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose by job. Lead us not into temptation."

CWL ♥Heart Jar recipient for February is Denyse DeCaire. Please keep her in your prayers this month.



WORLD DAY OF THE SICK-FEBRUARY 11TH

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11 (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us

that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.