

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
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NOTE: All announcements for the Bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by Monday at 2:00 pm. The deadline for Pulpit Announcements is Friday evening. **DO NOT** come to the Sacristy before Mass to request an announcement.



ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday, March 1st, is Ash Wednesday. It is the beginning of the season of Lent. It is also a day of fast and abstinence. The Mass schedule with distribution of ashes is as follows: 8:00am; 12:00noon; 7:00pm. We will celebrate this day with music at the 12:00 Mass (Cantor) and the 7:00pm Mass (Choir).

ALTAR SERVERS

March 4	5:00	Ficarra/Sweeney
March 5	8:00	Sanchez/Abboud
	9:30	Bebeks
	11:00	Stonick/Parkin
	12:30	Baldemors

LECTORS—EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Ash Wednesday

8:00am	Serhan—Hoehne
12:00pm	Arnold—Santucci/Santucci
7:00pm	Goodman/Surfus—(See Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Schedule)

Saturday

March 4 5:00 Bergam/Hammeras—Pew/Svilich

Sunday

March 5	8:00	Myrtle—Hooper/Kehoe/Kehoe
	9:30	Gibboney/Redfern—Team 2
	11:00	Woznicki/Mehler—Team 2
	12:30	Armstrong/Rogers—Thometz/Ward

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Are needed for the following Masses: 5:00pm Saturday, and 12:30pm Sunday. If interested, please call Colette Santucci (562)439-6970.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Beginning this Friday, March 3rd, and then each Friday during Lent, we will gather as a community to pray the Stations of the Cross at 5:15pm in the Church. Please join us for these special devotional prayers.

CATHOLIC UPDATE

There is available in the Vestibule of the Church a monthly pamphlet entitled: "Catholic Update". This month's issue offers some wonderful reflections on Ash Wednesday and the Season of Lent. We hope you find this publication enlightening and enriching.

GOOD-BYE TO THE ALLELUIA

On Ash Wednesday we begin the Lenten Season and we refrain from the singing of the "Alleluia" for 6 weeks. You will notice we do not use hymns with "Alleluia" in it. Yet, at the Great Solemnity of Easter at the Easter Vigil Liturgy, we will welcome back the "Alleluia" with great pomp and fanfare! As then we will shout "Christ is truly Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!"

FIRST FRIDAY—this Friday, March 3rd.

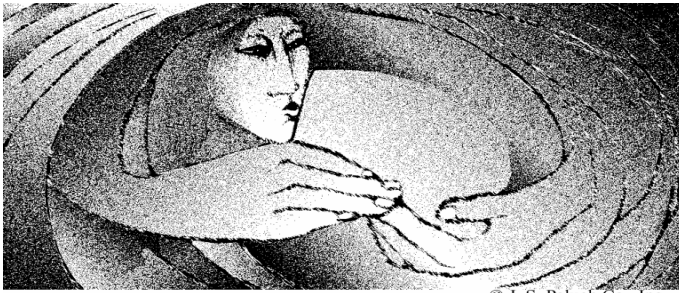


THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Colby Curtin, Bernie Rollinger, Shirley Wood, Pat Schuck, Lucy Svimonoff, Nina Paterson, Sarah Fries, Maxwell Smith, Harry Fehner, Charles Ward, Chris Shulberg, Larry Sauter, John Swanson, Fabio Marinetti, Frank Risica, Jeanie Kaufman, MaryAna Finks, Stella Fillipow, Dottie Hayes, Rita Cobb, and Ralph Kortz.

THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

Bill Lakoff.



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**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 26, 2006**

*Merciful and gracious is the LORD,
Slow to anger and abounding in kindness.*

- Psalm 103-8

GUITAR MUSIC GROUP

We are considering the formation of a guitar music group to provide liturgical music at some parish liturgies throughout the year. Do you play the guitar? Would you like to be a part of such a group? Can you make a time commitment to regular rehearsals? Other instrumentalists would also be welcomed, as well as vocalists. If this is of interest to you, please call our parish music director, Brian Archambault (562)208-8222, for an audition and for more information.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING


Every First and Third Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm, in the Jubilee Room. Subject: "Purpose Driven Life". For information, please call Jim or Susan (562)433-6137.

CELEBRATE LENT WITH THE RCIA

During Lent we are all called to profound conversion of life, and to remember all that Jesus has done for us. And, we are called to let God change our hearts and have a greater place in our daily lives. Our Catechumens and Candidates in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) represent a sign of conversion because they are proclaiming to the faithful their belief that God has called them to enter into full communion with the Church. Next Sunday at the 9:30am Mass, the RCIA will celebrate the Rite of Sending Catechumens and Candidates for Recognition by the Bishop. The RCIA's rites and rituals—several are celebrated during Lent—give focus to the season. These rituals are powerful experiences for the initiates, as well as the assembly. Please continue to support our catechumens and candidates with your encouragement and prayers, as they journey through their final steps of conversion, scrutiny and celebration.

POLISH MASS

This Sunday, 3:00pm, in the Church.



ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY
 Sunday, March 12, 2006, 3:00-5:30pm
 in the Social Hall. Irish Music, Good Food and Libations. **Join us one and all.** Advanced reservations made by March 7th—\$18.00 donation; Admission at the door—\$20.00 donation. Please see the bulletin for reservation information.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Monthly Bridge—This Wednesday, March 1st, 12 noon, in the Social Hall. All are invited.

Monthly Meeting—Monday, March 6th, 12 noon, in the Jubilee Room. All ladies of the parish are invited.

COMMUNITY GROUP

A special thank-you to all who participated and gave donations to our "Santa's Build-A-Bag Workshop". We were able to deliver over 75 blankets, pillows, pillow-cases and carrying bags to the Mary McLeod Bethune Transitional School for homeless children. We are currently organizing a program for next year's blankets to be crocheted or knitted by volunteers. Look for upcoming announcements in the bulletin. God Bless.

FEEDING THE HOMELESS UPDATE

Our Parish Community Group volunteers participated in another successful, home-cooked meal for the hungry last Monday night at the Christian Outreach Center in Long Beach. Prior to dinner, the guests are required to attend a Christian Service. The volunteers prepared and served approximately 100 portions of Italian sausage pasta with cheese, vegetables, bread, juice and dessert. Catholic Charities has been donating a portion of the food. A heart-felt thank-you to all of the volunteers and parishioners for their general support.

 **ORDINARY INCOME**
Collections February 18th/19th: \$9,091.00