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JANUARY 20, 2008 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Before weekday Masses. Saturday at 4:15 p.m. at St. John and prior to the 7:30 p.m Mass at Nassau. Sunday Morning before Mass where time and place permits.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

Harrison McGuire, Grace Koppen, Donna Dittes, Bea Homan, Henry Malikowski, Harrison McGuire, Donald Pillatzke, Daniel Brandenburger, Scott Streed, Fr. George Lyon, OSB, Paul Streich, Mike Welnitz, Cory Homan, Tom Pillatzke, Greta Botker, Ed Karels, Brian Scott, Dori Hoffman, Glen Ketchum, Larry Walsh, Elaine Koenen, Marie Volkenant.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Brian Pillatzke, Joe Karels Jr. Joshua & Jacob Beutler.

POTPOURRI

Organists – Once again may I issue a plea for young and old alike to take Organ Lessons. I am willing to pay music lessons for anyone so inclined. All parishes are always in need.

HEARING ENHANCEMENT AIDS

We have units available for anyone needing assistance with hearing problems. They will not replace your present hearing aid...but simply improve your present system and are for Church use only. Please call the office. 839 2772. These units are only viable at St. John's Church. .

DIOCESAN 50TH ANNIVERSARY BOOKS

have arrived and are now available at the office. I believe 12 parishioners signed for copies at \$25.00 apiece. We do have a few extra copies for those who are interested.

PARISHIONER OF THE WEEK

This week we choose for our Christmas gift, Sharon Unterkiecher, resident at Northridge. A mass will be offered for her intentions this coming Wed. January 23rd 9:30 a.m. You are invited to pray for Sharon, write a note, give her a call or send her a flower. The Mass is a gift, compliments of Social Concerns

DATES OF INTEREST

- January 28 – Ortonville Education Meeting
- February 3 – Blessing of Throats
- February 5 - Ash Wednesday Mass at Nassau
- February 6 - Ash Wed. Masses at St. John & Joseph
- February 14 – Home School Mass
- February 15 – Koinonia Weekend at Milbank
- March 1 – Parish Mission begins
- March 6 – Parish Mission ends
- March 9 – Daylight Savings time begins
- March 23 – Easter Sunday
- April 5 – Confirmation celebration

PARISH MISSION

We are now in the process of reviewing what needs to be done concerning our March Mission week of March 1 to the 6th.

1. The mission session will be held in the morning and in the evening. Families are asked to attend, not just individuals or parents. We are trying to make arrangements for baby sitting services. Volunteers are requested. The missionaries will begin their mission on Saturday night March 1st. & continue from there.
2. Morning sessions will be with Mass. We are asked to have continental breakfasts available for all who attend. The evening sessions will be devoted to conferences. We are asked to provide coffee and bars after these sessions. Could our women's groups, volunteer to take one day of the mission to serve both the breakfasts and lunches for that day?
3. We are planning 2 morning sessions at Rosen

4. My cooking abilities are limited. Would some parishioners volunteer to help me serve noon lunch and supper for the 2 priests and myself?

5. The evening liturgies will need liturgy crews & organists. I need to line up liturgy crews for each day.

6. We are expected to provide drivers for those unable to walk or drive. Possibly the K C's could aid us here. I will also need names of people who need rides.

MARCH OF LIFE

MCCL March for Life will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 22, at 12 noon. A program on the Capitol front steps will take place at 12:30 p.m. An Ecumenical Prayer Service at the St. Paul Cathedral is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.

KOINONIA RETREATS

Feb. 15 – 17, St.. Lawrence Church, Milbank,SD. Beginning at 5 p.m. Friday & ending on Sunday afternoon. Cost is \$30.00. Come with casual clothes to experience a greater understanding & appreciation of God, Jesus, faith, scripture, Church and self. The weekend is filled with talks, discussion, reflection, sharing, prayer and liturgical celebration. Lodging available for out of towners. Applications may be obtained at the parish office.

Feb. 1 – Feb. 3 at Holy Rosary Parish, Graceville, MN. The retreat is designed to give adults an experience of Christian fellowship. Participants must be at least 18 years or older. Husbands and wives are encouraged to attend the same weekend. It will begin Friday, Feb. 1st, with a 5 p.m. supper and ends Sunday, Feb. 3rd at 6 p.m. Lodging will be provided for out of town participants. Cost is \$30.00 per person. Applications may be sent or called in by phone. Please call Colleen Kleindl.23773 780th Avenue, Graceville, MN 56240 (320 748 7653) or Holy Rosary Church P O Box 7, Graceville, MN. 56240 (320 748 7313

FLOWERS

The flowers gracing Mary's altar are a gift from the Henry Malikowski family in memory of Henry's death. Henry is the father of Marlene Henrich. His funeral took place on Saturday, January 12, 2008. Our thanks and prayers for the family. May he rest in peace.

MINUTES FROM SOCIAL CONCERNS.

The committee which met last Monday, discussed our Soup Suppers for Lent. Feb. 6, Ash Wed. will be served by Social Concerns. Feb. 13, will be covered by the Youth Group. March 5th will be canceled due to the Parish Mission. March 19th will be covered by K C's. This leaves Feb.20th, Feb. 27th. March 12th open for volunteers.

The Christmas Dinner for 2007, netted \$470.00 in donations. The expenses were \$226.30, leaving an excess of \$243.50 still remaining. We presently have 5 parishioners living at Fairway View, & 5 at Northridge.

PANCAKE SUPPER

Saturday, Feb. 2, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tabor United Methodist Church, Big Stone City, SD. Adults-\$5.00, Children 12 & under – \$2.00, and preschool free. Sugarless syrups available.

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL EVENING

Feb. 9, 2008 at St. Anastasia, Hutchinson, MN. Dr.Ray Guarendi will be the guest speaker. He is the father of 10 adopted children & is nationally known appearing of Oprah, 700 club and CBS morning. Cost is \$15.00. Send to Carol/Jerry Brown, 736 St. S. W. Hutchinson, MN> 55350. or call 320 587 8454.

REGION IV CCW

The Jan. 22nd meeting at Appleton has been canceled. We are presently thinking about Monday, Feb. 4.