

LENTNEWSLETTER

WE ARE A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH CENTERED ON JESUS CHRIST, WHO IS EVERYTHING FOR US

This Lent our parish community is focusing on the scripture passage – Romans 12, 12. We are called to: Rejoice in Hope. Endure in Suffering. Be faithful in prayer.

The Cross of Jesus Christ is the pattern of our living. We are called to endure and embrace our sufferings and crosses. We are called to be faithful in our prayer. In so doing, we will always find reason to rejoice and have hope in the Lord.

Please take a minute, or two, each day to review this 'daily examen' based on Romans 12, 12. The daily 'examen' will help all of us deepen our walk with the Lord this Lent and always.

Lent 2018 Daily Examination of Conscience

Rejoice in Hope

- **Today** Have I lived in the awareness of God's bountiful love for me in every moment?
- **Today** Have I been anchored in the hope and promise of Christ and have I helped others do the same?
- **Today** Have I given into pessimism and despair, doubting the truth that God will provide us with the grace to avoid sin and sufficient strength to fulfill our daily obligations?

Endure in Suffering

- **Today** Have I joined my daily crosses to the Cross of Christ, or have I needlessly complained and bemoaned my situation?
- **Today** Have I meditated on the example of Jesus, especially how He practiced silence in the face of false accusations and endured the sufferings of His own bitter Passion?
- **Today** Have I tried to cause others to suffer unnecessarily through my own prideful words, deeds or actions?

Faithful in Prayer

- **Today** Have I taken time throughout the day to simply pray, or have I used excuses to avoid God's call of love?
- **Today** Have I remained faithful in prayer even if I don't "feel" God, or is my prayer more dependent on what I get out of it rather than God's working through it?
- **Today** Have I accepted the will of God and believed firmly in His providence even in the midst of the sorrows and trials of life?





Mission Rice Bowl

Each one of us can make a sacrifice and put the savings/change in this Rice Bowl. Skipping a cup of coffee or a candy bar can make all the difference for those most in need! *Think about it...\$1 a day for 40 days* = $$40 \times thousands of members!$ Bring this filled rice bowl to Church on Palm Sunday.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR LENTEN SACRIFICE.

Help us build a home for those in need in our mission. Small change. Big Difference. *IF WE DO IT TOGETHER!*









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Every Friday during Lense Stations of the Cross

Fish Fry, Lenten Movie Night

Adoration Mondays 9:00am-7:30 pm

February 28 Evening of Penance 5:00-8:00pm

March 1, 8 & 15 Lenten Soup Suppers

March 3 Saint Patrick's Day Celebration

March 3-4 Men's Renewal

March 11

Health and Wellness Fair Couple's Day of Reflection 2:00-4:00 pm

March 10 School PTU Auction & Gala

March 17-18 Women's Renewal

March 23 Sacrament of Penance 1:00-2:30pm

March 23-25 FIAT Spring Retreat

March 24 Bunny Brunch

March 25: Palm Sunday

Extended Confessions 6:30- 8:00pm 4:30 pm Mass (Vigil); 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm Mass

March 29: Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer 8:15 am, Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 pm, Adoration through the night in Mother Teresa Room

March 30: Good Friday

Stations of the Cross in Church & North Park Passion of Our Lord 3:00 pm FIAT Living Stations 8:00 pm

March 31: Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer 8:15 am, Food Blessing 1:00 pm, Egg Hunt 1:30 pm



March 31: Easter Vigil at 8:00pm April 1: Easter Sunday at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 pm

LENTEN EVENTS 2018

Lenten Soup Suppers Thursdays, March 1, 8, and 15

6:00-8:00 pm | PLC, Mother Teresa Room

Please join us as we gather together for a delicious soup dinner and spiritual reflections and discussion. **TOPICS INCLUDE:**



- March 1: Fr. Neil Kookoothe with Joe D'ambrosia "A true story of Life from Death"
- March 8: Sr. Rita Mary Harwood "I was in prison and You came."
- March 15: Dr. Anthony lezzi " The Spiritual Passion of Christ"

Come for great food, fellowship and wonderful speakers this Lent. Please contact Lisa at LHomady@StAmbrose.us for more information.

Men's Renewal Weekend

Christ Renews His Parish 2018 Men's Renewal is free and open to all Catholic men ages 18 and over. Men's Renewal will allow you to make new friends while growing your relationship with Christ. Join us for our next Men's Renewal weekend. For more information, or to register, contact Vic Preisel at 440.915.2330 or victorpreisel@gmail.com, or Alex Molchan at 216.926.0440 or amolchan001@defiance.edu.

Women's Renewal Weekend March 17 & 18

Calling all adult women of the parish. You asked and we heard you. Women's Renewal is BACK! The theme for the weekend is taken from Psalm 33:22, "May your mercy, LORD, be upon us; as we put our hope in you." Space is limited so RSVP ASAP to Sue Tevis at suetevis@sprynet.com or 216.288.9555 or Betty Ann Hodan at bettyannhodan@gmail.com or 216.406.1574.

Lenten Family Movie Nights Every Friday Night

Please join us for Lenten Family Movie Nights following the Fish Fry on Friday evenings in the PLC Mother Teresa room. Our movies will begin approximately at 7:45 pm. Please bring a snack to share!

• February 16: The Case for Christ

- February 23: Wonder
- March 2: The Shack
- March 9: Fireproof
- March 16: God's Not Dead
- March 23: God's Not Dead 2
- March 30: God's Not Dead: A Light
- in the Darkness (Movie Theater Trip)



Friendliest Fish Fry in Town!



Every Friday of Lent, including Good Friday 4:30 - 7:00 pm

Great meals all under \$10!

Come for the food... come back for the friendship! Shrimp, White Fish, Pierogis, Cabbage & Noodles, Mac & Cheese, Clam Chowder, Pizza, French Fries, Steamed Vegetables, Cole Slaw, Applesauce, Rolls & Butter

Dine in or Take Out!



Saturday, March 24 10:00am - 1:00pm

• Family Friendly Brunch •

delicious brunch will be served including scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, hot dogs, & mac and cheese

• Easter Bunny •

dress in your Easter finest and take pictures with the Easter Bunny

• Spring Crafts • create Easter crafts to share with your family

• Bake Sale•



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FYI: Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onward. - USCCB.org

The Sacrament of Penance

Christ is generous in His mercy and forgiveness

...and Lent is the perfect time to experience the love of God for us through the Sacrament of Penance. Whether you go every month of haven't been to Confession in years, we warmly welcome you to participate in this beautiful Sacrament:

- Every Saturday, from 3:30-4:00 pm
- Wednesday, February 28 (Diocesan Evening of Penance), from 5:00-8:00 pm
- Friday March 23rd from 1:00-2:30pm
- Palm Sunday, March 25th from 6:30- 8:00pm
- ...or anytime by appointment.

Adoration and Chapel Hours

Spend time in prayer with the Lord over these 40 days. CHAPEL HOURS: | ADORATION HOURS

6:00 am until 10:00 pm Mondays-Fridays 6:30 am until 8:00 pm, Saturdays 6:00 am until 7:00 pm, Sundays 9:00 am- 7:30 pm Benediction: 7:30 -8:00 pm

In a special way, we invite you to worship Christ during our allnight Adoration on Holy Thursday into Good Friday. After Holy Thursday's 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, Adoration will take place in the PLC Mother Teresa Room. This will last until 8:15 am Morning Prayer on Good Friday. We are in need of two adorers per half hour. To sign up, visit www.StAmbrose.us/Lent or see the sign up boards at all the entrances to the Church.

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WINTER 2018



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

JOIN US! Doors Open at 6:00pm

TICKETS: With each ticket purchased, you will also receive a \$10 gift certificate to the Islander Restaurant.

Saint Patrick's Day Celebration Saturday, March 3rd

Food, fun, friendship until 11:00pm

Held in Hilkert Hall 6:00pm Doors Open • 6:30pm Dinner

Traditional Corned Beef Dinner or Irish Stew provided by the Hooley House

> **Draft Beer & Wine Available** 2 Live Bands! Featuring live Celtic &

Traditional Music

All proceeds support Catholic Works of Mercy and our Knights of Columbus. It's our way to strengthen family and serve those in need.

8:30AM - 12:00PM Come for the breakfast... stay for the fair!

SAINT AMBROSE PARISH

HEALTH &

FAIR 2018

WELLNESS

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

hanks to our friends at

Brunswick Pointe

Visit the website for more information on all upcoming events at Saint Ambrose: www.StAmbrose.us

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