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Sunday, February 11

Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46;
1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1; Mark 1:40-45
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Faith Formation 7 -12

Monday, February 12

James 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13
1:00 PM- Al Anon

Tuesday, February 13

James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21
1:00 PM – Bible Study – Parish Room

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2;
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
12:00 Mass – St. Philip Neri
No Faith Formation K-6
Office Closed

Thursday, February 15

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

Friday, February 16

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15
9:00 AM Mass – St. Philip Neri Rectory
†Betty Gawne by Robert Walle

Saturday, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32
3:00 PM Reconciliation at St. Philip Neri
4:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri
†Bonnie Lewis by Darrell and Joan Decker

Faith Formation News

Please put the Lenten Retreat on YOUR calendar. It will be Saturday February 24 from 9 am until noon at Sacred Heart in Evart. Everyone is encouraged to come. There is no cost to come.

From Wounds to Wonder and Awe: A Paschal Mystery Pilgrimage

Pilgrimages have been a vibrant part of Catholic devotion for millennia. Pilgrims come to understand that a pilgrimage is not about the destination, but rather how God transforms their lives during their journey. The Lenten season is an annual pilgrimage we make while staying home. On this pilgrimage, our Lenten retreat will journey into the heart of the Paschal Mystery. We will reflect on how God's grace is transforming each of our hearts and conforming our lives. By encountering the love of Christ in each movement of the Paschal Mystery, we will prayerfully ponder the wisdom of the Paschal Mystery as a template for our lives. With Jesus as our pilgrimage guide and companion, we will come to encounter how our own wounds can be transformed into profound moments of wonder and awe. Cami Beecroft-Mann is a trauma-informed spiritual director. In her 27-year span of working within the Catholic Church in the arenas of youth, young adult, and family ministry, managing editor for FAITH Grand Rapids Magazine, author of On the Road to Sunday monthly column, and for the last nine years as spiritual director, Cami has grown in her devotion to and study of the Paschal Mystery. Cami and her husband Mark live in Grand Rapids, MI, where they take great delight in watching the generations of their family grow.

Beth Dake, Director of Faith Formation

Senior Dinner

The Parish Life Committee would like to express their gratitude for all those who were able to attend the Annual Senior Citizens Dinner. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with fun and fellowship. A special thank you is extended to the Parish Staff for all their help and support as well as those who so generously provided appetizers, desserts, and the volunteers who setup, served and cleaned up! THANK YOU!!

Msgr. Victor Gallagher
Council 12668



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our parish community*

INTERESTING FACT ABOUT LENT

Lent is the 40 weekdays from Ash Wednesday to Easter. It is a period of penitence and fasting. Sundays aren't included in the 40-day count. Since Sundays aren't included, Lent technically lasts 46 days.

Why is Lent 40 days? The number 40 is significant. Jesus spent 40 days in a desert; Moses and his followers, traveled through the wilderness for 40 years before reaching the Promised Land.

Catholics started the tradition of Lent around the year 325, during the Council of Nicea, but it has spread through other Christian denominations. Lent comes from the Middle English word "lente," which means springtime.

Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. Ashes are spread on our forehead to signal repentance. The ashes come from burning last year's palms that were distributed on Palm Sunday.

One of Lent's central components is fasting. In the Catholic tradition, followers should not eat meat on Fridays during Lent. You CAN eat fish, which is why fast-food restaurants have sales for their fish sandwiches during Lent.

Besides not eating meat, Catholics also abstain from certain vices, whether it's eating chocolate, or watching TV, or other pleasurable activities.

Addition time spent in prayer is common practice for during Lent. This helps Christians stay centered in Christ and God.

Lent doesn't actually end on Easter Sunday; it ends on Good Thursday, the day of the Last Supper. Good Friday Jesus dies on the cross, and on Easter Sunday, he rises from the grave.

In a study done in 2014, 72% of adults knew what Lent was, and 88% of those participating in Lent were giving up some item of food for 40 days. Chocolate was the number one food most people were willing to give up during Lent.

Collection Report
February 3, 2024

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes	(34)	\$2,305.00
Loose		\$274.00
Total		\$2,579.00
Wkly. Budget		\$3,100.00
O/ (U) Budget		(\$521.00)
YTD Budget		\$99,200.00
YTD Collection		\$92,756.59
		(\$6,443.41)

Schedule of Ministers

February 17, 2024 4:00 PM

Eucharist:	Barb Spindler
Eucharist:	Jesse Becerra
Eucharist:	Dawn Montague
Word:	Karen McKinney
Hospitality:	Jim Kaverman
Hospitality:	Betty Yost
Hospitality:	Larry Wisniewski
Hospitality:	Volunteer Needed

Ash Wednesday and Holy Week Schedule

Ash Wednesday

9:00 AM – St. Agnus
12:00 Noon – St. Philip Neri
5:30 PM – Sacred Heart

Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM -Every Wednesday thru Lent

Holy Thursday-March 28

6:00 PM – Sacred Heart

Good Friday-March 29

12:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – St. Philip Neri
1:00 PM – Liturgy of the Passion – St. Philip Neri

Easter Vigil Initiation Mass-March 30

Saturday 7:00 PM – Sacred Heart

Easter Sunday-March 31

8:00 AM – St. Philip Neri
10:00 AM – St. Agnus