

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us! See Psalm 51

MONDAY Lv 19:1-2,11-18; Mt 25:31-46
TUESDAY Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
WEDNESDAY Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
THURSDAY Est C 12:14-16,23-25; Mt 7:7-12
FRIDAY Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
SATURDAY Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
SUNDAY Gn 12:1-4a; 2Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9
 Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



Please take advantage of the materials placed in the back of church to help you spend a holy Lenten season. Also, on all of the Sundays of Lent, we will have Vespers in the "F" Wing at 6:30p.m. Vespers, or Evening Prayer, only lasts about 30 minutes, but is a wonderfully peaceful way to end one week and begin another. On all of the Fridays of Lent, at 7:00p.m., in the church, we will have Stations of the Cross.

Also on the Fridays of Lent, the Knights of Columbus will have their delicious fried fish dinners from 5-7pm. You are welcome to eat here, in the Family Life Center, or drive through the "take out" lane, in front of the "F" Wing.

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast and Abstinence.

All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. What this means is that all persons who have reached the age of 14, until death should refrain from eating meat on the days prescribed.

The law of Fasting requires a Catholic from the 18th birthday to the 59th birthday to reduce the amount of food eaten from normal. The Church defines this as one full meal a day, and 2 smaller meals which if added together would not exceed the main meal.

Be merciful, O Lord for we have sinned.

FEBRUARY 12 THROUGH FEBRUARY 17 MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 5:30P.M. †Dora Schlottman
WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M. †Johnnie McGregor
 †Irene Dirba
THURSDAY 5:30P.M. †V.J. & Annie Jasek
 †Angeline Klekar
FRIDAY 6:00A.M. Parishioners who are ill
8:30A.M. †Albert & Rosa Romano
 †Joe & Lena Mandola
 †V.J. & Annie Jasek
SATURDAY 5:30P.M. †Bernard Biediger;
 †Russell Hakanson;
 †Christopher Everett Hajdik
SUNDAY 8:00A.M. †Clarence Forse
9:30.M. †Luz Galvez;
 †Clarence Forse
11:00A.M. Erin Ondrey;
 †Fr. Bill Robertson

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lillie Horecka, wife of Jim Horecka.

Carolyn Sue Allen, **Arnold Areson**, Brenda Bartlett, Ann Bomba, Paul Bono, John Buettner, Doris Causbie, Robert Causbie, Kellie Chaney, John Henry Cook, Cecil Cromeans, Lorene Cromeans, Lee Ann Day, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, **Lenora Duval**, Tom Elder, **Karen Faulk**, Leada Fecanin, **Marcia Flournoy**, Margaret Flournoy, Ann Foster, Betty Lou Furlong, **Ashton Garrett**, Michael Gillman, Arthur Haas, Belia



Hardesty, Maury Havlik, Pat Havlik, Alice Jasek, **Vickie Kaatz**, Mary LaCoume, Sarah Langston, Ruth Lewis, Delia Luna, **Brock Massey**, Gene Matus, Otis Mayes, Myra Lee McFarling, Ora Meritt, Raymond Muniza, Heloise Murray, Jim Pawelek, Mary Pelliccia, **Lea Marie Perez**, Doris Perryman, Cecelia Peterson, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Jack Reid, **Kenny Rentrop**, **Ralph Rogers, Jr.**, John Rosser, Vince Rowan, Prudencia Sanchez, Donna Schwertner, Jim Seidler, June Stanke, Bill Stevens, Bud Stover, Tommy Tumlinson, Ernie Valdez, Loyd Wainscott, Jack Yonge and Joe Young.

(Bold denotes new on prayer list or in crisis.)

THE EUCHARIST CALLS US TO REACH ALL PEOPLE 2008 DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

If you have not already offered your pledge to this year's Diocesan Services Fund, please do so today. We are counting on you to answer the call of the Eucharist: to **Reach All People** Through your generous support of DSF, we can bring Christ's comfort and support for the many pressing needs and priorities that cannot be addressed individually or by one parish alone.

For those of you who have already responded with a gift, please accept our sincere gratitude and know of our prayers that your gift will be returned to you through Christ. Our parish goal for this year is **\$97,329**. With every parish family's full participation, we will surely exceed this amount and do our share to help so many in need and advance the work of the Church in our community.

February Youth Ministry Calendar

10 CLASS 6:30P.M.

15-17 CONFIRMATION RETREAT -
DICKINSON

17 CLASS 6:30P.M.

24 CLASS 6:30P.M.

28 Jr. HS N.E.T.

Mission 2008 – We need your help. We are asking all adults who have helped with Mission in PAST YEARS to help develop this year’s project plan. Please join us on Sunday Feb 10th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass in Room 149 – 150 of the Family Life Center to share your ideas.

Lenten Day of Reflection for Women – “Were You There?” will be a time of reflection, scripture, music, and prayer presented through the eyes of those who were there when Christ was crucified. Two sessions are available – Weds Feb 13th 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and Sat Feb 16th 8:30 a.m. – Noon. Bring your bible and be ready to relax! Sign up after all Masses this weekend in the Family Life Center.

Yam Bible Study – Location Change

It is not too late to join our 6 week Bible study on Revelations. We meet Wednesdays from 6:15 – 7:30 in **Room 202** of the Education Building and we’re only on Chapter 2 this week. Dinner and the book are provided. Call Melissa at 373-6369 with questions.

We need additional Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. There will be a training session for NEW E.M.s held Tuesday, February 26 from 6:30p.m. to 9:30p.m., in the church. Call Lynne for more information. 480-0709.

SAVE THE DATE:

March 28-30 for the **Woman to Woman** retreat in Danbury.

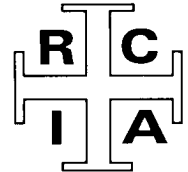
Rise Up! is this year's theme.

Girl Scout Sunday will be celebrated on February 17 at the 8:00a.m. Mass. There will be a pancake breakfast afterwards and everyone is invited to attend. Practice for Girl Scouts will be at 4:00p.m. on February 8 and 15 in the church.

*St. Michael's Vision statement:
"A Eucharistic community in
continual transformation,
surrendering ourselves to God to be
His instruments for world change."*

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- Are you searching for a church to call your own?
- Do you struggle with questions about life – death – suffering – hope – forgiveness – love – God
- Ever Wonder Why Catholics worship the way they do?
- Do you have questions about what we really believe?



Look no further. If you are not Catholic, but are curious about the Church, or have a friend or family member who may be interested, or perhaps have some misconceptions about the Church. Inquiry is the place. All are welcome. For more information Call Tommie Holt at 979-265-4685.

**Co-Cathedral Dedication
Countdown
April 2, 2008**

The Rite of Dedication: The importance of the entry into the new church. **The Rite of Dedication of a church is divided into four parts:**

Introductory rites, Liturgy of the Word, Prayer of Dedication, and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

As the people of God, we eagerly pilgrimage to the new church, the local realization of the New Jerusalem, remembering Psalm 122 :”**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord**”. Those who were in charge of the construction of the church will hand over the keys of the church, legal documents and a record of the church’s development. The architect may comment on the significance of the church’s design.



The Wild Game Dinner is coming up, February 21st and we are in need of Silent Auction Items to help our community with Faith In Action, no item too small. Please call Marlene Hunter for information, or items to be picked up 480-0779.

Wild Game Dinner, for Faith In Action is Thurs, February 21st, 6:30pm St. Michael's Family Life Center. Tickets are \$20.00, call Duane Williams 297-5564 for more information.
