



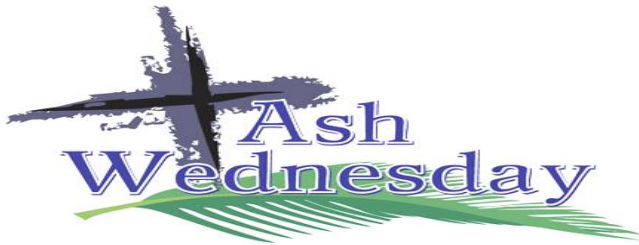
SACRED HEART BEAT

FEBRUARY 2023

NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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On February 22nd, we celebrate Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Easter season. We all know the story of the creation of Adam, of God's molding of his body from clay before animating it with the breath of life. He continued, "To dust thou shalt return." Even in the earliest illustrated children's Bible, the story of Adam's creation was followed by the story of Eve, the serpent, and Adam's sin, which brought death into the world, and meant that the breath of life would one day leave each man's body, and his clay would return to the earth.

When the sign of the cross is made on our foreheads and the words "Remember, thou art dust" are said, think of that first word. The knowledge of our mortality cannot—must not—be merely intellectual. That knowledge is something we must remember, hold in our imagination, because only then can it affect our actions, help tame our passions, by reminding us that one day we will find ourselves before the Just Judge, who will hold us to account for all that we did, and all that we did not do. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" (Prov. 9:10; Psalm 111:10).

Adam's sin brought death into this world, yet, in a bit of divine mercy, the knowledge of our mortality can and should help us to avoid sin. But that requires us to remember, and we all too often forget that "Time, like an ever-rolling stream / bears all its sons away." That's why the Catholic Church, in Her supernatural wisdom, makes sure that—at least one day each year—both the faithful who receive and bear the ashes of last year's palms, and all of those who encounter the faithful that day, cannot help but remember.

There is a connection between mortality and morality, and the symbolism of Ash Wednesday—ashes to ashes, dust to dust—reminds us of that connection in order to prepare us for the work of the next forty days. Lent is the period of preparation for Easter, but that shorthand definition does not do justice to the season and its purpose. In Christ's rising from the dead on Easter Sunday, we place our hope that we will rise from both the spiritual death of sin and the physical death that is its result; but in order to rise from the dead with

Christ, we must first pass through the grave with Him, by dying to self through restraining our passions and conforming both our body and our soul to His example.

So on that Wednesday night, remember that the ashes not only signify death but victory over death. The ashes that our bodies will become after we die will be re-formed into a resurrected body at the end of time when Christ comes in glory. Jesus' resurrection, and our participation in it, allows us to ask rhetorically with St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 15:55, "O death, where is thy sting?"

Source: Catholic Answers

Adult Religious Formation Team Commission: Mary Mitchell



February 22, 2023

Masses with distribution of ashes are:

7:00 am at St. Bernard, Belpre

and 6:30 pm at Sacred Heart



DISPOSING OF OLD PALMS

If you would like to properly dispose of old palms, you may leave them in the basket in the church vestibule or bring them to the parish center so they can be burned and used for ashes on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd.



Knights of Columbus

53rd Annual Sausage Supper

Thursday – February 2, 2023

5:00 to 7:00 PM

\$10.00 per meal

Dine In or Carry Out

K of C Hall on Scenic Drive ~ 1216 M Road

FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met January 10, 2023
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Wilson, Jim Damm, Tom Giessel, Jenny Ramsey, Kathy Couchman, Jacques Molleker, Pam Hutfles, Fr. Bernard.
- ❖ Minutes of the November 9, 2022 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for November and December 2022. At the end of December the financials showed \$34,770.20 in income and expenses of \$23,899.07 for a monthly gain of \$10,871.13. The December 2022 balance sheet showed cash of \$471,609.22 compared to \$465,357.20 at the end of December 2021.
- ❖ No word yet on window replacement for the rectory and annex.
- ❖ Next meeting: February 14, 2023 @ 12:00 Noon

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met January 19, 2023
- ❖ Members present: Stephen Schartz, Amy Froetschner, Judy Solko, Lee Gilcris, Larry Skelton, Doug McNett, Sr. Rebecca, Fr. Bernard. Unable to attend: Tama Hanson
- ❖ Stephen opened the meeting with the Pastoral Council Prayer.
- ❖ The minutes from the last meeting were approved.
- ❖ Fr. Bernard reported that the Diocesan celebration of World Day of Consecrated Life that is to be held at Sacred Heart on January 21st, may be postponed due to snow moving in on that day.
- ❖ Fr. Bernard also noted that Bishop Brungardt's visit to Belpre and Larned has been rescheduled for the first weekend in March.
- ❖ The Diocesan Traveling Monstrance will be in our parish the last 2 weeks of April. Belpre will have it the first 2 weeks of April. The Traveling Monstrance is part of the celebration of the National Eucharistic Revival.
- ❖ Next meeting: February 16, 2023 @ 5:45 PM

"FORGIVEN"

The Adult Religious Formation Commission will be hosting the quarterly Parish Pot-Luck following Mass on Sunday, February 19th in the Parish Center. Following the meal the first of the Lenten Series "Forgiven" by Chris Stefanick will be shown.

The Forgiveness course will share the following:

- How to keep our boundaries while forgiving someone who isn't sorry.
- Scriptures that comfort with words and calls us to action.
- How someone survived a horrible atrocity and see how we can follow her actions to forgive.
- Prayer of forgiveness that can set us free from the bondage of hurt.

All are invited to share a meal with your fellow parishioners and watch the viewing of "Forgiven".

FEBRUARY AT A GLANCE

- Feb. 1 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Feb. 1 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 2 ~ Benedictine Oblates Gathering, 11:00 AM
- Feb. 2 ~ K of C Annual Sausage Supper, 5:00 to 7:00 PM
- Feb. 6 ~ Adult Religious Formation Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 7 ~ Liturgy Commission Meeting, 5:30 PM
- Feb. 7 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 7 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
- Feb. 8 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Feb. 8 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 9 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 13 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 13 ~ Altar Society Meeting, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 14 ~ Game Morning, 9:30 to 11:30 AM
- Feb. 14 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
- Feb. 14 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 15 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Feb. 15 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 16 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 5:45 PM
- Feb. 17 ~ Larned Community Blood Drive, 12:00 to 6:00 PM
- Feb. 19 ~ Parish Pot-Luck with Lenten Series "Forgiven"
- Feb. 20 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 20 ~ Heart to Heart Meeting, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 21 ~ Lunch with Friends, 12:00 Noon
- Feb. 21 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 22 ~ Ash Wednesday Masses:
7:00 AM, St. Bernard, Belpre • 6:30 PM Sacred ♥
- Feb. 22 ~ No Adoration
- Feb. 22 ~ No RCIA
- Feb. 24 ~ Columbus Club Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM
- Feb. 24 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM
- Feb. 27 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 28 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM

FEBRUARY PSR SCHEDULE

- Feb. 1 – Regular Classes / Confirmation Mentor Session / Parent & Mentor Meal
- Feb. 8 – Regular Classes
- Feb. 12 – 3rd & 7th Grade Mass
- Feb. 15 – Regular Classes
- Feb. 22 – Attend Ash Wednesday Mass, 6:30 PM

Thank you!

To all who supported our "Pro-Life" Baby Shower during the month of January, we say Thank You!!
Knights of Columbus Council #3273



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| (01) Wendy Sundahl | (15) Jenna Fisher |
| (02) Noah Stude | Bob Haymaker |
| (03) Kraig Froetschner | Marley Palmer |
| Alexandra Garcia | (17) Jessie Fox |
| Grace Kelty | (20) Tiffany Garcia |
| Leon Sanders | Mary Smith |
| Camille Steffen | Chelsea Steffen |
| (04) Dorothy Keenan | (21) Karl Grover |
| Okey Nwachukwu-Udaku | David Schartz |
| (06) Jacob Simmons | (22) Doug Smith |
| Kale Whetstone | (24) Ann Perez |
| (07) Tracy Rector | (26) Victor Kreutzer |
| (10) Greg Finger | Sue Latimore |
| (12) Fr. Bernard Felix | Lynn Streit |
| (13) Maverick Munden | (28) Lindsey VanSickle |
| | Billy Walker |



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- (04) Chuck and Darlene Orth
 (09) David and Kathy Hammeke
 (13) Dan and Christina Ryan
 (14) Bruce and Stacie Kozlowski
 (15) Brad and Michele Collins
 (18) Regis and Kathy Lopata
 (20) Kraig and Amy Froetschner
 (28) Rosendo and Amanda Ceniceros



CONGRATULATIONS!

Dan & Christina Ryan ~ Married 52 years
 Chuck & Darlene Orth ~ Married 45 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Betty Tauscher ~ January 24, 2023

Remember with Prayer

Frank Garcia		Sherry Lemuz
Richard Wolf		Sharon Larsen
Rita O'Gwin		Leon Sanders
Mary Klinge		Ryan Shelton
Ann Haremza		Clayton Kelty
Jayden Waller		Sue Haymaker
Fr. Warren Stecklein		Trenton Welsch
Fr. Charles Mazouch		Kevin Simmons
Stan Durler		Lee Durler
Larry Trujillo		Bert Schartz
Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku		Georgia Bauer
Lindsey (Johnson) Gaylord		

All of our men and women serving in the United States Military, our homebound parishioners and those in care homes.

NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022

	DECEMBER	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	29,967.88	117,690.74
Special Donations	995.00	5,770.00
Endowment		8,000.00
Interest	14.32	63.68
Farm		31.52
PSR	2,599.00	20,034.00
Fundraisers		1,385.45
Miscellaneous	<u>1,194.00</u>	<u>8,091.00</u>
TOTAL	\$34,770.20	\$161,066.39
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	1,542.14	12,895.73
Salaries	13,756.73	78,793.68
Insurance		13,922.00
Utilities	1,815.66	13,227.23
Maintenance	173.11	2,120.05
Improvement		
Office	1,352.78	6,649.10
PSR	1,900.00	19,407.87
Farm	1,624.73	1,624.73
Miscellaneous	<u>1,733.92</u>	<u>8,001.15</u>
TOTAL	\$23,899.07	\$156,641.54
		YTD: \$4,424.85

KNIGHTS FEBRUARY EVENTS

Feb. 2 K of C Annual Sausage Supper, 5:00 to 7:00 PM
 Feb. 7 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Feb. 17 Larned Community Blood Drive, 12:00 to 6:00 PM
 Feb. 24 Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

GAME MORNING



Tuesday, February 14th ~ 9:30 to 11:30 am
 Sacred Heart Parish Education Center
 Come enjoy a morning of laughs and fellowship
 Refreshments will be provided!



Stations of the Cross and Benediction
 each Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm
 Sacred Heart Church



Lunch Time

"Lunch with Friends" will be Tuesday, February 21st at 12:00 noon in the Parish Center. All are invited to come enjoy lunch and visit. Please call Pam at 285-2035, by January 12th if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you for lunch!



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LARNED COLUMBUS CLUB FISH FRY



Friday - February 24, 2023

Friday – March 10, 2023

Friday – March 24, 2023

5:00 to 7:00 pm

Dine In or Carry Out

Adults: \$10 ▪ Under 10: \$5 ▪ Preschool: Free

K of C Hall on Scenic Drive – 1216 M Road