



SACRED HEART BEAT

MARCH 2017

NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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“The Joy of Love” Chapter 5

Love Made Fruitful

Love always gives life. The couple gives themselves to each other with the possibility of becoming a father and a mother. The new life of a child is welcomed as a gift from God. Children are loved even before they have done anything to deserve it.

Sadly though many children are rejected, abandoned, and robbed of their childhood and a future. If a child come into unwanted circumstance, parents and others must do all they can to accept the child as a gift from God and never made to feel that he or she is a mistake. Large families are a joy for the Church but St. John Paul II explains that procreation also gives the parents the right and duty to act wisely in determining the number of children they plan to bring into the world.

Love and Pregnancy

Pregnancy is a difficult but wonderful time. The mother joins with God to bring forth the miracle of a new life. Baptism is part of this wonderful dream. Both parents should ask the Lord for the strength to accept the child wholeheartedly; the color of the hair, the physical appearances are immaterial; the child is a gift from God. Accept the child with extreme excitement and pass this joy on to your child.

The mother's gift to the child is tenderness and compassion which helps the child develop intimacy and empathy. The father helps the child to be open to life's challenges and the need for hard work.

For couples who cannot bear children, adoption is a generous way to become parents, offering a home and parents to those who otherwise could not claim the love of a father and mother.

MARCH AT A GLANCE

March 1 ~ Ash Wednesday Masses:

7:00 am, St. Bernard, Belpre • 6:30 pm, Sacred Heart

March 1 ~ PSR Students attend Ash Wednesday Mass w/Family

March 1 ~ RCIA, 7:30 PM

March 3 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM

March 7 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM

March 7 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft

March 8 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:00 to 7:30 PM

March 8 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 6:30 to 8:00 PM

March 8 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM

March 9 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:30 PM

March 10 ~ K of C All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

March 10 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM

March 11 ~ Church Clean-up, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

March 12 ~ Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 12 ~ Parish Outreach Meeting, 11:45 AM

March 14 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft

March 15 ~ Adoration, 5:00 to 6:00 PM

March 15 ~ NO PSR Classes (Gr. K-12), Spring Break

March 15 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM

March 16 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM

March 17 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM

March 18-20 ~ TEC Retreat (High School Grades 10-12)

March 20 ~ Heart to Heart Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM

March 21 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon

March 21 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft

March 22 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:00 to 7:30 PM

March 22 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 6:30 to 8:00 PM

March 22 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM

March 24 ~ K of C All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

March 24 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM

March 28 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft

March 29 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:00 to 7:30 PM

March 29 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 6:30 to 8:00 PM

March 29 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM

March 31 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM



March 1, 2017

Masses with distribution of ashes are 7:00 AM at St. Bernard, Belpre and 6:30 PM at Sacred Heart.



**Larned Knights of Columbus
All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry**

Friday – March 10 – 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Friday – March 24 – 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Friday – April 7 – 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Adults: \$9.00 Ages 5 - 12: \$5.00

Four & Under: Free

K of C Hall on Scenic Drive ~ 1216 M Road

Proceeds go toward charitable causes

FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met February 21st
- ❖ Members present: Bob Haymaker, Dennis Wilson, G.L. VonFeldt, Jim Damm, Don Jensen, Jacques Molleker, Kathy Couchman, Pam Hutfles & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: David Zecha & Connie Mauney
- ❖ Minutes of the January, 2017 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for January reflecting \$35,664.35 in income and \$29,596.76 in expenses for a net income of \$6,067.59. The balance sheet showed assets of \$310,776.04.
- ❖ Jim talked with Bev Howell regarding the church murals. She could restore the paintings and seal them, but wouldn't be able to start until 2018. The frames around the murals are faded and need redone. The commission felt the frames are something we can do ourselves. We will wait for a cost from Bev to make a final decision.
- ❖ It was discussed having Don show other people how to maintain the church property. Don knows the church buildings well and we would hate to lose that knowledge. Don agreed he would work with others.
- ❖ A discussion was held about the recent vandalism/trespassing issues that have been happening in and on the church property. The Pastoral Council voted to lock the church at all times. The concerns addressed were that locking the church does nothing to keep people off the roof, which has been a recent issue. Plus, there are so many people that use the church during the day. Kathy will contact Cory Reece from Golden Belt Telephone about security cameras for the church grounds. Security cameras would deter the mischief and allow the church to remain open.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 21, 2017 @ 12:00 Noon

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met February 16th
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Theis, Jeff Murphy, Stephen Schartz, Berny Unruh, Amy Froetschner, Sr. Rebecca, Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: John Keltly & Philip Hammeke.
- ❖ Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
- ❖ Discussion was held on the recent incidents and minor vandalism taking place in and around the church. Concerns about safety of all those involved was expressed. The comfort of our parishioners is also of utmost concern. It was moved and seconded that we should keep the church locked at all times except when there is Mass, PSR, choir practice or other scheduled church events. The motion passed.
- ❖ Fr. Warren shared information about the Vibrant Ministries Campaign. The information included the schedule for the Appeal across the Diocese, the prioritization of goals and the Vibrant Ministries Goals.
- ❖ Discussion was held on the membership status of the Finance/Property commission. Amendments to the Constitution are to be proposed at a regular meeting and all absent council members shall be duly notified and the proposal will be voted on at the next meeting. Dennis moved and it was seconded that item "F" under Finance and Property Commission should read "Members of this commission are appointed by the Pastor." Motion passed. This change will be voted on at the March Pastoral council meeting.
- ❖ Dennis asked everyone to think ahead to the Commission Elections. Those with expiring terms will be contacted. Council members should bring new members ideas to the next meeting.
- ❖ Next Meeting: March 16, 2017 @ 6:30 PM

ADULT RELIGIOUS FORMATION COMMISSION

- ❖ Met February 2nd
- ❖ Members present: Mary Mitchell, David O'Gwin, Cathy Grover, Regis Lopata, Sr. Rebecca, Fr. Warren.
- ❖ Minutes from the January 5, 2017 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The meeting focused on planning for our upcoming Lenten study program "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass." The program will start at the beginning of March and continue for five to six weeks (the sixth session is optional), and will end before Easter. Each session will begin with a thirty minute video, and then we will break into small groups. Sign-up sheets will be available at church & the parish office.
- ❖ Next meeting: February 23, 2017 @ 7:00 PM

HEART TO HEART MINISTRY

- ❖ Met February 20th
- ❖ Members present: Kathy Kazmaier, Mary Klinge, Barbara Hammond, Sally Dreiling, Lee Gilcris, & Fr. Warren.
- ❖ Minutes from the January 23rd meeting were approved.
- ❖ Barbara reported she has sent out eight Valentine cards, two sympathy cards and one birthday anniversary card since our last meeting.
- ❖ The group reviewed and made a few additions to the Lenten "Random Acts of Kindness" calendar that will be included in the March Sacred Heart Beat.
- ❖ It was decided to make cupcakes for parishioners in the local care facilities and our home bound on March 16 & 17.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 20, 2017 @ 6:30 PM



PSR NEWS

February was a busy month in PSR. For only holding class for 1 ½ hours a week our teachers sure get a lot accomplished and for that we are exceptionally grateful. At the beginning of February we had our 2nd annual First Communion retreat and we were blessed with 17 participants and their families. It was such a humbling experience to facilitate an evening where our families could work together and grow in their love for Catholicism and Christ.

As a token of our appreciation we are putting on a Catechist dinner on March 25th after Mass. There are several parents that are providing dinner and planning a special evening for those adults who teach our children. The children have also been busy doing their own thing to make the evening special but we cannot tell as it is a secret...SHHHHH.

On March 26th at 2:00 pm we will have a Volunteer Tea where we honor all of those who make our PSR a success. Everyone will be invited including Laudators, basketball coaches, those who make meals, drivers for events, and anyone else who gives their time for the success of our program. Treats, coffee, hot tea, and iced tea will be provided by parents and children in our program out of gratitude for the time and commitment these adults have given to our youth.

Please join us for our 4th grade Mass on Ash Wednesday, March 1st and remember that there will not be PSR over Spring Break March 15th.

Finally please mark on your calendars our Mother's Day champagne brunch in May. You will soon have the opportunity to purchase tickets for this special event.

Have a blessed Lenten Season!

The PSR Committee



In appreciation to all those who volunteer with the PSR program, we invite you to a Volunteer Tea on Sunday, March 26th at 2:00 pm in the Parish Education Center.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| (01) Brady Carlson | (16) Colleen Carlson |
| Berny Unruh | Ella McNett |
| (02) Karen Bidne | Shelly Stanton |
| Don Kazmaier | Tammy Stout |
| Koby Lang | (17) Amanda Cenicerros |
| Rita O'Gwin | Katie Hammeke |
| (03) Jace Holopirek | (18) Joel Kelty |
| (04) Susan Aistrup | (19) Maci Perez |
| Alicia Bixby | Ben Ramsey |
| Diane Dodez | Tricia Smith |
| Debbie Steinert | Adrian Tucker |
| (05) Tama Hanson | (21) Bob Murdie |
| (06) Dorothy Edmonds | Reese Watkins |
| (07) Brooke Simmons | (24) Conner Geniuk |
| (08) Washington Moscoso | Drake Harding |
| Aspyn Whittington | Sonia Mabugat |
| (09) Amelia Wright | Bill Schartz |
| (10) Mary Ellen Schinstock | (25) Lana Bauer |
| (11) Erica Froetschner | (26) Ellen Jones |
| Linda Garcia | Barbara VonFeldt |
| (12) Damian Garcia | (27) Joyce Greathouse |
| Cathy Grover | Alvin Hutfles |
| Mason Perez | Mike Tanner |
| Jacque Wasinger | Paisley Weiszbrod |
| (13) Kathy Lopata | (28) Leann Simmons |
| Dolores Martin | (29) Sr. Rebecca Otter |
| Anna Simmons | Dennis Wilson |
| Lane Snodgrass | (31) Joe Haberman |
| (15) Elizabeth Fisher | Janice McDonald |
| Gage Skelton | Shawn Smyth |



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- (02) Rob and Julie Munden
 (10) Bert and Karla Schartz
 (17) Dominic and Kris Geniuk
 (22) Don and Grethe Jensen
 (24) Michael and Terri Bahr
 (29) Chris and Gretchen Whittington



CONGRATULATIONS!

Don & Grethe Jensen ~ Married 57 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Josephine Perez ~ February 3, 2017
 Walter R. Martin Jr. ~ February 15, 2017
 Betty Schartz ~ February 23, 2017

JANUARY 2017 FINANCES

INCOME:

Collections	25,512.45
Special Donations	500.00
Endowment	
Interest	2.88
Farm	
PSR	7,508.41
Fundraisers	1,082.61
Miscellaneous	<u>1,058.00</u>
TOTAL	\$35,664.35

EXPENSES:

Stewardship	1,908.68
Salaries	9,351.35
Insurance	4,397.00
Utilities	1,790.28
Maintenance	1,430.97
Improvement	
Office	1,253.00
PSR	8,009.35
Farm	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,456.13</u>
TOTAL	\$29,596.76

Remember with Prayer

Mary Schartz	Betty Tauscher
Pheno Perez	Dorothy Edmonds
Terry Perez	Hazel Callahan
Maxine Ackerman	Mickey Perez
Grace Perez	Mary Ann Schartz
Phyllis Neidig	Clayton Kelty
Norma Delaney	Amy Herter
Jayden Waller	Catherine Orth
John Harmon	Joyce Greathouse
Sharon Larsen	Ryan Shelton
Fr. Warren Stecklein	Sue Haymaker
Fr. Charles Mazouch	Kevin Simmons
Mike Snyder	

All of our men and women serving in the
United States military

KNIGHTS MARCH EVENTS

March 4 Duck's Unlimited (G)
 March 7 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
 March 10 All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry (R)
 March 14 Pawnee County Co-op Dinner (G)
 March 24 All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry (R)
 March 28 Edward Jones Dinner (G)



THE LARNED KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3273

is conducting a "40 Cans for Lent" program this Lent. The council, along with our parish community is asked to donate one can of food for each day of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. A box is available in the church vestibule for you to leave your cans. Cans collected will go to our local Food Pantry. Thank you!





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“30 Days of Cash Giveaway”

April 1 – April 30, 2017

Larned Knights of Columbus Council #3273

Net Proceeds go to K of C Council #3273

\$50.00 Donation for each ticket

Only 500 tickets will be sold

April 1-27 = \$250 Each Day

April 28 = \$500

April 29 = \$750

April 30 = \$5000

One Ticket will be drawn
every day in April

Every ticket will be included
In all 30 separate drawings

You could win multiple time

For your Lucky Ticket
Contact one of the following:

Richard J. Wolf – 285-2822

Maurice Schaller – 804-1574

Norman Dreiling – 285-6547

Pam at the Parish Office – 285-2035