## MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY** 4:00 PM MARTHA WORRELL **HUSBAND HEALTH & HEAL-ING** 

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12** 8:30 AM **BEASLEY'S FAMILY SPECIAL INTENTION** 

> 11:00 AM + JOYCE KLAUS

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY** 14 8:00 AM **OPENING** 

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15** 8:00 AM OPENING

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16 8:00 AM OPENING

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17** 8:00 AM + SALLY STOKLEY

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY** 4:00 PM OPENING

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19** 8:30 AM OPENING

11:00 AM OPENING

## **Collection details:**

2/5/2023—\$ 5323

Special collections-26 February **Black Indian mission** March 19 Catholic Relief Service



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#### READINGS WEEKLY

Sunday 12 Sir 15:15-20 1 Cor 2:6-10

Mt 5:17-37 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25 Mk 8:11-13

> Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**Tuesday** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21 **Memorial of Saints** 

Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

Wednesday Gn 8:6-13, 20-22 Mk 8:22-26 Wednesday of the

Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**Thursday** Gn 9:1-13 Mk 8:27-33 Thursday of the

Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**Friday** Gn 11:1-9

Mk 8:34-9:1 Friday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**Saturday** 

Heb 11:1-7 Mk 9:2-13 Saturday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ash Wednesday is on 22 February 2023 so on this day we have 8:00am mass & 5:30pm Mass

24 February 2023 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross by the People of the Parish; 5:30 pm Lenten fish fries

26 February 2023; First Sunday of Lent

Lenten rice bowls are at the entrance of the Church for pick up. Please bring it back on Palm Sunday or on Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday)

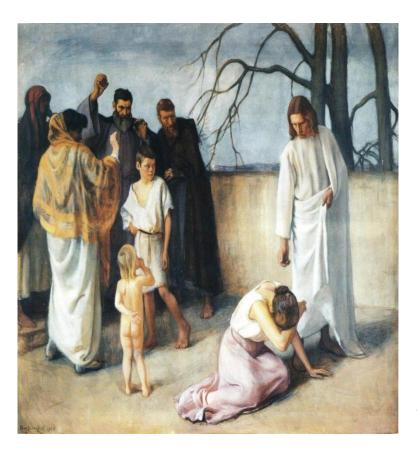
We will have a special collection taken on Ash Wednesday to buy a new air conditioning unit for the Church so please generously contribute to cover the cost. Happy Valentines Day & Happy Madi gras



**February 12 2023** Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Parish

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Monday: Office Closed Tuesday— Friday: 9AM to 1PM SATURDAY & **SUNDAY: OFFICE CLOSED** 

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION,** SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MAS **SCHEDULES**

**SATURDAY** 3:15<sub>PM</sub> **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION** 3:30 PM - HOLY ROSARY 4:00 PM - HOLY MASS

**SUNDAY** 8:00 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 8:30AM-HOLY MASS 10:30 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 11:00am-HOLY MASS

> **REGULAR WEEKDAYS** MONDAY-COMMUNION **SERVICE TUESDAY-FRIDAY** 8:00 AM - HOLY MASS

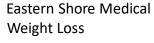
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We have one of our Ac units broke so we need \$13,500 to replace. I earnestly request you contribute towards the Ac unit. No amount is too small or too big; every help you render that will cover the cost so please generously contribute towards Ac unit for our Church. Thanks for always being there for our Oll Parish.

We have our Church tithing envelopes at the Cry Room for pick up so please take them. Thanks for your patience.

Dn. Ed Connick celebrates his birthday so share your prayers, personalized cards & gifts with him

Mr. Ken Klienchrodt will speak about the stewardship to the Parishioners this weekend



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#### IMPORTANCE OF HOLY MASS

#### 1) Why mass intentions are important at mass?

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "Mirae caritatis" (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass: "The grace of mutual love among the living, strengthened and increased by the sacrament of the Eucharist, flows, especially by virtue of the Sacrifice [of the Mass], to all who belong to the communion of saints. For the communion of saints is simply ... the mutual sharing of help, atonement, prayers and benefits among the faithful, those already in the heavenly fatherland, those consigned to the purifying fire, and those still making their pilgrim way here on earth. These all form one city, whose head is Christ, and whose vital principle is love. Faith teaches that although the august Sacrifice can be offered to God alone, it can nevertheless be celebrated in honor of the saints now reigning in Heaven with God, who has crowned them, to obtain their intercession for us, and also, according to apostolic tradition, to wash away the stains of those brethren who died in the Lord but without yet being wholly purified."

# 2) Why mass is offered for various occasions and situations?

In his encyclical "Ecclesia de Eucharistia," our beloved late Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, taught, "In the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice, the Church prays that God, the Father of mercies, will grant His children the fullness of the Holy Spirit so that they may become one body and one spirit in Christ. In raising this prayer to the Father of lights, from whom comes every good endowment and every perfect gift, the Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice" (No. 43).

## 3) Why mass is offered for the dead in the apostolic tradition?

Please keep in mind that the tradition of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originates in the very early Church. Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century evidence this practice: catacombs of the second century evidence this practice: for example, the epitaph on the tomb of Abercius (d. 180), Bishop of Hieropolis in Phrygia, begs for prayers for the the repose of his soul. Tertullian (c. 200) attested to observing the anniversary of a spouse with prayers and sacrifices, i.e. the Mass: "Indeed she prays for his soul, and requests refreshment for him meanwhile, and fellowship with him in the first resurrection; and she offers her sacrifice on the anniversaries of his falling asleep" (On Monogamy, X). Moreover, the Canons of Hippolytus (c. 235) explicitly mentions the offering of prayers for the dead during the mass. St. Cyril

of Jerusalem (d. 386), in one of his many catechetical discourses, explained how at Mass both the living and dead are remembered, and how the Eucharistic Sacrifice of our Lord is of benefit to sinners, living and dead. St. Ambrose (d. 397) preached, "We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord." St. John Chrysostom (d. 407) stated, "Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them." St. Augustine (d. 430) recorded the dying wishes of his mother, St. Monica in his Confessions: "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be." Finally, Pope St. Gregory (d. 604) said, "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for

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Church but we also clearly recognize its importance.
Given this understanding, we can add some specifics. When a
priest offers Holy Mass, he has three intentions: First, to offer the
Mass

reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church.

Sec- ond, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church. Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the repose of the soul of someone Therefore, the effects of the Mass are the effects upon the whole Church to the living faithful as well as the poor souls in purgatory. For this reason, in the Canon of the Mass (the Eucharistic Prayer), a special mention is made for both the living and the dead

The special ministerial fruits of the Mass are applied to the particular intention of the Mass, i.e. "for whom the Mass is offered."

The special personal fruits of the Mass benefit the celebrating priest who acts in the person of Christ in offering the Mass and to the people who are in attendance and participate in the offering of the Mass.

These fruits are both extensively and intensively finite, since each of us is finite. Therefore, the more a Mass is offered, the more benefit is conferred. For example, all things being equal, 10 Masses offered for the repose of a soul confer 10 times the benefit of one Mass.

Finally, a person may ask a priest to offer a Mass for a particular intention; usually, a stipend is given to the priest for offering the Mass, which thereby in justice creates an obligation which must be satisfied.

We find not only the origins of this practice dating to the early Church but we also clearly recognize its importance. When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, to have a Mass offered for the repose of his soul and to offer our prayers are more beneficial and comforting than any other sympathy card or bouquet of flowers. To have a Mass offered on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special need is appropriate, beneficial and appreciated.

### **GOSPEL RFLECTION**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law. Part two deals with worship and religious practice and contains the Lord's Prayer. Part three deals with trusting God and deeds of loving service to our neighbor.

When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does he set his followers free from the Law. He requires his follow- ers to go beyond the Law by doing more than the Law requires.

The Law condemned murder. Jesus condemns anger. The Law con-

demned adultery. Jesus condemns even lustful looks. As Jewish Christians who had always been faithful to the Law Matthew's community need a way to understand the difference Jesus and the kingdom he brings have made. They affirmed that God had always been at work in history through "the Law and the prophets." But God's work goes beyond that to be embodied by the Messiah who reveals the definitive will of God. The written scriptures and their interpretation in tradition are surpassed by Jesus whose life and In the aching of the parallel of the late of th

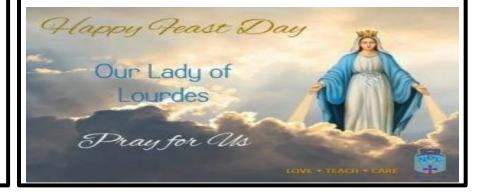
Amen

When we offer a Mass for a deceased loved one, we are asking God to apply the graces of the Mass to that person's soul, so that their time of purification (purgatory) can be brought quickly to completion and they can enter into the fullness of heaven. This is a truly loving and faith-filled thing to do.

#### **2022 BENEFIT NIGHT - SPONSORS**



Mr. Matt O'Rourke Greg and Cindy Hall



#### PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, "Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, James M. O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Ouintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Chuck Simmons, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr, Megan, Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson, Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough, Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe, Nicholas Balch, Jean Stanley, Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young.

## **MASS OPENINGS**

21 February 2022—Opening 22 February 2022—Opening 23 February 2022—Opening 24 February 2022—Opening 25 February 2022—Opening 26 February 2022—Opening

27 February 2022—Opening 1 March 2022—Opening

2 March 2022—Opening

3 March 2022—Opening

4 March 2022—Opening