

SUNDAY, 24 FEBRUARY, 2013

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE
SCHEDULE OF THE WEEK
FEBRUARY**

23 SAT 4 PM † Anneliese Heggen
24 SUN 8AM People of the Parish
24 SUN 11 AM † Ruschell Fireall
25 MON 9 AM † Edward & Eula
O'Malley
26 TUES 9 AM † Gregor Heggen
27 WED 9 AM Special Intention of
Meagan Fischer
28 THRS 9AM † Theresa Hanson

MARCH

01 FRI 9 AM † H. Nicholas Veit
02 SAT 9 AM Special Intention of
Thomas Osborn
02 SAT 4PM † Erville&LorettaKaercher
03 SUN 8 AM † Donna Kierstead
03 SUN 11 AM People of the Parish

Sanctuary Candle is illuminated at Our Lady Queen of Peace the week of Sun., Feb. 24 through Sat., March 02, 2013, for the special intention of the Behnke family.

Psalm: "The Lord is my light and my salvation."

Offertory 02/17/13 Envelopes \$2,174.50
Loose \$ 504.77
Total \$2,679.27

Env. Req. 124 Env. Used 64

*Please welcome **Ridge Taylor** to our parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism.*

*Please welcome **Paul and Kristin LaFlamme**, and their sons, **Gabriel, Michael, Caleb, Joshua and Jacob** to our parish family*

- Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. Friday, March 1. This year, Bishop Bradley will join us for Stations on Friday, March 22nd. Please mark your calendars and join us.

- Penance Service Wednesday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m.

- Lent Vigil Candles Feb. 20-26

Phyllis Jones Christine Wheeler
Bob Jones Family Chappell Family
Ziemke Family McIntosh Family
Richard Schroeder Roehl Family
Gregor Heggen Anneliese Heggen
Edmund & Florence Barczak

- Lent Vigil Candles Feb. 27-March 5

Phyllis Jones Roehl Family
Bob Jones Family Chappell Family

LaBadie Family Gregor Heggen
Anneliese Heggen

- Lent Vigil Candle sign up sheet is on the table in back of the Church if you would like to have a candle lit for your special intention or in memory of a loved one. Suggested donation: \$6 each candle.

- Diocesan Rice Bowls may be found on the table in back of the Church. *For Lent, For Life. What you give up for Lent changes lives.*

- All You Can Eat Lent Fish

Fry Dinner Friday, March 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. Adults: \$9; Children 3-12 \$4; under age 3 free.

- Volunteers Needed to work at or bake for the parish All You Can Eat Lent Fish Fry Dinners. Sign up sheets are on the table in back of the Church. Many volunteers are needed to make this parish fundraiser a success.

- CCD Schedule

Feb. 24 Class at 9:30 a.m.
March 3 Class at 9:30 a.m.
March 6 6 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
March 10 Class at 9:30 a.m.
March 13 6:30 p.m. Penance Service
March 17 9:30 a.m. Class
(Touching Safety)
March 24 9:30 a.m. Class
March 31 Easter Break - No Class
April 7 Spring Break - No Class
April 10 6 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
April 14 Class at 9:30 a.m.

- RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, which meets on Wed., Feb. 27, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Church basement conference room, is open to all adults from our parish areas.

- Benton Harbor Soup Kitchen

We could not provide this important ministry without you. Volunteer sign up sheet is on the table in back of the church or call the office @465-6252. Next date is Feb. 27.

- Families of Peace Gathering

Wednesday, Feb. 27 from 5:45-7:00 in the Church Hall to discuss How to Apply Faith to our Families by Kimberly Hahn ???, please email crochetee@live.com

- Annual Diocesan Retreat is open to everyone and will be held on March 2-3 at the Transformations Spirituality Center with Sr. Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, OP as Retreat Facilitator. The theme is "Credo: I believe in Jesus Christ – True God and True Man". Call Jane @269-903-0147 for details/registration.

2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

- BREAD OF LIFE FOOD

PANTRY Need: everything.
Week 165: 14 families, 29 adults, 10 children, 12 dogs, 1cat

10 a.m. to Noon Tuesday, 02/26/13

Phil Pavlic & Ilse Klinkhamer

6 - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 02/28/13

Eva Merrick & Kay Roehl

- MINISTRIES

7 p.m., Stations, March 01, 2013

CCD 3rd Grade

Servers- TJ DeMeulenaere, Adam Merrick, Megan Kiewel

4:00 p.m., Saturday, March 02, 2013

Lector – Gaylord Rochefort

Server - Jeffrey Staub

Communion – Jeanne Staub, William Wheeler & Tom Woerdehoff

Ushers -M. Mendus & W.Wheeler

8 a.m., Sunday, March 03, 2013

Lector – John Schwerha

Servers- Daniel Harazin

Communion - Dan Toomey, Sue Adent & Marie Malsch

Ushers-Jack Malsch & Chris Miller

11 a.m., Sunday, March 03, 2013

Lector - Karin Chappell

Servers - Chris & Kyle Rotondo

Communion – Chickie Boyle, Gary Boyle & Ilse Klinkhamer

Ushers-Bob Donarski & Phil Pavlic

- New website:<http://www.olgop.org>

In spite of our best efforts, there may be slippery spots on the sidewalks, steps, and parking lot. Please assist each other and be safe!

-- The Pastor's Corner --

My brothers and sisters in Christ, The Lenten season is particularly a time for almsgiving, acts of charity and penance. Maybe that is why the letter I recently received from the Diocese so succinctly informed me that our communities have not yet satisfied our 2012 Bishop's Annual Appeal assessments. As I have reminded you each year the pledges are due, if we do not meet the targets, the Diocese will automatically take the funds from our bank accounts, a move which would almost tragically affect our functioning at our current pace. We graciously thank those who have so generously contributed and satisfied their pledges. I fully understand how difficult your efforts have been in this tough economy. St. Gabriel community, with an overwhelming majority of English speaking people contributing, is only three thousand dollars away from their

targeted goal, while the Queen of Peace community remains under 50% from their targeted assessment. I personally know and understand God's providence, but this is your church, local, diocesan, and Universal. Without your firm financial support, dramatic changes in how we are able to function will become necessary. Therefore, as food for thought during this second week of the Lenten season, recall the words from the Gospel of Luke chapter 6 verse 38 which states: "Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you".

I'm moved each year by the facial expressions of those who seemingly for the first time become aware of the Stations of the Cross hung on the walls of our chapels. They have not been taken down perhaps since the chapels were consecrated, but how often are we truly aware of their presence and significance?

Each year the Lenten season presents to us an opportunity to profoundly enter into an experience of just how much God loves each of us, in spite of our sinfulness. "We adore you O Christ and we praise you". Are these words lies, which we utter each year simply to fit in and fulfill our obligation, or do we truly understand that it was by His Cross and Resurrection that Jesus has redeemed the world?

I am your pastor; a humble and unworthy servant of Christ Jesus who wants nothing more than for our communities to walk in the ways of the Lord, choosing Him first, above all others. Jesus spoke to the people in a parable stating, "No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye: You hypocrite! "

Fr. Edward Steiner in his reflection for the Second Sunday of Lent writes: "Although Paul addresses the Philippians, he could as well be addressing us as he describes the experience of the Christian community in Philippi. Paul had been brought to tears by the successes of "the enemies of

the cross of Christ." We witness the enemies of Christianity today and their successful assaults against people of faith. We are surrounded by many who orient their lives around their personal wants and desires rather than the desires of God."

Paraphrasing Fr. Ed, "Lent affords us the opportunity to ask, 'what keeps us faithful?' Like Abraham, who followed God from Ur to a new land, like the disciples who followed Jesus up a mountain, like the parishioners who notice the Stations of the Cross for the first time, we must during Lent put ourselves in a position where we too can have an experience of God's love, the one most powerful thing that can keep us faithful. Remember, we adore you O Christ and we praise you.

AMDG

Fr. Arthur

SAINT GABRIEL CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sunday, February 24, 2012

9:30 a.m. † Erick Green
req. Laurel Green

1:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, February 28, 2013

6 p.m. † Rev. Frank Burger

Sunday, March 03, 2013

9:30 a.m. † Bea Herman
req. the Moody Family

1:00 p.m. People of the Parish

-MINISTRIES

9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 3, 2013

Lector - Laurel Green

Communion-Dave Emerson and

Linda Moody

Ushers-Paul Sprung & Roman Machurick

Altar Servers - Makenzie Moody &

Jacob Gluckowski

1 p.m. Sunday, March 3, 2013

Lector - Noemi Sanchez

Extra ministros ordinarios de la Sagrada

Comuni3n -

Acolitos -

Ujieres -

Last weekend's Offertory

Ofertorio de la semana pasada

9:30 a.m. \$1,586.00

1:00 p.m. \$ 207.00

In spite of our best efforts, there may be slippery spots on the sidewalks, steps, and parking lot. Please assist each other and be safe!

A pesar de nuestros mejores esfuerzos, puede haber manchas resbaladizas en las aceras, pasos y estacionamiento. Por favor ayudar a los dem3s y estar a salvo!

- **Food Pantry** Collection is March 10. **NEED** soups (canned & packaged). Thank you for your support.

- Despensa de alimentos

Collection es 10 de Marzo. **NECESITA** sopas (Enlatados y Envasados) Gracias por tu apoyo.

- St. Mary School Coupon

Books will be sold by Robbie Dillard after Mass.

- Encuentro Pre-Matrimonial

Diocesano Dios es amor y de una manera misteriosa los ha juntado a ustedes en el amor. Ustedes tienen a su alcance una felicidad en el matrimonio mejor de la que se han imaginado y mayor de la que experimentan ahora. Lo 3nico que se necesita es que est3n dispuestos a amar, a dar, a aceptar y a adaptarse.

Fechas: (Escoja una de las siguientes fechas):

S3bado, Marzo 16, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

S3bado, Mayo 18, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

S3bado, Agosto 10, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

S3bado, Octubre 19, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

- Retiro para la Preparaci3n de

Quincea3neras Para nosotros los cristianos, la celebraci3n de la Quincea3nera no es s3lo una fiesta social, as3 que pregunte a la parroquia una celebraci3n religiosa y debemos prepararnos espiritualmente. En este retiro cuestiones sumamente importantes para los j3venes y adultos se explicar3. Di3cesis est3 preparando quincea3neras biling3es y esto no es un sustituto de la formaci3n impartida en cada quincea3neras parroquiales. Participantes: Quincea3nera y sus padres (los padrinos son bienvenidos, pero no es obligatorio). Por favor, Fannie tel3fono (269) 903-0209 para las fechas de estas reuniones.

Sponsor of the Week

Sammie's Family Restaurant To view the full advertisement, see the back of our Bulletin. Please patronize all of our sponsors because they make the Bulletin possible.

Patrocinador de la semana

Restaurante Sammie familia

Para ver el anuncio completo, vea la parte posterior de nuestro Bolet3n. Por favor patrocinar a todos nuestros patrocinadores, porque hacen el Bolet3n posible.