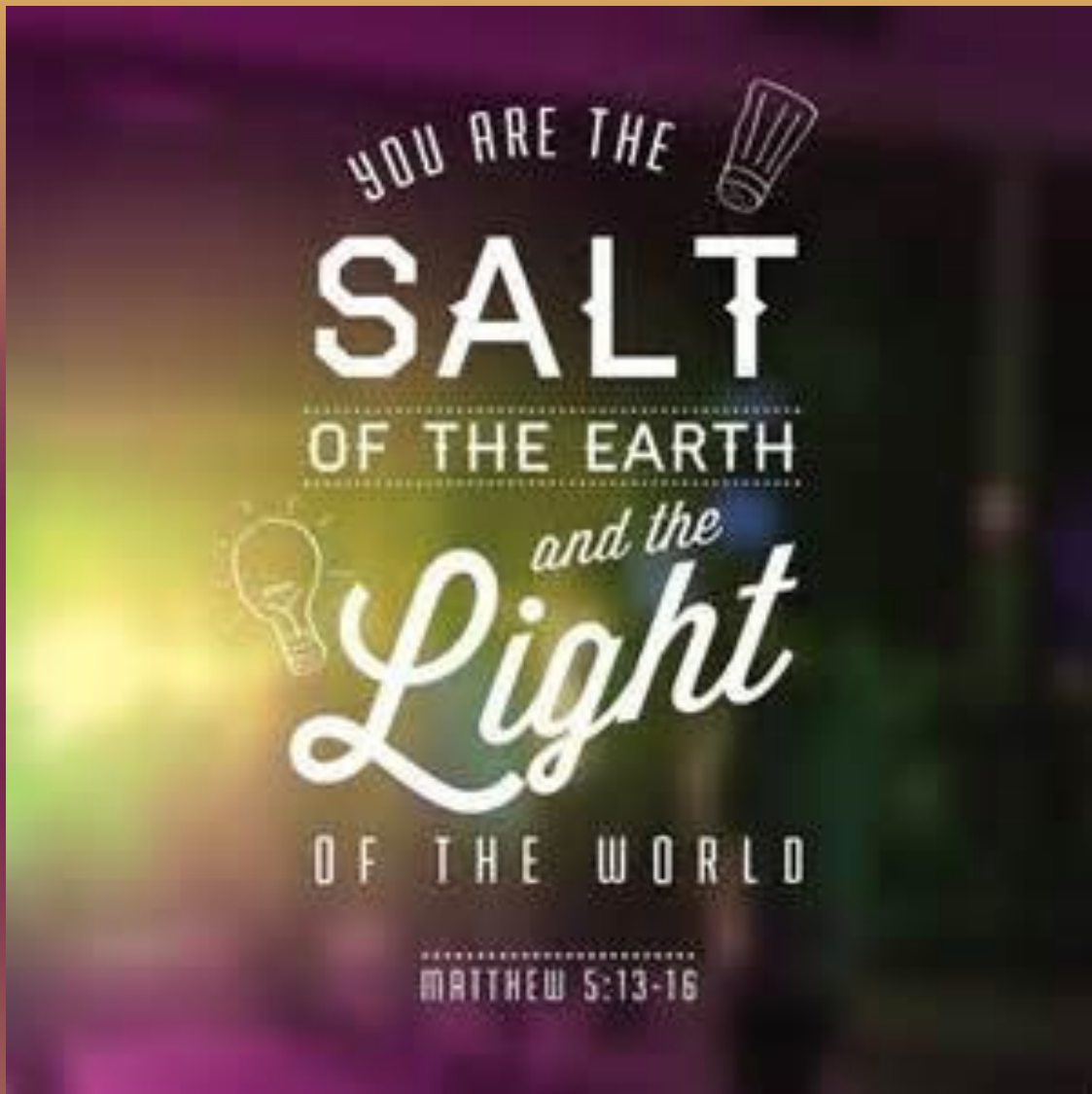


FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 9, 2020



Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30AM - 3:00 PM
(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Monday - Friday at 8:00AM
Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy: Saturday at 4:00PM
Sunday at 9:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00AM

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00AM - 4:00PM
(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00AM
Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy: Saturday at 5:00PM;
Sunday at 10:00AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil at 5:30PM



Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

Partners in Faith & Mission



February 9th, 2020 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What does it mean to be salt and light? If we listen carefully to Jesus' words, we gain some direction. To be salt means to bring taste, zest, and joy to life. We are asked to liven things up a bit by allowing the joy of our faith to spill over into the lives of others. Only a sincere and deep relationship with God can freshen up humanity and set it on proper course. To be light means that our faith must translate into action so that we can be Christ for others and extend the same arm of mercy and compassion that Christ did. Our acts of piety, then, cannot be directed solely at ourselves. Prayer is never about self-benefit but must always be directed toward union with God, deepening our relationships with one another and learning how to be effective stewards of the beautiful universe God has entrusted to our care.

The Master gives us wise direction in terms of how we can best become the salt and light he desires. Listen carefully to the Beatitudes. Think about the oppression and alienation that exists in our world, the violence and prejudice, the anger and the hatred, the fear and the shame. All of these things require action. The poor need food, housing, and clothes. Hatred must be replaced by love. Retaliation and violence by forgiveness. Our thoughts and speech can become more like Christ. We can change and continue to change. Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman said, "To live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often."

But it doesn't end with just offering the bandages needed to heal wounds. It must go deeper. We must ask ourselves what has happened that we have found ourselves in this place with these wounds and divisions. What are their causes? Together we must address these systemic problems, politically and spiritually, and face the truth. Only then will we truly be salt and light. But then again, we may not like what the light shows us.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of February 9, 2020

Sunday:	Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16 [5th Sunday]
Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mk 6:53-56 [St. Scholastica]
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3-11/Mk 7:1-13 [Our Lady of Lourdes]
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-40/Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32/Ps 81:10-15/Mk 7:31-37 [Sts. Cyril & Methodius]
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7, 19-22/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday:	Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

Sacrament of Baptism: Sacramental preparation is required of the parents who desire to share the Catholic faith with their children and are held monthly throughout the City of Erie. Call the parish office to register to schedule your preparation. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics with a letter of recommendation from their pastor to serve as a sacramental sponsor.

Religious Education, First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliation programs are hosted at Saint Luke's Church for all eastside Erie parishes. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.7105).

Confirmation preparation for all eastside Erie parishes is hosted at Saint John's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.454.2873).

Sacrament of Holy Orders: God calls all people to holiness. Some men are called to fulfill this vocation as priests. If you are interested in the priesthood, or have questions about it, please contact a parish priest or our Diocesan Vocation Director, Fr. Michael Polenik, at 1.800.374.3723.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Before a date can be scheduled, a priest must be contacted at least six months in advance to complete the required documents.

Sacrament of the Sick: Communal celebrations of Anointing the Sick are scheduled periodically. The sacrament can also be requested by any parishioner who is seriously ill or in danger of death. *Please note:* Federal law no longer permits hospitals or nursing homes to contact churches when a parishioner is admitted. It is important that family members notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs to be Anointed.

Leave A Legacy: Consider Saint Stanislaus and Holy Trinity as you meet with your attorney or financial planner regarding your estate planning. Remember the needs of your parish family and leave a legacy of faith for future generations with your generous remembrance.

Bulletin Information Deadline: Please submit information to be included in the weekend bulletin by noon the Monday prior. Holiday bulletin announcements must be received by the parish office two weeks in advance.

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"PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN" MINISTRY

Those who participate in this ministry express the care and concern of our entire parish community to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing facilities, through birthday and holiday cards, visits, and prayers. To request prayers, or to participate in this ministry, contact Rose Marie at 814.923.4438.

"PRAYERLINE" MINISTRY

These ministers devote themselves to prayer for any needs made known to them and any special intentions. To participate in this ministry, or to request prayers for a particular need, contact Kay (825-7328) or Shirley (452-3395) from Saint Stanislaus, or Kathy Benes (898-1091) or Kathy Smith (392-8974) from Holy Trinity.

PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)

Parishioners of Holy Trinity can receive a parish grant to assist with the cost of tuition for families who wish their primary or secondary school age children to have a Catholic education. To be eligible, families must participate in the program, attend Mass regularly, and be involved in the parish community. For more information, contact the parish office.

"PRAYER SHAWL" MINISTRY

The enjoyment of knitting, crocheting, and sewing are uniquely combined with prayer to offer a deeply personal and meaningful spiritual ministry. Shawls are prayerfully made and freely given away to those suffering bereavement, those recovering from illness, the elderly, homebound, and those in nursing facilities. To join us in this ministry, please contact Linda at 814.864.8476.

THE "ZABAWA COMMITTEE"

Held on the parish grounds of Holy Trinity, Zabawa is the largest Polish heritage celebration in the region, drawing tens of thousands of people to our neighborhood. The Zabawa Committee organizes the festival through food preparation, donation solicitation, food and beverage service, and so on. The committee always welcomes any help they receive. If you would like to offer your time, and experience hands-on learning about these rich cultural traditions, contact Ray Luniewski at 882-1032.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Parishioners interested in serving our worshipping community as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, or music minister, please let one of your priests know.

ST. STANISLAUS / HOLY TRINITY INITIAL PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

(please circle which parish)

Family Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please Check: New Registration Change of Address Change of Telephone Number

Change of E-mail Moving out of Parish Want Envelopes

*Place in offertory basket or mail to Parish Office. We will contact you to complete our Census Form.
Welcome to our Parish Family!*

A Community of Faith Built on Tradition, Where Everyone is Welcome

Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., February 10th, 8:00AM - Deacon Bob Walker (Faith Sharing Group)
 Tues., February 11th, 8:00AM - Anne Skarzynski (Family)
 Wed., February 12th, 8:00AM - Stanley Markiewicz, Jr. (Family)
 Thurs., February 13th, 8:00AM - Joseph Lewandowski (Virginia Szczeparski)
 Fri., February 14th, 8:00AM - Don Malinowski (Jacque & Ed Macie)
 Sat., February 15th, 4:00PM - Howard & Anna Mae Myers (J & K Ciecierski)
 Sun., February 16th, 9:30AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (Pro Populo)

FISH & PIEROGI DINNERS

Back by popular demand... St. Stan's will host our annual Fish & Pierogi dinners on February 28th, March 13th, and March 27th. Volunteer forms are available at the church entrances. If you are able, please complete a form and return it to the Parish Office (or place it in the collection basket) as soon as possible.

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS will be needed for our 8:00AM and 4:00PM Ash Wednesday Masses. Please sign up in the vestibule if you are available.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR "31 DAY LOTTERY" WINNERS

1/1 - Ken Morgan	1/16 - Unsold
1/2 - George Schoullis	1/17 - Unsold
1/3 - Unsold	1/18 - Unsold
1/4 - Unsold	1/19 - Unsold
1/5 - Chip Rohrbach	1/20 - St. Stan's Church
1/6 - Kari Ann Smith	1/21 - Mary Brocious
1/7 - Mary Brocious	1/22 - Joe Nuber
1/8 - Jackie Vargo	1/23 - Unsold
1/9 - Tim Rohrbach	1/24 - Richard Mielnik
1/10 - Unsold	1/25 - Branda Jacobs
1/11 - Dotti Pedersen	1/26 - Chip Rohrbach
1/12 - Caroline Chilcott	1/27 - Jim Dylewski
1/13 - Elaine Dardes	1/28 - Unsold
1/14 - Dan Kerner	1/29 - Chip Rohrbach
1/15 - Bonnie Homicz	1/30 - Tad Fryczynski
1/31 - George Schoullis	

The Holy Name Society will be offering another lottery in the Spring. Stay tuned...

WEEKLY OFFERING (FEBRUARY 2, 2020)

This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00 \$128,836.00
Amount Received	\$3,503.00 \$94,058.00
Net over/under.....	(\$653.00) (\$34,778.00)

Mass Attendance:
 4:00PM = 80
 9:30AM = 93



LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 8th
 Server: Marlene Shaba
 Lector: Michele Inter
 Gifts: The Pedersen Family

Sunday, February 9th
 Server: Gabrielle Widomski
 Lector: Russell Robison
 Gifts: Holy Name Society

Saturday, February 8th
 Server: Marlene Shaba
 Lector: Michelle Inter
 Gifts: The Lombard Family

Sunday, February 9th
 Server: J. & A. Wildfire
 Lector: Russell Robison
 Gifts: M. & M. Popovich



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of **THERESA IGNASIAK** as gifted by the family.

WHAT TO DO WITH LAST YEAR'S PALMS?

Baskets will be placed at the entrance of the church for you to bring in your old palms. They will be burned and their ashes used for Ash Wednesday.

CSA: OUR PARISH GOAL & PROJECT

Once our parish reaches our CSA assessment goal of \$31,019, any additional funds pledged remain at Saint Stan's. In consultation with Parish Council, it was decided that these funds would be used to provide necessary repairs to the school's roof. The roof is over 30 years old! While interest in growing to rent space in the school building, significant leakage prevents us from doing so. Repairing/replacing the roof would not only preserve the physical integrity of the building, but also allow us to rent out additional space in order to make the building profitable.

LENTEN & EASTER MARKETS

Our Partner Parish, Holy Trinity, will be holding their annual Lenten and Easter Markets again this year.

LENTEN MARKET: Order forms for the Lenten Market will be available next weekend, February 1st - February 23rd. Order pick-up will be on February 26th, following Ash Wednesday Mass, and February 29th, from 10:00-11:00AM.

EASTER MARKET: Order forms will be available throughout Lent. The Market will be held on April 3rd and April 4th. More information will be available in future bulletins.

Holy Trinity Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

5:00PM - February 15th

Lector: J. Kempisty & S. Carpenter
Server: A. & L. Moore
EM: M. Moore & D. Thiemann

10:00AM - February 16th

Lector: B. Downing & K. Smith
Servers: J. & T. Chermack
EM: S. Chermack, D. Carlson,
 & K. Smith

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., February 10th, 8:00AM - Mass at Saint Stanislaus
 Tues., February 11th, 8:00AM - Kulig, Laszczewski, & Habas Families
 Wed., February 12th, 8:00AM - Mass at Saint Stanislaus
 Thurs., February 13th, 8:00AM - The Souls in Purgatory
 Fri., February 14th, 8:00AM - Mass at Saint Stanislaus
 Sat., February 15th, 4:00PM - The People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)
 Sun., February 16th, 10:00AM - The People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)

The sanctuary candle burns in memory of **THE PEOPLE OF HOLY TRINITY.**

PLEASE KEEP US UPDATED

We do not know unless you inform the Parish Office if a family member is unable to attend Mass, or now resides in a nursing home, or would like to be on our visiting list. Please call the Parish Office with this information. If your children are grown and reside with you or no longer reside with you, they should not be listed as members under your name, they should register themselves as members of their Church. If you move or your phone number has changed including email, please let us know as well. Call 456-0671 with any changes or new information.

NEEDED ITEMS

There will be a container in the back of the church for any unwanted or donated rags, wash cloths, and towels that you may have. They can be put to good use to wash and dry dishes and wipe off tables during the many events that are held in the Social Center



February 9th - Phil Slomski
 February 13th - Brent Chermack
 February 16th - Corinne Dyakon

CSA: OUR PARISH GOAL & PROJECT

Once our parish reaches its CSA assessment goal of \$12,425, any additional pledges will enable Holy Trinity to complete projects such as replacing our six main entrance to the Social Center along with equipping one door with an exterior and interior button to open the door for handicapped persons. Our center than will be fully ADA compliant with your generosity. We will be sending out a letter, a brochure with an envelope for your gift or pledge to the 2020 CSA. Please pray how you and your family will respond as we move forward together doing the work of Christ in our diocese and at Holy Trinity.

WEEKLY OFFERING (JANUARY 26, 2020)

Regular Offertory..... \$2,535.00 (44/146 mailed)
 Loose Cash.....\$80.00
 Total Offertory.....\$2,615.00
 Mass Attendance: 5:00PM = 42 / 10:00AM = 79

<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>JULY 1 TO DATE</u>
Dream Goal	\$3,000.00
Amount we need	\$2,365.00
Amount Received ...	\$2,615.00
Net over/under	\$250.00
	\$93,000.00
	\$73,880.00
	\$74,875.00
	\$995.00

SALT AND LIGHT

R S G D W J V P B C V N N Z D D Q
 V I S X O L A Q B S M G H E S B B
 M T K N I Q N X E Y Q P F C N F R
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Good deeds	Lamp	Bushel	Holy
Heaven	Father	Glorify	Shine
Stand	Hidden	Hill	City
World	Earth	Jesus	Matthew
Light	Salt		

"You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world."

- Matthew 5:13-14

News for Our Partnership

"WE JOURNEY TOGETHER"

A spiritual booklet, "We Journey Together," is available for your Lenten prayer and reflection. The are located at the entrances to the church. We ask for a nominal donation to defray the cost of the booklet. Please place your donation in the envelope provided and place it in the collection basket.

SUPPORTING THE DIVORCED

"Surviving Divorce Ministry," a 12-week support group, begins 6:30PM on Wednesday, February 12, 2020. The group meets at Saint Mark Catholic Center. Cost is \$15 per person and includes a book/journal and all materials. Find Comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teaching. Call the Family Life office at 824-1261 for more information and/or to register.

THE SEASON OF LENT

The Season of Lent will soon be upon us. We will mark its beginning on Ash Wednesday with Masses celebrated at St. Stan's 8:00AM & 4:00PM. Holy Trinity will have a Mass at 5:30PM. St. Stan's will also host an Anointing of the Sick Mass on March 15th at 9:30AM. More details will be published in future bulletins.

Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity Partnered Parishes

LENTEN DINNERS



4:00 - 7:00 PM (or until sold out)

- ➔ **ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th at HOLY TRINITY**
- ➔ **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th at SAINT STANISLAUS**
- ➔ **FRIDAY, MARCH 13th at SAINT STANISLAUS**
- ➔ **FRIDAY, MARCH 20th at HOLY TRINITY**
- ➔ **FRIDAY, MARCH 27th at SAINT STANISLAUS**

Saint Stanislaus
513 East 13th Street
Fish & Pierogi
\$10.00 for adults
\$5.00 for children 6-12
Free for children under 5
(Take Out available for \$10.25)

Holy Trinity
2220 Reed Street
Baked Fish, Pierogi, & Potato Pancakes
\$12.00 Platter
\$10.00 Dinner
\$5.00 for children under 12
Free for children under 5



RECIPE BOOK??

I very much enjoy cooking; it's one of my hobbies. Both Holy Trinity & St. Stan's are known around the community for the delicious meals that both places serve at their respective functions.

I would welcome the opportunity to put together a "Recipe Book" to be sold at our functions as a fundraiser. I understand it has been quite some years since the last recipe book was published. If you would like to contribute some of your favorites, you can e-mail your recipe to either parish, bring them to the Parish Offices, or simply drop them in the collection basket. Please be as detailed as possible and provide you name in case I have questions.

It may take some time before they can all be compiled and published, but it is worth preserving some of these fabulous culinary customs and traditions!

- Fr. Jason

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

2/9) Marcia Nitzczynski & Rose Marie Radomski; 2/10) Tony Jankowski & Eleanor Walker; 2/11) Sandy Kempisty & Ray Przybyszewski; 2/12) Edie Luniewski & Debbie Oldenski; 2/13) Deacon Tom Matusiak, Shirley & Stan Widomski; 2/14) Julie Slomski & Katherine Krainski; 2/15) Dorothy & Mead Carlson, Nancy & Art Kujawinski, & Carol Clark

PLEASE OFFER PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS THIS WEEK:

2/9 - Fr. Howard King; 2/10 - Msgr. Joe Wardanski; 2/11 - Fr. Nicholas Rouch; 2/12 - Msgr. Joseph Riccardo;
2/13 - Fr. Bill O'Brien; 2/14 - Bishop Trautman; 2/15 - Fr. Bill Sutherland

Sunday, Feb 09, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A light set on a hill

Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16
“Just so, your light must shine before others.”

In 1886, one African-American priest served the U.S. church: former slave Augustus Tolton. Sad to say, Catholic America didn't abandon its racism overnight with Father Tolton's ordination. Nearly a century later in 1979, U.S. bishops were still obliged to release a teaching on racism, *Brothers and Sisters to Us*. Yet more significantly, in 1984 ten black U.S. bishops wrote their own pastoral letter on evangelization, *What We Have Seen and Heard*. In it, they celebrate the historical intertwining of Black America and Catholic America. Learn more about Tolton, Pierre Toussaint, Mary Elizabeth Lange, Henriette DeLille, and other significant black Catholic leaders.

Monday, Feb 10, 2020

MEMORIAL OF SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

You are worthy to ask for help

1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Mark 6:53-56
“Jesus and his disciples, after crossing the lake, came ashore at Gennesaret and tied up there.”

Scholastica (480-543) was the twin sister of Benedict of Nursia. Both founded monastic communities, though Benedict gets more press due to the Rule he established. However, the most famous Scholastica story shows her equality before God: She and Benedict met yearly to confer on spiritual matters at a house near his monastery. At the end of one meeting, she had a premonition it would be their last before death would part them. Scholastica encouraged Benedict to stay and continue their conversation. He refused, as his Rule forbade spending the night outside the monastery, but a violent thunderstorm arose and he had to stay. Benedict asked what Scholastica had done. Her response: “I asked you for a favor and you would not listen; so I asked my God.” Believe in your own worthiness to ask God for help.

Tuesday, Feb 11, 2020

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES/WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

So many Marys!

1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Mark 7:1-13
“Regard kindly the prayer and petition of your servant, LORD, my God.”

Why do there seem to be so many versions of Mary in the Catholic Church? Mother of God, Queen of Peace, Black Madonna, Theotokos (God-Bearer), and all of the “Our Lady of” titles. Throughout history, many people have had powerful moments in which they experience Mary's motherly care and encouragement in following Jesus. In these experiences Mary's faith and tenderness become accessible as she appears in the culture and time of the people. She draws close to them in images and languages that they understand. What images of Mary are important for you today? Take time to explore the “Marys” and learn how different cultures have experienced her tender love.

Wednesday, Feb 12, 2020

Time to come clean

1 Kings 10:1-10; Mark 7:14-23
“These evils come from within and they defile.”

In two weeks it will be Ash Wednesday—and the return of that perennial Catholic question, “What are you giving up for Lent?” Even though sacrifice is a worthy spiritual pursuit, all too often the focus is on externals. We give up sweets, alcohol, or going out to movie theaters. We fast by going without meat on Fridays. But Jesus wants us to clean house from the inside out. What if we fasted from bad attitudes? What if we gave up our need to always be right—or worked concretely to address our impatience, selfishness, or judgmentalism? Make Lent a true awakening this year by thinking ahead about your spiritual plan.

Thursday, Feb 13, 2020

Make room at the table

1 Kings 11:4-13; Mark 7:24-30
“Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the children's scraps.”

A prominent feature of many Bible stories is God's care for Israel's foes. Even though Hebrew scripture identifies the tribes of Israel as the chosen people, God's support and help extends beyond them, even to their enemies. Although it wasn't time yet for gentiles to enjoy the food of the Master's table, a Greek woman cajoled the Lord into slipping her a few scraps. People are ostracized today because of the color of their skin, the language they speak, the country they come from, the religion they embrace, and the people they love. These people also belong at our table. Who's begging to sit at yours?

Friday, Feb 14, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS, BISHOP

Overcome division

1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Mark 7:31-37
“Immediately the man's ears were opened...”

It's Valentine's Day, yes, but it's also the memorial of Saints Cyril and Methodius, two clerics who were brothers. These missionary-linguists are best known as “Apostles to the Slavs.” Yet instead of being honored during their lifetime for success in spreading the faith, they were so embroiled in ecclesial fights (many over the use of the Slavonic language) that Methodius spent two years imprisoned *in a monastery*. Today it seems ludicrous to persecute someone for communicating the faith in the most accessible language. Might some of the issues that divide Catholics now eventually fall by the wayside? A sweet move this Valentine's Day might be to ask Saints Cyril and Methodius to pray for our church to overcome its divisions.

Saturday, Feb 15, 2020

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Any day is a good day to thank Mary

1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10
“They ate and were satisfied.”

There are 19 Marian feast days, solemnities, and memorials on the liturgical calendar, ranging from the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God on January 1 to the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. There are May devotions to Mary, and October is the month of the Holy Rosary, of which Mary is Queen. And then of course the church has dedicated every Saturday to the Blessed Virgin. While there's such ample opportunity to venerate our Mother, don't miss giving your loving devotion to her any day.

