

First Sunday of Lent  
February 26, 2012

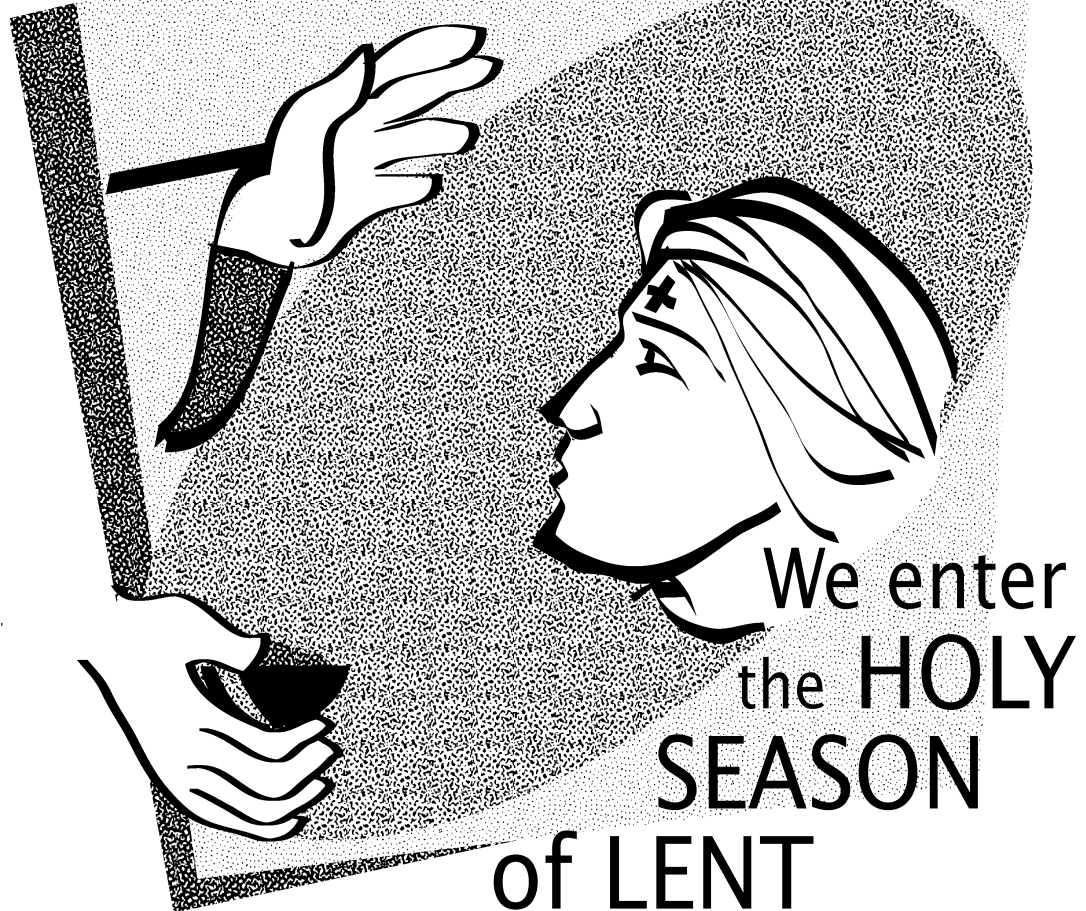
**BAPTISM**

During Mass on the weekends outside of Lent. If outside of Mass, Sunday afternoon only. If this is your first child to be baptized, you must meet with Fr. Timothy Hall for instructions. Please call the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

**MARRIAGE**

Please make arrangements at least six months in advance. After confirming the church date, your first visit will be with Fr. Timothy Hall. Please call the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317. Marriage Preparation Course is required.

Marked with the  
**SIGN of REPENTANCE**



We enter  
the **HOLY**  
**SEASON**  
of **LENT**

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**SAINT ADRIAN**  
**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL**

**SAINT ANTHONY**  
**SAINT KILIAN**

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## Liturgy of the Eucharist

Tues. 8:30 AM (L) Michelle Lasley

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues. 6:30 PM (K) Valery Bruns

Thurs. 8:30 AM (A) Greg Luettel

Fri. 8:30 AM (W) Leo & Catherine Persing

Sat. 8:30 AM (A) Joseph & Ella Kellen

### First Saturday Marian Devotion

### Adoration & Penance to follow until 10:00 AM

Sat. 5:00 PM (L) Earl Owens

Sat. 7:00 PM (K) Tyler Veld

Sun. 8:30 AM (W) Andy Hendel

Sun. 10:30 AM (A) Parishioners

## Sacrament of Confession

Half- hour before weekend Masses

## St. Adrian

### Sacrificial Giving – February 19, 2012

Amount needed per weekend.....\$3,844.00

Amount given.....\$3,507.16

### Ministry Schedule: March 4, 2012: 10:30 AM

Readers: Julie Wieneke & John Faber

Servers: Brady Lonneman & Taylor Recker

### Calendar Raffle Winner: Vicky Croat

**Lenten Penance & Adoration** is scheduled for next Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> immediately following the 8:30 AM First Saturday Mass. Come and prepare your heart for Easter by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Lenten Activities:** Please join us for Vespers on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the St. Joseph Society. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

**The 2012 Diocesan Appeal** has begun and our parish goal was set at \$14,510.00. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Gifts may be mailed directly to the Winona Diocese. Thank you.

**Pastoral Council** meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

**Parish Finance Council** will meet on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Parish Rectory.

**Rental of the St. Adrian Education Building** will be done through Pam Konz in the Faith Formation Office. Call 483-2480 or 483-2835 when you would like to rent the building for family events, wedding showers and other gatherings.

## Our Lady of Good Counsel

### Sacrificial Giving – February 19, 2012

Amount needed per weekend.....\$2,106.00

Amount given.....\$1,057.25

### Ministry Schedule: March 3, 2012: 8:30 AM

Reader: Carol Bertrand

Servers: Cole Spartz & Jena Joens

Eucharistic Ministers: Tarri Joens, Kathy Burkard,  
Cindy Balster

### Calendar Raffle Winner: James D. Joens

**Lenten Activities:** Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 PM on Friday evening. Everyone is welcome! Please join us for this prayerful event.

**The 2012 Diocesan Appeal** has begun and our parish goal was set at \$6,690.00. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Gifts may be mailed directly to the Winona Diocese. Thank you.

**Thank You:** The family of Frank Einck would like to thank everyone who comforted us in any way. Special thanks to Father Jim Callahan and Deacon Vern Behrends for officiating the beautiful prayer service and Mass and for just being there when we needed them. Thank you to Michele Wieneke, Leslie Slater, Amber Werner and the OLGK Choir for the wonderful music, which dad always enjoyed. We extend our thanks to the generous women of our community and church who provided food and their time to prepare the lunches. We are truly blessed to live in such a caring community. God's blessings to all.

**The Council of Catholic Women Members** is still in search of officers! WE are in need of a President, Vice-president, and Treasurer. Lori Romans is the new Secretary. If you are interested in helping to build a positive organization please call Leslie Slater or Teri Spartz (former Co-Presidents) or contact Fr. Hall. Thank you!

**Parish Finance Council** will meet on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

**Pastoral Council** meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

## *St. Anthony*

### **Sacrificial Giving – February 18, 2012**

Amount needed per weekend.....\$1,296.00  
Amount given.....\$ 362.00

### **Ministry Schedule: March 2, 2012: 5:00 PM**

Reader: Carey Simmons  
Servers: Jake Diekmann (D) & Mitchell Veld  
Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Diekmann, Laura Lorang,  
Cliff Altman

**Calendar Raffle Winner:** Allen Erdman

**Lenten Activities:** Please join us for Vespers on Wednesday, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 PM. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

**The 2012 Diocesan Appeal** has begun and our parish goal was set at \$6,270.00. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Gifts may be mailed directly to the Winona Diocese. Thank you.

**The Knights of Columbus** will meet on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the church basement.

**Fund-Raiser:** Please place your clean, aluminum cans in the wagon, located in the parking lot, for recycling.

## *St. Kilian*

### **Sacrificial Giving – February 18, 2012**

\$595.00 (7 Envelopes)

### **Ministry Schedule: March 2, 2012 7:00 PM**

Reader: Mary Brake  
Servers: Courtney Vaske & Cassie Fuerstenberg  
Eucharistic Ministers: Rob Fuerstenberg, Fran Scroggs  
Anna Mae Fuerstenberg

**Parish Council:** St. Kilian Parish Council has a vacant position. Anybody interested in holding a position, please contact a board member.

**Lenten Activities:** Beginning this Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, daily Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 PM followed by Stations of the Cross. Everyone is welcome!

**The 2012 Diocesan Appeal** has begun and our parish goal was set at \$2,530.00. Please help us reach that amount by generously making a donation. Gifts may be mailed directly to the Winona Diocese. Thank you.

**School Cleaning:** Mark your calendars for Friday Evening, March 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at 5:00 PM and again on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 8:00 AM for cleaning of the school. Please bring pails, rags etc.

**Council of Catholic Women** will have their winter meeting on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the school. We will be discussing the spring dinner.

**The Lord's Housekeepers** for February - April are: Angie Van Briesen (chairperson), Julie Brake, Cate Koehne, Ashley Rodrigue, Deb Fuerstenberg, Lisa Scroggs, and Mary Brake.

**The Holy Name Society** will be taking Big Ticket donations for the Spring Dinner, April 15, 2012. Please contact David Brake 507-360-3172, Curt Vaske 507-381-1223, Gary Rodrigue 507-360-1803 or Jerry Brake 507-360-9430 with your donations. Thank you.

## *OF INTEREST TO ALL*

**Fuel Collection:** In order to help with the fuel bills, there will be a second collection next weekend, March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Our Lady of Good Counsel will find their envelopes attached to this week's bulletin. St. Anthony families have an envelope in their church support boxes. Envelopes are provided in the back of church for St. Kilian parishioners. Please use your envelope and give generously. Thank you.

**Worthington Area Council of Catholic Women Lenten Retreat:** The Worthington Area CCW will be sponsoring an all day Lenten Retreat next Saturday March 3, 2012 at the Shalom Hill Farm near Windom, MN starting at 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The guest speaker is Sr. JoAnn Haney from Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Janesville, MN. The retreat and meal will be paid for by the Worthington Area Council of Catholic Women.

**2012 Annual Diocesan Appeal:** By now you should have received a letter from Bishop Quinn asking for your generous support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Please give prayerful consideration to how you will respond by filling out your pledge card, and mailing it this week.

**Thank you for your generosity:** Thank you for your generous contributions to the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. If you forgot your envelope, please either put it in the collection box or drop it off at either parish office. Please visit [www.uscb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.uscb.org/nationalcollections) to learn more about what your donations have accomplished.

**The Faith Formation Calendar** on the web site has been updated for the current months! Check it out!

**4-Parish Lenten Food Drive:** As part of Lenten preparation and almsgiving, we will once again collect non-perishable food items for the Manna Food Pantry in Worthington. Since this is the season of practicing charity and good deeds, and since the Nobles County food shelves need our help, let us reach out to the poor in our corner of the state and give generously. Please put your items in the boxes provided at the entrance of church. Thank you.

**Lenten Spiritual Reading & Rice Bowls** are located at the entrance of the church, as well as extra copies of the Lenten Calendar. Please take a copy to help you on your Lenten Journey.

**The 11<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation class** will meet on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at St. Adrian Church with their sponsor or parent for the Church Scavenger Hunt.

**The 4-Parish 11<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation class** will go to the Banquet to serve on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Students and drivers will meet in the lobby at Adrian High School at 4:00 PM. You will be back to Adrian around 9:00 PM.

**A First Communion Parent Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the St. Adrian Education Center at 7:30 PM. This is just for one or more parent of the second graders who will receive First Communion in one of the 4 parishes.

**Class Night in Wilmont for grades 5-10** will be held for St. Anthony, St. Kilian and Our Lady of Good Counsel students on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. St. Adrian students will have this class night on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Respect Life** – The traditional practice of “giving something up for Lent” is a practice of self-denial; our Lord said that to follow him, we must deny our very selves. It means we say No to ourselves and Yes to God and others. This reverses the pattern of sin, which says Yes to ourselves and No to God and others. In our culture, the most violent No to God and others is abortion. Four thousand times every day in our nation, people say No to a little child so that they may say Yes to their fears or their plans. This Lent, as we practice self-denial, let’s think of these children. Let’s offer our sacrifices for them. May all say Yes to God and Yes to the unborn. For more ideas about how to foster respect for the unborn this Lent, visit [www.priestsforlife.org](http://www.priestsforlife.org).

**Did you get a new cell phone for Christmas?** Recycle your old phone with empty ink jet cartridges in the box at the west end of St. Adrian Church.

### **Lenten Plans...**

One of the great benefits of going to the sacrament of Reconciliation on a regular basis is that it really does help us to know our weaknesses. Lent is a time when rigorous honesty is required between the soul and God. Many of us find that we are fighting the same battles with sin and bad habits throughout our lives. The reason for this often lies in that we are not at war with our sinful choices!

Here is the way we often tend to handle problems in our lives: Lord, first let me handle my financial difficulties, and then I’ll have more time for you; first, let me finish my “to-do” list; first, let me get a handle on my illness or my family problems; first, let me watch this TV program! Meanwhile, the spiritual paralysis within us continues because Christ’s priorities are not our own.

It is amazing how powerfully God can work to reorder our lives when our first priority is pleasing the Lord. Lent is a time to make spiritual battle plans. Lent is an opportunity, presented by the Holy Spirit, to allow for a radical re-orienting of the priorities in my life. The first priority is prayer. If I don’t make some time to speak with God on a daily basis, my life will be deeply out of balance. The second priority is confession. If I have sins that need to be forgiven, now is the time to be cleansed and start again. The third priority is the Mass. If my attendance is on again-off again, what does this say about the priority of the Lord in my week? How can he bless me if I don’t place him first? Another priority is the reading of scripture. In prayer, I speak to God; in the scriptures, God speaks to me. Another essential element of the spiritual life is fasting. Can I take the risk by fasting from foods I should not be eating, excessive alcohol or drugs, an imbalance of computer or TV in my life? Most importantly, can I fast from sin? When I put God’s concerns first, I shouldn’t be surprised when he straightens out the paralysis in the rest of my life. Perhaps he is waiting until he is given the first place on my priority list.

Have A Truly Blessed Lent!

Fr. Timothy J. Hall

