

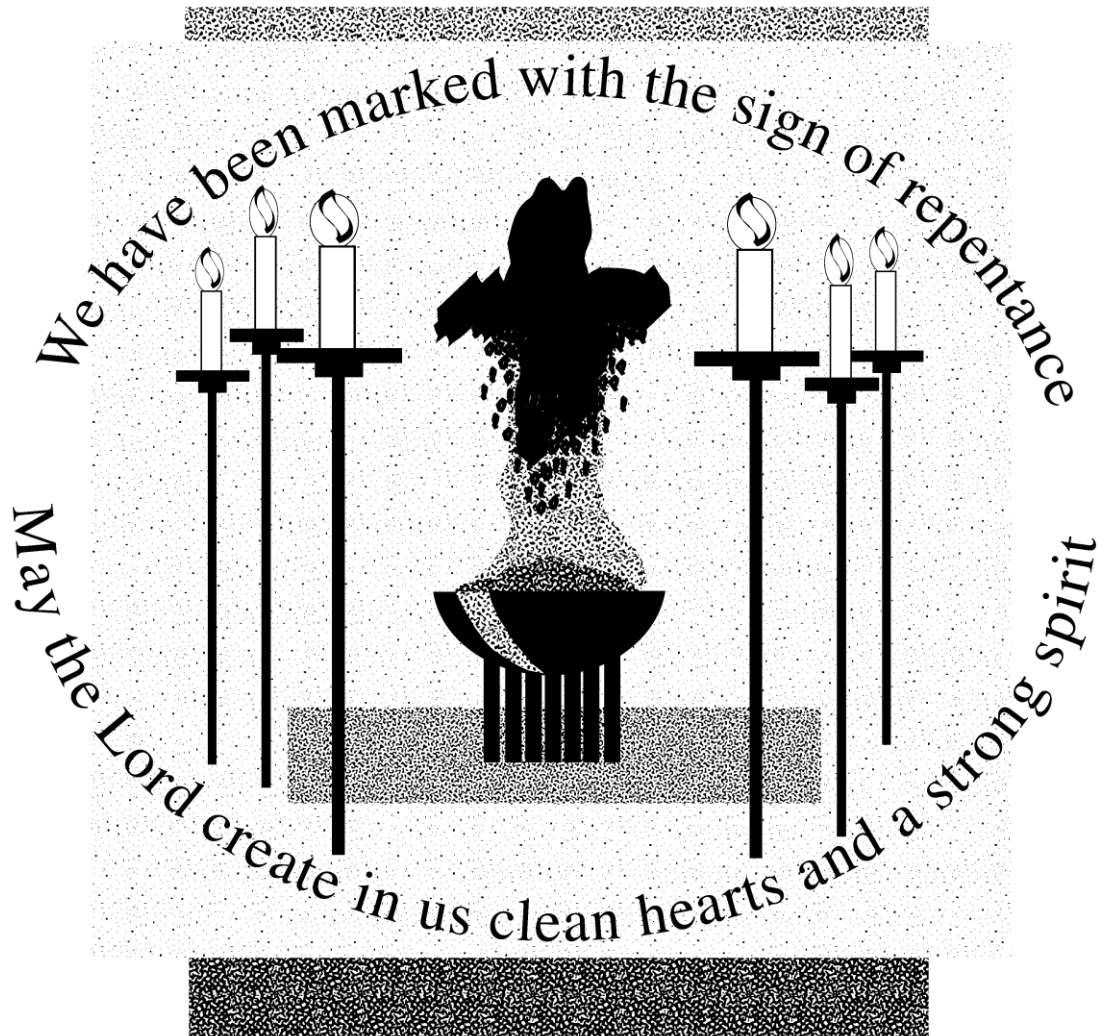
**First Sunday of Lent
March 13, 2011**

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 either Fr. Timothy Hall or Roxanne Kemper for instructions. Please call either the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317 or St. Anthony Rectory Office at (507) 472-8262 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements for Marriage must be made at least six months in advance. Your initial visit will be with Fr. Timothy Hall (507) 483-2317. Subsequent meetings, including theology & spirituality will be lead by Fr. Hall. Relationship skills and liturgy will be lead by Roxanne Kemper, Pastoral Assistant.



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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Tues 8:30 AM (L) Jean Erpelding
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed 7:00 PM (K) M/M Herman Gotmer
Thurs 8:30 AM (A) Mary Ellen Kellen
Fri 8:30 AM (W) Kay & Linda Luedke
Sat 5:00 PM (L) Clarence Reuter
Sat 7:00 PM (K) JoAnn Scheffler
Sun 8:00 AM (A) Parishioners
Sun 10:00 AM (W) Al & Iva Sieve

Word & Communion

Thursday, 8:30 AM (L)

Sacrament of Confession

Half-hour before weekend Masses

St. Adrian

Sacrificial Giving – March 6, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$3,844.00
Amount given.....\$3,420.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Marianne Mauch

Ministry Schedule March 20, 2011: 8:00 AM

Readers: Kathy Jackson-Winter & Troy Loosbrock
Servers: Ben Henning & Zach Loosbrock

Court Santa Maria #247, Catholic Daughters of America will meet on Thursday, March 17th after Stations of the Cross in the Church Hall.

Lunch Committee: Marica Jonas & Donna Lewis

Parish Finance Council will meet on Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Rectory.

Lenten Penance & Adoration is scheduled for next Saturday, March 19th from 9 – 10:00 a.m. in the church. Come and prepare your heart for Easter by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Ham & Egg Breakfast: The KC'S will be hosting a ham and egg breakfast after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on March 20, 2011. Everyone is invited.

Lenten Activities: Please join us for Vespers on Thursday, March 17th at 6:00 p.m. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the Catholic Daughters of America. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

The CCW will be collecting shoes for the "Soles for Souls" as part of their Lenten project. There is a box located at the front entrance of the church. They are asking for new or gently used shoes. The shoes will be shipped to Haiti.

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 – March 6, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$2,106.00
Amount given.....\$1,384.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Mary Weidert

Ministry Schedule March 20, 2011: 10:00 AM

Reader: Joan Joens
Servers: Logan Lenz & Kayla Rodenberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Gene & Carol Bertrand
Jim Joens Jr.

Sympathy: We extend our prayers of sympathy to the family and friends of Larry Green. May God bring them peace and comfort.

Lenten Activities: Please join us for Vespers on Friday, March 18th at 6:00 p.m. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the Catholic Daughters of America. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

Tickets for our annual Steak Fry Fund Raiser are now being sold. The Steak Fry will be held on the evening of Sunday April 10th at the VFW in Wilmont. Please contact the following finance council representatives to purchase your tickets: Dave Bertrand, Cindy Blaster, Kevin Spartz, Rod Burkard & David Reetz.

For all those interested in helping out with cleaning the church on a regular basis, please sign up for a weekend on which you would like to clean. The sign-up sheet is located in the main entrance of the church.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony

Sacrificial Giving – March 5, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$1,296.00
Amount given..... \$ 951.06

Ministry Schedule March 19, 2011: 5:00 PM

Reader: Deb Lutmer
Servers: Jake Diekmann (T) & Colin Kemper
Eucharistic Ministers: Cyril Gengler, Shirley Wieneke,
Tammi Altman

Calendar Raffle Winner: Andy Scheffler

Nursing Home: St. Anthony CCW will host the Word & Communion Service at the Adrian Nursing Home on Sunday, March 13th at 2:30 p.m. Serving Committee: Mary Kellen, Nancy Brake and Lynette Knips.

Lenten Activities: Please join us for Vespers on Wednesday, March 16th at 6:00 p.m. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the CCW. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

CCW Officers: We are still looking for a new secretary and a vice-president for the coming year. If you would be willing to volunteer for either of these positions, please contact Deb Lutmer or Ellen Henning. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Monday, March 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

St. Kilian

Sacrificial Giving– March 6, 2011

\$915.00 (5 envelopes)

Ministry Schedule March 19, 2011: 7:00 PM

Reader: Marge Loosbrock
Servers: Tyler & Cassie Fuerstenberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Ken & Fran Scroggs
Rob Fuerstenberg

Lenten Activities: Beginning this Tuesday, March 15th, daily Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m., followed by Stations of the Cross. Everyone is welcome!

The Holy Name Society will be taking Big Ticket donations for the Spring Dinner, May 1, 2011. Please contact David Brake 507-340-3172, Curt Vaske 507-381-1223, Gary Rodrigue 507-360-1803, or Jerry Brake 507-472-8777 with your donation.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

The 4- parish 2nd grade parents will be having their First Eucharist meeting on Wednesday, March 16th at the St. Adrian Education Center at 7:30 p.m.

The New Roman Missal-Part II: Fr. Hall will be presenting a workshop on the New Roman Missal, which will be implemented in all Catholic parishes on the First Sunday of Advent. Come and hear some history about the liturgy, as well as discussion on some of the changes that will take place. The presentation will take place on Sunday, March 13th at 7:00 p.m. in St. Adrian Education Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Adult Lenten Bible Sharing: The next Sunday Evening gathering of *Open Our Hearts* is on March 20th, since participants wish to attend Fr. Hall's presentation. The second Thursday Morning group begins at 10:00 am at St. Anthony's in Lismore on March 17th. If you were unable to make the first gathering, please feel free to join us at either of these sessions. For more information, please call Roxanne.

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.

The 11th grade Confirmation class schedule for March:

***Wednesday**, March 16th- trip to the Banquet. Be at AHS at 4:00 p.m.

***Saturday**, March 26th Confirmation Retreat, OLGK at 10 a.m.

***Sunday**, March 27th Teaching Mass at 1:00 p.m. at St. Adrian Church. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Steubenville North in Rochester will be held on July 15-17th at the Mayo Civic Center. Cost for the weekend is \$140, which includes meals, conference fees and a t-shirt. Lodging is extra. Some fund-raising will be done to help you attend this Youth Conference. Our group needs to be registered by May 20th. To register, go on-line to www.partnershipforyouth.org and find the register now button or use the menu to the far left of the page. We are listed as 4-Youth Group. Register to log in and then you can add yourself to the group. Please do it soon- all information has to be in by May.

March Ministry Schedules for St. Kilian, St. Anthony and Our Lady of Good Counsel are located at the entrance of the church. Ministry Schedules for all 4-parishes are also available on the web page.

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.

Recycle your empty ink cartridges in the box at the west end of St. Adrian Church.

You are invited to a Lenten Mission at Sts Ann, Columba and Mary, Slayton, Iona and Lake Wilson, will be hosting a Lenten Mission with Msgr. Gregory Ketcham beginning on March 17, and ending on Sunday evening, March 20. Msgr. Ketcham was ordained a priest in 1994 for the Diocese of Peoria, Ill. He is currently the director and head chaplain of St. John's Catholic Newman Center on the campus of the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana. Parishioners will gain a clearer knowledge of their faith through Msgr. Ketcham's talks. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday, March 17 at 5:45 p.m. Msgr. Ketcham will speak on the "Real Presence in the Eucharist".

Friday, March 18, at 5:45 p.m. Stations of the Cross will take place along with his message on "Suffering."

Saturday, March 19, Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. followed by a talk on the Blessed Virgin,

Sunday, March 20, the Mission will conclude with the Sacrament of Reconciliation starting at 6 p.m.

All aspects of the mission will take place at St. Ann's in Slayton with the exception of the Sunday liturgy which is celebrated in all three parishes. For more information email triparish@frontiernet.net or call 507-836-8030.

The Bread of Life Community Meals Feeding Ministry is held every Sunday serving from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at St. Mary's School (1206 8th Ave., Worthington). There is no cost for the meal. If you are in need of transportation, call 376-5236 after 2:00 PM on Sunday. We are also scheduling groups to provide and serve meals. For more information, call Lisa Kremer at 360-3423 – or email her at: lkremer@ccwinona.org



From Your Priest...

I have witnessed how our human nature causes us to view rules, guidelines and procedures as inconveniences rather than as ways to keep us safe and make us more whole. We now find ourselves in the season of Lent, with all of its expectations and recommendations, and I wonder if some view this season as inconvenience. Well, Lent is not meant to be an inconvenience, but rather an *opportunity* to grow in the spiritual life for 40 days. One of the ways we can grow in the spiritual life is to follow Jesus in the act of *fasting*. Now, fasting can be an inconvenience or it can be a blessed opportunity to grow toward the Lord.

Many people's lives are so full that God can't get in. As Jesus fasted for 40 days before he began his ministry, we too are called to fast, to open up space for the Holy Spirit to enter into our lives in a fuller way. In order to have a fruitful Lent, we must be hungry for God. Do I really want a deeper relationship with Christ? Am I hungry for Christ? Is my life filled with things, but lacking in meaning? Now is the time to go seeking God!

Fasting can take many forms. One good way to fast is by sacrificing some of my time for God. Why not try to go to daily mass more often during Lent? Let the Church help you on your spiritual path. The mass readings for Lent are a compendium of the spiritual life in 40 days!

Lent is a time to take aim at an area of my life that is sinful or out of balance. Begin by doing a good and sincere examination of conscience before going to confession, then decide what area of your life you and the Lord are going to work on together. Perhaps it will be your language, or your patience, or the way you treat others at home or at work. Fasting helps us to do battle with our sins by giving us more fortitude – saying no voluntarily now will help me with my spiritual battles later!

Why not fast from some kind of food? In the early church, Christians normally fasted on Wednesdays and Fridays – two days a week! Nowadays people fast for all sorts of health reasons, before surgery, and for certain medical procedures, all for a body that will grow old and die eventually anyway. How much more ought we to fast for our spiritual life, which will last forever!

In order to be more filled with Jesus, we must allow him to clear some room in our hearts – and fasting is the key to this! Fasting is one of the key weapons in our spiritual arsenal. Lent is a time for us to renew our hunger for God after an overdose of things that fill us up without satisfying us.

Blessed Lent,

Fr, Timothy J. Hall