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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph Church

Weekdays:

Mon.-Fri.

6:00 am & 12:15 pm

Saturday: 7:00 am

Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

St. Joseph Church

7:00 am, 9:00 am,

11:45 am & 6:00pm

Youth Mass

Feb. 15

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11:45 am



CONFESSION

Saturday:

10:00 am-11:00 am

St. Joseph Church

or by appointment

*Please note:

confession schedule
does not apply during
some liturgical seasons.

PRAYER TIMES

Adoration:

M-F 4-5:00 pm

Sat 3-3:30 pm

Sun 4-4:30 pm



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The fate of a leper is a great tragedy at any time and place. In Jesus' time, lepers were considered condemned, part of the plagues God sent as punishment. They were cast out of society and abandoned. St. Mark's Gospel reveals the unthinkable. Jesus reaches out and touches a leper. He risks catching the contagious disease and heals the man. As the Gospel story teaches, no one is abandoned in Christ. Are there those in our society or in our personal lives for whom we ascribe no hope, who we have abandoned, treated like lepers? Or as Christ's stewards of our sisters and brothers, do we risk reaching out and touching those who may seem to us to be "unclean" or not worthy of our time or attention?

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

6:00 am

12:15 pm

7:00 pm



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Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will

Pastor's Corner

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear brothers and sisters

Peace!

Last Wednesday we observed World Day of the Sick. We anointed those who are sick in our community. And we remembered to ask for the gift of healing from Jesus, the great Healer. The Eucharist is the sacrament in which each one is healed from all kinds of illness.

In today's gospel reading we have a leper who came to Jesus and begged for a cure. Moved with pity Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him and said, "I do will it. Be made clean." Here Jesus is teaching us to reach out and embrace the dehumanized and the outcasts among us.

Thanks be to God, leprosy has become a curable disease. But the tendency to see some diseases as God's punishment and to ostracize those who suffer from them is still with some of us. Jesus is challenging us to abandon such dehumanizing beliefs and reach out in solidarity with these modern-day 'lepers' among us, just as he did in his own time.

This Ash Wednesday, February 18, we begin the season of Lent. This is an opportune time for us to seek for healing and wholeness. Let us observe these forty days in prayer, in fasting, and in service to our needy brothers and sisters. Let us imitate Jesus in his mercy and compassion.

God bless you.

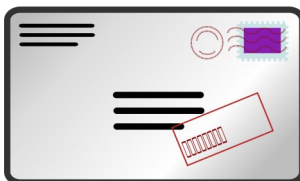
In Jesus, our fullness of Life,

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS



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We recently mailed out the 2014 Contribution statements. If you did not receive one and think that you should have please call the rectory office. We have discovered that a large number of our parishioners have had changes to their mailing addresses but have not yet updated their records with us. We appreciate your assistance with keeping our records up-to-date!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT January 26, 2015		Year to Date Totals	Year to Date Budget
Offertory Collections	\$6,864.25	\$ 293,431.30	\$ 305,407.32
Other Collections	\$4,391.55	\$ 149,101.71	\$ 151,544.36
Total Deposit	\$11,432.05	\$ 442,533.01	\$ 456,951.68
Parish Hall Fund	\$176.25	Parish Hall Collection to date	\$ 813,302.06

Scripture Readings



Sunday, Feb. 15

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

1 Cor 10:31—11:1

Mk 1:40-45

Monday, Feb. 16

Gn 4:1-15, 25

Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10

Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Jl 2:12-18

Ps 51:3-6b, 12-14, 17

2 Cor 5:20—6:2

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb. 19

Dt 30:15-20

Ps 1:1-4, 6

Lk 9:22-25

Friday, Feb. 20

Is 58:1-9a

Ps 51:3-6b, 18-19

Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, Feb. 21

Is 58:9b-14

Ps 86:1-6

Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, Feb. 22

Gn 9:8-15

Ps 25:4-9

1 Pt 3:18-22

Mk 1:12-15

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, Feb. 16 *"President's Day" Holiday—Rectory office closed*

- 7:00 am •Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass
- 5:15 pm •Bible Study w/Dale Waltjen/Conf. Room
- 5:30 pm •Youth & Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/Church
- 6:00 pm •Adult Faith Formation (aka RCIA)/Library
- 6:00 pm •Stewardship Meeting/Mtg. Room

TUESDAY, Feb. 17

- 11:30 am •Food Pantry/Social Ministry Center
- 5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room
- 7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 18 *"Ash Wednesday"*

- 6:00 am •Mass/Church
- 12:15 pm •Mass/Church
- 6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Library
- 7:00 pm •Mass/Church

THURSDAY, Feb. 19

- 5:30 pm •Blessed Sacrament Faith Formation/Mtg. Room
- 6:30 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church

FRIDAY, Feb. 20

- 3:00 pm •Stations of the Cross/Church
- 6:00 pm •Young Adult Ministry/Meeting Room
- 7:00 pm •Stations of the Cross/Church

SATURDAY, Feb. 21

- 8:15 am •Church Cleaners (#4-V. Coloma)/Church
- 10:00 am •Bible Sharing (Marianne Leite)/Library
- 1:30 pm •Sacramental Prep/Library
- 5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry/Library
- 7:00 pm •Vicariate Lenten Retreat/Mtg. Room
- 7:45 pm •San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

SUNDAY, Feb. 22 *"First Sunday of Lent"*

- 8:00 am •SJ Filipino Catholic Club Coffee Hour/Mtg. Room & Kitchen
- 9:00 am •Mass (Rite of Election)/Church
- 10:15 am •R E Classes/SJHS
- 1:30 pm •Vicariate Lenten Retreat/Church



Mark Your Calendars!

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18

Masses at: 6 am, 12:15 pm & 7 pm

Stations of the Cross (Fridays)

Feb. 20 through March 27 at 3 pm & 7 pm

Vicariate Lenten Retreat:

Saturday Feb. 21 at 7:00 pm or

Sunday Feb. 22 at 1:30 pm

Feast of St. Joseph:

March 19th Masses at:
7:00 pm Mass followed by potluck fellowship

Parish Reconciliation:

March 23rd 7 pm

*Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord
and let perpetual light shine
upon them.*

+Teofista Pilor
+Mary Basque
+Richard Troelstrup

FAST & ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Christian tradition can name at least seven reasons for fasting:

1. From the beginning, God commanded some fasting, and sin entered into the world because Adam and Eve broke the fast.
2. For the Christian, fasting is ultimately about fasting from sin.
3. Fasting reveals our dependence on God and not the resources of this world.
4. Fasting is an ancient way of preparing for the Eucharist—the truest of foods.
5. Fasting is preparation for baptism (and all the sacraments)—for the reception of grace.
6. Fasting is a means of saving resources to give to the poor.
7. Fasting is a means of self-discipline, chastity, and the restraining of the appetites.



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