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FEBRUARY 19, 2012

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday–Friday 8:30 AM–12:00 PM and 1:00–3:30 PM

Benediction: First Friday of each month after 8:00 AM Mass then followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:45 AM

WEEKEND MASSES: *Saturday 5:00 PM & Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 A.M.*

HOLY DAY MASSES: *Vigil 5:00 PM & Holy Day 10:00 AM*

DAILY MASS: *Mon. - Sat... 8:00 AM*

DIRECTORY OF INFORMATION

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 7:15 AM, 9:15 AM also before and after Daily Mass.

New Parishioners: Register at the parish office or on-line, at www.stfrancisfairfield.org, then click newcomers.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance. You must be actively registered to be married at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

Baptism: Previous arrangements are to be made with the Parish Office. Church Law requires Godparents to be practicing Catholics and parents must attend pre-baptism class.

Homebound: If you are a parishioner who has become homebound, hospitalized, needs assistance, or would like to receive Communion call Kathy Randall at 484-7948, alternate Cecilia Merrill, 484-3628 at the parish office.

Prayer Blankets: Mary Vivian White 456-6581, Kathy Upp 707-0454

Estates: Parishioners who are drawing up their wills are asked to remember St. Francis of Assisi Church.

Columbarium Info: Bob Tobey (459-4882) or John Marciniak (456-2906)

Grandparents Room Info: Alice (456-2931), Sara (456-5080)

Transportation for parishioners in need: Tom Marano (787-2192)
Alternate- Russ Vara (484-1507)

Library Hours: Monday–Friday 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Weekends, before & after Mass.

Articles to be included in the Parish Bulletin should be e-mailed to bulletin1@frontiernet.net or delivered to the office by noon on Wednesday two weeks prior to publication.

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The readings today talk about the healing power of God. God heals the same today as he did in Old and New Testament times. Allow God to work and move in your marriage relationship, attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and let God strengthen, renew and rekindle your relationship. Sign up to attend the next weekend in the Knoxville Diocese. Contact John or Anne Wharton at ACW193@bellsouth.net or 423-581-1815. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament.

THE ORIGIN OF ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday entered the calendar in the early sixth century when the desire arose to have forty actual days of fasting before Easter. Sundays were never fast days, so to get to forty, one had to add four days to the six weeks of Lent. In the Christian lands along the Rhine River the devotional practice of imposing ashes arose as people imitated what they heard in Bible passages such as 2 Samuel 13:19, Ezekiel 27:30, Job 2:12, Jonah 3:6. What was once a private devotion came to be practiced publicly in the eighth century, and by the year 1000 it was commonplace in many celebrations at the beginning of Lent. The distribution of ashes was formally added to the *Missal* at Rome in the thirteenth century and this ancient symbol of repentance is now widely used among most Christian denominations at the beginning of Lent.

PLEASE NOTIFY OLLIE DOHERTY (707-8198 or oldo@frontiernet.net) OF YOUR AWAY DATES FOR MARCH AND APRIL AND PREFERENCES FOR PALM SUNDAY AND THE TRIDUUM

THANKS.

ASHES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE 8 AM AND 5 PM MASSES ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE LEADING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FEBRUARY 24TH AT 5 PM. JOIN THEM AS WE START OUR LENTEN JOURNEY. THE K OF C WILL PROVIDE A SOUP SUPPER IN THE CHURCH HALL FOLLOWING THE STATIONS.

IF YOU ARE NOW LIVING AT GOOD SAMARITAN PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @484-3628 TO NOTIFY US AND WE WILL PUT THE CHANGE IN THE COMPUTER AND IN THE BULLETIN. THANK YOU.



Prayer Blanket Workshops

We are very thankful to all of you who have been giving of your time and talents in helping with the Prayer Blanket Workshops. Because of your efforts we were able to fill requests for 105 Prayer Blankets in 2011!

We will again be meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2012 in Sheehan Hall beginning at 9 am. Please bring the tools of our trade: sewing machines, irons, ironing boards and the willingness to help care for friends and family through this ministry. Besides the work, good fellowship and sharing time, lunch will be served and we will finish the day before 3 pm. Thank you again, and we look forward to your joining in our work on Tuesday, February 21st. Questions? Call Mary Vivian, 456-6581.

AFTER MASS ON FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012 THERE WILL BE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT UNTIL 9:45 AM FOLLOWED BY A BLESSING. PLEASE TRY TO SPEND A LITTLE OF YOUR TIME WITH THE LORD.

THAT IN ALL THINGS GOD MAY BE GLORIFIED

The Benedictine Oblates will meet at the home of Betty Puhl on Friday, **March 2, 2012 at 10:00 am.** The meeting is open to all. For more information, call Betty Puhl @456-0397.

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Chaplains on Tour

Join the "Chaplains on the Tour", namely, Fr. John Dowling, Fr. David Carter and Fr. Tom Moser, touring Italy. The places to be visited are Rome, Tuscany, Florence, Assisi, Venice and many more.

Departure date is June 30, 2012 and Return is July 8, 2012. For total and complete information you will find it on our Website at www.saintfrancisfairfield.org Cost is \$3,590 and does not include lunch or Travel Cancellation Protection, which is optional at \$200.00.

If you would like a copy of the itinerary, please call 931-484-3628. We can send it to you or you may pick it up in the Parish Office.

RUMMAGE SALE

Spring is right around the corner (hopefully). That means cleaning out closets, drawers and garage. All of those fabulous **saleable** treasures can be donated to the **RUMMAGE SALE**. To remind you — we take furniture, appliances, household items, clothes, linens, garage and outdoor items, kids clothes and toys, books, puzzles, games, records and tapes, craft items and anything we have forgotten, **(NO COMPUTERS OR CHRISTMAS TREES)** Please help us by sending clean items.

We have plenty of storage space for your donations. Drop off your donations by getting a key from the church office. Any questions—call Barb Dahar—707-1388.

You help make our sale a success. Our proceeds go to help many service organizations in our area.

SALE DATES: Fri. March 30, 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Sat. March 31, 9:00 am—11:00 am.

Dignity of Human Life (DOHL)

The DOHL meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the hall.

Our Spiritually Adopted Babies are now 1 month old in the womb. DNA is set within minutes after conception as well as every inherited human feature is determined. The baby is the size of a grain of rice and weighs less than an ounce. The heart starts beating at 21 days (just 3 weeks) before mom even knows she is pregnant. She has missed her period and a Pregnancy Test is Positive. She is upset and unsure what to do. We pray for her to choose life for her baby.



- Feb. 20 Bruce Marshall
Lynda Tjaarda
- Feb. 21 Judy Piotrowski
- Feb. 22 Barbara Clark
- Feb. 23 Marion Cope
Doug Hughes
- Feb. 24 Bob Connor
- Feb. 25 Shelly Hoffman
William Larou
Lois Taylor
- Feb. 26 Ted Bowles
Marilyn Iversen
Yvonne Marciniak

HAITI UPDATE

This note is from the medical mission that took place the week of January 15th at the school that we support in Haiti. Our partner, the American Haitian Foundation coordinated the mission.

Jack Smith

"Today we went to the school and saw 740 primary school children. We found 20 who need the surgery that we can do this week and the teachers are trying to get the message to the families. We found 2 with bad hearts and 1 who has knocked knees and needs orthopedic surgery. Dr. JF told me about 5 other children with heart problems and I am working on getting them to USA for surgery. We have prepared for 6 surgeries for tomorrow.

Sister Karen

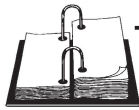


In memory of Sylvia Ann by her husband Bob Wachowski.

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Mass Intentions

Mon. 8:00 am †Barb Mdrutt
Tues 8:00 am Msgr. Thoni Intentions
Wed. 8:00 am †Rose Marchesotti
5:00 pm Parishioners
Thurs 8:00 am †Francis Scott Zingheim
Fri. 8:00 am †Kathy Peterson
Gerry & Barbara Phillips
Sat. 5:00 pm †Kathleen Hart
Sun. 8:00 am †Richard F. Shelton
10:00 am Parishioners



**The
Week
Ahead**

Tues. 9:00 am Prayer Blanket Wksp.-Hall
10:00 am Intercessory Prayer Grp-Lib
6:30 pm Dignity of Life-Hall
Wed. 7:45 am Novena-Church
8:45 am Prayer & Share-Library
10:00 am Justice & Peace-Hall
6:00 pm Parish Choir-Church
7:15 pm Chamber Singers-Church
Thurs. 9:00 am CCW Board-Hall
4:00 pm Women's Chorale-Church
6:30 pm DOHL Cmte.-Hall
Fri. 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross-
Church
Soup Supper Following
Sat. 8:45 am Men's Prayer Grp.-Hall
3:00 pm Sounds of Praise-Church

Readings for the Week of February 19, 2012

Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6,
16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

FOOD FOR THOUGHT?

**GOD PROMISES A SAFE LANDING,
NOT A CALM PASSAGE.**

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**Below is a correction and apology;
Feb. 9 Anthony & Rosemarie Stocco-60**

- Feb. 20 Carmin & Lynne Lynch-47
Timothy & VickieLee Bronnenberg-5
Feb. 24 Greg & Shirley Penrod-61
Paul & Barbara Thrower-55
Gerry & Barbara Phillips-50
Ed & Chris Lietz-44
Feb. 25 Ted & Judy Piotrowski-35

We pray, Lord, that You touch them with Your healing Hand. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus and may His Spirit come upon the Church and inspire its members to proclaim the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death.

Bernadette Baes	Charlotte Marick
Robert Bogardus	John McClain
Jean Bollish	Marge Murphy
Ed Crowley	Dolores Novak
Joyce Emery	Walter Novak
Deacon Mark Fredrick	Tish Offutt
Shirley Fredricksen	Toni Peterson
Kenneth Guillory	John Price
Tom Hanifer	Darwin Reiley
Ed Hedbawny	Dore Sabatini
Newt Hurst	Kitty Sasse'
James Knoll	Chris Theodore
Laura Knoll	Don VerBrugge
Thomas Knoll	Terry Wambaugh
Don Leith	Debbie Wachowski
Loretta Marano	Jesse Wright



Life Care: Wynne Lechner
FFG Asst. Liv.: Irma Cooper, Jesse Wright, Mary Haack
Good Samaritan Asst. Liv. Mary Quinn, Julia Larker
Standing Stone: Betty Bryan, Rosemarie Martin
Uplands: Richard Hirsch
Wharton: John Barry, Frances Palermo
Wyndridge: Von Huber, John Boski
Murfreesboro V/A.: John McClain