



# St. Mary's Cathedral Parish

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## Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 22, 2009

### Mass intentions for this week


#### **Monday, February 23 - Polycarp, bishop & martyr**

10:50 Ronald LaValley by Mrs. Joan Brooks  
7:30 Intentions of Jane Payne by her nieces and nephews

#### **Tuesday, February 24 - Weekday**

10:50 (SJ) Charles Irvine, 11th Anniv., by his wife and family  
12:00 Elizabeth Knight, Month's Mind, by her great Aunts and Uncles

#### **Wednesday, February 25 - ASH WEDNESDAY**

9:00 The Unborn by Mike Marek   
10:50 (SJ) Louis J. and Sarah D. Kogut by the estate of Sarah D. Kogut  
12:00 Elsie Bateman, Anniv., by Spike and Betty Bateman and family  
5:00 Nancy Costigan by Norma and Paul Patterson

#### **Thursday, February 26 - Lenten Weekday**

10:50 (SJ) *Notre Dame Church*  
12:00 Captain Timothy J. Downs, 46th Anniv., by Jim, Ginny, Marjorie, and Tim

#### **Friday, February 27 - Lenten Weekday**

10:50 (SJ) Jerome Plumadore, Anniv., by his family  
12:00 Deacon Adam Crowe, Month's Mind, by Gary and Gail Bouchard and family

#### **Saturday, February 28 - Lenten Weekday**

12:00 Rose Nelson, 2nd Anniv., by her family  
4:00 PM (Antic.) Paul Erwin, Anniv., by his mother, wife, and family

#### **Sunday, March 1 - First Sunday of Lent**

8:00 AM - For the People of the Parish  
11:00 AM - Deceased Bishops, Priests, and Deacons of the Diocese of Ogdensburg

**Next Sunday's Scripture Readings:** Genesis 9:8-15, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:1:12-15.

### **Fuel**

Utilities are a major expense for our parish each year. Fuel cost in 2007-2008 was \$38,711.77 and electricity was \$10,270.64. If you are able, we would ask that you make a special donation for utilities by placing your offering in the fuel envelope, provided in your envelope packets, and putting it in the collection basket at any time over the next few weeks. We certainly appreciate your extra support. Thank you!

### **Sanctuary Candles - In Memory**

#### Week of February 22

**Main Cathedral** - Jennie Ward by Jim and Marianne Bell and family and Donna Axtell

**Chapel** - Robert Collins by his family

### **Lay Ministry Sunday**

...will be celebrated here at the Cathedral this weekend. Are you open to the call to serve in parish ministry? Consider joining the hundreds of other Commissioned Lay Ministers, throughout the Diocese, who have responded to the call by training through Formation for Ministry. Lent is a very powerful time of reflection, and we invite you to think about getting involved in the Lay Ministry program during this special time. Won't you speak with Father Terry to see how you can use your own unique gifts and talents to serve the Cathedral as a Lay Minister?

### **Lenten Parish Mission**

St. Mary's and Notre Dame parishes will sponsor a Lenten Mission, March 2 thru March 4, beginning at 7 PM each evening. Presenter will be Rev. Louis P. Sogliuzzo, SJ, Director of Campus Ministry at LeMoyne College in Syracuse. Rev. Sogliuzzo entered the Jesuits in 1979 and received his training in Syracuse. His tertianship was in Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he spent a year working on issues of cultural alienation and reconciliation. He has been a chaplain, pastoral minister, retreat director, pastoral counselor, and spiritual director. The Mission services will be as follows:



**Monday, March 2, at 7 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral:** Reconciliation service with homily followed by Confessions. No Mass.

**Tuesday, March 3, at 7 PM at Notre Dame Church:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Vespers, and homily. No Mass.

**Wednesday, March 4, at 7 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral:** Mass with homily. Followed by a reception in the Bishop Brzana Memorial Hall.

**All Masses during Lent  
will be offered in the Main Cathedral.  
We will also be offering a 12:00 noon Mass on  
Mondays and Saturdays throughout Lent.**

## From Our Bishop



Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

The parade of seasons brings us once more to the threshold of Lent, which this year begins on February 25th.

The Church encourages us to make the entire Lenten season a period of discipline with attention to personal prayer, participation in Mass, and the observance of fasting and abstinence.

In his Lenten message this year, Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that fasting from food and detaching oneself from material goods, during Lent, helps believers open their hearts to God and open their hands to the poor.

In recent years, the relaxation on the laws on fasting and abstinence have seen all too many individuals abandon these salutary practices which are meant to help us focus our gaze on Jesus and be fed by His Sacred Word.

The Holy Father reminds us that through fasting and prayer we allow Christ to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being, the hunger and thirst for God.

During the season of Lent, I encourage every member of the Diocese of Ogdensburg to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation so that you may celebrate Easter with mind and heart renewed.

I ask that you, too, join me in fasting and prayer for the intention of an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life here in our Diocese of Ogdensburg and throughout the Church. The needs that we have can be met only through prayer and sacrifice.

May God give you the graces you need to be faithful to this call.

Devotedly yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham  
Bishop of Ogdensburg

### Aid to Churches in Central and Eastern Europe

Catholics face many challenges and need your help to continue to revitalize the Church and to foster the Spirit of Love in their parishes and communities. In 28 countries throughout Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, the Collection funds vital pastoral and social projects and contributes to programs that promote Catholic life. Please be generous in Ash Wednesday's Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Stand in solidarity and make a difference to your Catholic brothers and sisters in Georgia, Ukraine, Estonia, Poland, Serbia, Latvia, Belarus, and other distant places. Believe in the power of the Spirit of Love.

### Operation Rice Bowl

You are welcome to participate in Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, Operation Rice Bowl. Since 1975, this program has inspired Catholics in the United States to pray, fast, learn, and give as we increase our understanding of our global community. We encourage you to participate in Operation Rice Bowl at home with your family and loved ones. Materials can be found at the doors of the Church.

### Why Catholic?

Please join us for our next session of *Why Catholic?* to be held February 25 (6:30-8:00 PM) in the Bishop Brzana Memorial Hall. You can learn more on how to form your conscience, based on Gospel values, by coming to share your faith in our *Why Catholic?* group. "Conscience is man's most secret core, and his sanctuary. There he is alone with God whose voice echoes in his depths. Conscience is a judgment of reason by which the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act." With the Holy Spirit, we can make prudent judgments only in the light of the Gospel and with the guidance of the Catholic Church's teaching of moral truth. Sessions will continue on Wednesday evenings: March 11 (7-8:30 PM), and March 18 and 25 (6:30-8 PM). Invite a friend to join you.

### Gift bearers

This weekend, our gift bearer at the 4 PM Mass will be second-grader, Jolie Cutway, a First Communion student. The gifts of bread and wine at the 11 AM Mass will be presented by Jack Shea, another second-grade First Communion student. Please continue to pray for all of our youngsters preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

## Lenten Regulations 2009

**Abstinence:** All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: **Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.**

**Fasting:** All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are bound also to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.** Fasting, that is, eating less, involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Lighter nourishment may be taken on two other occasions in the course of the day.

**Prayer & Penance:** The entire season of Lent should be observed in a spirit of prayer and penance. Spending extra time in prayer or Bible study, attending daily Mass, voluntary sacrifice and self-denial, combined with works of charity and service to others, are all excellent ways to obey the Lord's command to reform our lives to prepare for the joyful celebration of Easter.

**Easter Duty:** All Catholics who have reached the age of reason must confess their serious sins in the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year. They must also receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter season, which this year extends from March 1, the First Sunday of Lent, until Trinity Sunday, June 7.

**Obligation:** All Christ's faithful are obliged by divine law to do penance. The days set aside for fast and abstinence in Lent are special ways of doing penance and are an expression of unity for all the Church.

**Remember in Prayer**

**We pray for loved ones who are ill:**

Davalene Layng, Bobby Gemmill, Leward Lucia, Ann Losurdo, Joan Cutway, Jean Seeley, Dennis Moore, Wanda Taylor, Randy Livingston, Phyllis Ritchie, Dr. Ben Handelsman, Adam Wells, Ronald Smithers, John Kiechle, Mary Kiechle, Virginia Downs, Norbert Markert, Jane Payne, and Donald Rivet.

**We also request your prayers for:**

Those who care for the sick and all our military men, women, and their families.

**This Week at a Glance**

**Sunday, February 22**

- Adult choir rehearsal at 10:00 AM in the choir loft.
- No Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11 AM Mass.
- No religion classes.

**Monday, February 23**

- St. Vincent de Paul Society meets at 9 AM in the rectory.
- RCIA meeting 7:00 PM at the rectory.

**Wednesday, February 25**

- Legion of Mary meeting at 3:30 PM in the rectory.
- *Why Catholic?* 6:30-8:00 PM in the Bishop Brzana Hall.

**Friday, February 27**

- Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM in the main Cathedral.

**Sunday, March 1**

- Adult choir rehearsal at 10:00 AM in the choir loft.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11 AM Mass.
- Coffee and Donuts following the 8 AM and 11 AM Masses.
- Religion Classes for all grades.
- Rite of Election at 2:30 PM in the main Cathedral.

Capital Campaign Phase I goal.....	\$1,200,000.00
Capital Campaign Phase II goal.....	\$ 400,000.00
Cash received.....	\$ 732,885.33
Outstanding pledges.....	\$ 642,060.49
Total cash and pledges as of February 17.....	\$1,374,945.82

**God's plan for giving - tithing  
February 14-15, 2009**

Envelopes.....	\$ 5,744.00
<i>Number of envelope users: 173</i>	
Plate.....	\$ 526.50
Children's Envelopes.....	\$ 4.00
Miscellaneous/Donations.....	\$ 441.99
Total.....	\$ 6,716.49
Envelopes last year.....	\$ 6,711.00
January Ordinary Income .....	\$ 50,499.77
January Ordinary Expenses.....	\$ 44,348.25

**God bless you for your continued support of the Cathedral.**

**Appreciation**

...is extended to the following people who graciously helped prepare the newsletter that you recently received in the mail. They are: Belle Baker, Louisa Calcaterra, Joan Flood, Therese Kelly, Brenda LaRose, Josephine Lightfoot, Bill O'Brien, Cathy Romano, and Sally Rusaw. Another great job, everyone!

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**Bishop**

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L.

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1115 Ford Street 393-6579  
Store Hours: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
12:30 - 3:00 p.m. Saturday  
Store is closed during July and August

**Weekend Liturgies**

Saturday 4:00 p.m. anticipated  
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.  
Sunday 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.  
or by contacting Father Terry

**Nocturnal Adoration**

Thursday before the First Friday of each month in Deacon Winter Chapel beginning with Holy Hour for Vocations at 8:00 p.m. and concluding at 7:00 a.m. on First Friday.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

First Friday and Thursdays (except the Thursday before the First Friday of the month) in Deacon Winter Chapel beginning after the noon Mass until 5:00 p.m.

**Daily Liturgies/Holy Days**

As listed in the bulletin.

**Baptism**

First Sunday of the month at 11:45 a.m. Sponsors are to be at least 16 years of age, have received Holy Communion and Confirmation, and practice their Catholic faith. A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community may be admitted in the company of a Catholic sponsor, serving as a Christian Witness.

**Marriage**

As arranged with the parish staff.

**Project Rachel**

Alternatives to Abortion: 393-2255 or 393-2660

**PLEASE BE AWARE OF FALLING ICE AND SNOW FROM THE CATHEDRAL ROOF. THANK YOU!**

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