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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Website: www.ollsm.org

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY – 6:30 PM

THURSDAY – 8:30 AM

FRIDAY – 8:30 AM

SATURDAY – 8:30 AM

VIGIL – 5:00 PM

SUNDAY – 10:30 AM

IN SPANISH – 1:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – 9:00 AM-NOON,

WEDNESDAY (LENT) – 5:00-6:00 PM

BEFORE VIGIL MASS - 4:15 PM

ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY – 10:00 AM-6:15 PM

SATURDAY – 9:00 AM- NOON

BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY – 6:15 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY – 6:30 PM

ST. MICHAEL

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY – 7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9:15 AM TO 3 PM

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MUSIC OF THE MASS

OFFERTORY: *"Immaculate Mary" #577*

COMMUNION: *Instrumental*

RECESSIONAL: *Instrumental*

MASS PARTS: *Siena Mass Chant, St. Michael Hymnal #149*

Pastor's Column

To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Michael:

“And well did it become the Divine Mercy to appoint a time for, repentance.” That was how the now *St. John Henry Newman* began some sermon notes for a First Sunday in Lent. He recalled in Acts 24: 24-25, how Antonius Felix, the Roman procurator of Judea who came to meet Paul with his wife Drusilla, who was Jewish, and he talked to them of the Christian faith, of justice, and of chastity, and of the judgment to come, “Felix being terrified, answered:

For this time, go thy way: but when I have a convenient time, I will send for you.” When is it a convenient time to quiet our conscience, to face square-on those things in our lives that keep us from worshiping our Lord with a heart that is not weighted down with sin? Maybe we will wait until the latest pattern of temptation is past, or when the current troubles are over with, or when we get to “enjoy” life just a little bit more.

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The trouble with “a little more time,” is that deep down we know that “there is no satisfaction in sin, each sin is the last. But the thirst comes again.” Maybe we rationalize that we will wait until the end of life, or when we retire. Our passions sometimes burn out, but Newman notes that “the change of nature is not the coming of grace. We may change, but we shall not be nearer heaven. To near heaven is not a natural change, but a specific work...it is not a growth till there is something to grow from.”

Now is the appointed time. Now is the convenient time. Lent is that time when God in his divine mercy appoints for us a time which *hesends*; he calls us to repentance. “Not sternly, but most lovingly and [hopefully] persuasively she does it.” Unlike Felix, there is no reason we may feel terrified at the prospect of knowing ourselves a little bit better through the Sacrament of Confession, or through some intentional devotional reading this Lent, or attending each Friday observance of the Way of the Cross. At Our Lady of Lourdes we use for the “Stations” the meditations and prayers written by (then) Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, now Pope Benedict XVI, Emeritus, in 2005. As you pray and meditate on each station, may we all come to see that this is the convenient time; this is the appointed time to come closer to heaven. Since very few of us know when our time on Earth is to end, we do not want to wait for that moment of death when “we shall recollect everything; all things will come before us. We shall wish to speak; it will be too late. We shall have passed from this life; the accepted time will have passed by.”

ad Jesum per Mariam, (to Jesus through Mary)
Fr. Dean

ADORATION

WEDNESDAYS 10 AM TO 6:15 PM

SATURDAYS 9 TO NOON

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday, March 9:

9:00 AM – Religious Education grades K-6

10:30 AM – Mass

Tuesday, March 11:

8:30 AM – Mass

Wednesday, March 12:

10:00 AM to 6:15 PM – Adoration

6:30 PM – Mass, Confirmation, Dead

Theologians Society and Inquirers’ Classes

Thursday, March 13:

8:30 AM – Mass

7:00 PM – 33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat,

Friday, March 14:

8:30 AM – Mass

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 15:

8:30 AM – Mass

9:00 AM to Noon – Adoration and Confessions

11:00 AM – Legion of Mary meeting in the Rectory

5:00 PM – Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 16:

9:00 AM – Spring Break, No Religious Education grades K-6

10:30 AM – Mass

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Sunday, March 9:

8:00 AM – Mass - Breakfast Sunday

Friday, March 14:

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross

DECIDING WHO IS WORTHY OF LIFE

A recent segment of NPR's *Morning Edition* program reported on advances in the development of prenatal tests for Down syndrome and other genetic disorders, and then raised the possibility of women using that information to abort their children if they are abnormal.

That is the state of our culture, there is an implied standard of normal human life and abnormal human life and those who don't meet the standard can be killed, and some would say should be killed, so they won't burden the rest of us.

God doesn't make mistakes, every life is precious, worthy and made in his image.

As the Lord told us, some demons can only be conquered

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ON APRIL 5 IN FRANKLIN

Great speakers, worship and music are part of the Catholic Women of Faith Conference on April 5 from 8:30 AM to 4 PM at St. Philip Catholic Church in Franklin.

The conference begins with Mass with Bishop David R. Choby. Some of the speakers include Lisa Hendey, founder of CatholicMom.com and Sonja Corbit, who will identify how scriptures speak to contemporary issues.

The cost is \$40 with an optional \$6 box lunch. For more information, go to www.catholicwomenoffaithconference.com

by prayer. This Lent, join the 40 Days for Life campaign to end abortion through prayer, fasting and educational outreach.

The Nashville campaign consists of daily peaceful prayer vigils in front of The Women's Center at 410 Welshwood Drive in Nashville from 6 AM to 6 PM through April 13. The Women's Center is one of two abortion facilities in the city. Sign up online at <http://40daysforlife.com/nashville>. If you can't travel, come adore the Lord in prayer, or pray at home, but pray!

HEALING

- * Charlie Heathman
- * Wyatt Houston
- * Don Cole
- * Paul Traughber
- * Tom Cuff
- * Savina Hollman
- * Jim Weller
- * Sam Traughber
- * Eva Davanport
- * Bob Klimek
- * Frank Monfette
- * June Bell
- * Sandra Armour
- * Ann Marie Legate
- * JoAnn Hunter
- * Bea Heatherly
- * Susie Bess
- * Jack Roof
- * Robert & Dorothy Bradley
- * Cheryl Bush
- * Candy Aviles

PETITIONS

- * For the safety and peace of our armed forces and their families.

SUPPORTING OPEN DOOR PREGNANCY CENTER

Do you have your baby bottle? This year the parishes are collecting money in baby bottles



during Lent to benefit the Open Door Pregnancy Center in Springfield.

The center not only assists women in crisis pregnancies, but also provides training in parenting and life skills. The filled baby bottles should be returned by Easter.

*For all people to respect life from conception to natural death.

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

*For the repose of the souls of Jean Hambrick and Brenda Cotter and all our family and friends who have died.

HOMEBOUND OUR LADY OF LOURDES

- * Lois Bush
- * Charles Ray Cunningham
- * Dorothy Crosslin
- * Claudia Traughber
- * Mary Ann Klimek
- * R.C. Boyle
- * Dorothy Johnson
- * Tom Crumpler
- * Patty Zawierucha

ST. MICHAEL

- * John & Cynthia Baker
- * Elizabeth Jenkins
- * Robert & Regina Head

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

March 12 – Dead
Theologians Society meeting
for confirmed teens.

March 13 – Sacrament of
Reconciliation for those
receiving First Communion on
Thursday evening (time to be
announced).

March 16 – Spring break, no
Religious Education classes for
K-6.

March 19 – Spring break,

no Confirmation class or
Inquirers class.

March 26 – Dead
Theologians Society meeting.

March 30 – Our Lady of
Lourdes and St. Michael
Confirmation Service at 2:30
PM at the Cathedral of the
Incarnation in Nashville.

May 3 – 10:00 AM
Saturday, First Communion at
Our Lady of Lourdes.



EXTRA CONFESSION TIME FOR LENT

WEDNESDAYS 5:00 TO 6:00 PM

(In the West Sacristy, use the outside door to enter & leave)

GOSPEL: 3/10-15/2014

MONDAY: *Matthew 25:31-46*

TUESDAY: *Matthew 6:7-15*

WEDNESDAY: *Luke 11:29-32*

THURSDAY: *Matthew 7:7-12*

FRIDAY: *Matthew 5:20-26*

SATURDAY: *Matthew 5:43-48*

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

3/1-2/2014

Parish: \$6,899.95

Haiti: \$ 397.00

ST. MICHAEL

3/2/2014

Parish: \$1208.00

Haiti: \$ 329.32

ASSIGNMENTS

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

SATURDAY – 3/15/2014

Lector: Carol Hostettler

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jim Weller & Paula Weller

Ushers: Harry Lee & Claude

Burton

Altar Server: TBA

SUNDAY – 3/16/2014

Lector: Jill Rucker

Extraordinary Ministers:

Gene Masoner & Robyn

Masoner

Ushers: Dick Joyce & Paul

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Altar Servers: TBA

Collection Counters: Jeff

Hostettler

& Vincent Moran

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY – 3/16/2014

Lector: Jane Traugher

Extraordinary Ministers:

Linda Harbert & Kaye Sharp

Usher/Greeter: Kaye Sharp

Altar Server: Volunteer

Collection Counters: Mary

Jackson & Bob Cyprus

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS 8:00 AM

SUNDAY MASS 10:30 AM

TUESDAY MASS 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY MASS 6:30 PM

THURSDAY MASS 8:30 AM

FRIDAY MASS 8:30 AM

SATURDAY MASS 8:30 AM

For Intentions of Don Cole by The Crumpler Family

For The Repose of the Soul of Connie Sweeney by Mackie & Joann Hunter

For The People of God

For The Intentions of Carol Olafson and Family by Rita Erickson

For The Repose of the Soul of Richard King by Ron Smith

For The Repose of the Soul of Sandra Rizer by Hugh & Kay Braddock

For The Repose of the Soul of Bill & Jackie Hite by Mackie & Joann Hunter

For The Repose of the Soul of Jean Hambrick by John & Diana Butorac