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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
HOLY DAY – 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – 9:00 AM - Noon
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

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM
HOLY DAY – NOON

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

MUSIC OF THE MASS

PROCESSIONAL: "O Lord, I Am Not Worthy" #672

OFFERTORY: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" #634

COMMUNION: Instrumental

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

Pastor's Column

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

One of the items that the Legion of Mary members gave away at our pro-life table were Rosaries with pamphlets on "How to Pray the Rosary." They reported that the vast majority of people had never heard of the Rosary, and I would say an equal number had probably never seen a crucifix. In fact, the Legionaries reported that one person took the Rosary and then visibly shuddered upon seeing the corpus on the cross.

Speaking at the Shrine at Lourdes in 2008, Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that we venerate the cross because this instrument of torture, became a source of life, pardon, mercy, reconciliation and peace. We "give thanks to God because from

a tree which brought death, life has burst out anew." We have a savior that knows our pain, knows our despair and who can be trusted to walk with us on the path to eternal salvation if only we draw near and embrace our own crosses.

As Catholics we wear our crucifixes, place them in our homes and churches to show the world and remind ourselves how much God loves every one of us – sinner and saint alike. Pope Benedict pointed out that when Our Lady of Lourdes first appeared to Saint Bernadette, Mary began the encounter by making a sign of the cross. With this simple gesture, Mary

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initiated Bernadette and us into the mysteries of our faith.

Pope Benedict said "The sign of the Cross is a kind of synthesis of our faith, for it tells how much God loves us; it tells us that there is a love in this world that is stronger than death, stronger than our weaknesses and sins. The power of love is stronger than the evil which threatens us."

Our world is filled with violence – from public beheadings to the very private tearing apart of budding limbs on the abortionists' table. We need the reminder that evil does not triumph, that God's love and mercy are possible for all of us who call upon his name in humility. We need the reminder that although our Lord suffers with and for our sins, that his love can conquer our selfish, willful natures that he can forgive us; indeed that he wants to forgive us. He endured the cross to show us that we must forgive ourselves, forgive others. But we never have to do this alone.

At the foot of the cross is Mary, and Jesus from the cross gave her to the Apostle John and to each one of us. In the midst of evil, death and torture, there is Mary. The woman who gave herself totally to God and received the privilege of carrying the very love of God down to earth. Mary recalls for us the true dignity of all men and women, Benedict said, showing us that the path of total surrender to God is the path of true freedom. There is hope for all of us, because of the cross, because of Mary standing beneath it beckoning us to seek and live out the mercy of God.

Is it hard to be at the foot of the cross with Mary, oh yes it is, but these words of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen reminds us that it is far harder to be anywhere else: "Oh! Tell me, how can hands bless that are nailed fast? How can lips that are bruised and parched with desolation preach the tidings of Divine Love? How can feet that are dug with steel go after souls that are lost? They cannot. And if we are to undo the harm that we have done, we must make our way up the penitential slope of Calvary, up to the chalice of all common miseries, and cast ourselves at the foot of the Cross. We must kneel there at the foot of that Pulpit of Love and confess that when we stabbed His Heart, it was our own we slew. But, oh, it is such a difficult thing to climb up the hill of Calvary! It is such a humiliating thing to be seen at the foot of the Cross! It is such a painful thing to be with one in pain and to be seen with one condemned by the world! It is such a hard thing to kneel at the foot of the Cross, and admit that one is wrong. It is hard; but it is harder to hang there!"

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

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday October 5:

SECOND COLLECTION - HAITI

10:30 AM –Mass

9:00 AM - 10:20 AM - Religious Education Class

Monday, October 6:

7:00 PM - Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, October 7:

8:30 AM - Mass

Wednesday, October 8:

10:00 AM - 6:15 PM - Adoration

6:30 PM - Mass, Confirmation and Dead Theologians Society Classes

7:00 - 8:30 PM - St. Catherine of Siena Class will meet in the Rectory

Thursday, October 9:

8:30 AM - Mass

Friday, October 10:

8:30 AM - Mass

Saturday, October 11:

8:30 AM - Mass

9:00 - Noon - Adoration and Confession

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

5:00 PM – Vigil Mass

Sunday, October 12:

10:30 AM - Mass

NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - FALL BREAK

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday, October 5:

SECOND COLLECTION - HAITI

8:00 Mass

Sunday, October 12:

8:00 Mass - Breakfast Sunday

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMEBERS:

Connie Mitchell

Armand St. Pierre

LIFE PRAYER

Jesus, Mary and Joseph I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

Let me live...

Let me walk into the sunshine...

Let me live...

Feel my mother's arms around me...

Feel my father's love surround me...

Be a part of God's creation...

Let me live...

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton Sheen

OUR PARISH DONORS

The plaques acknowledging parishioners who have funded improvements to Our Lady of Lourdes are now in place. The pulpit inscription was printed last week.

Here are the remaining inscriptions:

This Baptismal Font Given By:

Vincent and Paula Moran

Paul and Tina Myers in Memory of

Joan Bennett

Margaret Calvin in Memory of

Louis Calvin

The Hispanic Members of Our Lady of Lourdes in Gratitude to God

The Font was blessed on the Vigil of

Easter April 19, 2014

Statue of St. Therese of Liseaux Given:

In Memory of

Monique and Sid Burton; & by:

Kay Braddock in Memory of

Lois Bush, Brenda Cotter,

Jean Hambrick, Jack Roof

Loretta Thompson

The Coffey Family

Fr. and Mrs. Dean

April 2014

Mary and Joseph Pedestals

This Pedestal Given in Loving

Memory of Robert P. Dean

and Alice U. Dean,

By Fr. and Mrs. Prentice Dean

MEET THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEAM

Carol O'Neil Kindergarten Class

This is my third year teaching religious education at Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Michael. For the first two years, I worked with the first graders and I am now teaching the kindergarten class.

I was born and raised in the area and have worked as a Social Worker and also as a licensed Massage Therapist. I presently work out of an office at the Health Kick here in Springfield.

I am married and we just celebrated our 10th anniversary. We have two boys who are 5 and 8 years old. They are such a joy and keep us busy!

I have really enjoyed all of the children who have been in my classes! I especially like the way the children's eyes light up when they've learned something new in class. Also, how they surprise you with the things that they say!

HEALING

*Annette Thomas

*Macky Hunter

*Mike Ellis

*Joyce Traugher

*Shannon Bell

*Wyatt Houston

*Don Cole

*Eva Davanport

*June Bell

*Sandra Armour

*Ann Marie Legate

*JoAnn Hunter

*Bea Heatherly

*Susie Bess

*Tom Cuff

*Savina Hollman

*Cheryl & Jerry Bush

*Robert & Dorothy Bradley

*Bob Klimek

*Sam Traugher

*Jim Weller

*Marvin (Eddie) Traugher

*Gloria Snow

*Ernie Axley Sr.

PETITIONS

*For the respect of human life from natural conception to natural death.

*For the unemployed to find jobs with a living wage.

DEPARTED AND

THOSE WHO MOURN

*For all our family and friends who have died.

HOMEBOUND

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

*Dorothy Crosslin

*Claudia Traugher

*Mary Ann Klimek

*R.C. Boyle

*Dorothy Johnson

*Tom Crumpler

*Patty Zawierucha

ST. MICHAEL

*John Baker

*Elizabeth Jenkins

*Robert & Regina Head

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

This weekend the Knights will have on sale **Yes on 1 Yard Signs** to show your support for the amendment to allow the state legislature to regulate the abortion industry (www.yeson1tn.org). The Knights also will have bread and buns for sale.

These are the final weeks for the Knight's clothing and toiletry drive to benefit Homeless Veterans. Please place items in the back of the parishes by Oct. 19.

Sign up now to participate in the Blood Drive on Nov. 3 from 3 to 7 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes.

RCIA, INQUIRERS CLASS FORMING

For people new to the Catholic faith or those who are interested in deepening their understanding, Fr. Dean will teach a class on Thursday nights from 7 to 8:30 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes starting on Oct. 16. Signup sheets for this free class are provided at the back of the parishes.

GOSPEL: 10/06-11/14

MONDAY: *Luke 10:25-37*

TUESDAY: *Luke 10:38-42*

Our Lady of the Rosary

WEDNESDAY: *Luke 11:1-4*

THURSDAY: *Luke 11:5-13*

FRIDAY: *Luke 11:15-26*

SATURDAY: *Luke 11:27-28*

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

9/28

Parish: \$3,571.15

United Ministries: \$495.05

ST. MICHAEL

9/28

Parish: \$828.00

United Ministries: \$163.00

ASSIGNMENTS

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

SATURDAY – 10/11/2014

Lector: Kay Braddock

Extraordinary Ministers:

Alice Cole & Carol

Huddleston

Ushers: Sherry Martell &

Claude Burton

Altar Server: Josh Hostettler

SUNDAY – 10/12/2014

Lector: Colleen Felts

Extraordinary Ministers:

Carol Kuropatwinski &

Robyn Masoner

Ushers: Dick Joyce &

Volunteer

Altar Servers: Jake Rucker

& Christian Trujillo

Collection Counter: Mel

Warnecke & Paula Moran

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY – 10/12/2014

Lector: David Tinkle

Extraordinary Ministers:

Linda Harbert & Anna

Tinkle

Usher/Greeter: Mary

Jackson

Altar Server: Volunteer

Collection Counters: Sandy

Sawyer & Joe Grady

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Sandra Rizer by Alice Cole
SUNDAY MASS	8:00 AM	For the intentions of the Altar Society
SUNDAY MASS	10:30 AM	For the people of God
TUESDAY	8:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Hawkins Traugher by Terry & Patricia Avril
WEDNESDAY	6:30 PM	For a special intention
THURSDAY	8:30 AM	For a special intention
FRIDAY MASS	8:30 AM	For the intentions of Buddy, Danielle & Simon Shea by Hugh & Kay Braddock
SATURDAY MASS	8:30 AM	For the intentions of Father Dean by Hugh & Kay Braddock

The Altar flowers at Our Lady of Lourdes are donated by the Gutierrez Family