

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH – NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HIGH HILL
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45 (77)

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 17	7:00 AM	Leonard Billimek
Saturday, February 20	2:00 PM	Wedding – Joe Michael Blaha & Jordan Pausewang
Saturday, February 20	6:30 PM	Edmund Mazoch
Wednesday, February 24	6:00 PM	Thomas Liebig
Saturday, February 27	6:30 PM	Parish Family



LENTEN REMINDERS

Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast & Abstinence. Masses during Lent on Wednesdays will be at 6:00 PM followed by the Stations of the Cross.

GUIDELINES FOR 'FAST & ABSTINENCE' DURING LENT

Abstinence is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Pastors and parents are encouraged to see that children who are not bound by the obligation to abstain are led to appreciate an authentic sense of penance. In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed by all Catholics between the ages of 18-59. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Note: If a person is unable to observe the above due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial.

WHAT ARE THE 40 DAYS OF LENT?

What began as a shorter time of preparing catechumens for baptism at the Easter Vigil, expanded over the centuries to 40 days of penitence, excluding Sundays. Lent began on Ash Wednesday and ended when the Easter Vigil began. Today the Season of Lent is a little less than 40 days, the Church having designated the three days from the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday to the Vespers (Evening Prayer) of Easter Sunday as a Sacred Triduum (3 days), celebrating the Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. While the development of the Lenten days was various throughout the Church, it may have been suggested by Christ laying in death for 40 hours, or by his 40 days of prayer and fasting in the desert (a number itself reminiscent of Israel's 40 years in the desert for disbelieving God). Regarding the connection to Christ's own life, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us, "For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sinning" [Heb 4:15]. By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert. (CCC 540)
<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/lenet>

ST. JOSEPH SOCIETY MEETING

The quarterly St. Joseph Society meeting, which is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 will not be held due to the coronavirus pandemic. Let's all be safe.

FRIED CHICKEN

Catholic Daughters Court St. Rose #1597 in Schulenburg will hold their 28th Annual Fried Chicken Dinner on Sunday, February 21 at the Schulenburg Hall. The plates will also include with onion potatoes, green beans and homemade dessert. Serving begins at 11:00 a.m., drive thru only. Plates are \$10.00. There will also be a sweepstakes including a quilt donated by members and friends of the Court. Thank you for your support.

MASKS IN CHURCH

We continue to strongly urge everyone to wear a mask for your protection. Let us do all we can to stop the spread of the virus while keeping our dependence on God and His divine care.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 31	National Catholic School Week begins
February 2	The Presentation of the Lord
February 17	Ash Wednesday
February 21	First Sunday of Lent
March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord
March 28	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 1	Holy Thursday
April 2	Good Friday
April 4	Easter

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Restoration (postcards, books)	\$ 120.00
Restoration (Anonymous)	\$ 50.00
Restoration (Dorothy Schmidt Memorial)	\$ 1440.00
Restoration Fund (Larry Hoeinghaus Memorial)	\$ 240.00
Restoration (Noe DeLeon Memorial)	\$ 20.00
St. Rose Pass Thru	\$ 20.00
Offertory (1/23/21)	\$ 1157.00
Total Deposit	\$ 3047.00

LAY MINISTERS

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 20

Rosary	Susie Shank – Loretta Pauler
Eucharistic Minister	Lyle Hanna
Lector	Susie Shank
Ushers	Forrest Lauher – Willy Schmidt
Ushers	Buddy Hemann – Mark Stang
Gifts	Robert & Patricia Hranicky

SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 27

Mary Muras – Joyce Dittrich
Eric Oeding
Susie Shank
Forrest Lauher – Willy Schmidt
Buddy Hemann – Mark Stang
Greg & Tiffany Janda

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Loretta MacCurdy, Renee Mazoch, Armand Hollas, Glen McLaren, Henry Miksch, Connor Machicek, Ken Dittrich, Francis Pio Pilkington, Leon Shank, Mary Shank, Henry Zapalac, Larry Nuhn, Jessi Wilcox, Gordon Ross, Diana Heinrich, Doris Anders, Jan Ripper, Cheryl (Kobza) Powell, Nadine Krischke, Keith Beyer, Steve Hopkins, Barbara Nugent, Virginia Kainer, Luke Friedel, Orly R. Elizondo, Wilbert Demel, Elroy Demel, Mike Slaton, Terri Hanna, Georgia Kalich, Ositha Cykala, Bruce Treybig, Carrol Ray Demel, Herbert Krischke, Francis Ripper, Julia Oeding, Lillian Hilscher, Leon Popp, Mary Demel, James Prihoda, Mildred Bayer, & Marilyn Adamcik.