

COMMUNITY BULLETIN: February 25, 2024

SACRED HEART–CARLIN, NV (Liturgy, Sunday @ 8:00 A.M.)

Secretary: Lorrie Haub

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS–WELLS, NV (Liturgy, Sunday @ 9:00 A.M.)

Secretary: Anne Battenfeld

ST. BRENDAN’S–EUREKA, NV (Liturgy, Sunday @ 11:00 A.M.)

Secretary: Kelley Miller

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Baptisms: Contact the Pastor

Marriages: At least 6 Months before

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 1/2 Hour before Mass

Stewardship of Resources for Sunday: February 18, 2024 – Offertory

Sacred Heart - Carlin

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Lector Schedule

Sacred Heart: February 25th Lorrie; March 3rd Patty; 10th Dalana; 17th Kirrue

Special Intentions - Please pray for the healing of the following: FATHER BIJU

Carlin: Colleen Larks, Susan Tomera, Dan Ferguson, Sherry Bitton, Chuck Wolfsteller
Jim Aiazzi, Stella Durazo, Ella Marini, Dominique Dufur, Ezti Villanueva, Vance Pray
Christopher Noren, Tony Matosich, Oliver Layman, Irene Merritt

Wells: Gracie Otto, Paula Otto, Claudia Morquecho, Dora McCabe, Maria Saavedra,
Mike Morrison, Paul & Vonnie Moschetti

Eureka: Barbara Todd

SACRED HEART will be having our annual St. Patrick’s fundraiser on Saturday, March 16th. Dinner at 4:00, Bingo starts at 5:30. If you would be able to donate a bingo prize or money toward the food for dinner, we sure appreciate it. THANK YOU!

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS NEWS

Please join us by praying “The Rosary”, on Sunday Mornings at 8:30, before Mass!

Please join us for Sunday Brunch in the Church Hall on the Third Sunday of each month after Mass!

CSA 2024

All families in our parishes are asked to begin discerning a pledge to the *Annual Catholic Servies Appeal*. (Please respond as generously as possible when you receive your pledge Form.) Forms will be mailed to all parishioners on Monday, February 13, 2024.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week’s First Reading, we hear of how Abraham was put to the test.

The Church has always read this story as a sign of God’s love for the world in giving His only-begotten son.

In today’s Epistle, Paul uses exact words drawn from this story to describe how God, like Abraham, did not withhold His only Son, but handed Him over for us on the Cross (see [Romans 8:32](#); [Genesis 22:12,16](#)).

In the Gospel today, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God’s “beloved Son”—as Isaac is described as Abraham’s beloved son.

These readings are given to us in Lent to reveal Christ’s identity and to strengthen us in the face of our afflictions.

Jesus is shown to be the true son that Abraham rejoiced to see (see [Matthew 1:1](#); [John 8:56](#)). In His transfiguration, He is revealed to be the “prophet like Moses” foretold by God—raised from among their own kinsmen, speaking with God’s own authority (see [Deuteronomy 18:15](#), [19](#)).

Like Moses, He climbs the mountain with three named friends and beholds God’s glory in a cloud (see [Exodus 24:1](#), [9](#), [15](#)). He is the one prophesied to come after Elijah’s return (see [Sirach 48:9–10](#); [Malachi 3:1](#), [23–24](#)).

And, as He discloses to the Apostles, He is the Son of Man sent to suffer and die for our sins (see [Isaiah 53:3](#)).

As we sing in today’s Psalm, Jesus believed in the face of His afflictions, and God loosed Him from the bonds of death (see [Psalm 116:3](#)).

His rising should give us the courage to face our trials, to offer ourselves totally to the Father—as He did, as Abraham and Isaac did.

Freed from death by His death, we come to this Mass to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and to renew our vows—as His servants and faithful ones.

Dr. Scott Hahn

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