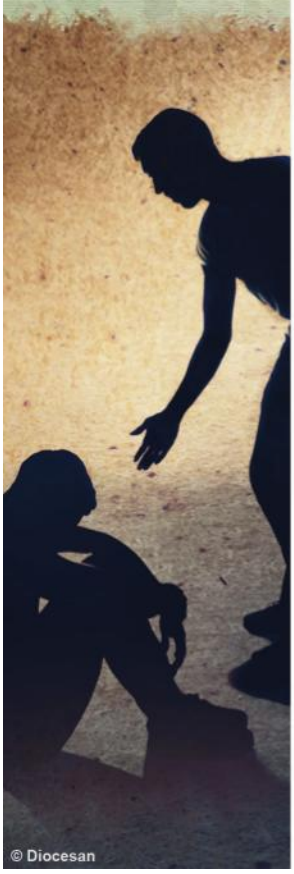
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Luke 6:31



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Day 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

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FROM OUR PASTOR

As we come to the end of February, we are looking ahead to the Season of Repentance. Lent begins on the 6th of March and I am inviting you to prepare yourself in two ways. First, get your Bible out, mark one of the Gospels and for Lent read the Bible. See how Matthew, Mark, Luke and John tell us the story of Jesus' Life. Study the Sacred Scriptures'. The more we read about the Life of Jesus, the better we get to know what He is all about. Second, get to church early. Come early, maybe a half hour or fifteen minutes to get yourself settled. Spend time in prayer and get yourself ready to celebrate the Holy Mass. These are just two simple ways we can get ourselves more in tune with our Lord.

Lent invites us to change who we are, reading and praying will help us to do just that. It is important to give up things, and yes, try to do that, but let us grow closer to Jesus by reading Scripture and by preparing ourselves for the Sacred Liturgy. The Eucharist is our front row seat at the Last Supper. This is an invitation to start planning for the Season of Lent.

With the Season of Lent coming we must take a look at those who are interested in joining the Faith. This year the Easter Vigil will be a beautiful celebration. We will have more Catechumens, those who will be baptized, and Candidates, those who are already Baptized in another faith and will make a Profession of Faith. The Church continues to grow as more people are coming into the Faith. I ask you to please pray for our Catechumens and Candidates as they continue to prepare for the Sacraments.

On this last Sunday of the month, thank you to everyone who brought food to share with those in need. If you forgot to bring something, any money placed in the Almsgiving basket will go to the purchase of food. I do appreciate everyone who helps on Food Sunday. We take four different families food each month and they do appreciate the help they receive from their parish family. All the remaining food is donated to the Bristol Food Pantry, which reaches even more families in need. So thank you again for your continued generosity.

Have a great week! — Father Bob

With Heartfelt Sympathy

To the family of :

Mary Jo Norell, on the loss of her brother,

Bernard John Hester.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let Your perpetual light shine upon him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCD NEWS:

Attention 7th graders: This evening is the 2nd Theology of the Body session. Parents, please drop your children off at 5:30PM and pick them up at 8:30PM.

Don't Forget to mark your calendars: Sunday March 10th is Evening CCD. Watch the bulletin for more details!

PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Sunday March 3, 2019

After 8:30AM Mass in Annunciation Hall

All are invited to attend

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

Monday March 11th | 7PM | In the Parish Library

All women of the Parish are welcome to attend!

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is currently seeking candidates for the following positions:

Superintendent of Catholic Schools - Catholic Schools are a ministry of the Church, and this position works with the Bishop and the Secretary of Catholic Education to ensure the integration of faith and life, reverence for truth, growth in virtue, formation in Christian discipleship, and commitment to prayer. The Superintendent oversees the formation of 13,000 students in 39 elementary schools and 4 high schools in Northern Indiana.

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For more information and to apply for either of these positions, please visit the diocesan careers webpage at:
www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings

Please help me welcome Rick Gonsiorek and Redeemer Radio this weekend! We will be having a second collection to help further Redeemer Radio's mission in evangelizing our Catholic Faith through the radio. Thank you for any gift or talent you can contribute to their mission!

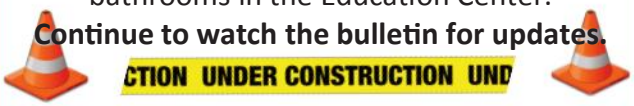
Redeemer Radio

Events and Happenings

CHURCH BATHROOM RENOVATION UPDATES

The demolition and renovation continues, this still means the church bathrooms are temporarily closed. You must use the bathrooms in the Education Center.

Continue to watch the bulletin for updates.



SAVE THE DATE!

ONE-DAY SPECIAL EASTER WEEK PILGRIMAGE to **THE SHRINE OF CHRIST'S PASSION** in St. John, IN. Experience this extraordinary path of Christ's Passion. Touch the thorns, re-live Christ's Death and Resurrection with 40 life-size bronze statues in this inspiring walk. Shrine is also the permanent home of OUR LADY OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM. Carts reserved for non-walkers. We start with 9AM Mass with Father Bob and immediate boarding at St. Mary's. Return to Bristol by 9PM Leader is Bev Stegelmann.

DATE: Thursday, April 25, 2019

COST: $71 per person due by March 15, 2019 (cash or check) Covers entire day, except possible quick supper stop on return.

Only 21 seats remain, so if you're interested please call and reserve your seat! 574-848-4305.

Worship and Prayer in Our Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb 23,	**Vigil: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:30 p.m.	+Richard Smoker
Sunday, Feb 24,	**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m.	+Vincent Spiritio
11:00 a.m.	For the People
Monday, Feb 25,	**Weekday**
9:00 a.m.	Special Intention: Father Bob
Tuesday, Feb 26,	**Weekday**
9:00 a.m.	+Fr. Bill Melody, CSC
Wednesday, Feb 27,	**Weekday**
9:00 a. m.	+Nellie Leister
Thursday, Feb 28,	**Weekday**
9:00 a.m.	+Henry & Ernestine Van Kempen
Friday, March 1,	**Weekday**
9:00 a.m.	+Millie Steenman
Saturday, March 2,	**Weekday**
9:00 a.m.	Special Intention: Dolores Nicholas
Saturday, March 2,	**Vigil: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:30 p.m.	Special Intention: Eileen Donovan
Sunday, March 3,	**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m.	+Bill Hixon
11:00 a.m.	For the People

The Adoration Chapel

The chapel opens at 2:00 p.m. on Sundays and remains open until Midnight on Thursdays

Adorers' Needed:

6:00 am to 7:00 am Mondays

11:00 pm to Midnight Mondays

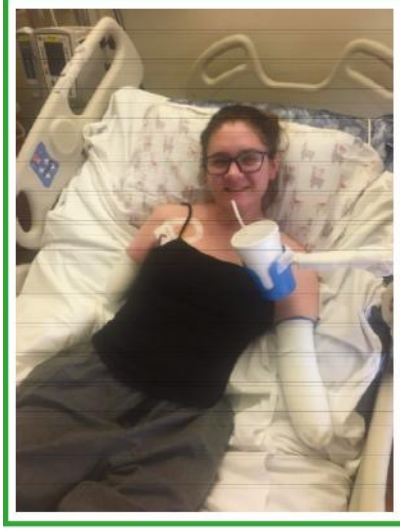
10:00 am to 11:00 am Thursdays

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Thursdays—alternate weeks

Subs are greatly appreciated

Please call Henry & Jeanette if you are willing to spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament: 264-7266.

****Please note that during the renovation of the church restrooms, there will be no access to a restroom from 5PM—10AM.****



SOUP AND CHILI FUNDRAISER FOR ANNA NORQUIST

SATURDAY MARCH 2ND

4PM—7PM

ANNUNCIATION HALL

50/50 RAFFLE

DONATION ONLY

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO ANNA AND HER FAMILY TO HELP WITH MEDICAL EXPENSES.

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