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February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

7 de febrero 2021

Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Off the Top of My Head...

The Season of Lent begins in a week and a half! Yes, time flies!

As with so much else this year, our Lenten schedule in the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate will look a little less full than usual. This is due not only to the Covid-19 Pandemic, but also to changes in clergy staffing and parish grouping which took place as part of the new diocesan pastoral planning process, Uniting in Heart. I appreciate your patience as we try to implement a schedule that is both manageable and meaningful.

On February 17, Ash Wednesday Masses will be at 8:00 am at St. Mary's in ALEXANDRIA and at St. Ambrose, and at 8:30 am at St. Mary's in ANDERSON, and at 6:00 pm at all three parishes. The morning Masses will include students from our two parochial schools. All the Ash Wednesday Masses this year are in English. (There will be no Thursday morning Mass at St. Mary's, Anderson.)

The distribution of ashes will be done differently this year in order to minimize the spread of the Covid-19 virus.

The invocation that is usually spoken to each recipient will be addressed to the entire assembly, and then the ashes will be SPRINKLED on top of the heads of the recipients, instead of being rubbed on their foreheads.

Instead of a Lenten Penance Service in each parish, in addition to the regular Saturday confession times we will schedule an additional hour or so every week in each parish, for a total of 15 different time slots. The schedule will vary by day of the week and time of day so as to offer various options for everyone's schedule. The confession schedule will be included in next week's bulletin.

We will also conduct the Way of the Cross in each parish every Friday at 7:00 pm. (At St. Mary's in Anderson, the Way of the Cross will be conducted in Spanish.) Although the priests will be involved in leading the Way of the Cross, we are also looking for parishioners to help with this through the season.

There may be a few last-minute additions to our Lenten offerings, and they will be mentioned in next week's bulletin.

See you in the ash line!

Fr. Tom Metzger
 February 7, 2021

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Pensamiento del padre Tom...

¡El tiempo de Cuaresma comienza en una semana y media! ¡Sí, el tiempo vuela!

Como con tantas otras cosas este año, nuestro programa de Cuaresma en la Pastora Anderson-Alexandria se verá un poco menos lleno de lo habitual. Esto se debe no solo a la pandemia de Covid-19, sino también a los cambios en el personal del clero y la agrupación parroquial que tuvo lugar como parte del nuevo proceso de planificación pastoral diocesana, Unidos En Corazón. Agradezco su paciencia mientras intentamos implementar un programa que sea tanto manejable como significativo.

El 17 de febrero, las misas del Miércoles de Ceniza serán a las 8:00 am en St. Mary's en ALEXANDRIA y en St. Ambrosio, y a las 8:30 am en St. Mary's en ANDERSON, y a las 6:00 pm en las tres parroquias. Las misas de la mañana incluirán a estudiantes de nuestras dos escuelas parroquiales. Todas las misas del Miércoles de Ceniza de este año son en inglés. (No habrá misa el jueves por la mañana en St. Mary's, Anderson).

La distribución de cenizas se hará de manera diferente este año para minimizar la propagación del virus Covid-19. La invocación que se suele dirigir a cada destinatario se dirigirá a toda la asamblea, y luego se rociarán las cenizas sobre la cabeza de los destinatarios, en lugar de frotarlas en la frente. En lugar de un Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma en cada parroquia, además de los horarios regulares de confesión de los sábados, programaremos una hora adicional cada semana en cada parroquia, para un total de 15 lugares. El horario variará según el día de la semana y la hora del día para ofrecer varias opciones por el horario de todos. El calendario de confesiones se incluirá en el boletín de la próxima semana.

También realizaremos el Vía Crucis en cada parroquia todos los viernes a las 7:00 pm. (En St. Mary's en Anderson, el Vía Crucis se llevará a cabo en español.) Aunque los sacerdotes participarán en la conducción del Vía Crucis, también estamos buscando feligreses para ayudar con esto durante la temporada.

Puede haber algunas adiciones de último minuto a nuestras ofrendas de Cuaresma, y se mencionarán en el boletín de la próxima semana.

¡Nos vemos en la línea el día de ceniza!

Fr. Tom Metzger
Febrero 7, 2021

Confessions— NOTE STARTING FEBRUARY 6th ST. MARY ANDERSON

CONFESSION TIME WILL BE 1:00-2:00 PM. Until further notice, to enable social distancing, Confessions will take place in the sacristy.

Confesiones — St. Mary Alexandria-Sábado, 3: 30-4: 00 PM St. Ambrose -Sábado, 4: 00-5: 00 PM NOTA A PARTIR DEL 6 DE FEBRERO ST. MARY ANDERSON

LA HORA DE LA CONFESIÓN SERÁ 1: 00-2: 00 PM. Hasta nuevo aviso, para posibilitar el distanciamiento social, Las confesiones tendrán lugar en la sacristía.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	8-Feb.	8:00 AM 8:00 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	Summer Backous Betty Shaffer
Tuesday	9-Feb.	8:00 AM	St. Ambrose	Poor Souls
Wednesday	10-Feb.	8:00 AM 8:00 AM 11:30 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary Alex. St. Vincent Hosp.	Betty Brownfield Pattie Pruitt Poor Souls
Thursday	11-Feb.	8:00 AM 8:30 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	Intentions of Jennifer Wilkens-Carr Betty Brownfield
Friday	12-Feb.	8:10 AM 8:00 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary Alex.	Ryan Warner Betty Duffy
Saturday	13-Feb.	4:00: PM 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	St. Mary And. St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose	Thomas Sokol Mike Chatterson Roger Chezem & Edward Bollman
Sunday	14-Feb.	7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	St. Mary And. St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	Poor Souls Intentions of Jim & Nora Cleaver Pro Populo Amy Sczesny

Spiritual Life

The 6th Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference is back for 2021 with live streaming this year.

Men, become better spouses, parents, children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. Be the leader, protector and provider that Christ is calling you to be. The 6th annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference will take place on 2/27/21 (starting at 8:50) and features 3 of the world's most dynamic Catholic speakers: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Jason Evert and Patrick Coffin. Due to social distancing limitations in 2021, this conference, hosted by All Saints Parish in SE Indiana, will be live streamed.

Watch it LIVE! Easy one-click online access for only \$10. Host a "watch party" with your friends, family, men's group or entire parish. These tickets are available online so google "E6 All Saints" or by clicking e6catholicmensconference.com/registration

Ash Wednesday (February 17th)

St. Ambrose Masses are 8:10 AM and 6:00 PM

St. Mary Anderson Masses are 8:30 AM and 6:00 PM

St. Mary Alexandria Masses are 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Regulations regarding Fast and Abstinence for Lent: Fasting applies to all adults who have completed their 18th year of age through age 59. When fasting a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as 2 smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Abstinence is for all persons who have completed their 14th year of age. On a day of abstinence NO MEAT OR MEAT PRODUCTS are permitted. Abstinence applies to Ash Wednesday and ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT.

Regulaciones con respecto al ayuno y la abstinencia para la Cuaresma: El ayuno se aplica a todos los adultos que hayan cumplido los 18 años hasta los 59 años. Cuando ayuna, una persona puede comer una comida completa, así como 2 comidas más pequeñas que juntas no equivalen a Comida completa. La abstinencia es para todas las personas que hayan cumplido los 14 años de edad. En un día de abstinencia NO se permiten CARNES NI PRODUCTOS CARNE. La abstinencia se aplica al Miércoles de Ceniza y TODOS LOS VIERNES DURANTE LA CUARESMA.

Small Christian Communities/Faith Sharing Groups

We will not be having sign-ups for SCC/Faith Sharing Groups this Lenten Season because of Covid.

Hopefully, they will resume in the Advent Season. Here are some resources you can use at home:

www.emmausjourney.org, www.formed.org (parish-Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate), www.usccb.org or <https://liturgy.slu.edu>. May God bless you and keep you safe.

Bookkeeper Position for St. Mary Church Anderson and St. Ambrose Church

Duties include– Review invoices for payment, payroll for the Churches and School, maintain inventory for Church supplies. This is a part-time position. If interested please send resume to harriett.russel@gmail.com. Or call St. Ambrose with any questions at 765-644-5956.

Knights of Columbus

There will be a chicken fry on Saturday, February 13th, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. We are opening for indoor seating, however it will be limited to 50 people. While eating, masks may be removed. When you are done “eating” a mask MUST be worn. You are to wear your mask while drinking (move it out of the way when taking a drink and then replace it). The meal will consist of spaghetti, sauce (meat sauce available upon request, Garlic bread, and salad. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. Our Lenten fish fries will begin on Friday, February 19th.

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Spread the word to others on this wonderful resource which includes both English and Spanish language content! To login to the new Anderson Alexandria Pastorate subscription, you can check out this video

(<https://vimeo.com/358383023>) or use these steps below:

Go to <https://formed.org/> and select the Sign Up

Select the Sign Up as Parishioner

In the Find Your Parish or Organization field, enter Anderson Alexandria Pastorate.

Select the option that lists the Anderson Alexandria Pastorate with the address of 2801 Lincoln Street, Anderson, IN 46106.

Select Next.

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You now have an account under the new Anderson Alexandria Pastorate subscription. Be sure to bookmark that page of <https://watch.formed.org/browse> No password needed!

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