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February 21, 2010
First Sunday of Lent

HOLY MASSES: Feb. 20-21

Sat. 4:00PM Alvin & Dolly Bach/Dolores Lohman/George & Agnes Hermeling
Sun. 9:00AM Pete Kniepmann/Alois & Johanna Beer/Tom Jansen

HOLY MASSES: February 22-28:

Mon. NO MASS	Thu. 7:00PM Parish
Tue. 7:45AM Bertha Thuenemann	Fri. 7:45AM Braxton Wempe
Wed. 7:45AM Raymond Holtmann	Sat. 4:00PM Alvin & Dolly Bach / Tony Sterkis
	Sun. 9:00AM Larry Pingsterhaus/Smiley Haake/Fr. Floyd Boeckmann

NEXT WEEKEND: Feb. 27-28

LECTOR

Sat. 4:00PM Joan Theising
Sun. 9:00AM Maurice Eversgerd

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Jacinta Kohlen, BarbVoss, Tammy Albers, Phyllis Beer, Walter Beer
Andria Lampe, Brian Kenow, Paul & Deb Kohlen, Joe Langhauser

GIFTBEARERS

Sat. 4:00PM Bach/Sterkis Families
Sun.9:00AM Pingsterhaus/Haake/Boeckmann Families

MASS SERVERS

Sophie Kuhl, Katie Haake, Brenden Tonnies
Abby Hellmann, Erica Lampe, Paige Langenhorst

ROSARY LEADERS

CANTORS

Sat. 4:00PM Marilyn Jansen, Jeanette Beckmann
Sun 9:00AM Paul & Flo Dierkes

USHERS

Mike Tonnies, Regis Voss, Randy Wesselmann Perri Wesselmann
Dave Kohlen, Carl Kuhl, TimLangenhorst Choir

GREETERS

Sat. 4:00PM Darlene Beer, Karla Scheer
Sun. 9:00AM Rich & Kathy Haake

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPERS

Feb. 28 Lynn Tonnies, Nancy Weems
Rachelle Haake, Karli Boeckmann

Mon. Feb. 22: 7:00PM Adult Faith Formation Lenten Bible Study, rectory basement.

Tue. Feb. 23: 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
6:30PM Novena & Rosary Devotions
7:00PM Choir Practice; the choir will sing at the 9AM Mass on Feb. 28

Thu. Feb. 25: 7:00PM Mass, followed by Stations of the Cross

Sat. Feb. 27: 3:00PM Confessions

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING: Envelopes: \$3769; Loose: \$253; Candles: \$22; TOTAL: \$4044. Ash Wednesday: \$339; Messenger: \$460; Black & Indian: \$4. **THANK YOU! BLACK & INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION.** Today our parish will take up the annual Collection for Black & Indian Missions. Your financial contribution helps support Catholic communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. Your donation funds evangelization programs to strengthen the faith, continue the legacy and share the mission with children and adults here in the United States. For more info go to www.blackandindianmissions.org. Envelopes are in with your regular set.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE.

Tuesday, March 9	7:00PM	St. Rose
Wednesday, March 10	7:00PM	St. Teresa, Marydale
Sunday, March 14	1:00PM	St. Damian, Damiansville
Sunday, March 14	3:00PM	St. Mary, Carlyle
Sunday, March 14	4:30PM	St. Boniface, Germantown
Tuesday, March 16	7:00PM	St. Cecilia, Bartelso
Wednesday, March 17	6:45PM	St. Lawrence, Sandoval
Thursday, March 18	7:00PM	St. Dominic, Breese
Sunday, March 21	3:00PM	St. Francis, Aviston
Sunday, March 21	4:30PM	St. Mary, Trenton
Tuesday, March 23	7:00PM	St. Mary, Centralia

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR. This Sunday at the 9:00AM Mass, St. Boniface will be sending John Attaway and the 5 children of Don & Nancy Harmon, Josef (grade 8), Gretchen (grade 7), Elise (grade 3), Kristin (grade 1), and Ingrid (pre-K), to the Rite of Election at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville this Sunday afternoon. John Attaway and the Harmon children are preparing to join the Catholic Church here at St. Boniface at this year's Easter Vigil on April 3rd. The 5 Harmon children have never been baptized and are called 'catechumens'. John has already been baptized in the Lutheran Church and is called a 'candidate'. This Sunday afternoon, catechumens and candidates from all over Southern Illinois, which encompasses the Diocese of Belleville, will come together at the Cathedral in Belleville to meet Bishop Braxton. The Number of catechumens and candidates are 300-400. This will be a unique opportunity for all to meet Bishop Braxton, and see our cathedral church. At the Rite of Sending, celebrated at St. Boniface this Sunday morning, we send John Attaway and the Harmon family to the Cathedral, presenting them to the bishop in the name of the parish. At the Rite of Election celebrated in the Cathedral Church Sunday afternoon, speaking in the name of the church, the bishop 'chooses' these people to enter the church at the Easter Vigil. And in return, all the catechumens and candidates let it be known that they are 'choosing' the Catholic Church. Our prayers and good wishes go with John and the Harmon family. This Saturday St. Boniface welcomes Fr. Lou Koehr to the 4PM Mass. I am at Wendell this Saturday doing the parish Saturday Mass, then going with family to celebrate my oldest brother's surprise 60th

THE CHURCH SECRETARY OFFICE here at St. Boniface will be closed from February 22-26. Thank you!

ST. BONIFACE CEMETERY CLEAN-UP. St. Boniface Cemetery will have its annual clean-up from March 15-22. Everything that is not permanently attached to the tombstone (such as flowers, hooks, etc.) will be removed from the monuments. If there is anything you wish to keep, please remove before March 15. Flowers can be replaced anytime after March 22. Please pass the word.

First Sunday of Lent: The Desert Journey

Reading I: Deuteronomy 26: 4-10 (Brought out of Egypt)

Reading II: Romans 10: 8-13 (The Lord of All)

Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13 (The temptation of Jesus)

Adults: What areas of my life do I need to fully surrender into God's hands?

Children: How does Jesus show us a way to be close to our heavenly Father?

FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING, Sunday, February 21 at 10AM in church.

ST. BONIFACE YM MEETING, Sunday, February 21 at 10AM in the Rectory Basement. Come and help plan Spring Activities. Get on Facebook and see what St. Boniface Youth are doing.

OPERATION RICE BOWL. St. Boniface will once again participate in Operation Rice Bowl during Lent. Packets were sent home with the Faith Formation classes. Literature and bowls may also be found in the entrance of church.

SHARE YOUR SOLES. St. Boniface High School Youth Ministry is sponsoring a Lenten Shoe Drive. Please drop off any new or gently used men's, women's or children's shoes paired by rubber bands or tied by the laces in the bins in the back of church.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST. A 3 day retreat for high school juniors and older. To find out more about us including dates of weekends, applications and subscribing to our newsletter, go to www.bellevilletec.catholicweb.com.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS: MATER DEI: Feb. 21: Registration for Incoming Freshmen, 8:30AM – 11AM; Feb. 22: Fathers & Friends Meeting; Feb. 27: Band Parents Trivia Knight, 7PM, KC Hall.

2010 ROUNDTABLE SERIES at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Feb. 23, 11:30AM to 1PM. "Refugees & Immigrants: The Holy Family's Flight into Egypt". Presented by Rev. Jose Santiago, OP. The Catholic Social Doctrine, Scripture, and the Pope's recent reflection on refugees and immigrants are all explored with in our American context. Cost: \$20 (includes lunch). For more information or to register call 397-6700, ext. 6281.

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE. Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel, please call the Hotline at 1-800-640-3044.

COMO SE DICE (HOW DO YOU SAY?) Do you want to learn a little Spanish or English in a friendly, small group setting? Three short sessions are planned for Wednesday evenings, March 3, 10, and 17 from 7:00-8:30PM at St. Francis Parish Center in Aviston. Call Rhonda Siegfried (588-5087) or Sr. Joan (248-5134) if you are interested or need more information.

INTERNET SAFETY FOR CHILDREN. In an effort to keep up with the changes that face the community with internet safety, Germantown Elementary with the Illinois State Police will hold a presentation for our kids on Thursday, March 11 for grades 4-8 at 2:15PM and again from 6-7PM for the community. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGISTRATION, March 7, 8AM to Noon, school cafeteria for children currently in Grades 1-8. Registration will ONLY be held this day. If you are unable to attend on the scheduled date, contact Denise Diesen at 523-4289 PRIOR to this date. Please make sure your CHILD is present for registration. NOTE: There will be a late fee (\$50/family) for anyone who registers after March 7th. Also, the Out-of-Park District fees will be collected (\$35/child; \$75 family max).

GERMANTOWN LIBRARY is looking for new or used cards for making bookmarks. Please think of us when recycling your old greeting cards or picture post cards. They may be dropped off at the library anytime.

GERMANTOWN AMERICAN LEGION FISH FRY, Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent, 4:30 to 7:00PM. Proceeds to benefit the Youth Organizations.

FISH FRY. Stop by the Breese Knights of Columbus on the Friday's during Lent from 4-7PM for dine-in or take out fish. Stay the evening and play Bingo every Friday night, except Good Friday, beginning at 7:30PM. Your support helps us in our Charitable Work!

LAWN CUTTING BIDS. Germantown Legion is accepting lawn-cutting bids. For applications and more information contact Marvin Molitor at 523-4748. Deadline is March 8 at 7:30AM.

GERMANTOWN GIRL SCOUTS are collecting new toothbrushes and toothpaste for Children's Dental Health Month from Feb. 1-March 1. Donations will be given to a local shelter or pantry. Boxes are located by the school office and in the back of church.

CHICKEN & ROAST BEEF DINNER, Feb. 21, 11AM to 5PM, St. Cecilia Parish Center, Bartelso. Sponsored by Bartelso K of C. **QUARTER AUCTION**, Feb. 21, Breese KC Hall, doors open at noon with auction starting at 1PM. Sponsored by McKendree Phi Beta Lambda Business Organization, benefiting March of Dimes. **QUILT BINGO**, Feb. 21, St. Augustine Parish Center, Breese. Bingo at 2PM, fried chicken lunch from 11AM to 1PM. **ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER**, Feb. 21 from 3 to 6PM at St. Bernard Parish Center, Albers. Donations will benefit the St. Bernard/St. Damian Needy Fund and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Dine in only.

MD BAND TRIVIA NIGHT, Sat., Feb. 27, Breese KC Hall, doors open at 6:30PM, trivia begins at 7PM. \$100/per table; up to 8 people per table. For reservations or more info call Brian & Cindy Orr at 654-6967 or Mark & Allison Cowgill at 526-7153.

PORK SAUSAGE & HAM BREAKFAST, Feb. 28, 8AM to Noon at St. Bernard Parish Center, Albers. Proceeds benefit St. Bernard Parish. **CHICKEN DINNER**, Feb. 28, Breese KC Hall, 11AM to 6PM. Sponsored by All Saint's Academy.

QUILTING BEE, Monday, March 1 beginning at 9AM at St. Anthony Parish, Lively Grove. Lunch will be provided. **QUILT BINGO**, March 7, 1PM, American Legion, 7236 St. Rt. 15, St. Libory. Sandwiches served from 11AM. **SOUP LUNCHEON & BUNKO PARTY**, March 7, 11AM to 1PM at St. Mary Parish Hall, 424 E. Broadway, Centralia. For more info or reservations call Sheila at 532-7414. **CHICKEN DINNER**, March 7, 11AM to 6PM, Breese American Legion. Sponsored by the Breese Lions.

