

February 28, 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent



St. Stephen's Catholic Church

303 Lincoln Way East

McConnellsburg, PA 17233

717-485-3723

Pastor: Father Derek Fairman

Mass Times:

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday at 12:00 Noon

Confession Times:

Saturday before Mass

Sunday after Mass



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1st Reading:
22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

2nd Reading:
Rom 8:31b-34

Gospel Reading:
Mark 9:2-10



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*In case of an emergency and you
need to
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*Father Fairman, please call the
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Fulton County Catholic Mission

*Carmelite Community of the Word
Sr. Martha Burbulla, 717-485-5917*

*If you see or suspect child abuse...
Call PA Childline at 1-800-932-0313*

or

Visit <http://keepkidssafe.pa.gov>



PARISH
COUNCIL

MEMBERS

Susan Cabbage

Marlene Joyce

Deb Leese

Alex Serrano

Russ Trembl

Janice Wolfe

Collection

February 21, 2021

<i>Regular/Weekly</i>	<i>\$964.00</i>
<i>Maintenance</i>	<i>\$30.00</i>
<i>Energy</i>	<i>\$50.00</i>
<i>Initial Offering</i>	<i>\$5.00</i>
<i>Black & Indian Mission</i>	<i>\$211.00</i>
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>\$127.00</i>



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The Spring pie sale is approaching and we are again asking for donations of ingredients to defray the cost of making the pies. The list of ingredients needed are on sign-up sheets in the gathering space.

2nd Collections Scheduled for the Month of March

3/14/2021 Catholic Relief Services Collection



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Rice Bowl in the Gathering Space of the Church



Stations of the Cross will be Wednesday Evenings during Lent starting

Wednesday, February 24th, at 5:30 p.m.



Communion Services

Every Tuesday and Thursday, at 8:30 a.m.
Starting March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25.



Easter Flower Offering Envelopes will be available starting Sunday, March 7th.

Envelopes will be in the back of the Church by the Collection Box.

We are in need of doing a Parish Census to update our Parish Records.

Starting the weekend of March 6th and 7th Census Cards will be placed in Envelopes with your family name on envelope in the gathering space of the Church.

Please pick up your envelope complete Census card and return your envelope with Census card inside.

There will be a basket in the gather space of the Church to return your envelopes.

Please return by March 20th.

Prayer and Plenary Indulgence options for the Year of Saint Joseph

The first way to get to know Saint Joseph is through reading and praying with the Gospels of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew and Saint Luke. We learn the history of Saint Joseph in an indirect way through the story of the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. The actions and facts of Saint Joseph's life are revealed through his relationships and roles as the foster father of Jesus and the spouse of Mary. During this special year in the Catholic Church, the Faithful will have the opportunity to commit themselves "with prayer and good works, to obtain, with the help of St. Joseph, head of the Heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that besiege the contemporary world today." They will be granted what is called a "Plenary Indulgence," a time to repair the sinful relationship that we entered into because of personal sin, even though we have been forgiven. "It is in offering actions and prayers that allow for "a way to reduce the amount of punishment one has to undergo for sins." (#1471, Catechism of the Catholic Church). There is a lengthy list of options named by Pope Francis and the Vatican Committee on Indulgences in addition to the standard obligations. A growing list of pilgrimage opportunities will be offered by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. 2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, *Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center*, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601



MASS Intentions

For February

February Birthday Blessings



- 2/20/21 Saturday +Family & Friends -Deceased
Req. by Karen and Jeff Croft
- 2/21/21 Sunday +Tommy Bolt Req. by Joe and Janice Wolfe
- 2/27/21 Saturday +Richard Mumma Req. by Eric and Donna Fisher
- 2/28/21 Sunday +Garnter Family-Deceased Members
Req. by Family and Friends

- 2/3 Miranda Hawkins
- 2/5 Christine Rasp
- 2/10 Brent Pistner
- 2/16 Karen Leisinger
- 2/16 Pat Frazier
- 2/21 Alexandria Trembl
- 2/24 Imagine Jansen
- 2/26 Joe Chafardon



Collection Counters February & March

- 2/28/2021 Marlene Joyce
Naomi Marcus
- 3/7/2021 Karen Leisinger
Ed Leisinger
- 3/14/2021 Marlene Joyce
Naomi Marcus
- 3/21/2021 Carol Babinsack
Kathy Lake
- 3/28/2021 Marlene Joyce
Naomi Marcus



- 2/2 Joseph & Deb Chafardon
- 2/12 Gerald & Mary Monniger
- 2/20 Marty & Naomi Marcus



PROFESSION ON FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
*and by the Holy Spirit (please bow) was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day,
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and
his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has
spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Reading 1

God put Abraham to the test.

He called to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am!" he replied.

Then God said:

"Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love,
and go to the land of Moriah.

There you shall offer him up as a holocaust
on a height that I will point out to you."

When they came to the place of which God had told
him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on
it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his
son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven,
"Abraham, Abraham!"

"Here I am!" he answered.

"Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger.

"Do not do the least thing to him.

I know now how devoted you are to God,
since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."

As Abraham looked about,

he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket.

So he went and took the ram

and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.

Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven
and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD,
that because you acted as you did

in not withholding from me your beloved son,

I will bless you abundantly

and make your descendants as countless

as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore;

your descendants shall take possession

of the gates of their enemies,

and in your descendants all the nations of the earth
shall find blessing—

all this because you obeyed my command."

Responsorial Psalm

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

believed, even when I said,

"I am greatly afflicted."

Precious in the eyes of the LORD

is the death of his faithful ones.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;

you have loosed my bonds.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,

and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

My vows to the LORD I will pay

in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the house of the LORD,

in your midst, O Jerusalem.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Reading 2

Brothers and sisters:

If God is for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son

but handed him over for us all,

how will he not also give us everything else along
with him?

Who will bring a charge against God's chosen
ones?

It is God who acquits us, who will condemn?

Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was
raised—

who also is at the right hand of God,
who indeed intercedes for us.

Verse Before the Gospel

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

Gospel

Jesus took Peter, James, and John

and led them up a high mountain apart by them-
selves.

And he was transfigured before them,

and his clothes became dazzling white,

such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.

Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses,
and they were conversing with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,

"Rabbi, it is good that we are here!

Let us make three tents:

one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;
from the cloud came a voice,

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw any-
one

but Jesus alone with them.

As they were coming down from the mountain,
he charged them not to relate what they had seen
to anyone,

except when the Son of Man had risen from the
dead.

So they kept the matter to themselves,

questioning what rising from the dead meant.