



His Face Shone  
Like The Sun.

**Saturday, February 16:**

5:00 p.m. Mass

**Sunday, February 17:**

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

**Monday, Feb. 18: Lenten Weekday**

Dn 9: 4b-10, Lk 6: 36-38

No Mass today

**Tuesday, February 19: Lenten Weekday**

Is 1: 1-10, 16-20, Mt 23: 1-12

No Mass today

**Wednesday, February 20: Lenten Wednesday**

Jer 18: 18-20, Mt 20: 17-28

8:30 a.m. Mass

**Thursday, February 21: Lenten Weekday**

Jer 17: 55-10, Lk 16: 19-31

8:30 a.m. Mass

**Friday, February 22: Chair of St. Peter, apostle**

1 Pt 5: 1-4, Mt 16: 13-19

8:30 a.m. Mass

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

Ex 17: 3-7, Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8, Jn 4: 5-42

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23:**

5:00 p.m. Mass

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24:**

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

**FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**

This weekend the baskets are at the entrances of the church to receive your donations of non-perishable food for the needy in our community. There is an ever-increasing need for food, and we greatly appreciate your contributions.

**CHILI COOK- OFF**

On behalf of "Walk for Warmth" there will be a "chili cook-off" on Thursday, February 21 from 11:00-1:00 pm @ Bell-Wasik, Caro. Vote for your favorite chili. Donations accepted. Bill Putnam will represent the Knights of Columbus. Everyone's invited.

**MUSICIANS NEEDED**

On occasion in Church, we need flute, trumpet or guitar musicians. If you can help please call Janet @ 673-4927.

**"DON'T SAY NO TO THE USO"**

"Don't Say No to the USO"- Musical tribute to Veterans, will be presented Thurs.-Sun. Feb. 21 thru Feb. 24, by Thumb Area Community Theatre, at Unionville-Sebewaing Area High School. Tickets: \$8.00 adults; \$7.00 seniors; \$5.00 Veterans and K-12; \$20.00 family rate. Veterans IN UNIFORM free. Times: 7:30 pm and 2:00 pm on Sunday.

**LENTEN RETREAT**

The Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will offer a Lenten Retreat Day for all women of the diocese at the Center for Ministry on Wednesday, March 5. The day's activities start @ 10:00 and will end approx. 3:30. This silent retreat will include spiritual talks, meditation, Mass & Stations. Cost \$20.00 includes lunch. RSVP to Rita Maher (989) 635-7072 by Feb. 28.

**OUR SYMPATHY**

Our prayers and sympathy to the family of Estelle Romain who was buried from Sacred Heart this past week. May she know eternal peace and joy with Jesus the Lord.

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 & 24**

**LECTORS:**

5:00 p.m. Gerard Kolanowski

9:00 a.m. Becky Learman

11:00 a.m. MaryAnn Vandemark

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:**

5:00 p.m. Karen Cody\*

Dave & Donna Klebba

Denise Burkey, Theresa Burkey

9:00 a.m. Bob Chisholm\*

Pat Chisholm, Angie Campbell

Norm & Jan Daniels

11:00 a.m. Bridget Smith\*

Dakotah Brissette, Rita Papp

Chris Oakie, Jenny Sabo

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:00 p.m. Alex Rollend, Andrew Rollend

9:00 a.m. Daniella Babcock, Allison Learman

11:00 a.m. Ann Starling, Kim Oakie

**GREETERS:**

5:00 p.m. Mandy Knox, Mike, Kathy Fader, Margaret Cockerill, Marge Biebel

9:00 a.m. Cal, Joanne Richardson, Bob, Norma Berry, Joan Smith, Gloria Orban

11:00 a.m. Lee, Carol Starling Family, Al, Kim Wasik, Cindy Jackson, Dick, Sue Ransford

**USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:**

5:00 p.m. Dave Lagos\* Doug Lagos

Kyle Nordstrom, Dave Kolacz

9:00 a.m. Dave Klebba\*, Tom Braun

Jason Kappen, Kris Ball

11:00 a.m. Paul Ellsworth\*, Jack Generous

Pete O'Brien, Bill Blaylock

**†(FREE) SOUP SUPPER & STATIONS OF THE CROSS†**

What: Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross

Where: Parish Center & Cross

When: Thursdays during Lent thru Mar. 13

Time: Soup Supper @ 6:00 pm, Stations @ 7:00 pm

Who: All families of Sacred Heart

**A TIME OF ENLIGHTENMENT**

We are happy to welcome John Johnson back to Sacred Heart to refresh our souls this Lenten season. He is a hospice chaplain and is writing a book about faith life. John joined the Catholic Church in 1999 and shares his discovery of the Catholic way of life, to teach people of all ages about the Catholic faith. Please use this Lenten time to join us Sat., Sun., Mon., March 1,2,3.

**On Saturday, March 1 @ 6:00 pm**, John's theme will be "You are the salt of the earth, let your light shine". Adults of all ages are welcome as we enjoy wine and cheese along with a night of fellowship.

**On Sunday, March 2 @ 10:00 am** John will talk with the Middle School youth. Parents are welcome also.

**Also, Sunday, March 2 @ 12:30 pm** in the Parish Center John will focus on "Light in the Midst of Darkness". We will enjoy a soup lunch, with Q & A after. Everyone's welcome.

**More on Sunday, March 2 @ 6:00 pm** in the Youth Center, John will speak to the High School youth about their Catholic faith life and the conversion of St. Paul.

**On Monday, March 3 @ 3:30 pm & 6:15 pm**, John will speak to all the Faith Formation disciples about the dark tomb, "Where is Jesus?" and "How the morning light comes." Adults and parents are also welcome. **Call 673-2276 to register for the sessions.**

**PARISH SUPPORT**

Our Weekly Need.....\$5800.00  
 Last Weekend..... \$6343.72  
 476 Envelope Holders-- Envelopes Used Last Weekend: 215

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

**HAPPY LENT**-Lent is conversion. And conversion is turning away from illusory, dried-up wells that do not give life; it is a turning to God, our true fountain of love and abundant life. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, endorses this approach, explaining, "Conversion is not just a human work". It is the movement of a 'contrite heart'...to respond to the merciful love of God who loved us first."

Prayer is part of our Lenten journey and comes in many forms; some people like to pray formal, memorized prayers. Others pray spontaneously, their prayers coming from their thoughts, emotions and needs. Whatever way we choose to pray—it is good. God hears all prayers whether they are voiced aloud or spoken in the silence of our thoughts and prayers.

Modification is another word we hear during Lent. It has negative connotation. Nevertheless, it is possible to use this word and others like it (self-denial, fasting, sacrifice) in positive ways. The purpose of fasting is to remind us that there is a source of life more profound than food and drink. There is good which can come from giving up something during Lent. It can help us to recognize what we have and maybe take for granted.

The aim of finding joy in Lent is not to seek ways of escaping pain, penance, or the challenges and crosses that life gives us. In fact, we must listen more carefully than ever during these Lenten days to Jesus' invitation to embrace and carry those crosses: "Whoever wishes to come after Me must...take up a cross and follow Me..." "Our human choice" it has been said, "is not between pain and no pain, but between the pain of loving and the pain of not loving." Jesus chose the "pain of loving" and in so doing showed us how to do that too. There is nothing worse than the "pain of not loving", that is, suffering in a black void. Pain borne out of love for God and neighbors on the other hand, brings the true disciple to richer life and meaning.

Many of the thoughts and reflection in this letter have come from the writing of Rev. Jack Wants, O.F.M. entitled, **YOU CAN FIND JOY IN LENT**. I hope that your Lent is going well. God bless you as you continue to pray, fast and give alms. In Christ's Peace, Fr. Dennis

**EFT-A SUGGESTION**-EFT is not a new disease...or a new government agency. EFT stands for "electronic fund transfer." I know many people-especially "computer-savvy" people are paying bills electronically. With this in mind-a suggestion has been made (to the church) that this could be a means of giving to the Church automatically- the money is transferred from your bank account to the parish, usually once a month.

This could be a possibility...so think about it and let me/us know what you think???

**REMINDER-RCIA** will meet this Wed. Feb. 20 @ 7:00 pm

**STEWARDSHIP**-Give rice to hungry people by playing a simple word game on the computer: *freerice.com*. For every right answer to a vocabulary word, 20 grains of rice are donated through the United Nations to help end world hunger. This is a fun activity for family members. It is also an active means of uniting our concern for the hungry with Jesus' concern with the crowd, when He said

to His disciples "I do not want to send them away hungry, for fear they may collapse on the way."

## †FAITH FORMATION NEWS†

Feb. 17/18-No Faith Formation programs  
 Feb. 18/20-Ski Trip  
 Feb. 17/18 No Faith Formation classes  
 Feb. 19-Book Club 7:00-8:15 pm  
 Feb. 24-No Faith Formation for Sunday a.m. classes  
 Feb. 24-High School youth meet 7:00-9:00 pm  
 Feb. 25-Faith Formation classes resume  
 Feb. 26-Book Club 7:00-8:15 pm  
 Feb. 26-S.P.R.E.D. Friends & Leaders 7:00 pm  
 Mar. 1-John Johnson "Be the Light You Are" @ 6:00 pm  
 Mar. 2-K of C Breakfast  
 Mar. 2-John Johnson "Light in the Midst of Darkness" 12:30 pm  
 Mar. 2-High School youth meet 6:00 pm dinner/speaker \*note time change  
 Mar. 4-Book Club 7:00-8:15 pm  
 Mar. 9-First Eucharist Inscription Service 11:00 Mass  
 Mar. 9-High School youth meet 7:00-9:00 pm

**DISCIPLES IN ACTION-**

The Faith Formation Disciples recently made homemade Valentine's for the residents of the Aleda Lutz V.A. Hospital in Saginaw.

Thank you to all who were able to attend the cupcake and coffee social after last weekend's Masses!

**More comments from the "March for Life" participants:**

*I especially enjoyed the rally and concerts at the Verizon Center. I liked seeing the collection of Nativities at the Pope John II Cultural Center. I was impressed by the soldier at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is really important to stand up for the unborn babies who can't say anything about abortion. Thank you to all who made donations so we could go.*

(From Jacob Daniel)

*We would like to thank everybody for their prayers and support while we were in D.C. We were among 225,000 marchers at the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roe V. Wade. Over 50 million abortions have been done since 1973. This is a holocaust of unborn babies. Every life is a gift from God and we must continue to promote life and be the voice for the voiceless until the day comes when there will no longer be abortions.*

(From Daniella Babcock)

*I met some new friends and had a great time with the Bishop. The Metro was a new experience for me and opened my eyes to a whole new world of people. We visited Arlington National Cemetery and the Pope John II Cultural Center. This experience has strengthened my love for God and my confidence to tell the world who I am and what I'm for. It also taught me much patience and showed me we can't always be in control. I would like to thank everyone who contributed in financing our trip.*

(From Karisa Cody)

**High School Youth**-An oratory contest is being sponsored by the Right to Life organization. Prize money ranges from \$25.00 to \$1,000.00. The deadline to participate is March 17<sup>th</sup>. Also, for seniors only, an essay contest sponsored by the Saginaw Diocese is being offered. The deadline is March 28. Please contact Ann @ 673-2276 or [ann@carosacredheart.org](mailto:ann@carosacredheart.org) for more information on either contest.



**"CIRCLE OF STRENGTH"** is meeting on Monday's from 6:15-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Join us as we read Sunday by Sunday and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings and how they relate to our own lives. The cost is FREE, the learning and growth, priceless!

**CHRISTIAN SERVICES SCHOLARSHIPS**

2007-2008 Senior College Scholarship applications are available in the Sacred Heart Parish Center Office. The scholarships are for area high school seniors who are members of Sacred Heart.