

From the desk of Fr. Podraza

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2017: "Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do not see might become blind." (John 9:1-41).

Lenten Regulations for Catholics 2017: The Christian faithful are to do penance through prayer and fasting, abstinence and by exercising works of piety and charity. **Abstinence:** All who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. **Fasting:** All those who are 18 or older, until their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Only one full meal is allowed on days of fast. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs; but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. But liquids are allowed. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or ability to work would be affected seriously. People in doubt about fast or abstinence should consult a priest.

THE STORY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Many people do not know the story of Fatima. This article will highlight the story of Fatima. "The First Apparition - Then the Lady said to the children: Do you want to offer yourselves to God to endure all sufferings that He may choose to send you, as an act of reparation for the sins by which He is offended and as a supplication for the conversion of sinners? Promptly Lucia responded for all three, Yes, we want to. Then you are going to suffer a great deal, the Lady promised, but the grace of God will be your comfort. As she pronounced these words, the Lady opened her hands and shed upon the children a highly intense light, that was as a reflex glancing from them." More next week.

FISH FRIES LENT 2017: Friday, March 31, 2017 Saint Rose, Crofton from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. No fishing pole or fishing license required!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! SAINT ANDREW and SAINT ROSE of LIMA PARISH MISSION 2017. This year's Parish Mission is scheduled from Sunday, April 24, 2017 to Wednesday 26, 2017. More information later.

DIVINE MERCY - Saint Faustina records in her Diary the following words of Jesus concerning the Sacrament of Confession: In the Confessional "Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy." (Diary, 1602). More next week.

Pray For:
 "For a successful and safe calving season for farmers."
 "For men, women and families in the R.C.I.A. program preparing to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil."

Thank you for remembering our parish as a beneficiary of your retirement plan.

Prayer Opportunities:

LENT REFLECTION PRAYER 2017: "Word of God made flesh, our Lord Jesus Christ, speak to us and in us and through us the words of your love." Amen.

Stuebenville Youth Conference: Mid-America Week 1, Springfield, MO (Missouri State University campus). July 14-16, 2017. For more information please contact: Beth C. Carlson 402-5557-5610 ext.2101. bccarlson@archomaha.org
Pastor's Corner - continued

Love Begins Here: June 4-7, 2017 (Sunday evening-Wednesday noon) Saint Mary's, West Point. This session is a middle school mission trip. It will continue to remain open to rural parishes and youth only. For youth entering 7th-9th this fall. Cost \$100.00. For more information: <http://archomaha.org/family/youth>. Register now at www.archomaha.org/youth Contact Jen Moser jkmoser@archomaha.org.

Division 8: Serves next funeral. Jeannie & Leslie Donner.
Division 3: March Church Cleaning. Karen (Fred) Steffen and Mardi Haberer.
Division 8: Cleaned the parish hall. Thanks much Jeannie, Leslie and your helpers.
Division 9: Fish Fry Guild Bake Sale. Laurie Maibaum and Cindy Kollars.

Welcome to our St. Rose of Lima Parish family:
 John Knapp and sons, Zack, Andy, and Roy



ST. ROSE - GIFT TO GOD - MARCH 19, 2017
Sunday Giving needed weekly - \$5,070.00

Sunday	\$ 2,893.22
Plate	\$ 110.25
Children	\$ 17.00

Second Collection - April 1 and 2: EASTER FLOWERS for St. Rose Church



SR PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING (March 28, 2017)
 Agenda as follows: 1) Prayer- Fr. Podraza; 2) Approval of Agenda; 3) Minutes; 4) Group Reports (Legacy-Curt Arens); 5) Hall Project (Larry Peitz); 6) Financial Reports; 7) Old Business (Parish Mission); 8) New Business (Sidewalk Lighting, Cemetery, Council Nominations); 9) Next Meeting Date / Agenda; 10) Closing Prayer-Dan Arens.
Council members please pick up your meeting packets in the sacristy after Mass.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
The sick: Allan Arens, Bernadette Tramp, Heather Hegge, Jeanine Johnson, Christy (Tweedy) Hebeisen, Ray Poppe, Craig Gobel, Frances Johnson, Ann Johnson, Sue Sandvig, Shirley (Hegge) Mines, Sr. Janet Guenther, Fr. James McCluskey, Jeanne Schmidt, all the troops overseas, and those suffering from natural disasters.
"Heavenly Father accept our prayers offered for them."

ACTIVITIES IN MARCH/APRIL - ST ROSE & ST ANDREW
Eucharistic Adoration (Wednesdays) 9 AM until 10 PM - St. Rose Church
That Man is You—Men's Group meets on Tuesdays at 6 AM, Education Center

Mar 26	Catholic Relief Services Annual Collection Knights Major Degree beginning at 11:00 AM, (St. Rose Hall) SA Individual Confessions, 11:30 - 12 noon, (St. Andrew's Church) SR Individual Confessions, 1:00 - 2:30 PM, (St. Rose Church) SA CCD Appreciation Supper, 6:00 PM, (St. Andrew's Social Hall)
Mar 27	SR School <i>Preschool</i> Roundup, 7:00 PM, (St. Rose Education Ctr)
Mar 29	SR Individual Confessions, 11:00-11:30 AM, (St. Rose Church) SR Choir of Fire Practice, 6:30 PM, (St. Rose Church) SA Pastoral / Finance Council Meeting, 6:30 PM , (St. Andrew's) SA Stations of the Cross, 7:30 PM, (St. Andrew's Church) SR CCD / FFY Class, 7:30 PM, (St. Rose School)
Mar 31	SR "All You Can Eat" Fish Fry, 5-8:30 PM, (St. Rose Hall) SR Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM, (St. Rose Church)
Apr 1	SR First Communion Retreat (2nd graders), 8 AM, (St. Rose Church) SR Individual Confessions, 5:00 - 5:25 PM, (St. Rose Church)
Apr 2	St. Rose Easter Flower Collection SA CCD Class, 9:00 - 10:15 AM, (St. Andrew's Church) --CCD Grades 1 and 2 plan Mass and Greet --CCD Grades 1 and 2 have 1st Reconciliation after 10:30 Mass SA Individual Confessions, 11:30 AM-2:30 PM, (St. Andrew's Church)
Apr 4	SR Finance Council Meeting, 7:30 PM, (St. Rose Education Center)

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS:
 March 27 - St. Rose Preschool Roundup, 7 PM, St. Rose Education Center Preschool Classroom.
 April 1 - St. Rose School / CCD second grade First Communion Retreat beginning with 8:00 AM Mass in St. Rose Church.
Stations with the students and staff on Fridays at 3:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.
St. Rose School is now accepting registrations for preschool. Please call the school office to sign up your child(ren). Preschool Roundup, Mon., March 27th.
Raffle Reminder: If your family would like to list a prize for our 2017 Spring Raffle, please notify your child's homeroom teacher or Mrs. Foxhoven at the school office no later than Friday, March 31st. Thank you for your support.
100 CLUB WINNERS: March 12: \$50 - Fr. Mike Schmitz
 March 19: \$50 - Card #1277

READINGS FOR APRIL 2, 2017
 1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14 Psalm: 130:1-8
 2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11 Gospel: John 11:1-45

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue	Mar 28	8:00 am	(SA)	Altar Society
		8:15 am	(SR)	Communion Service
Wed	Mar 29	8:15 am	(SR)	Deceased John & Caroline Arens
Thu	Mar 30	8:00 am	(SA)	Knights of Columbus
		8:15 am	(SR)	Communion Service
Fri	Mar 31	8:15 am	(SR)	Leon Gobel
Sat	Apr 1	8:00 am	(SR)	St. Rose parish second graders
		5:30 pm	(SR)	Chuck Auen
Sun	Apr 2	8:30 am	(SR)	Walt & Irene Bart and Wilfred Kuehler Families
		10:30 am	(SA)	SA/SR Parishioners

SA - Saint Andrew's SR - Saint Rose



SATURDAY, APRIL 1 @ 5:30 PM - ST. ROSE
 SETUP: Rosanne Hoebelheinrich
 LECTORS: Duane & Elaine Guenther
 EMHC: Deacon Frank & Mary, Nancy S., Larry & Fay H., and Jay Haberer-Shut-ins
 SERVERS: William & Annabelle Poppe, Caitlin Guenther, Kendall Thoene
 USHERS: Joe Janssen, Roger Janssen, Chuck Arens, Clair Arens
 GIFTS: Andy & Erin Dennis Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 @ 8:30 AM - ST. ROSE
 SETUP: Barb Lange LECTOR: Peg Schieffer
 SERVERS: Austin & Carter Guenther, Lilly & Bella Ausk
 USHERS: Tony Arens, Travis Arens, David Arens, Ken Wortmann
 EMHC: Deacon Frank, Ed & Arlene S., Charlotte A., Bernice T., & Ron Tramp-Shut-ins
 GIFTS: Ron & Bernice Tramp
 MONEY: Neal Neuhalfen, Rosanne Hoebelheinrich

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 @ 10:30 AM - ST. ANDREW
 LECTOR: Ellen Fehringer
 EMHC: Karen Hoppe, Daniel Kleinschmit, Mike Jackson-Shut-ins
 SERVERS: Devin Johnson, Kara Seagren, Wil Wagner
 GREETERS and *VOCATION CROSS:
 CCD Grades 1 and 2 and *Gerry & Sandy Haselhorst

FISH FRY: St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Crofton NE, "All You Can Eat" Fish Fry and Bake Sale will be held Friday, March 31, 2017. Serving fried fish, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, macaroni salad, and dinner roll from 5:00 pm to 8:30 p.m. Adults \$10.00, Children (6-12) \$5.00, and 5 & under free. Carryout times are 4:30-6:30. For those who wish to order by phone, call 402-388-4393. **Also, St. Rose Ladies Guild bake sale.**
****St. Rose Forester Matching Funds Event for Parish Missions****



SERRA CLUB AWARDS ANNOUNCED:
 The 2017 Serra Club Altar Server Award recipients for **St. Rose Parish** are: Austin Guenther, Caitlin Guenther, Connor Arens, Rebecca Leader, Brittany Tramp, and Megan Tramp. **The St. Andrew's Parish winners** are: Taylor Kumm and Jonathan Nissen. Congratulations are extended to them all. *The awards ceremony was held on Thursday, March 23rd at St. John's Church, Fordyce.*



ST. ANDREW'S - GIFT TO GOD - MARCH 19, 2017
Sunday Giving needed weekly - \$1,340.00

Sunday	\$ 3,059.00
Plate	\$ 136.00
Children	\$ 48.56



ST. ANDREW'S NEWS
CCD: Class on Sunday, April 2, 9:00-10:15 AM. --CCD Grades 1 and 2 plan Mass, are greeters prior to Mass, and have *First Reconciliation* after 10:30 Mass followed by a pizza party.

On Sunday, March 26th a CCD Teacher Appreciation Supper will be held at St. Andrew's social hall with a 6 p.m. Social Time; 6:30 p.m. Supper. Altar Society Group 1 will serve.

On Sunday, April 9th - The Way of the Cross (in Silhouette) will be presented, prior to Mass, at 9:15 a.m. Presented by members of the High School CCD Classes. Everyone is welcome to come join us in prayer and meditation of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

MARCH MEETING: St. Andrew's Finance / Pastoral Council, Wednesday, March 29, **6:30 PM. Agenda as follows:** 1) Prayer, Roll Call, Minutes; 2) April Parish Mission Update; 3) Financial Reports Reviewed; 4) Committee Reports (Liturgy, Altar Society, CCD); 5) Old Business (Archbishop's Annual Appeal, Bloomfield Cares Report, Food Pantry, Tree Removal, Lawn Sprinkler System, Hall Flooring, Youth Mission Trip); 6) New Business (Catholic Mutual Inspection Report, February Soup & Pie Fundraiser Update, Children's Fund Donations, Bequest, 2017 Mowing Schedule, Scholarships, 2017 Pastoral Council Elections, 2017-18 Parish Budget Approval); 7) Set Agenda and Date for Next Meeting; 8) Closing Prayer - Diane Schumacher. **Council members please pick up your meeting packets in the sacristy after Mass.**

EASTER FLOWERS: There is a sign-up sheet in back of church if you would like to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one. Please place lilies in back of St. Andrew's church on or before Holy Saturday.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
 Wednesday, March 29, 7:30 PM, St. Andrew's Church
 Friday, March 31, 7:00 PM, St. Rose Church



CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." ~Mt 25:40
 Today we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, in those who suffer from unjust laws, and in those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through your support with today's Collection, you help Jesus in disguise.
Please be generous.

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SR REMINDER: As you start your spring cleaning, don't forget about the Aluminum Can Recycling Building. Drop the cans off anytime 24-7. It is a great way to help out the environment and also generate a little revenue for St. Rose at the same time. Thanks to those who helped by PITCHING IN!!!! Proceeds directed to the Church Maintenance Fund.