



Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, February 27	8:15 AM	† Josh Warpinski
Tuesday, February 28	8:15 AM	Campion H.S. Faculty & Students (EF)
	5:15 PM	† Lester & Mildred Reuter; & their Living and Deceased Family Members
Ash Wednesday, March 1	8:15 AM	† Marie Olson
	7:00 PM	Living & Deceased Family Members of Joe & Kelly Ihm
Thursday, March 2	8:15 AM	Blessings of the Holy Spirit on Our Parish (EF)
	5:15 PM	† Dennis Fishnick
Friday, March 3	8:15 AM	† Al & Jane Klaas
Saturday, March 4	8:15 AM	† Fr. James Kotch (EF)
	5:00 PM	† Joyce Klaas
Sunday, March 5	7:30 AM	People of Our Parish (EF)
	9:30 AM	† Vince & Germaine Mumm

RECONCILIATION

(in the confessional closest to the rectory)

Mon. thru Sat. from 7:45 – 8:05 AM
Saturday at 4:00 PM

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

TREASURE

February 15, 18, 19 & 21

Church Support Envelopes	\$5,033.00
Offertory Cash	\$412.00
Children's Offertory	\$35.00
Monthly 15th Electronic Giving	\$3,348.33
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$963.00
Total	\$9,791.33
Estimated Expenses for February	\$65,400
Offertory Received so far in Feb.	\$27,186
School Contribution	\$18,000
Other Income	\$825
Estimated Expenses Remaining	\$19,389

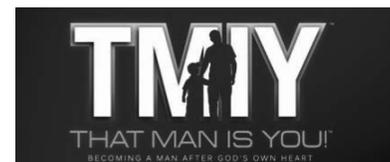


From Our Pastor:

Now that the priest has become the presenter, presider, or liturgical facilitator, and no longer the sacred minister of God with a very precise and demanding role to play, he is free to make it up as he goes along. Thus, I hear all the time from parishioners, "Oh the Mass at St N parish is so different than here—the priest does X, Y, and Z." If the priest is allowed to make up his own way of worship, even though bound by promises of fidelity to the Church (obedience to the Pope) and obedience to the Bishop, then why can't I, even though bound by my promises of baptism and confirmation, make up my own way of worship? It is no wonder then that we begin to hear things like, "Well I don't get much from the Mass, I prefer to stay home and pray on my own" LEX ORANDI—LEX CREDENDI (Law of Prayer - Law of Belief), if the priest starts by not respecting the rubrics and instructions of the missal, but does his own thing at Mass then he inadvertently invites everyone else to do their own thing, which might be just sleeping in, or watching TV or whatever other recreational activity on Sunday instead of observing the third commandment. (to be continued)

Catholic Conference 4 Women

Come join us and bring a friend or two for a women's day out! CCW will be hosting *Catholic Conference 4 Women* on March 11 from 9 AM to 4 PM with Confession and Mass to follow. It will be a day of renewal and faith including communal prayer, videos and discussion focused on the topic of relationships. The cost is \$10. Light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Kindly register by calling [Jenny Winter](mailto:Jenny.Winter@stclementparish.org) at 723-7397 or Katie at the rectory office 723-4990 by Monday, March 6 so we can plan for food.



Session 19: Honor Your Wedding Vows
Feb. 26 ~ 7 PM Social; 7:30 PM Presentation

- One Flesh Union
- The Truth Behind the Vows at the Nuptial Mass
- The Importance of Fidelity
- Honoring your Spouse in Purity
- An Example through Edith Stein
- Naked and Unashamed
- The Sacrifice of the Bridegroom



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION MARCH 3 & 4

Please sign up on the schedule near the Fatima Chapel. You may come at any time during the 24-hour adoration, however by signing up for just one hour, it will assure at least one person is in the Chapel at all times keeping vigil with the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day and night. Thank you for the donation of your time!

PLEDGE CARDS

Please return the pledge cards as soon as you are able as they were due Feb. 15th. You can return them in the offertory basket or drop it off at the rectory office. Thank you in advance for your generosity and continued support of our Parish!

CCW presents new CD Titles from Lighthouse Media
Beyond Belief:
Following Christ Today

Fr. Mike Schmitz tackles some of the most difficult topics in the Church today with humor, clarity, and theological truth. In this talk, he challenges us to not settle for mediocrity and to allow Christ to change our lives. Fr. Mike goes on to explain that once we are changed by the love of Jesus, then together we can change the world. CD's are \$4 each.

Coming Soon.....

St. Clement Parish is sponsoring the recently released movie *Ignatius of Loyola: Soldier, Sinner, Saint* at the Grantland Theatre on March 21 and March 22. Both show times are at 7 PM. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the rectory. Buying your tickets in advance is highly recommended.

ASH WEDNESDAY: LENT IS HERE!

Our Lenten journey begins this Wednesday, March 1st. All over the world, men, women and children will partake in our 40 days observance of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we keep our Lenten observance, we must remember that we do not do so alone. We are part of the Body of Christ who share a common resolution to allow the Holy Spirit to transform our hearts and minds so that we may be more conformed to Jesus Christ, and prepared for the celebration of the Easter.

Lenten Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age and older. The obligation to fast ends at age 60. On our days of fasting, only one meal should be taken. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain health according to one's circumstances, and taken together, should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these minimally prescribed penitential practices.

How else might I fast? What will I give up depending upon my circumstances in life? Will I limit TV, computer games or surfing the net to enable me to use that time for prayer and charity? Will I make an effort to fast from gossip, rash judgments, unhealthy habits and other patterns of sin and self-centeredness? Besides Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, will I fast from food on other days?

Prayer and Almsgiving

How will my prayer be different this Lent? Will I come to daily Mass when I can? Will I make time for daily prayer, such as the rosary, reading sacred scripture and/or other spiritual material? Honestly examining my life, will I make celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation a priority?

How will I give alms and reach out in charity and mercy to others? Donate to Operation Rice Bowl or another organization that assists the needy? Will I volunteer at an outreach program such as Family Promise and/or the LAC Food Pantry, or assist at one of the nursing homes or thrift shops? Take part in a fundraiser to help the less fortunate or the sick?

Going Beyond the Minimum: Being Conformed to Christ

It's tempting to think in Lent (and in life), "what's the least I have to do?" To grow in life, especially in our spiritual life, we need to get beyond this mindset. Just think of the past Sunday's Gospels where Jesus tells us, "You have heard it said....but I say to you...." Jesus calls for a conversion of heart, mind and soul, of thinking and acting. True conversion doesn't come with doing what's least expected. It takes commitment and openness to God's desire to work in us. Just as Jesus disciplined himself through prayer, fasting and good works, we must do the same. These are just a few questions for thought before Lent begins. Consider, decide and then act on your decision on keeping Lent this year so that come Easter, you and I will be conformed more closely to Jesus.

Helps for the Journey

The March edition of *Magnificat* with the daily readings is in the back of church. The **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed weekly. Use the **Rice Bowls** to help the poor. The **Lighthouse Media CDs** in the back of church are ideal for Lent. There is a **TEC Retreat** taking place here in March. There are many on-line help such as **Best Lent Ever** from Dynamic Catholic; **Share Jesus** from Redeemed On-line out of Steubenville; **Creighton University** has a wealth of helps for Lent; **Pausing to Pray** by the Marians of the Immaculate Conception to name but a few.

FAMILY PROMISE: Our Host Week Begins Next Sunday!

We still have a few spots to fill for our host week. Sign-up in the back of church or by calling the rectory. **Volunteering is an excellent way to begin Lent!**

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

THANK YOU!!!

Saint Clement School would like to thank the members of our Southwest Chapter of Wings Over Wisconsin. Following another successful banquet in our parish dining hall in October, they recently decided to give back by donating \$500 to our Tuition Assistance Program. And, if that wasn't enough, our dear friend Sleepy Hauth offered to match the donation... That is \$1,000 to help make our wonderful school available to everyone who wishes to receive a Catholic education!!! Again, we very humbly thank our friends from Wings over Wisconsin and Sleepy for this generous act and the great example they provide for our children. If you or someone you know would like to make a tax deductible donation to our Tuition Assistance or Wish List Funds, please contact Josh in the school office at 723-7474. And, as always, we thank you for your continued support of our great Catholic school!!!

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

Saint Clement School's second annual Celebration of Giving Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, April 1st in the Dining Hall. Please mark your calendars today and make plans to join us for this fun-filled celebration. Raffle tickets are on sale now from all school families. They are also available in the school and parish offices and at the SCRIP table following weekend Masses. Tickets are just \$25 each for a chance to win our grand prize of \$5,000. Second place is \$1,000 and third place is \$500. Please help spread the word and get your raffle tickets today!!!

Saint Clement School/ Home & School Raffle Calendar Winners:



February

20	\$25	Sue McLean
21	\$25	Stan Ryan
22	\$25	Duke Kauffman
23	\$25	Emily & Ben Cummins
24	\$25	Jack Gruender
25	\$25	Doug & Marian Schiffman
26	\$50	Marie Stelpflug