

BENEDICTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

# SAINT JOSEPH & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> | 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



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Tuesday-Friday: 9 am

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 10:30 am



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Sunday: 8:30 am

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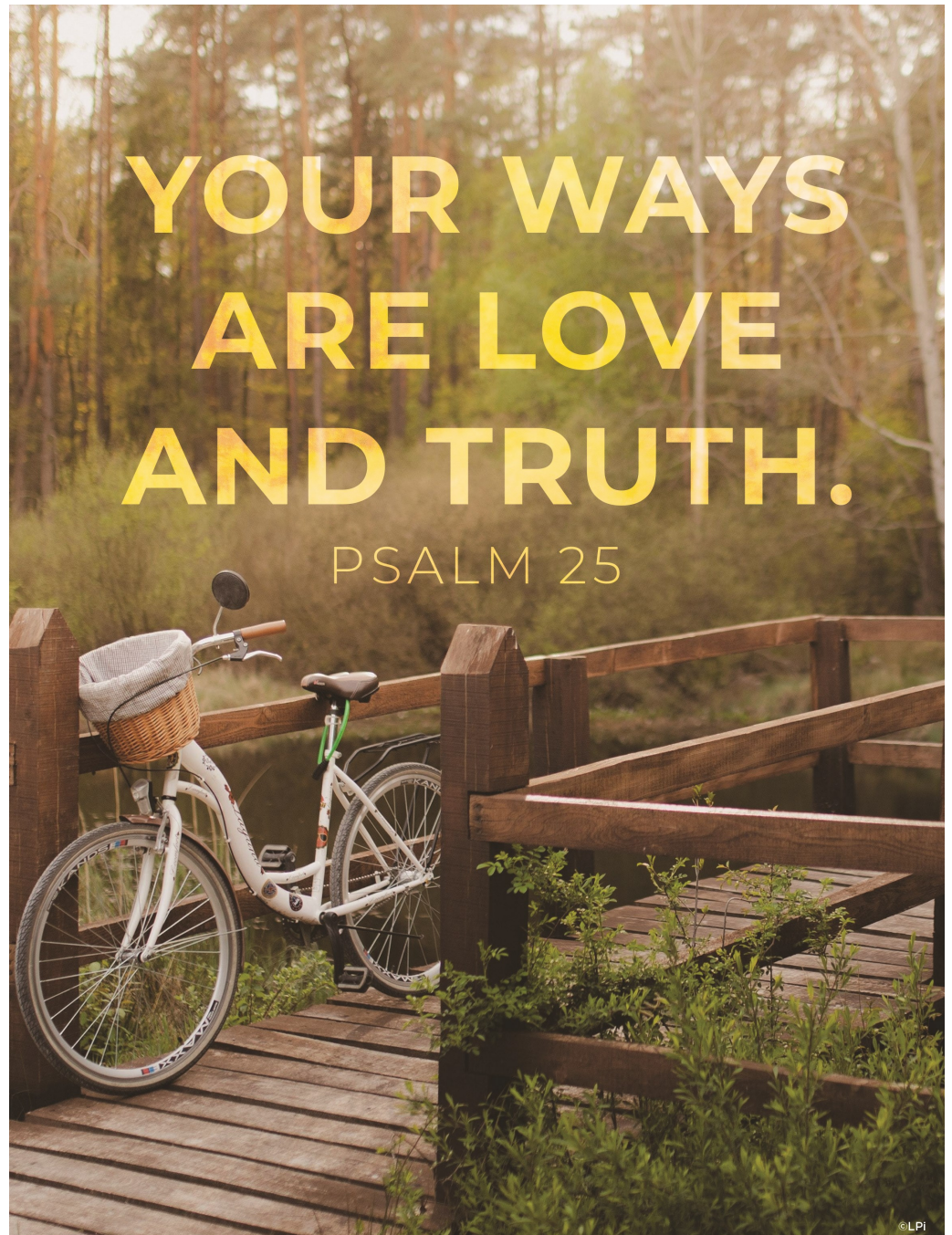
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**Saint Joseph:** We, the Church of Saint Joseph, are a Catholic, Benedictine faith community. Through our liturgy and faith formation, we build on a solid foundation as active witnesses of Christ, and we eagerly respond to the needs of the Parish and the global community.

**Saint John the Baptist:** We are a progressive Catholic Benedictine Community encountering Christ through the celebration of Word and Sacrament, one another, nature, and our thirst to create a just world.

Where the  
Community  
Comes  
Together

# Weekly Schedules

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## MASS INTENTIONS SCHEDULES

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

5:00 pm Mass †Helen Shantz  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21 THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Saint John the Baptist

10:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Church of Saint Joseph

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

No Mass Today

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00 am Mass †Ruth Donais  
Church of Saint Joseph

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:00 am Mass †Richard Woeste  
Church of Saint Joseph

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 am Mass †Lee Meyer  
Church of Saint Joseph

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:00 am Mass †Daniel Carlson  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

5:00 pm Mass †Bernie Schloemer  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Saint John the Baptist

10:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Church of Saint Joseph

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21

6:30 pm | Confirmation Session, Zoom

### MONDAY FEBRUARY 22

8:00 am | Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall

### TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23

8:00 am | Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall

10:00 am | Adult Enrichment Class, Heritage Hall

### WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 24

10:00 am | Willing Hands, Heritage Hall

6:30 pm | Saint Joseph Finance Council Meeting,  
Heritage Hall

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 26

7:00 pm | Stations of the Cross,  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27

8:00 am | Women's Prayer Group, Zoom

### MONDAY MARCH 1

8:00 am | Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall

6:00 pm | Baptism Preparation Class, Heritage Hall

6:30 pm | Saint Joseph Faith Formation Grades 1-8,  
Zoom

7:30 pm | Saint Joseph Faith Formation Grades 9-10,  
Zoom

### TUESDAY MARCH 2

8:00 am | Parish Quilters, Heritage Hall

10:00 am | Adult Enrichment Class, Heritage Hall

5:00 pm | Saint Joseph RCIA Meeting, Zoom

### WEDNESDAY MARCH 3

10:00 am | Willing Hands, Heritage Hall

6:30 pm | Joetown Rocks—All Committee Chairs,  
Zoom

### FRIDAY MARCH 5

7:00 pm | Stations of the Cross,  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SATURDAY MARCH 6

8:00 am | Women's Prayer Group, Zoom





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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP: UNLIKELY SUSPECTS

Have you ever taken a nature walk?

Have you leisurely strolled through a forest or field, with no real destination in mind and your only objective being receptivity to and observation of all God's creation?

Sometimes, Scripture readings can feel like a nature walk. All of salvation history plays out against the backdrop of the natural world, with all elements of God's creation — plants and animals and the dust of the earth itself — turning in a supporting performance. How about Jesus in the hot and dusty desert, tempted, living "among the wild beasts?" Noah departed from his ark with the animals he rescued, observing God's sign in the very clouds of the sky. Even God Himself, offering us salvation from original sin through the waters of baptism.

How often do we remember that God speaks to us through all of His creation, even in the unlikely suspects?

Let's go back to the nature walk. It sounds like a lovely way to pass an afternoon, amongst wildflowers and butterflies, but don't forget the beating hot sun, mosquitos, and threat of rain on the horizon. Remember, we're not in heaven yet. Here on earth, God may be present in His creation, but that doesn't mean it's always easy to endure.

Lent is, essentially, a time to listen for the voice of God in places we may not expect: the mild irritations you experience when you're craving the chocolate you gave up, or the dull pangs of hunger during the Ash Wednesday fast. It's a golden opportunity to see the divine hand in all of creation, even those unlikely suspects.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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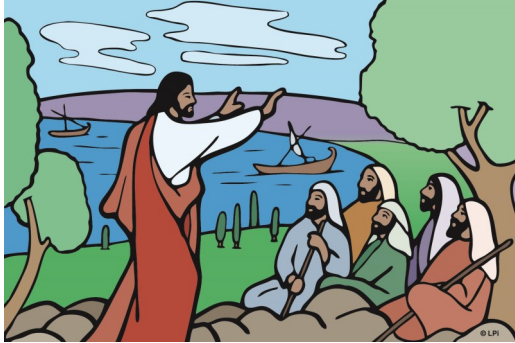
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## GOSPEL REFLECTION—FEBRUARY 21



“Repent and believe in the gospel”!

These words of Jesus from the Gospel of Mark call us to look at our lives and the changes that need to be made. During these days of Lent we are challenged to look at three areas in which we can make resolutions to improve our relationship with God. The first of these is PRAYER. How often do I pray? How do I pray? Do I take time to listen when I pray? Do I pray with my family? For whom or for what do I pray?

The second area is FASTING. Most often we think of fasting as related to food. However, there are other ways to fast. You may want to fast from gambling or smoking or other areas in which you spend a lot of time. Use the time for prayer or for spending time with someone who may be lonely.

The third area is ALMSGIVING. This too, has many different applications. You may want to bring some items for the food shelf or make a financial donation. You may want to reach out to a neighbor who is in need of some time away – for a visit or just time for quiet. Preparing a meal, or babysitting could provide this time for them. Reaching out to others is the key.

During these 40 days, let us pray for each other.

*S. Betty Larson, OSB, Pastoral Minister*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 21

**SUNDAY:** Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/  
1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

**MONDAY:** 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

**TUESDAY:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17,  
18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

**WEDNESDAY:** on 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/  
Lk 11:29-32

**THURSDAY:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab,  
2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-1

**FRIDAY:** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7  
bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

**SATURDAY:** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/  
Mt 5:43-48

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15,  
16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

All who are lonely, grieving or estranged, military men and women and their families, all the ill or suffering, people of the Diocese of Vijayapuram, India, all farmers, all frontline healthcare workers and workers & volunteers in foreign lands.

### CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

Duffy Barton, Judy Bruemmer, Marvin Butkowski, Dorothy Court, Edwina Dehler, Nelda Dehn, Jill (Hoffman) Fussy, Gabby, Caroline Glatzel, Theresa Glatzel, Larry & Anita Hering, Cliff Hilsgen, Jack Johnson, Amy Klaphake, Becky Klaphake, Laura Kutzera-Gaarder, Ann Leedahl, Becky Maus-Nelson, Judy Meemken, Esther J. Merkling, Josie Meyer, Alban Mohs, Jean Nierengarten, Nate Osbourn, Jennifer Oschwald, Marjorie Pfannenstien, Cindy Schmitz, a Special Intention, Chris Schmidt, Kevin Schmidt, Anthony Scholz, Susan Sink, Special Intention—Negative Biopsy Result, John Steichen, Dennis Stueve, Darlene Thielman, Jason Thompson, Emmy Torborg, Bob Valek, Eileen Walz, Bill Wasner and Sue Zimmer.

## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Paul Dukowitz, Gloria Ebacher, Marlin Faber, Alvina Klocker, Sandy Knudson, Gen Ludowese, Leo Heck, Mark McKeon, Larry Notch, Mildred Notsch, Anthony Scholz, and Charlie & Nancy Wenner

*To add or remove a name for the Prayer Corner, call the parish office.*

## IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

**Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died..**

Rose Ann Reischl, Hank Sunder, Julie Beckmann, Louis Merkling, Janice Eiyneck Lehr, Arlene Vogel, Kenneth Kuebelbeck, Rita Palmersheim, Philip Maus, and Joan Supan.

*“May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.”*

## Area Events

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities is in GREAT need for volunteers in their Meals on Wheels program in St. Cloud and Albany. The Albany program is specifically in need of route drivers for the St. Joseph program recipients. The volunteer would be responsible for driving to Albany to get food and provide distribution in St. Joseph. If you have interest in assisting with this program, please contact Annie Henriksen at [annie.henriksen@ccsstcloud.org](mailto:annie.henriksen@ccsstcloud.org).

### DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Diocese of St. Cloud will host a virtual men's conference, 'Gathered. Nourished. Sent,' on Saturday, February 27th from 9:00 am to Noon. For more information, visit [www.stcdio.org/mensconference21/](http://www.stcdio.org/mensconference21/)

### HOMELESS HELPING HOMELESS

After many, many, many conversations Lincoln Center Warming Center has opened on Lincoln Ave next to WJON. They are able to serve about 15 people overnight when it is colder than 32 degrees. They are in need of staff to help connect with the guests and provide support to them as needed. Training will be provided, but the values of non-judgement and compassion are at the top of the list. Shifts are 8 am-3pm and 3pm-11pm. PT hours are also available.

If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact Harry and Mary Fleegel at [hfleegel@aol.com](mailto:hfleegel@aol.com) or 612-868-0465. They are with Homeless Helping Homeless

### LOCAL BLOOD DRIVE

An American Red Cross blood drive is being hosted at Resurrection Lutheran Church on February 26th from 11 am to 5pm. To make an appointment, call Tamara at 320-282-8266

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL NEWS

Stewardship as a Way of Life: "After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God...." — Mark 1:14

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill his plan for us.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Thank you to everyone who responded to Commitment Weekend with a gift for ministries supporting our lives. If you haven't yet made a gift, you can bring your envelope to Mass, visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal) or mail a gift to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

## Stewardship Updates

### SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Adult Envelope	\$1,455.00
Children Envelope	\$3.00
Electronic Contributions	\$3,635.00
Donations Fiscal Year to Date	\$80,128.00
Budgeted Donations Fiscal YTD	\$90,117.00
Bishop's Annual Appeal	\$20.00
Rice Bowl	\$10.00
Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine	\$60.00

### SAINT JOSEPH

Weekly Budget for 2/14/2021	\$7,669.07
2/14 Youth Offering	\$0.00
2/14 Adult Offering	\$5,304.00
Weekly Difference	-\$2,365.07
Total Budgeted YTD	\$417,479.00
Total Received YTD	\$383,798.89
Difference YTD	-\$33,680.11

# Parish Updates

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## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

### PARISH DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

St. John the Baptist Parish Death Anniversaries:

Please hold the families of the following parishioners whose death anniversaries take place during the coming week in your prayers:

February 22, 1918: Elizabeth Hocker

February 22, 1931: Philip Goerger

February 23, 1935: Nicholas Thielman

February 23, 2007: Henry Meyer

February 24, 1954: Mathias Knoblach

February 27, 1981: Amelia Salzer

*May the souls of the faithfully departed, rest in peace.*

### CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES/BULLETINS

Children's Activity Bulletins and Children's Envelopes (Yellow) are available to be picked up at Mass Each week we ask children to submit a good deed they did during the week via their envelope.

### HAVE YOU CLEANED YOUR CLOSETS LATELY?

Reminder: our Parish Rummage SALE is approaching! The SALE will be Thursday & Friday, April 29 & 30th. We will be accepting donations on Sunday-Tuesday, April 25-27 from 1-7:00 PM. We welcome your donations of clothing, shoes, books, housewares, holiday décor, handbags, jewelry, coats, sporting equipment, small furniture, plants, etc. (We can NOT accept any appliances, anything with a electrical cord, encyclopedias or baby furniture/equipment.)

### CENTRAL MN CATHOLIC MAGAZINE

The Central MN Catholic, our Catholic Diocesan Magazine is provided to each home in our parish and is billed to the parish as part of our annual assessment from the Diocese. If you would like to reimburse the parish for your subscription, please use the envelope designated in your pack: "Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine Support", checks made payable to the parish. The suggested annual subscription fee is \$20.00.

### FOLLOW US

Follow the parish on social media for daily meditation and parish updates on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/sjtbparish](https://www.facebook.com/sjtbparish)) Subscribe to our YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2Sw98uxz5BJ7\\_Ders65WJw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2Sw98uxz5BJ7_Ders65WJw) for notifications of Live Mass recordings.

### LENTEN GIFTS FOR THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD SHELVE

Each Sunday of Lent our parish will be participating in a weekly donation drive of various food and personal care items for Catholic Charities. Collection bins will be located in the Parish Center each Sunday. Please take this opportunity to assist local families in need as part of your Lenten focus, your donations provide more than assistance to those in need; they offer HOPE.

Sunday: February 21st: Peanut Butter

Sunday: February 28th: Tooth Paste & Tooth Brush

### DELIVERING EUCHARIST

If you wish to deliver Communion to someone, that is not comfortable attending Mass currently, please feel free to utilize our safe procedure: 1) Inform the Sacristan as you enter for Mass (quantity & first name). 2. Following Mass a plastic bag, with your name on it, containing Eucharist will be available for you to pick up and take with you to deliver.

### FAITH FORMATION UPDATES

**Thank you** to Mark and Eli Andersen, Grace and Evan Acheson, Greg and Frankie Haeg, Caroline Linz, and Joyce Abeln for helping stuff and deliver Valentine Day bags to the youth of our Parish. Many enjoyed the special treats and craft.

**Rice Bowls:** Please take the time to watch the Catholic Relief Service "Stories of Hope" found on the [crsricebowl.org](https://www.crsricebowl.org).

Please consider saving all your coins for Lent.

**Stations of the Cross:** Watch a few of the Faith Formation teachers leading the Stations of the Cross this week. Each of the classes will be leading the Stations throughout the weeks of Lent.

**Lenten Reconciliation, Saturday, March 20, 2:00 PM**

**First Reconciliation** is rescheduled to Saturday, March 20 at 2:00 PM. Second grade students will be having distanced face-to-face reconciliation. Adults will be participating in the sacrament but given general absolution.

**First Communion Families:** The date for the sacrament has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 6th at 8:30 AM outdoor mass.

**Confirmation Families:** Confirmation is scheduled for Sunday, May 2, 4:00 PM, St. John's Abbey Church

Date:	Lectors:	Euch. Ministers:	Sacristan:	Sound:	Video:
February 28th	Karen Schellinger	Scott Wallner	Arnie Sauerer	Brian Posch	Julie Ortloff
8:30 AM		Joyce Abeln			
March 7th	David Lyndgaard	David Lyndgaard	Christine Luna Munger	Brian Posch	Julie Ortloff
8:30 AM		Christine Luna Munger			

## SAINT JOSEPH

### LENTEN PRAYER RESOURCES

We have a number of free prayer/family resources available for the season of Lent.

**KEEPING THE SEASONS:** will be a series of weekly handouts available on our parish website/Facebook page. This weekly series runs through Pentecost. Complete printed sets of the handouts are also available for the taking in the rectory entryway.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Will be held every Friday evening of Lent at 7:00 pm in church. (starting Feb. 19) Those who attend will be given a free booklet of The Stations, which they may then keep and bring with them each time they attend. The Stations will also be available for viewing online. Copies of the booklet are in the rectory entryway,... free for the taking... to enable people watching at home to participate.

### "HOLY WEEK AT HOME":

Intended for families/households who may not be able (or choosing not to participate) in the liturgies of Holy Week due to the pandemic. Free copies of this resource are available in the rectory entryway,

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Greetings parishioners of St. Joseph and St. John the Baptist Parishes

The Knights of Columbus in both parishes have been laying low during the coronavirus pandemic, however we are eager to become active when everything opens up again. We are glad to see the parishes are open now for Masses.

Even during the pandemic, we continue to invite families to join our great KC councils. We encourage men to check us out online at [KofC.org/JoinUs](http://KofC.org/JoinUs), and [mnknights.org](http://mnknights.org). There, men will learn about the past present and future of the Knights of Columbus. The sites are loaded with information, videos about the Knights, a long list of benefits, and answers to often asked questions. A few reasons to join are; membership offers men and their families the opportunity to deepen their faith, have access to financial protection and planning, serve others in the parish and community, and help defend their values.

Men interested in joining will be encouraged to attend a virtual exemplification held every Wednesday at [MNKnights.org](http://MNKnights.org). This way they can start to receive the benefits of the order. If you want more information or do not have access to a computer, call our Membership director Alan Glatzel at 250-5988 or Grand Knight Allen Gill at 291-5701 and they are willing to talk to you about joining and answer your questions.

### FAITH FORMATION UPDATES

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Be sure to check out the Liturgy of the Word scripture time on the parish website. Kelly Beniek, our catechist for LOW shares the scripture reading, speaks to the reading and offers an at home activity for the month.

#### CONFIRMATION CADIDATES

If you have not already done so, please be sure to reach out to your sponsors and set up meeting times for your at least six candidate-sponsor sessions. This is a very important part of the immediate preparation for Confirmation. The next requirements due are your "Candidate Information and Baptism Certificate" form and your "Confirmation Name-Research" form. These are past due. Please drop these off in the parish office entry way in the drop box located to the right of the inside door or you can mail these to the parish office.

Be sure to choose to make a positive difference with your active discipleship projects. Because of Covid-19, the options might be a bit limited. However, because of the pandemic there are still many ways to reach out to others in need. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Our next online session is February 21st at 6:30 pm. We plan to gather onsite for the March 21st session.

### LENTEN RESOURCES

Please check out the Lenten Resource table located in the gathering space of Heritage Hall. These are available as spiritual enrichment and prayer during the holy season of Lent.

### RCIA

Please hold in prayer our RCIA candidates and catechumen, Alicia, Jesyka, Andrea, Jared, and Daniel. They are now entering the catechumenate part of their preparation in anticipation for full communion in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

*Marian Bach  
Director of Faith Formation*