“Confession makes the soul strong because a really good confession always begets humility, and humility is strength.” ~ Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

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Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE
8:00 AM NORTH LAKE, 5:00 PM NORTH LAKE, 7:00 PM MONCHES

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January 31, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In conjunction with the U.S. Bishops and the Bishops of the State of Wisconsin, I write to you concerning an alarming and serious matter that negatively impacts the Church in the United States directly, and that strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith. The federal government, which claims to be “of, by, and for the people,” has just dealt a heavy blow to almost a quarter of those people—the Catholic population—and to the millions more who are served by the Catholic faithful.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced last week that almost all employers, including Catholic employers, will be forced to offer their employees’ health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be forced to include those “services” in the health policies they write. And almost all individuals will be forced to buy that coverage as a part of their policies. My recent blog on this topic is available at www.archmil.org.

In so ruling, the Administration has cast aside the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, denying to Catholics our Nation’s first and most fundamental freedom, that of religious liberty. As a result, unless the rule is overturned, Catholics must be prepared either to violate our consciences or to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties for doing so). The Administration’s sole concession was to give Catholic institutions one year to comply.

We cannot—we will not—comply with this unjust law. People of faith cannot be made second class citizens. We are already joined by our brothers and sisters of all faiths and many others of good will in this important effort to regain our religious freedom. Our parents and grandparents did not come to these shores to help build America’s cities and towns, its infrastructure and institutions, its enterprise and culture, only to have their posterity stripped of their God-given rights. In generations past, the Church has always been able to count on the faithful to stand up and protect her sacred rights and duties. I hope and trust she can count on this generation of Catholics to do the same. Our children and grandchildren deserve nothing less.

I would ask of you two things. First, as a community of faith we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty may be restored. Without God, we can do nothing; with God, nothing is impossible. Second, I recommend visiting www.usccb.org/conscience, to learn more about this severe assault on religious liberty, and how to contact Congress in support of legislation that would reverse the Administration’s decision.

We cannot stand idle and allow the infringement of government in the practice of our faith.

With assurance of prayers, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Jerome E. Listekti
Most Reverend Jerome E. Listekti
Archbishop of Milwaukee
THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, Feb. 13
7:30 to 8:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration before Mass
9:00 to 10:30 am  Blood Pressure Screening, Parish Center
4:30 to 5:30 pm  Grades 1-5 Religious Ed classes

Tuesday, Feb. 14
7:30 to 8:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration before Mass
8:30 to 9:30 am  Food Pantry Open, North Lake Church

Wednesday, Feb. 15
7:30 to 8:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration before Mass
4:30 to 5:30 pm  Grades 1-5 Religious Ed classes
4:30 to 8:30 pm  Grade 6, Tyne Out Center
7:00 to 8:30 pm  Grades 7-8 Religious Ed classes
7:00 to 8:30 pm  Grades 9 Religious Ed classes

Thursday, Feb. 16
7:00 pm  Choir Rehearsal, North Lake church

Friday, Feb. 17
7:30 to 8:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration before Mass

Saturday, Feb. 18
8:30 to 9:30 am  Food Pantry Open, North Lake Church
3:30 pm  Sacrament of Reconciliation, North Lake
4:30 pm  Mass, North Lake church

Sunday, Feb. 19
9:15 am  Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
Preschool/Kgn Religious Ed classes
After 9:30 am Mass  First Communion Parent/student meeting

Stations of the Cross
Please note that during Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be offered twice a week at our parish. Monday mornings after the 8:00 am Mass (Feb. 27), and Friday evenings at 7:00 pm at North Lake (Feb. 24).

LOST & FOUND AT THE PARISH OFFICE
We have found glasses, sunglasses, hats, gloves, and children’s books. Also a 50 foot tape measure found at the barn on the parish land. The items are available for retrieval at the parish office, Monday thru Thursday, 9am to 3pm.

Weekday Mass Intentions
We are in need of Weekday Mass Intentions! They make thoughtful gifts for a special person or event. Mass Intentions are also given in memory of a deceased loved one. A $10 offering per Mass is requested. Contact Mary Jo at 966-2191 for more information.

Requested Food Pantry Item of the Week:
Rice / Rice-A-Roni

FEBRUARY ALTAR FLOWERS
Gert Arndorfer by Diane, Erna & Judie
Josiane Burkhart by Steve & Vivianne Whitcomb
George & Alice Cunningham by Chuck & Mary Mazza
Bill Schuck by Fran Schuck
Mary Jo Solwold by Christian & Jessica Rice
Bill & Gaye Stemper by a Friend
Ruth Sukup by Andrew Sukup
Rosalie Turinske by the Murel Family
Active Military, Veterans & Their Families
by Bob & Jean Schlidt

Would you please pray for a priest each day?
Sunday, Feb. 12  Rev. James Ernster
Monday, Feb. 13  Rev. Michael Erwin
Tuesday, Feb. 14  Rev. Aaron Esch
Wednesday, Feb. 15  Rev. Edward Eschweiler
Thursday, Feb. 16  Rev. Paul Esser
Friday, Feb. 17  Rev. Thomas Falt
Saturday, Feb. 18  Rev. Ramon Santacana Feliu
Sunday, Feb. 19  All Salvatorian Priests
The coordinator organizes the volunteers to serve Mass. The schedule for Saturday, February 18, 2012, includes:

**Mass: 4:30 PM North Lake**
- **Proclaimer**: Pauline Langenfeld
- **Eucharistic Ministers**: Denise Triscari-CS, Tom Triscari-C, Lori Haizel-PS
- **Sacristan**: Pauline Langenfeld
- **Cantor / Organist**: Mary Claire Ramm / TBA
- **Servers**: Jack & Maggie Cookley
- **Ushers**: Jim & Cheryl Krause

**Sunday, February 19, 2012**

**Mass: 8:00 AM North Lake**
- **Proclaimer**: Geno Smith
- **Eucharistic Ministers**: Rich Kreuser-CS, Don Bethke-C, Nancy Kreuser-PS
- **Sacristan**: Linda Maltby
- **Cantor / Organist**: Teri Moseler / TBA
- **Servers**: Scott & Jack Pulvermacher
- **Ushers**: Kent Maltby & Steve Ruder

**Mass: 9:30 AM North Lake**
- **Proclaimer**: Candice Ringberg
- **Eucharistic Ministers**: Lori Matulevich-CS, Bob Zanotti-C, Kelly Conley-PS
- **Sacristan**: Mary Jo Romportl
- **Cantor / Organist**: Choir Member & Choir / Erickson/Pat Zenk
- **Servers**: Tyler Matulevich & Peter Olson
- **Ushers**: Gene Arndorfer & Jonathan Matulevich
- **Greeters**: Ron & Diane Reel

**Mass: 10:30 AM Monches**
- **Proclaimer**: Maureen Jacobi
- **Eucharistic Ministers**: Betty Guex-CS, Phil Knoebel-C, Jeff Guex-Ps
- **Sacristan**: Vivianne Whitcomb
- **Cantor / Organist**: Marcy Pagel / Pat Zenk
- **Servers**: Gracie Knoebel & Bridget Cull
- **Ushers**: Mike O’Driscoll & Earl Cull
- **Greeters**: Dave & Dianne Lassa

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**Gentlemen of Blessed Teresa!**

We have your name on a ticket for the 2012 Men of Christ Conference on Saturday, March 3rd at the Milwaukee Theatre. **BRING YOUR SONS. Sign-up Sunday will be next week after all Masses!**

- 6:30 - 8:30 AM: Registration
- 7:00 AM: Morning Mass - Optional (doors will be locked during Mass).
- 9:00 AM: Conference Begins with blessing from Bishop Hying. Master of Ceremonies is Father Ken Omernick, Pastor, St. Charles Parish.
- 9:30 AM: Steve Ray; Dale Alhquist.
- 11:30 AM: Lunch, Confessions, Fellowship.
- 1:00 PM: Mark Houck; Father/Son Blessing & Consecration to Sacred Heart of Jesus; Hector Morlina.
- 4:00 PM: Mass with Archbishop Listecki.

Through a generous donation by a fellow parishioner, Blessed Teresa men are able to receive $10 off of the group rate ticket price by contacting Kent Maltby, 538-4019, kmaltby@wi.rr.com or Kim Dax, 673-9723, kim@selecpac.com. More information can be found at www.menofchrist.net.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Kettle Moraine Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a bus to the Men of Christ Conference on March 3rd to Milwaukee. It will leave from Queen of Apostles School in Pewaukee for those who wish to ride. Time to be determined.

**TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

Catholics unable to participate in parish Mass because of illness, frailty, inclement weather or other circumstances find spiritual blessing through “My Sunday Mass” on TV. Heart of the Nation, a nonprofit Catholic ministry, provides the weekly TV Mass and a free, large-print guide for use during Mass. For information on where to watch, or to order the Prayer & Worship Guide, log onto www.HeartoftheNation.org or call toll-free 1 (855) 855-MASS.

**FASTING NORMS**

In addition to choosing their own penitential practices, Catholics are also asked to observe the practices of fast & abstinence during the 40 days of Lent. The norms are as follows:

a) Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent;

b) Catholics 18 years of age and under 59 years of age are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one’s 59th birthday.)

c) On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other smaller meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

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**THANK YOU FROM LOAVES AND FISHES!**

Thank you to all our bakers, servers and financial supporters! Our next Loaves & Fishes meal is September 9, 2012.

We are still looking for a volunteer or volunteers to serve as Loaves and Fishes Coordinator(s) for Blessed Teresa. As a member of Loaves and Fishes, our parish sponsors two meals per year for the homeless/needy at the Hope Center in Waukesha. The coordinator organizes the volunteers to serve and prepare these meals. Contact Shaun Pavlic for more information @ (262) 751-9406 or the parish office.

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**DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ARTICLES**

Articles are due by Monday morning, 10:00am for the following week’s bulletin. Items received after the deadline may be held. roberta@blteresaparish.org
Soon you can discover the rich heritage of the Catholic Church in an epic media experience. Word on Fire Catholic Ministries with Fr. Robert Barron offers a vision of the Catholic Faith, which has never before been seen. This vision seeks to explore through a global journey, the living culture of the Catholic Church. From the lands of the Bible, to the great shrines of Europe, to the shores and heartland of America, to the mysteries of Asia, to the rich landscapes of Latin America, to the beating heart of Africa and beyond, witness the passion and glory of the faith that claims over a billion of the earth's people as its own.

Come experience our faith as never before. Bring your family, friends, those who have left the Catholic faith. You won't be disappointed. Mark your calendars! Come to any or all three topic sessions (for your convenience, we are presenting each topic on three different days of the week).

**WORD MADE FLESH, TRUE BREAD OF HEAVEN— THE MYSTERY OF THE CHURCH’S SACRAMENT & WORSHIP**

*Monday, February 27th 4:30-5:30 p.m. in Clare Hall with refreshments—DVD Viewing Only*

*Tuesday, February 28th 8:45-10:15 a.m. Parish Center, with refreshments— DVD Viewing & Discussion with Fr. Tony*

*Wednesday, February 29th 7-8:30 p.m. In Clare Hall with light supper at 6:15 p.m. followed by DVD Viewing & Discussion*

Fr. Barron explores the ancient practices of the Church’s worship that endure to this very day, and the notion that “all value is summed up in the liturgy, the supreme act by which we commune with God.” Considered by the Catholic Faith to be “the source and summit” of its identity and mission, the Eucharist is the central practice of the Church’s culture. Fr. Barron shows how the Sacred Liturgy embodies the whole of the Faith.

**A VAST COMPANY OF WITNESSES—THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

*Monday, March 12th 4:30-5:30 p.m. in Clare Hall with refreshments—DVD Viewing Only*

*Tuesday, March 13th 8:45-10:15 a.m. Parish Center, with refreshments—DVD Viewing & Discussing with Fr. Tony*

*Wednesday, March 14th 7-8:30 p.m. in Clare Hall with light supper at 6:15 p.m. followed by DVD Viewing & Discussion*

The story of the Church is told in the examples of those men and women who dedicated their lives to knowing and serving Jesus Christ. The Catholic Faith is made visible in real human lives. Fr. Barron gives consideration to some of the Church’s greatest heroes, and demonstrates how their extraordinary examples display both the passion and creative potential of the Catholic Church. Highlighting Katharine Drexel, Therese of Lisieux, Edith Stein, and Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Fr. Barron tells the story of the Church as a vast company of witness who are called by Christ to be a Communion of Saints.

**OUR TAINTED NATURE’S SOLITARY BOAST— MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD**

*Monday, March 26th 4:30-5:30 p.m. in Clare Hall with refreshments—DVD Viewing Only*

*Tuesday, March 27th 8:45-10:15 a.m. Parish Center, with refreshments— DVD Viewing & Discussion with Fr. Tony*

*Wednesday, March 28th 7-8:30 p.m. in Clare Hall with light supper at 6:15 p.m. followed by DVD Viewing & Discussion*

In this session Fr. Barron correlates the Catholic Faith’s testimony to the revelation of God in Christ with the vivid practices of reverence offered to his Mother. Mary is explained as “an on-going presence, an actor in the life of the Church.”
Outside the Parish

Are You Up for the Challenge of the Roman Catholic Church in the 21st Century?
Tuesday, February 28 – 7:8:30 pm
Presented by John L. Allen, Jr. – Author and Vatican Analyst
Reception and book signing to follow
Mount Mary College – Bergstrom Hall
2900 N Menomonee River Parkway, Milwaukee
Enter Visitor’s Parking Lot off of 92nd St. (Swan Blvd) Cost: $10
Pre-register at www.johnpaul2center.org or 414-758-2201
John Allen, author of six best-selling books on the Catholic Church; including his latest book, People of Hope (about Cardinal-elect Dolan), will be fresh from his trip to Rome and the elevation of Archbishop Dolan to Cardinal. He will discuss this event, and on the challenges the Catholic Church faces in the 21st century. Allen will delve into the impact of globalization and other issues the Church will have to respond to in the years ahead. For more information: Randy Nohl, nohlr@archmil.org or 414-758-2216.

Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer
February 22, 2012
Arrive 9:30 am Registration; Depart 3:00 pm
Begin your Lenten journey with a day of prayer. This day of reflection at the beginning of Lent will include a Conference, Stations of the Cross, Individual Reconciliation and Celebration of the Eucharist and lunch. Presenters: The Redemptorist Staff Cost: $15.00 To register: Call 262-567-6900 or visit us on the web at www.redemptoristcenter.com.
Redemptorist Retreat Center
1800 N Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Natural Family Planning Course
Have you ever thought about what unnatural birth control methods really do to your body? To your marriage? The Couple to Couple League has the answers and more. Attend a short three-session course and learn the Sympto-Thermal Method, a natural method of family planning that is safe, effective and morally acceptable. Great for achieving as well as postponing pregnancy.
St. Jerome Parish will be offering the natural family planning course on three Mondays — March 19, April 16, and May 14 — from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Marian Hall. Free child care will be available. Course fee is $150/couple (includes all study and instructional materials; mailed to you after registration and before the first class). To register go to the Couple to Couple website — www.ccli.org — click on the red button on the right side that says “Search/Register for class” and follow the instructions on the next screen to search for classes in Wisconsin. To register for child care, please call Cheryl at the St. Jerome Parish Office, 569-3020.
St. Ann Center welcomes old, used, vintage jewelry which we resale to the public to subsidize our frail elderly and disabled clients who otherwise can’t afford the cost of their care. Drop off or send your jewelry donations to St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care, 2801 E. Morgan Avenue, Milwaukee WI 53207.

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“Put Your Faith in Action! Uproot Poverty Together”
Catholic youth in grades 7 – 12 within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee are invited to enter the 2012 Multi-Media Youth Art Contest, “Put Faith in Action! Uproot Poverty Together.” Learn about poverty in the U.S. and how our Catholic faith calls us to respond, then create a unique piece of art – music, video, short story or photography – that will be shared with others. Submit entries to the Office of Social Justice Ministry by February 28, 2012 for a chance to win $500. For complete contest rules, visit tinyurl.com/2012Contest or call (414) 758-2285.

VOCATIONS: For those discerning God’s call to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life, please contact the Office of Vocations at (414) 747-6437 or vocations@sfs.edu.

From our Liturgy & Music Consultant, Bill Erickson
A ‘NEW’ HYMNAL AT A GREAT PRICE!
At Blessed Teresa parish we have used Breaking Bread, a paperback edition that is updated annually, and, for over twenty years, the early edition of a hardbound hymnal, Gather. Since its first printing (1988), this and other hymnals from the same publisher have had several updates, usually versions that offer more choices to parishes in order to accommodate a growing number of composers and styles of accompaniment including - but not limited to - guitar or organ. In the last few months we added the newest Breaking Bread along with our Congregational Response cards as further aids to praying the Mass with new texts. When the newest books were added, we put aside the well worn Gather books to give us some time to focus on new words and also to decide whether a new supplement such as Gather would still be needed in the future, used only occasionally or discarded entirely.

Last month, Allen Olson learned that a parish was making their older hymnals available free of charge and first-come-first-served to anyone interested in picking them up. We discovered that the books were the expanded version of a newer Gather, published in 1994, for which we have had only choir and instrumental editions for the past few years. On the weekend they were made available, Allen and Ellen along with family members and other generous helpers went to Holy Apostles parish in New Berlin, loaded a pick up truck with three dozen 35 pound boxes and delivered them to Zirbes hall where they were stored. Recently, Mary Jo Romportl coordinated a crew of Prayer and Worship Commission members to inspect, label and insert the newly acquired books in the pews at North Lake and Monches.

It is thought that Gather Comprehensive, while not the newest version available, is a reasonable and very useful replacement supplement for the time being. The books are generally in very good condition, and the number of songs can expand our repertoire for use at Masses with contemporary groups as well as choirs and cantors. The editors describe this work as one which serves parishes “whose music programs tend to utilize a greater amount of contemporary ‘folk’ art music than classical organ-based music.. The mix is approximately 70-30.” While we currently use the sustaining support of electronic organs in both churches, and our mix or contemporary to classical is a about 50-50, we value the addition of a supplementary hymnal which has over 200 standard classical hymns. Although the new Roman Missal Mass responses (e.g. Gloria, Sanctus) are not contained in this book used, the numbers of other usable songs and hymns greatly expand our choices, add some songs new to us and also restore some of our favorite psalm settings and songs to our parish repertoire.

Thanks to the staff at Holy Apostles, the generous offer of the Olsons and the committee organized by Mary Jo Romportl and our Prayer and Worship Commission for restoring an edition of Gather for our participation at Mass.

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The LORD is my Light and my Salvation;
Whom shall I fear? – Psalm 27:1