

*Notes from
Fr. Dean*



Dear Parishioners,

February 2 is the feast of the **Presentation of the Lord in the Temple**. Jesus is manifested as the Light of the World. This fourth Joyful mystery of the Rosary is typically

celebrated with the blessing of candles for liturgical use. **Mass will be offered at 6:00 pm Monday**. We gather in the vestibule to bless the candles, recalling that as followers of Jesus we are to be the light of Christ amidst the darkness in the world. Since **February 3 is the Memorial of St. Blaise**, at the conclusion of the Mass, the blessed candles will be used for the Blessing of Throats. "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from all illnesses of the throat and all other parts of the body, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The blessing of throats will also be given at the 6:45 am Mass Tuesday, the memorial of St. Blaise.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

7 pm Monday February 2:

Fourteen people of the parish offered to serve on the Pastoral Council. The names were placed in a bowl and following prayer recalling the selection of Saint Matthias to fulfill the Apostolic ministry, the following people are called to serve on the Pastoral Council: 3 year terms: Sarah Kerley, Sally Czapar, Tracy McDermott; 2 year term: Bob Bernzen; 1 year term: Teri Dambacher. These join the present members of 2 year terms: Gary Helling and Carol Gadert; and 1-year term of Therese Vinson and Aaron Toliver. I increased the membership on the Council to give added representation and input regarding the counsel given me regarding the parish. Again I am grateful to LuAnn Eifert, Chairperson, and Steve Warren, Vice-chairperson for their service of 5 or more years on the Council.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER for the SICK on **Wednesday, February 11**, will include **Mass with the Anointing of the Sick at 11:00 am**. A luncheon will follow the liturgy. Please RSVP to the Parish office (498-9197) for the luncheon.

Please pray for the sick, the confined, and for their families:



- Phillip Goraczkowski** (Ruth Helling's brother)
- Maude & John Kenworth** (Parishioners)
- Joe Spannagel** (Jill Whitney's father)
- Jane Luecking Hogan** (Nancy

- (Kruse's sister)
- Margaret Angeli** (Trish Leach's niece)
- Kathy Smith** (Wendy Reeves' mother)

(Note: Names will remain on the active prayer list for three weeks unless a request is made to extend it for an additional three weeks.)

With heartfelt sympathy we pray for the repose of the souls of:

- Frances Ziegler**, mother of Jim Ziegler
- Jerry Hovey**, son or Maureen Hovey and brother of Lloyd Hovey
- Brent Stadts**, nephew of Brad Zack
- Pamela Mizeur**, former parishioner
- Fred Ashton**, brother-in-law of Gary Dumonceaux



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

Sunday – February 1

- 7:55 a** Scout Presentation of Colors
- 9:10 a** PSR Classes

Monday – February 2

- 9:00 a** Collection Counting Team 4 - (Deimel, Benson, Egizio, Peters)
- 6:00 p** Mass with Blessing of Candles and St. Blaise Blessing of Throats
- 7:00 p** Pastoral Council Mtg.

Tuesday – February 3

- 6:30 p** Liturgy Committee Meeting

Wednesday – February 4

- 5:30 p** Children's Choir Practice
- 6:30 p** PSR Classes
- 6:30 p** RCIA
- 7:45 p** Choir Practice

Thursday – Feb 5

- 7:00 p** Building Committee Mtg.
- Youth Mission Trip Lasagna Sale Continues**

Sunday – February 8

- 9:10 a** PSR Classes
- 6:30 p** HS Electives



Jenna & Ron Williams and daughter, Alaina
3801 Cranleigh Blvd., Springfield, IL

LITURGISTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – Feb 7-8

Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday 5:30pm	Sunday 8:00am	Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	Settles/Scheufele/Tomashavich	Rayhill/Atkinson/Deacon Tom	Hostetler/Hanke/Clare
Hospitality	Ashbaugh/Auxier	Toliver/Walker	Clare/Bertrand
Servers	L&K Feraris / P&J Jones	McClintock & Lauwerens Fam.	Bax Family
Mass Coordinator	R&B Doherty/Freveletti	C, J & J Merriman	G, L & A Henson
Church Dusters for the week of Feb. 2	Frances Tomashavich	Brenda & Brian Will	Jeannette Waters
Art & Environment for next weekend:	Lynn Alewelt & Michelle Bertrand		
Children's Liturgy of the Word for next weekend:	Marilyn Merkley		
	Pete Gegen and Frances Tomashavich		

MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 31 Sat	5:30 p	Ken Feraris Sr. †
Feb 01 Sun	8:00 a	Dolores Gorackowski †
	10:30 a	Leo Probst–Anniv of death†
Feb 02 Mon	6:00 p	Joseph Bloemer †
Feb 03 Tue	6:45 a	Our Parish Family
Feb 04 Wed	11:00 a	Bill Sinkus †
Feb 05 Thu	6:45 a	All Souls †
Feb 06 Fri	8:00 a	Tony Krager †
Feb 07 Sat	5:30 p	Rose Beeve †
Feb 08 Sun	8:00 a	Mary Ann Nelson †
	10:30 a	Our Parish Family

Daily Readings

Sun. -	Dt 18:15-20 ; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 ; 1 Cor 7:32-35 ; Mk 1:21-28
Mon. -	Mal 3:1-4 ; Ps 24:7-10 ; Heb 2:14-18 ; Lk 2:22-40
Tue -	Heb 12:1-4 ; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32 ; Mk 5:21-43
Wed. -	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 ; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18 ; Mk 6:1-6
Thu. -	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24 ; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11 ; Mk 6:7-13
Fri. -	Heb 13:1-8 ; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8-9 ; Mk 6:14-29
Sat. -	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 ; Ps 23:1-6 ; Mk 6:30-34
Sun. -	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 ; Ps 147:1-6 ; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 ; Mk 1:29-39

OUR GIFT TO GOD Fiscal Year 7/1/08 – 6/30/09

	Year to Date	Last Sunday
Collection	\$176,273.70	\$ 6,265.00
Electronic Funds	\$ 28,107.00	\$ 0.00
Bldg. Dev. Fund	\$ 11,513.00	\$ 198.00
EFT – Dev. Fund	\$ 3,068.00	\$ 0.00
Poor Fund	\$ 1,035.62	\$ 43.56

Children's Stewardship Offering to God My good deed was . . .

I gave away some of my toys.
Helped wash AJ's hair.
I did my chores without asking.
I cleaned up my room when my parents told me to.
I helped my sisters clean up the basement.

Stewardship Message

Moses told the people, "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you from among your own kinsmen." God still provides among His people the gifts and talents necessary to continue the work of His Church. What gifts are yours to share?



Just a Reminder...

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ATTENTION SCOUTS – Please see the bulletin board at the entrance of the church for various Catholic Religious Emblem Awards that are available

for the scouts to earn. Awards are based on the age of the scouts. Sign up for the award you are interested in earning. Specific award information will be provided to you later this month.

WANTED: Gently Used First Communion Dresses

We are looking for "gently worn" First Communion dresses that could be sold to other parishioners. You would be asked to price your dress and, if sold, would collect the full amount. If you have a First Communion dress that you no longer want and would like to sell please call Dan at the parish office or contact him at dfrachey@rochesterstjude.com so that we can decide if there is enough interest to pursue this. Thank you!

LOTTERY WINNERS\$ Jan 26 – Feb 1

Mon. Evelyn Cannon
Tue. St. Martin's Food Pantry (Garceau)
Wed. Chuck Harris
Thu. Shirley Crawford
Fri. St. Jude Development Fund (Baker)
Sat. Gary Ryan
Sun. \$100 Jack Merkley

Please pick up your lottery checks in the Sacristy!

Benson, Blasko, Bortmess, Brady, Carel, Chepulis, Day, Downey(Tuxhorn) Duban, Duesterhas-2, Eicholz, Gillespie (Norris) (Gramlich, Hankins, Kimberlin, Kincaid, Leach McCue, Park, Presney, Reid, Schultz, Wuellner

I am a Life Scout in Boy Scout Troop 58 and I am working on my Eagle Scout Project. This Project is to restore a shrine at the Villa Maria in Springfield, The intention of this project is to make the shrine look beautiful again and brighten up the grounds of the Villa Maria. Money will be needed to complete this project. A **Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Fundraiser** will be held on Sunday, February 15th at the parish center of St. Jude Church from 8 a.m. to noon. The cost of this event will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 4-11. Your support will be greatly appreciated!
Ryan Brown



Why Catholic Spring Sessions Are Starting Soon!

Let your faith grow as you learn more about what it means to be a Catholic. Small discussion groups are already formed but there is room for more! Sessions begin the week of **February 22** And will meet once a week for 6 weeks in the Spring. This is a great chance to meet your fellow parishioners and learn more about your Catholic faith. Watch the bulletins for more information soon or contact St. Jude *Why Catholic?* Coordinator Michael Grenda at grendafamily@comcast.net.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Assumption, IL
Annual Turkey Dinner
Sunday, February 8
11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Meal includes: Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, green beans, coffee or tea & dessert.
Carryouts available
Adults \$6; Children 6-12 \$3; 5 and under Free

Riverton Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Friday,
February 6, 4:30 – 7 p.m. Carryouts Available.
Walleye, Catfish, Baked Fish dinners, Walleye Sandwich

Iraqi Family update... Encouraging news has been received regarding the Iraqi family which St. Jude's parishioners have helped financially and with prayers. The family had their second and final interview with the UN just before Christmas. They were told their next interview would be with the US government and would happen within the next two months. In the meantime, the mother and four children are secure in Istanbul, Turkey. The two older boys have not found work and the two younger children are not in school. The father is still in Iraq.

The Welcome Project of Central Illinois, an Interfaith collaboration to bring the family to Illinois, has been able to send money each month to sustain the family. Thank you for donations and prayers.

To continue to help this family, donations may be sent to: Vicki Compton, Office for the Missions, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, 1615 W. Washington, Springfield, IL 62702 - Telephone: 217/698-8500

FATHER PATRICK CAHILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Father Pat played an important role in the lives of hundreds of young men and women, as well as his fellow parishioners. As we enter into another calendar year, St. Jude Knights of Columbus wishes to remind everyone of a scholarship program we initiated in his memory. Since 2003, we are proud to report that six recipients have been awarded a \$500 annually renewable scholarship, and applications for 2009 are now available.

Keep in mind that eligibility is not limited to high school seniors. Full-time students of any post secondary undergraduate school, including but not limited to, private business and professional schools, colleges or universities who meet the following eligibility requirements may submit an application for consideration:

- A 3rd Degree member of KC Council #9640 in good standing, or
- A spouse or child of a 3rd Degree member of KC Council #9640 in good standing, or
- A spouse or child of a deceased 3rd Degree member of KC Council #9640 who had been in good standing, or
- Any registered member of St. Jude Parish, Rochester, IL.

Should you have interest in applying for the 2009 Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship Fund, a completed application must be received by the selection committee no later than April 1st, 2009. Applications can be picked up at the church rectory or downloaded from the St. Jude website.

Lastly, I would be remiss without mentioning that the Knights of Columbus generously contributes annually to the Scholarship Fund. However, to sustain this effort and to possibly increase the number of annual scholarships in the future, the Scholarship Fund needs parishioner support. The Scholarship Fund is recognized by the federal and state governments as a non-profit charitable organization and all contributions are tax deductible. Please consider providing financial support. Contributions made payable to the **Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship Fund** can be placed in the church collection basket. Receipts for tax purposes will be provided.

Thanks in advance for your consideration,
Brian Blough, Trustee

PARISH INFORMATION

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Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst

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Director of Music and Liturgy: Mike Spainhour

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Christian Formation Assistant: Frances Tomashavich

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Eucharistic Ministers:	
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Servers:	
Seth Warren	529-4707
Hospitality:	
Vicki Walker	498-9197
Lectors:	
Nancy Calvert	498-9400
Liturgical Environment:	
Rita Williams	744-9059
Bread Bakers:	
Barb Scheufele	498-8378
Baptismal Gowns	
Ruth Helling	529-4259
RCIA Ministry	
Deacon Tom Walker	498-8651
CLOW (Liturgy of Word with Children)	
Mike Spainhour/Frances Tomashavich	498-9197
Choirs (Adult, Youth and Children)	
Mike Spainhour	498-9197

Mass Coordinators:	
5:30 p	
Kathy Blasko	498-8465
Monica Lower	498-0343
Carmel Settles	498-8140
8:00 a	
Conni & Wayne Hutchinson	529-4198
Carlo & Jan Catalano	585-0555
Brenda & Brian Will	498-6766
Beth & Richard Yong	498-8864
10:30 a	
Emma VanDyke	498-8386
Vicki Walker	498-8651
Jeannette Waters	529-7280

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