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COLLECTION

What is God asking of me? Our response to the Lord last week

Adult: \$10345.00 Plate: \$248.40 Youth: \$69.36

School: \$20.00 Capital Improv: \$1500.00 Other: \$105.00

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday thru Saturday 20 minutes before each daily Mass

Saturday: 4:30-5:20 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:30-9:50 a.m.

Sunday: 7:30-7:50 p.m.

Or by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 6

7:00 a.m. †Erma Johnson/ H & B Schmidt

8:05 a.m. †Bernard Kobza/ Don & Kathy Policky

Tuesday, February 7

7:00 a.m. †Jan Semin/ Leroy Fiala

8:05 a.m.: Intentions of Don & Pat Neuman

Wednesday, February 8

7:00 a.m. †James & Helen Knap/ Family

8:05 a.m. †Alan Hofer/ Peggy Bauer

1:15 p.m. Mass at Brookdale

2:00 p.m. Mass at Greene Place

Thursday, February 9

7:00 a.m. †Gert Kober/ Shirley Sloup

8:05 a.m. †Diane Asche/ Bill & Mary Riha

Friday, February 10

7:00 a.m. Healing Mass Attendee's/ T. Adams

8:05 a.m. †Barbara Barak/ SVDP School

Saturday, February 11

8:00 a.m. †Frank Lyons/ Joan Lyons

5:30 p.m. †Regina Coffey/ G & L Schaben

Sunday, February 12

8:00 a.m. For all parishioners

10:00 a.m. †Terry Mattheissen/ Family

8:00 p.m. †George Krska/ Bernard Krska

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday

February 11 - 5:30 p.m.

Acolyte Kelly Schrad, Chris Greisen

Servers Quinn Zegers, Brady Smith, Bryce Jakub

Lector Bob Brungardt

Greeters Dan Pernicek Family

Cantor Jenny Policky

Sunday

February 12 - 8:00 a.m.

Acolyte Andy Breiner, Jon Dybdal

Servers Mitchell Wingard, Lance Dybdal

Trace Rowland

Lector Tausha Dybdal

Greeters Aaron Busse, CJ Novak

Cantor Stan Mitchell

Sunday

February 12 - 10:00 a.m.

Acolyte Tim Dworak, Scott Wanetka

Servers Connor & Hunter Towle

Ben & Jake Wanetka

Lector Mark Suhr

Greeters Mitch Marshall Family

Cantor John Gill

UPCOMING PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

February

5 Coffee and Rolls after 8 a.m. Mass (Social Hall)

6 RCIA - 7 p.m. (4th/ 5th Grade Classroom)

7 Choir practice - 7 p.m. (Music Room)

8 Mass at Brookdale - 1:15 p.m.

8 Mass at Greene Place - 2:00 p.m.

8 Spirit Mtg. - 7 p.m. (Bottle Rocket)

9 Catholic Education & Youth Mtg - 7 p.m. (Library)

9 Spirituality Mtg - 8 p.m. (Cry Room)

9 Connectedness Mtg - 7:30 p.m. (Music Room)

9 Pre-School & Kindergarten Mtg - 7 p.m. (Social Hall)

10 Bunco Party - 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. (Social Hall)

Spend An Hour With The Lord?

Holy Hour with Adoration

Feb. 5th (Today) @ 1 p.m.

2017 Knights of Columbus Scholarships:

Knights of Columbus Council 8469 will award 3 Scholarships for 2017. A letter announcing the Scholarships was forwarded by mail to all Seniors registered in St Vincent de Paul Parish on Feb 1st. An application form was included. The letter includes application instructions and the criteria used to select the winners. Note that the scholarship applications are due by Mar 26th. If there are any questions on the scholarship applications, contact Dan Pernicek, Scholarship Chairman at dpernicke@farmersco-operative.com

Special Thanks

A great big thank you to all the PTO officers and parents who helped make Catholic Schools Week a big success for the students. Your help and things you did for the students and staff are greatly appreciated. God Bless You.
- SVDP PTO Officers

#BeAWitness - The 44th annual National Walk For Life

After a total of 48 hours on a tour bus, lunch and suppers at malls and truck stops, visits to the Holocaust Museum, watching the Changing of the Guard at Arlington Cemetery, touring Gettysburg, hearing Vice President Mike Pence speak, and walking two miles down Constitution Avenue in Washington DC surrounded by 650,000+ other young adults and teenagers; the 44th annual March For Life pilgrimage has come to an end. One major theme that came across during the Walk was a call for all the youth to 'Be A Witness.' These words were a commission from Christ to his disciples as he was ascending to heaven, asking his disciples to carry his mission forward to all the ends of the earth. All of us are called to be Christ's disciples,

and you saw that reality being lived out in the lives of the hundreds of thousands of youth that were Marching For Life. Throughout the entire trip by their prayer, joy, passion, and zeal to stand up for life; they have made and will continue to make tremendous impact on our society for the better. During a time when other marches and protests have gone on in our nation which are marked by destruction of property, suppression of others with differing views, and childish out lashes against authority; this March For Life was marked by prayer, hope and an openness to each individual to help bring them to Christ. This is the kind of witness that Christ calls for. And these are the witnesses who were at the March For Life and have now gone home to their local communities to bring that message of Christ to all peoples. Thank all of you for your prayers and support on our pilgrimage to the Walk For Life and I ask that you continue to pray that the work which was begun on the Walk continues to bear fruit. Nothing would be greater than returning to Washington DC next year, not for the 45th annual Walk for Life, but instead for the 1st annual celebration of an abortion free America!
-Fr. Salisbury

Musical Notes

Adult choir practice will be February 7th and 14th at 7pm, February 19th at 9am and will then sing at the 10am Mass. Anyone 7th grade or older is welcome to join.

Coming Soon
New Pictorial Directories
Watch bulletin for details!!!

Sacrament of the Sick Next Weekend – World Day of the Sick, Feb. 11 *From Pope Francis' Message on the World Day Sick:*

This Day is an opportunity to reflect on the needs of the sick and of all those who suffer. It is also an occasion for those who generously assist the sick, beginning with family members, health workers and volunteers, to give thanks for their God-given vocation of accompanying our infirm brothers and sisters. This celebration likewise gives the Church renewed spiritual energy for carrying out ever more fully that fundamental part of her mission which includes serving the poor, the infirm, the suffering, the outcast and the marginalized (cf. John Paul II, *Motu Proprio Dolentium Hominum*, 11 Feb 1985, 1).

On this Twenty-fifth World Day of the Sick, I once more offer my prayerful support and encouragement to physicians, nurses, volunteers and all those consecrated men and women committed to serving the sick and those in need. I also embrace the ecclesial and civil institutions working to this end, and the families who take loving care of their sick. I pray that all may be ever joyous signs of the presence of God's love and imitate the luminous testimony of so many friends of God, including Saint John of God and Saint Camillus de' Lellis, the patrons of hospitals and healthcare workers, and Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, missionary of God's love.

*Mary, our Mother,
in Christ you welcome each of us as a son or daughter.
Sustain the trusting expectation of our hearts,
succour us in our infirmities and sufferings,
and guide us to Christ, your Son and our brother.
Help us to entrust ourselves to the Father who accomplishes
great things. Amen.*

Kitchen Request

Please donate clean, empty topping containers and lids to the church kitchen. These are for storing and sending home left over foods after funeral dinners. Thank you to all who donate food to the funeral meals. To make sure you get your container back, label the bowl or pan and lid. The container does not need to be fancy. It is frustrating to use a keepsake bowl and have it disappear. If you see a bowl with the name of someone you can deliver it to, please do so. Unmarked, unclaimed bowls will be reused if possible or recycled. Thank you.

Donations

Just two weeks remain to donate money and items to the Spirit auction. Check out the Giving Wall in the narthex for donation ideas. Donor forms are available in the narthex. All donations need to be turned into the church office by Wednesday, February 15.

Table Dinner Reservations

Table reservation forms for tables of 12 are now available in the narthex. Table reservations are due March 12. Spirit Dinner & Auction tickets will be available beginning Feb. 25 and will continue through March 12. Tickets are \$50. Dinner will be catered by Kerry's of McCool Junction and will include your choice of prime rib, chicken marsala, or a vegetarian option.

Bunco Night

Brush up on your dice game in time for Spirit 2017: Raise Your Spirit - Vegas Style.! Mark your calendars for Friday, February 10 for Bunco Night. Cost is \$20 per person or \$30 if you bring a partner. All proceeds will be used to purchase items for the Spirit auction. The fun begins at 7 pm in the Social Hall. Come enjoy a fun dice game, good company and snacks and drinks. A sign-up form is available in the narthex.

**2017 Spirit Dinner & Auction News
April 1, 2017**

Seward Family Night will be held at the United Methodist Church in Seward on Tues, Feb. 7th.

SENIOR GP MASS this Wednesday, February 8, at St. Gregory the Great Seminary. Please meet there at 7 pm.

AMIGOS—THANK YOU! Thank you to Brandon and Lisa Lindau, and their Sophomore Godteens, for working the recent fundraiser!! We also thank the Seward Amigos for continuing to offer this opportunity to us!

First Penance: Saturday, February 25, at 9 a.m., for students making their First Communion.

First Communion is Sunday, April 30 at 1 p.m.

Confirmation is Sunday, March 12 at 2 p.m.

Baccalaureate Mass is Sunday, May 14 at 10 a.m.

Recycled Paper Always Needed

The school uses recycled paper to print worksheets and craft projects on in the copier. Please save any colored or white 8 ½" x 11" sized paper for the church and school to use. Please make sure it is this size and clean of staples or spilled liquids. The paper needs be able to run through our copy machine.



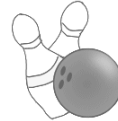
Thank you for your help!

Sign up now

Preschool Enrollment is now open for the school year of 2017-2018. If you are interested in your child attending, please call the school office. 402-643-9525

ATTN: Altar Servers

The Knights will be hosting an outing for the servers at the Seward Bowling Alley on Sunday February 12th from 1:00 to 3:00. It's a small token of our appreciation for what the servers bring to our Parish. All servers will be provided shoes and all 8 lanes are reserved for the boys to bowl as many games as they can in the two hours. We hope all servers



Strategic Plan Update Meeting

SVDP School started the process to create a Strategic Plan, which is almost complete. There will be an Open Forum meeting on **Feb 13th at 7pm in the Social Hall**. We will review the Strategic Plan and get your input before it is printed. Everyone in the school, parish and community is invited to attend. *For more information, please contact our Strategic Planning Coordinator Eva Fujan at eva-fujan@cdolinc.net.*

Affordable Housing



If you know of anyone in need of affordable housing, there are several openings at the Manor Apartments in Seward. Call Mary Miner at (402) 643-3472 for more information.

DDP Each May

Every May we pledge to the Charity & Stewardship campaign (DDP) for the diocese. Of the \$56,300 pledged in our parish, \$42,200 has been paid. The campaign sends this money to a variety of our diocesan programs as well as sending some back to our parish. So far we have received \$10,200 for our parish needs. Thank you for your generosity to DDP. You are helping to support God's kingdom on the parish and the diocesan level.

Defund Planned Parenthood Rally in Lincoln February 11

On Feb 11th, pro-lifers across the country will hold rallies at Planned Parenthood facilities, calling for an immediate end to that organization's federal funding. Come for 1 hour of silent prayer in union with thousands of pro-lifers across the country that our government defund Planned Parenthood! Signs will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. **Sat, Feb 11, from 10-11 a.m. at Planned Parenthood, 5631 So 48th Street, Lincoln.**