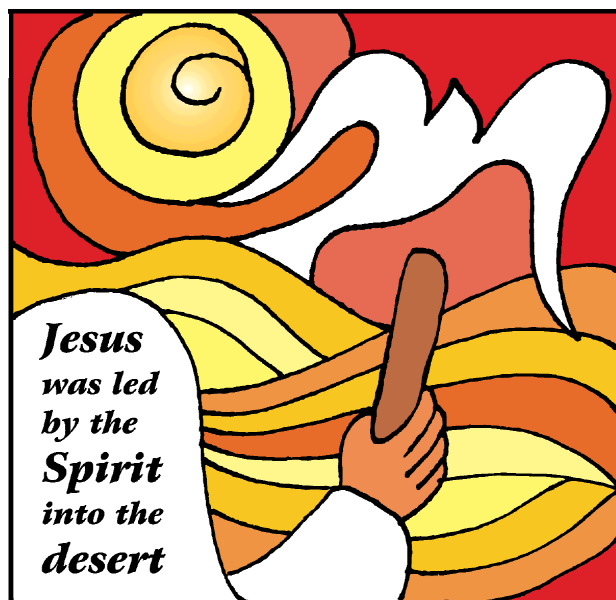


FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 13, 2011

"The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."— Matthew 4:10

Liturgy Intentions for the Week March 14th - March 20th



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- Monday
7:00 PM Enes Naldi
- Tuesday
9:00 AM Robert DeKeyser by Don & Elaine Keating
- Wednesday
9:00 AM
- Thursday
No Liturgy
- Friday
9:00 AM
- Saturday
5:30 PM Twila Albright by the Knights of Columbus
- Sunday
8:00 AM Intentions of Bishop Joseph Gossman, D.D. by the parish
11:00 AM Intentions of Fr. Gene Grabowski by the parish

Today's Readings

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalm — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

Readings for the Week

Monday	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Sunday	Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday	First Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins
Thursday	St. Patrick
Friday	St. Cyril of Jerusalem; Abstinence
Saturday	St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Martes	Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Miércoles	Jon 3:1-10; Lc 11:29-32
Jueves	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
Viernes	Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Sábado	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a o Lc 2:41-51a
Domingo	Gn 12:1-4a; Sal 33 (32); 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9



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Happenings for the Week

Monday—March 14

6:30 PM Respect Human Life Rosary

7:30 PM Parish Council

Tuesday—March 15

8:30 AM Rosary for Life

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration commences

Wednesday—March 16

8:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration concludes

9:00 AM Homeschool Mass

Thursday—March 17

7:00 PM Choir Practice—6th to Adult

Friday—March 18

8:30 AM Pro Life Rosary

5:30 PM Soup & Bread Supper

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday—March 19

5:00 PM Pro Life Rosary

Sunday—March 20

7:30 AM Rosary for Lost Souls

9:15 AM Faith Formation K-5th grades

10:30 AM Rosary for the Military & their families

12:00 PM Faith Formation 6th grade—Confirmation

1:00 PM High School Ministry Meeting

Stewardship

February 26th & 27th: Offertory: \$ 5,713.35

Building Fund: \$ 1,460.50

Great job and many thanks Thora Keating and Jim & Joanne Flexer for their time & efforts to this ministry.

A sincere **THANK YOU** to all our parishioners and visitors for your tremendous generosity and continuous contributions to the support of St. Mildred.



Any parishioner needing a Contribution Statement for the Income Tax year 2010 can request one through the St. Mildred website or you may pick up a request form in the hall of the Parish Center. Requests for statements will be available January through May.

Eucharistic Adoration

...takes place weekly starting at 9:30am on Tuesday and continuing until 8:30am on Wednesday. All are welcome. Come & spend some quiet time in the Lord's presence. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer or substitute for maintaining the vigil during Adoration, please call Don Keating at 252.393.6106.



Upcoming Meetings

Our **Parish Council** will hold their next meeting on March 14th at 7:30 PM. All parishioners are encouraged and welcomed to attend. See you there!

The next **Homeschool Mass** will be March 16th, 2011 at 9:00 AM. All are welcome!



The **4th Degree Assembly** of the Knights of Columbus will have their next meeting at 6:30 PM on March 23rd at Captain Charlie's. This is a social/dinner meeting & wives are invited. We will order from the menu & the attire is tuxedo with social baldric. If attending please notify Brian Daneker at (252) 765-2172 or Wayne Crump at (910) 326-2657.

The Knights of Columbus will have their business meeting on April 4th at 7:30 PM, **after** attending the 7:00PM Liturgy.



The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held on Wednesday, April 13 beginning with Mass at 10 AM. The meeting will follow Mass along with a luncheon and the assembly of the Community Baskets. Please join us and bring a friend.

Music Ministry News - Anyone 6th grade to adult is invited to join in on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. No experience necessary, just join in!!



The Rosary is a prayer about life - all life. Please join our crusade for life at 5:00PM Saturdays before Mass to pray the Rosary for Life. The Rosary for Life also offered on Tuesdays and Fridays before Mass.

Please Note: The Rosary is a prayer that is said in a reverent atmosphere. Though Mass is a community gathering we ask that you enter the inner Parish Center with reverence during the times of the rosary as so not to disturb those in prayer. Please also note that voices in the vestibule carry into the Center so please take note of this when you enter. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Check us out! We now have a Facebook page, thanks to Francine Sabisch! Get information on our different ministries and find out what's going on in the parish community. Go to St. Mildred Catholic Church & like us.



SCHOLARSHIPS



Attention Graduating Seniors that are St. Mildred parish members and College bound!

The Women's Guild of St. Mildred are accepting applications for a \$1000.00 scholarship for High School seniors who are pursuing a 2 or 4 year college program in the Fall of 2011.

Applications are available at your High School Guidance office or from our Parrish office.

All forms need to be completed and submitted by April 8, 2011. For further information contact Pat Weckerly at jweckerly@ec.rr.com or 252-354-2311

Knights of Columbus Achievement Award



The Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for its Achievement Awards. There will be two awards of \$500 each available to graduating seniors who are St. Mildred parishioners pursuing a 2 or 4 year college degree in the fall of 2011. Applications are available in the Parish office. For more information contact Lewis McCloud at (910) 581-8008 or lew.mccloud@gmail.com. The deadline for applications is **April 30, 2011**.

Auction for Building Fund Needs Help

Please contribute unusable presents or those items on your back shelf to the Guild Chinese Auction to be held May 6, 2011. Gift certificates from merchants are also helpful. Place items in the basket just inside the side door. The auction is in conjunction with our Friday Night Live celebration. More information about this grand event will be forthcoming. For info call Andi Mullen at 253-354-1105.



A **HUGE** thanks is extended to Lauren Therres for her generosity in donating all the home-made dresses for the sale. We still have some **BEAUTIFUL** little girl dresses available for sale for only \$10 each! Please see Francine.

Knights of Columbus Annual Vacation Raffle

- 1st Prize: 7-day Alaska Cruise for 2 Plus \$700 Cash
- 2nd Prize: 7-day Hawaiian Vacation for 2+\$500 Cash
- 3rd Prize - 7th Prize: \$200 Cash

The cost of the tickets are \$5.00. Please contact any Council 7024 Knight or Chip DePaoli at 252-354-7711 or Myles McLoughlin at 252-354-4852. The Knights of Columbus thank you for all your support!

A big thanks goes to all who helped make our Corporal Works of Mercy Haiti Bake Sale a HUGE success.



You helped us raise \$414!!! WOW! This money will be sent to a school and orphanage in Haiti and assist them in purchasing much needed items.

A special thanks to the Bennett family who head up the monthly Corporal Works of Mercy project!



GET READY, SOUPS ON!!

We will be having our Third Annual Soup & Bread each Friday evening during Lent. Before the Stations of the Cross each Friday, please join us for a wonderful light supper & meet with old friends or make a new friend or two! Family, friends, neighbors are all encouraged to join us!

Soup & Bread will be served from 5:30 - 6:30 each Friday beginning March 11th until April 15th. Donations will gladly be accepted, but not necessary. All proceeds to benefit Operation Rice Bowl.

Any questions, please contact Francine at 326-5589.

Marriage Encounter Weekends are designed to give married couples the opportunity to privately examine their lives together . . . a time to share their feelings, their hopes, disappointments, joys and frustrations . . . and to do so openly and honestly in a heart-to-heart loving encounter with the one person they have chosen to live with for the rest of their life. Attend the May 20-22nd weekend in Raleigh. Register online at <http://wwmes4.org> or contact Bill & Elizabeth Nickles for more info at wmand-bethnickles@hotmail.com or 704-469-3866.



Do you have extra rosaries around that you are not using and can't find anyone to give them to? Your solution - bring them to church and place them in the basket in the vestibule, by the glass windows. They will be blessed and placed in a protective bag to be distributed to others that are in need of a rosary. Are you in need of a rosary? Please, feel free to take one! Have questions?? Call Pat Boni at 910.326.7931. Thank You!!

The changes to the Roman Missal will take place the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011. To help us understand them a little better, we will be running several articles from the Diocese, each week, explaining some of the changes. Here is the first part of:

Postures and Gestures at Mass



The posture of kneeling signified penance in the early Church: the awareness of sin casts us to the ground! So thoroughly was kneeling identified with penance that the early Christians were forbidden to kneel on Sundays and during the Easter Season when the prevailing spirit of the liturgy was that of joy and thanksgiving. In the Middle Ages kneeling came to signify the homage of a vassal to his lord, and more recently this posture has come to signify adoration. It is for this reason that the bishops of this country have chosen the posture of kneeling for the entire Eucharistic Prayer.

Sitting is the posture of listening and meditation, so the congregation sits for the pre-Gospel readings and may also sit for the period of meditation following Communion.

Gestures too involve our bodies in prayer. The most familiar of these is the Sign of the Cross with which we begin Mass and with which, in the form of a blessing, the Mass concludes. Because it was by his death on the cross that Christ redeemed humankind, we trace the sign of the cross on our foreheads, lips and hearts at the beginning of the Gospel. Fr. Romano Guardini, a scholar and professor of liturgy wrote of this gesture:

When we cross ourselves, let it be with a real sign of the cross. Instead of a small, cramped gesture that gives no notion of its meaning, let us make a large, unhurried sign, from forehead to breast, from shoulder to shoulder, consciously feeling how it includes the whole of us, our thoughts, our attitudes, our body and soul, every part of us all at once, how it consecrates and sanctifies us ... (Romano Guardini, **Sacred Signs**, 1927)

But there are other gestures that intensify our prayer at Mass. During the Confiteor the action of striking our breasts at the words *through my own fault* can strengthen my awareness that *my sin is my fault*. In the Creed we are invited to bow at the words which commemorate the Incarnation: *by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary and became man*. This gesture signifies our profound respect and gratitude to Christ who, though God, did not hesitate to come among us as a human being, sharing our human condition in order to save us from sin and restore us to friendship with God. This gratitude is expressed with even greater solemnity on the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord and on Christmas when we genuflect at these words. **Next week: Postures and Gestures at Mass (Conclusion)**

TRUE FRIENDSHIP

A true friend can hear a tear drop. —Anonymous

SORE SHINS

Don't break your shin on a stool that is not in your way. —Irish proverb

A LENTEN MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

There will be a Lenten Morning of Recollection on **Saturday, April 2nd**, starting with the celebration of the Liturgy at 9:00 AM followed by a Continental breakfast with refreshments at 9:30 AM and a presentation entitled "*The Lord's Prayer*" from 10:00 to 11:30 AM. Wojciech Chudziak, our Pastoral Associate will be the presenter. The program will end with Reconciliation at 11:30 AM. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!!**

Pre-registration is highly recommended! A donation of \$3.00 (checks made payable to St. Mildred) is requested. Any questions or for more information please call Sophie at 252-354-5260 and for reservations send your \$3.00 donation along with this form by the deadline, Wednesday March 30th to:

Sophie Martin, 214 Windjammer East, Emerald Isle, NC 28594

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

St. Mildred Parish Social Ministry Assistance provided in 2010

	Hours	Financial Aid Provided	Miscellaneous	Individuals Assisted
1. Christmas Giving Tree	100	\$11,250.00		160 Children
2. Helping Hands	615		3,750 Miles Driven	150 Individuals
3. Knights of Columbus				
Thanksgiving Meal		\$525.00		240 Meals
Church and Youth	2,220	\$4,618.00		
Community	4,000	\$4,158.00		
Habitat for Humanity	175			
Visit sick/bereaved	400			
Miscellaneous	500			
TOTALS	8,010	\$20,551.00		415

4. Parish Outreach Ministry	218	\$5,053.00		20 Families
Food to Infant of Prague			280 Bags	
Marines in Afghanistan			24 Boxes	
5. Women's Guild				
Funerals	213	\$453.00		11 Families
Cheer Baskets	50	\$395.00		63 Individuals
Faith Formation, VBS	50	\$1,056.00		
Card Party	154			
Christmas Boutique	112			
Scholarships	10	\$2,000.00		2
TOTALS	589	\$3,904.00		76

6. Faith Formation, Homeschooled, Youth Ministry				
Operation Rice Bowl		\$1,531.00		
Haiti Orphanage		\$1,050.00		
Operation Baby Bottle		\$3,334.00		
Room at the Inn		\$2,652.00		
Youth Ministry	36	\$25.00	98 cans of food	
VBS Service Project		\$950.00	40 Boxes to Humane Society	
VBS Volunteer Hours	465			
Faith Formation Catechists	1,500			
TOTALS	2,001	\$9,542.00		

In addition:

- 6 Bags of winter outerwear to St. Paul Refugee Center in New Bern
- 2 Large boxes of school supplies to Holy Trinity in Williamston
- 30 Packs of diapers to Onslow County Pregnancy Resource Center
- 20 Bottles of juice to Community Outreach
- 15 Bales of hay to Possumwood Acres

Approximate totals for St. Mildred Parish Social Ministries Organizations are:

Hours	10,818
Financial Aid provided	\$39,050.00
Individuals & families assisted	821

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