



February/March 2017 Newsletter



MASS TIME CHANGE

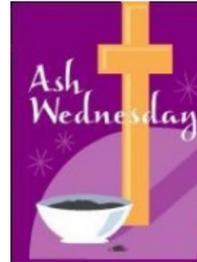
Our Saturday evening Mass time will change from 4 PM back to **5 PM** beginning **Saturday, March 4.**

ASH WEDNESDAY March 1

Mass at 9 AM with Holy Family
Mass at 7 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS March 3

Noon - followed by Soup & Bread Meal



OUR 40 DAY CHALLENGE

We are beginning a new message series for Lent this year at the 11 AM Masses. Each week, Fr. Stan will explore different challenges we face in life, and weave together his homilies in a series according to the scriptures. Come to be renewed and enlightened each week with a message, and an action challenge for you to do during the week. The message series begins March 5th and continues through the 5th Sunday of Lent, April 2nd.

Week 1: The Challenge of Temptation
Week 2: The Challenge of Change
Week 3: The Challenge of Emptiness
Week 4: The Challenge of Darkness
Week 5: The Challenge of Death



February 25, 5: 00 PM- 6: 30 PM – Christian Service Pasta Celebration Dinner

Come celebrate how the parish community prays together, reaches out together, learns together and serves together particularly through works of mercy across the generations. Meet and greet a new parishioner, invite a friend, share your favorite outreach experience, enjoy song and CS Bingo related to the Beatitudes or Works of Mercy. It might be your last big fling before Ash Wednesday! The Celebration is free.



Saturday Office Help

St. Mary's parish office is looking for some smiling faces to answer phones as well as questions from parishioners one or two Saturday evenings a month from 4:00 PM-6:30 PM. Training will be provided.

Funeral Lunch Team Captain

Our Funeral Lunch Ministry is in need of individuals to supervise funeral lunches. Responsibilities would include overseeing the set up and clean up for the lunch as well as the meal service. Ideally we would like to have four teams that would rotate throughout the year.

Funeral Lunch Helpers

Helpers are needed to set up, serve, and clean up the day of the lunch. This would involve a 3 hour commitment of your time the day of the funeral.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact [Laura Corrion](#) at 248-243-0254



Christian Classics Book Club

On March 20, 2017, at 7:45PM, we'll discuss the book, *fearing the stigmata: Humorously Holy Stories of a Young Catholic's Search for a Culturally Relevant Faith*, by Matt Weber. Here, with wit and earnest candor, Weber shares "both the challenges and the joys of living out the faith on a daily basis." This light-hearted book might provide a good opportunity for you to consider joining us!

Vacation Bible School

June 19 – June 23, 2017
9:30 AM - Noon

Registration is now open!
Register by May 14 to receive a discount!

[More Information and Forms](#)



Best Lent Ever is a free, daily email program that will help you and our St. Mary's parish have a truly life-changing Lent. This year's program is based on the perfect book for our parish—Matthew Kelly's newest bestseller, *Resisting Happiness*, which was handed out at the Christmas Masses. Don't give up chocolate for Lent! [Sign up now!](#)

Baldwin Center Service Opportunities



Wrap silverware, serve food and beverages, and have the opportunity to pray for those in need at the Baldwin Center. There are 3 dates to choose from. Check SignUpGenius for more information and to sign up!

➔ **3/27/17** from 10 AM-1 PM, **5/3/17** from 5 PM-7 PM, and **11/8/17** from 10 AM-1 PM

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