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Rector's Corner

We are just now past mid Lent and Easter will soon be here. It seems to me that there is so much going on day to day that Lent seems a bit lost. My Lenten discipline has gone pretty well, but I feel as though it is the product of the business of the day. If there is one thing that is lacking it is time for extra prayer and some reading time that I had planned on. I guess I am mentioning these things to encourage myself and you to finish Lent well. If you have been doing well on your discipline, then keep going and maybe even add to it a bit. If things haven't been going so well, get back to what you started with.

Don't forget to come out on Wednesday evenings and enjoy Evening Prayer or Stations of the Cross. Then share dinner and review the Catechism in Hunsaker Hall. We start at 7:00 and end around 8:45.

You will notice a change in the format of the "Saltire" this month. Hopefully we will be able to better communicate the parish events and ministries in this "cleaned up" design. You will also be receiving the newsletter on the first and third Sundays of each month. If you have anything you want included make sure that you get it to Sandra a week before those Sundays.

I do not have any new information regarding the Primates Meeting of last week. We have a clergy day scheduled for March 15th and some additional information may be available afterwards.

Have a blessed Lent,
Fr. Reed+

Activities

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT: LENTEN PROGRAM & POTLUCK SUPPER

Everyone is invited to join us each Wednesday in Lent for Said Mass in the chapel at 6:15 PM followed by a Lenten Program and Potluck Supper in Hunsaker Hall at 7:00 PM. Bring a friend and your favorite dish to share.



CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT

Please join us for our Children's Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Easter Sunday, March 27th after the 10 AM service.



JUST A REMINDER:
SAID MASS EVERY WEDNESDAY
AT 6:15 pM IN THE CHAPEL..





MAUNDY THURSDAY: SOUP SUPPER & WATCH AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE

We will have a Soup Supper followed by a Sung Mass (church) on Maundy Thursday, Mar. 24th at 5:30 PM. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the church and Hunsaker Hall for the Watch at the Altar of Repose on Thursday, Mar. 24th from 8:45 PM to Midnight and Friday, Mar. 25th from 7 AM to 11 AM.



E.C.W. NEWS

The E.C.W. will host a Bake Sale on Sunday, April 10th, so put your baker's hat and apron on! Our baby project is an ongoing project, so please bring a baby item to our next ECW meeting.

Our Annual Spring Tea will be held on Saturday, May 14th. This year's theme will be "The Mad Hatters Tea Party." Everyone is urged to wear a hat! Thanks to Elsie Cantrell and Doris Wilkins who were our hostesses for the February meeting.

BIRTHDAYS:	20 Jan Waggoner
1 Bill Hoyt	25 Grace Yoon
8 Paige Becknauld	27 Cody McKinley
11 Ron Doerler	28 Mark Bowling
18 Elsie Cantrell	

ANNIVERSARIES:	
2 Chris & Gale Fyke	
24 Phil & Ethel Ferrante	
30 Pinkney & Bobbie Johnson	

NOAH'S ARK 2005

In the year 2005 the Lord came unto Noah, who was now living in the United States, and said, "Once again, the earth has become wicked and over-populated and I see the end of all flesh before me. Build another Ark and save two of every living thing along with a few good humans." He gave Noah the blueprints, saying, "You have six months to build the Ark before I will start the unending rain for 40 days and 40 nights.

Six months later, the Lord looked down and saw Noah weeping in his yard but no ark. "Noah!", He roared, "I'm about to start the rain! Where is the Ark? Forgive me, Lord," begged Noah. "But things have changed. I needed a building permit. I've been arguing with the inspector about the need for a sprinkler system. My neighbors claim that I've violated the neighborhood zoning laws by building the Ark in my yard and exceeding the height limitations. We had to go to the Development Appeal Board for a decision. Then the Department of Transportation demanded a bond be posted for the future costs of moving power lines and other overhead obstructions, to clear the passage for the Ark's move to the sea. I argued that the sea would be coming to us, but they would hear nothing of it.

Getting the wood was another problem. There's a ban on cutting local trees in order to save the spotted owl. I tried to convince the environmentalists that I needed the wood to save the owls. But no! When I started gathering the animals, I got sued by an Animal Rights group. They insisted that I was confining wild animals against their will. As well, they argued the accommodation was too restrictive and it was cruel and inhumane to put so many animals in a confined space. Then the EPA ruled that I couldn't build the Ark until they'd conducted an environmental impact study on your proposed flood. I'm still trying to resolve a complaint with the Human Rights Commission on how many minorities I'm supposed to hire for my building crew.

Also, the trades unions say I can't use my sons. They insist I have to hire only Union workers with Ark building experience. To make matters worse, the IRS seized all my assets, claiming I'm trying to leave the country illegally with endangered species. So, forgive me, Lord, but it would take at least ten years for me to finish this Ark." Suddenly the skies cleared, the sun began to shine, and a rainbow stretched across the sky.

Noah looked up in wonder and asked, "You mean, You're not going to destroy the world?"

"No," said the Lord. "The government beat me to it."

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7am Said Mass	2 10am E.S.L. 6:15pm Said Mass (chapel) 6:30pm Choir Pract 7pm Evening Prayer (church) Potluck & Program	3 7am Faith Renewal	4 11-11:45 Confessions (chapel) 12noon Mass/Unction	5 9am E.S.L. 7pm E.S.L.
6 8am Low Mass 9am Brunch 10am Sung Mass 7pm E.S.L.	7 10am E.S.L.	8 7am Said Mass 7pm Vestry	9 10am ECW Mtg 6:15pm Said Mass (chapel) 6:30pm Choir Pract 7pm Stations Cross (church) Potluck & Program	10 7pm Compassionate Friends	11 11-11:45 Confessions (chapel) 12noon Mass/Unction	12 9am E.S.L. 7pm E.S.L.
13 Sandwich Sunday 8am Low Mass 9am Christian Ed. 10am Sung Mass 5pm Youth Gr 7pm E.S.L.	14 10am E.S.L.	15 7am Said Mass	16 10am E.S.L. 6:15pm Said Mass (chapel) 6:30pm Choir Pract 7pm Evening Prayer (church) Potluck & Program	17 7am Faith Renewal	18 11-11:45 Confessions (chapel) 12n Mass/Unction	19 9am E.S.L. 7pm E.S.L.
20 8am Low Mass 9am Christian Ed. 10am Sung Mass 7pm E.S.L.	21 Holy Mon 10am E.S.L. 6:30pm Said Mass (chapel)	22 Holy Tues 7am Said Mass 6:30pm Said Mass (chapel)	23 Holy Wed 10am E.S.L. 6:15pm Said Mass (chapel) 6:30pm Choir Pract 7pm Stations Cross (church) Potluck & Program	24 Maundy Thur 5:30pm Soup Supper 6:30pm Sung Mass (church) Watch at Altar of Repose (chapel)	25 Good Fri 11-11:45 Confessions (chapel) 12n Good Fri Liturgy (church) 7pm Good Fri Liturgy (church)	26 Holy Sat 8:30am Holy Sat Lit (chapel) 9-11 am Confessions (chapel) 8pm Great Vigil of Easter
27 Easter Day 8am Sung Mass 9am Christian Ed. 10am Solemn Mass Easter Egg Hunt 5pm Youth Gr 7pm E.S.L.	28 10am E.S.L.	29 7am Said Mass	30 10am E.S.L. 6:15pm Said Mass (chapel) 6:30pm Choir Pract 7pm Bible Study	31		