

March 1, 2009

**Mass Intentions:**

First Friday, March 6-

6:00 p.m.-Living & Deceased Members  
of the K.J.Z.T. Society #53-Wied

Sunday, March 8-

9:15 a.m.-Blasé Konvicka Sr.

Sunday, March 15-

9:15 a.m.-Jimmie V. Smolik

Sunday, March 22-

9:15 a.m.-John & Mathilda Matula

Sunday, March 29-

9:15 a.m.-Mass of Thanksgiving-  
Franklin & Vivian Mozisek on  
Their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

First Friday, April 3-

6:00 p.m.-Ernest & Ella Morisak

Sunday, April 5-

9:15 a.m.-Laddie Konvicka

**Rosary Leaders:**

March 6-Angela Hermes  
March 8-Ruth Rouse  
March 15-Dorothy Schneider  
March 22-Lucille Klekar  
March 29-Sandy Konvicka  
April 3-Angela Hermes  
April 5-Janie Fikac

**Cantors:**

March 8-John Hemmi  
March 15-Emily Schimcek  
March 22-Lucille Klekar  
March 29-Richard Rouse  
April 5-Lucille Klekar

**Lectors:**

March 8-Maria Hermes  
March 15-Garrett Henke  
March 22-Daniel J. Matula  
March 29-Confirmation Class  
April 5-Deddie Dobbs

**Altar Servers:**

March 8-Shelly & Shawn Rainosek,  
Kasey Hairell & Kelly Janak  
March 15-Eric Klekar, Joshua Bludau,  
Hunter & Kolby Janak  
March 22-Kyle Rother, Ross & Clay  
Rother & Samuel Machicek  
March 29-Erin Svetlik, Sterling Hrcir,  
Kelton Koehne & Eric Klekar  
April 5-Mikayla, John & Derek  
Konvicka & Adam Hermes

**Ministers of Holy Communion:**

March 8-Ray Janak, Patrick Pesek &  
Mary Urbish  
March 15-Evelyn Konvicka, Nancy Etzler  
& Vivian Mozisek  
March 22-Patrick Pesek, Janice Rother &  
Angela Hermes  
March 29-Ray Janak & Mary Urbish  
April 5-Edward & Sandra Pustka &  
Evelyn Bujnoch

**Church Ushers:**

March 8-Bubba Kocian, Scott Blaschke,  
Gilbert Mozisek & Marvin  
Bujnoch  
March 15-Roman Henke, Chuck Grafe,  
Robert Pustka & Gilbert Urbish  
March 22-Leon Matula, Al Svetlik Jr.,  
Francis Klekar & Michael  
Konvicka  
March 29-Eugene Gillar, Robert Sciba,  
Alois Bujnoch Jr. & Richard  
Richard Sommerlatte  
April 5-Bubba Kocian, Scott Blaschke,  
Gilbert Mozisek & Marvin  
Bujnoch

### Offertory Gift Bearers:

March 8-Robert & Susan Motal & Family  
March 15-M/M Keith Mudd & Family  
March 22-Mrs. Doris Opela  
March 29-Confirmation Class  
April 5-Mrs. Cecilia Opela

### Church Cleaners:

March 7-Katherine Kahanek & Angela  
Hermes  
March 14-Barbara Matula & Monica Matula  
March 21-Viola Konvicka, Vivian Mozisek,  
Joyce Bludau, Rita Migl & Edna  
Weyman  
April 4-Betty Bujnoch, Lucille Bujnoch  
& Susan Janak

### Our Gift to God:

	<u>Loose</u>	<u>Envelope</u>
Feb. 1-	\$165.00	\$810.00
Feb. 8-	\$121.75	\$518.00
Feb. 15-	\$133.25	\$286.00
Feb. 22-	\$106.50	\$281.00

Children's Collection: \$31.13  
Building Repair Fund: \$385.00

### Messages & Announcements:

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Friday,  
March 6 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the KC  
Hall. All-you-can-eat catfish meal with  
french fries, buttered noodles, coleslaw,  
pinto beans & hush puppies – \$8 per person.  
Dine-in or plates-to-go.

**Special Collection:** Operation Rice Bowl-  
Sundays during Lent & Easter Sunday, April  
12th.

Donations are being accepted for Easter  
Flowers on the Church Altars for Easter and  
can be made in memory of a loved one.  
You can drop your donation in the collection  
basket or stop by the rectory.

### \*\*\*\*\*Meeting Notices\*\*\*\*\*

KJT Society # 43, Wied meeting on  
Thursday, **March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.** at the  
Wied Hall. All members are invited to  
attend.

KJT Society #43, Wied, Annual Information  
Dinner will be held **Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @**  
the **Sacred Heart Family Center** in  
Hallettsville. Registration begins at 11:30  
with the dinner to follow. All members are  
asked to **RSVP** by calling **361-594-4328**.

St. Isidore Society Fried Chicken Dinner,  
March 22 at St. Mary's Hall. Plates to go  
only, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tickets (\$7)  
for sale at Hoffer's Drive In, Morton's Drive  
In, Peoples State Bank, Moravia Store &  
Blasé's Place.

### CCD News

**March 18<sup>th</sup>**-Spring Break- No CCD  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>**-Lenten Youth Penance Service  
**March 28<sup>th</sup>**-Confirmation Practice @8:30 in  
the Church  
**March 29<sup>th</sup>**-Confirmation Mass celebrated  
at 9:15 a.m. with Bishop Fellhauer.

Coffee, juice and donuts will be served after  
Mass, which is being provided by the KJZT  
Society #53. Thank You!

Please pray for our Confirmation  
Candidates as they continue to prepare for  
this sacrament: **Kyle Jalufka, John Janak,**  
**Tana Pavlicek, Jaqui Rowland, Scott**  
**Sommerlatte & Erik Svetlik.**

**April 8<sup>th</sup>**-Holy Week Youth Mass @ 6 p.m.  
All parishioners are invited to attend this  
special Holy Week Mass.

## PASTOR'S DESK:

Fr. Michael & I are having a weight loss contest during Lent, from Ash Wednesday till Holy Saturday. Parishioners (and others) may pledge so much per pound for either or both of us. Whatever is collected will be used for our youth program.

During Lent, we fast and abstain from meat on certain days. But we also fast by the common practice of "giving something up for Lent."

When we give up something-something important, something that functions as either a crutch or a pleasure in our lives-we make a sacrifice. This sacrifice helps us in many ways:

- It is penitential, a way to express sorrow for our sins.
- It teaches us that we don't need those things to be happy. We can do without them and depend, as Jesus teaches us, on God alone for our happiness.
- It is a building-block in learning spiritual self-discipline, preparing us for greater sacrifices we will be called on to make further down the road, in imitation of Jesus.
- It is a way of expressing solidarity, individually and as a whole Church, with the poor of this world, the poor in whom Jesus says we will meet him.

### What to give up??

"Sacrifice" is the key word here. Jesus showed us that sacrifice is at the core of authentic love. Some areas that many Catholics focus on in their Lenten sacrifice:

- A type of food
- Television or internet time
- Unnecessary spending or shopping
- Alcohol or caffeine

### PRAYER

In prayer, we turn to God, listen to his voice, and let him fill our hearts and guide us. During Lent, our prayer takes on a special tone: we are especially aware of our sins. We are attentive to Jesus, the suffering servant. We join in prayer for candidates and catechumens, and we pray for our own deeper conversion to the Lord.

Many find it helpful to go beyond Sunday Mass and use Lent as a chance to broaden and deepen their spiritual lives:

- Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Attend Mass during the week
- Read and pray with the Mass readings for each day
- Pray the Liturgy of the Hours
- Participate in a Bible study or other parish offering
- Use one of the many Catholic daily devotionals available
- Pray the Stations of the Cross, either individually or in the parish
- Pray the rosary
- Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration
- Do some extra spiritual reading

### Almsgiving

Being mindful of the poor is not an option for Christians. In fact, Jesus tells us that when we feed the hungry, visit the imprisoned, and clothe the naked, we are encountering him.

So, along with fasting and praying, almsgiving has been a traditional Lenten practice. Jesus poured his life out for others. As his disciples, we are called to do the same in everyday lives, as well as in the extra steps we take outside our ordinary lives and routines.

Keeping the Corporal Works of Mercy in mind is helpful as we consider our Lenten almsgiving:

- Feed the hungry (help out at Manna Food Pantry, donate food).
- Give drink to the thirsty (show hospitality to those in need).
- Welcome the stranger (be welcoming to those you meet).
- Clothe the naked (donate clothing to the Thrift Store).
- Visit the sick (visit the homebound, hospitalized, those in the nursing home).
- Visit the prisoner (join the prison ministry team or offer support to them).
- Bury the dead (visit the cemetery, pray for the dead).

## Financial Statement for January 2009

### Income

Sunday Collections.....	\$2,538.81
Children's Collections.....	61.75
Special Collection(Church in Latin America)	125.00
Other Church Donations.....	441.00
Pasture Rental.....	150.00
Memorials.....	665.00
Hall & Church Rental & Deposits.....	1,050.00
Bulletin Sponsor for March.....	40.00
Total Income for January.....	<u>\$5,072.06</u>

### Expenses

Utilities.....	\$ 662.03
Health Insurance.....	649.85
Special Collection(Church in Latin America)	125.00
Church Expenses.....	206.45
Parish Hall Expenses.....	110.00
Tobola Electric.....	1,130.45
Priest Pension Plan.....	451.00
Salaries.....	675.00
Repair & Maintenance.....	<u>132.40</u>
Total Expenses for January.....	<u>\$ 4,142.18</u>

Balance from December.....	\$3,488.29
Income from January.....	<u>+5,072.06</u>
	\$8,560.35
Less January Expenses.....	<u>-4,142.18</u>
Operating Balance.....	<u>\$4,418.17</u>

### Memorials to St. Mary's Cemetery In Memory of Ray Kelnar by

Stanley & Betty Bujnoch.....	\$10.00
Casper & Gerda Janak.....	\$15.00
Sharon Janak /	
Barron, Ginny & Ella Janak.....	\$20.00
Edith Konarik.....	\$10.00

### Memorials to St. Mary's Altar Society In Memory of Ray Kelnar by

M/M Daniel Matula.....	\$20.00
Kathy & Pat Pilat.....	\$ 5.00
Philip & Evelyn Bujnoch.....	\$10.00
Franklin & Vivian Mozisek.....	\$10.00
Gib & Evelyn Mozisek.....	\$10.00
Margaret Konvicka.....	\$10.00
Mike & Sandy Konvicka.....	\$ 5.00
Melvin & Joyce Janak.....	\$10.00
David & Carolyn Janak.....	\$25.00
Angela Hermes.....	\$ 5.00
Larry & Agnes Greer & Family.....	\$10.00
Roman, Miranda & Garrett Henke.....	\$10.00
Chuck Grafe.....	\$ 5.00

### Memorials to St. Mary's Church Fund In Memory of Ray Kelnar by

Thomas Brosch Family.....	\$10.00
Rosalie Tobola.....	\$ 5.00
Andrew & Jane Pesek.....	\$10.00
Joan & Tommy Macha.....	\$15.00
Kubena Funeral Home.....	\$20.00
Frankie & Lucille Klekar.....	\$15.00
Robert & Sally Janak.....	\$30.00
Gerard & Karen Janak.....	\$10.00
Bernard & Mary Grahmann.....	\$10.00
Marvin & Susan Bujnoch.....	\$15.00
Peoples State Bank.....	\$10.00
Leon & Nancy Etzler.....	\$10.00

### Memorials to St. Mary's CCD Program In Memory of Ray Kelnar

Chris, Karen & Jenna Roznovsky...\$	5.00
Richard & Ruth Rouse.....	\$10.00
Francis & Charlene Klekar & Fam..	\$20.00
Janie Fikac.....	\$10.00
Donald & Judy Opela.....	\$10.00
Harry & Vernell Macik.....	\$20.00
Anthony & Jo Matula.....	\$10.00
Mike & Joyce Rainosek & Family..	\$10.00
Edward & Sandra Pustka.....	\$15.00