



MINISTERS



Liturgical Appointments for February 21/22

Table with 4 columns: Ministers of Altar, Ministers of Hospitality, Ministers of Word, Ministers of Holy Communion. Rows include times from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. and names of ministers.



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 15

- 7:40 a.m. WLRU LIVE ROSARY BROADCAST
8:00 a.m. Healing for Mike Moses (Staff of WLRU Radio)
10:00 a.m. Dr. Joseph Moran (Ben and Alex Rhoads) WLRU LIVE BROADCAST

Monday, February 16

- 10:00 a.m. WLRU LIVE ROSARY BROADCAST

Tuesday, February 17

- 9:15 a.m. Katherine Horne (Loretta Dean)

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 18

- 12:00 Noon Al Rumpke (Albert & Brian Rumpke)
7:30 p.m. Deceased of the Moran Family (Marissa, Bettina & Mike)

Thursday, February 19

- 6:30 p.m. Benediction/Rosary WLRU LIVE BROADCAST
7:00 p.m. Jane Lawson (Greg Lawson) WLRU LIVE BROADCAST

Saturday, February 21

- 9:00 a.m. Mary & Bill Lynch (Tom & Marjie Lynch)
5:30 p.m. Healing for Ron Ludwick (Ryan & Brandon)

Sunday, February 22

- 7:40 a.m. WLRU LIVE ROSARY BROADCAST
8:00 a.m. Ernie Blankenship & Shine Frydryk (Rita Blankenship)
10:00 a.m. Karla Murray (James & Phyllis Martin) WLRU LIVE BROADCAST



BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.



Sacrificial Giving

- Weekly Need \$4,500.00
Collection February 7/8
Envelopes & Loose \$5,258.00
Variance + \$ 758.00
School Support: \$5.00 ... Building Fund: \$609.00 ...
St. Vincent de Paul: \$5.00 ... Votives: \$38.00 ...
Buck a Month: \$32.00 ... Stipends: \$5.00 ...
Telegraph: \$96.00 ... World Mission: \$21.00 ...

Offering Total

YTD NEED STARTING 7/5/14 \$135,000.00
YTD COLLECTED \$147,507.52
VARIANCE + \$ 12,507.52
(125 smiley faces)



\$312,684.92
Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

Happy Birthday



- February 16...Kati Burwinkel, Tom Moeller, Rose Rook, Quin Smart
February 18...Ellis Davis, Addley Miller
February 20...Alfred Brioli
February 21...Dean Bissinger

LENTEN FISH FRY

Friday Night Lenten Fish Frys will start February 20 and go until March 27. St. Mary School volunteers and the Highland County Firefighters will be preparing the food and desserts. The times are 4:30-6:30 p.m. The costs are: **Adult Fish Dinner, \$7.00** (includes fish, fries, slaw, and drink); **Adult Shrimp Dinner, \$8.00**; **Adult Fish/Shrimp Dinner, \$10.00**; **Child Dinner: \$5.00** (no slaw). There will also be ala carte items available. Desserts are separate. Carry-out will be available.

UNDERSTANDING LEPROSY

In the Bible, leprosy did not always mean just the modern illness (also known as Hansen’s Disease) but also included other skin problems such as fungal infections, eczema, or psoriasis. The priest decided whether a skin eruption was leprosy. If the disease progressed, the person was declared ritually “unclean.” Since ritual impurity jeopardized the pure life and worship of the community, the lepers were separated from the community. This prevented any normal way of making a living and impeded human companionship, other than that of their fellow lepers. Bands of lepers often traveled about together, begging for charity.

KIDS SAY IT LIKE IT IS

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales.

The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal, its throat was very small.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale.

Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was physically impossible.

The little girl said, “When I get to heaven, I will ask Jonah.”

The teacher asked, “What if Jonah went to hell?”

The little girl replied, “Then you ask him.”

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child’s work. As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was.

The girl replied, “I’m drawing God.”

The teacher paused and said, “But no one knows what God looks like.”

Looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, “They will in a minute.”

A Sunday School teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six-year-olds. After explaining the commandment to ‘honor’ thy Father and thy Mother, she asked, “Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?”

Without missing a beat one little boy, the oldest of a family, answered, “Thou shall not kill.”

A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, “Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face.”

“Yes,” the class said.

“Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position, the blood doesn’t run into my feet?”

**A little fellow shouted,
“Cause your feet ain’t empty.”**

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch.

At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray:

“Take only ONE. God is watching.”

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, “Take all you want. God is watching the apples.”

DAILY LENTEN ONLINE RETREAT . . .

Each day of Lent, beginning Ash Wednesday and running through Easter Sunday, you will get a 2-3 minute video from a top Catholic speaker emailed to you. Videos are based on the upcoming Sunday’s Gospel, and they are created for sharing and discussion on social media, giving you the ability to #ShareJesus within your social circles. Even if you aren’t on social media, you can share the videos via email. Sign up today at redeemedonline.com.

FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Last Sunday Pope Francis stunned a crowd of people who couldn't believe what they were seeing. On his way to St. Michael the Archangel Church in the poorest area of Rome, the Pope told his driver to drive into a poor shanty town littered with cheap tin shacks that looked like tool sheds.

A woman caught sight of the Pope, shocked he was standing in front of her shack. She started running towards him yelling, "Papa, Papa!" Soon everyone poured out of their homes rushing to the Pope. They were smiling and laughing as they kissed the Pope's hands. Pope Francis returned their love by holding their hands. These poor people from South America encircled the Pope affectionately as if to say, "He's one of us. He's ours!" Cell phones popped up like daffodils in the spring, everyone taking pictures of this unexpected event.

I was so touched by how approachable the Pope was. He did not shy away from their hugs and kisses. He was not afraid to get his white clothes dirty from the soiled clothes of people considered to be "nobody," the "lowest of the low." The Pope made them feel like somebody.

The Gospel today shows us Jesus doing the same thing. A leper ran up to Jesus. This broke every religious rule as lepers had to always keep at a distance from people, ringing a bell as they yelled out, "Unclean...Unclean!" This leper came to Jesus knowing Jesus would accept him as a child of God and not just a disease. The fact that this leper came to Jesus shows us just how approachable Jesus was to so many people whom the righteous religious leaders rejected as outcasts.

All of us have the leprosy of sin that needs to be cleaned. All of us have done things that have shamed us. But in the loving eyes of Jesus there are no outcasts. There are no unwanted. There is only a person to be loved. You can take your worst sins, your uncleanness, your guilt and shame to Jesus. Tell Jesus what the leper said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Let Jesus stretch out His mercy to touch the leprosy in your soul. Hear Him say to you, "I do will it. Be made clean!" Then rejoice as you feel the sin, the guilt, the shame leave you immediately.

Jesus will never deny His Love to you no matter how dirty your soul may be. Jesus will never reject you no matter how big the sin. There's a gospel song that says God no longer remembers what you can't forget. His Love compels Him to forgive *and forget*. His compassion compels Him to heal. Like Pope Francis was not afraid to get dirty as he mingled with the people, Jesus is not afraid to get dirty while He embraces you. All you need to do is take your sin to Jesus and ask, "If you wish..." Then believe He will do it.... and know His Peace.