Welcome to the Holy Family Parishes of: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish Lost Nation & Toronto Sacred Heart Parish ~ Oxford Junction Ss Philip & James Parish ~ Grand Mound



January 27, 2019 - Third Sunday Ordinary Time



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Bulletin: View Online www.parishesonline.com Sacrament of Baptism Please contact Parish Office to schedule a baptism.

Sacrament of Matrimony Marriage Preparation at least 90 days prior to your wedding date. Please contact Parish Office.

Pastoral Care Contact Parish Office for Home visits, pastoral needs, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion

Sacrament Reconciliation Before Mass or call Parish Office for arrangement with Priest.

Devotion to Our Lady of the Snows

Last Sunday, I mentioned in Church, one of the not-so-familiar titles of our Lady-Our Lady of the Snows. I brought that up because of the heavy snow that we got pounded with over that weekend. Here is what I found on the internet on the subject.

Usually, when one talks about devotion to the Mother of Jesus under a particular title, there is a link, either to one of Mary's qualities (Sorrowful Mother, Mother of Mercy) or to one of her apparitions (Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Guadalupe). Devotion to Mary under the title of Our Lady of the Snows is one of the oldest devotions to Mary. It has direct ties to the legend about a marvelous snowfall in Rome in 352 A.D. Mary had indicated in a dream to a wealthy, childless Roman couple that she wanted a church built in her honor and the site for this church would be covered with snow. On a hot, sultry morning on August 5, Esquiline Hill was covered with snow. All Rome proclaimed the summer snows a miracle, and a church to honor Mary was built on the hill in 358 A.D. Restored and refurbished many times, this church, now the magnificent Basilica of St. Mary Major, still stands today as the seat of devotion to Our Lady of the Snows in the Catholic Church. However, Our Lady of the Snows is honored here, not so much because of the legend, but because of her special role in the Church that is by its very nature, missionary (https://snows.org/about-us/shrine-history/).

Consider praying to our Lady of the Snows whenever it snows. Call her to intercede for you and to protect you as you make your way through the wonderful season of winter.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

We still have one year to plan and prepare for our pilgrimage to Jerusalem and Oberammergau 2020. We want to see the place where Jesus was born (Bethlehem); the path he walked for his ultimate sacrifice (Via dolorosa) as well as other relevant places we hear about in the gospels. I invite you to think about it, pray about it and make up your mind for this pilgrimage of prayer, cultural and religious experience. In order to qualify for a \$100.00 discount, we need to make our commitment known with a little deposit. Please call Richard Azinger to give your name and discuss what you need to do. Tel: 563-659-3932 or email: <u>dazinger@iowatelecom.net</u>

Praised be Jesus Christ!

Fr. Francis Odoom

Patron Saints That Bring Healing and Change



When it comes to our physical and emotional health and well-being, the saints are great aids to us. Turn to these six patron saints that bring healing, courage and change.

St. Dympna - Stress, Anxiety and Mental Health is patroness of those who suffer through stress, anxiety and mental illness. She was only 15 when she was martyrd in defense of her purity. When her mother passed, her father was afflicted with mental illness and attempted to marry her. After fleeing her home, her father found her and killed her. While some have never heard of St. Dymphna, she is well known now because of the growing world of stress, fear and anxiety we live in.

St. Luke the Evangelist - **Surgery:** St. Luke is the patron saint of surgeons. He was one of the earliest converts to Christianity and also a skilled physician. He is highly recognized, well-known for writing the Gospel, according to Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. He welcomes our prayers and petitions set for in the Gospel and the love and healing power of our Heavenly Father.

St. Peregrine - **Cancer:** St. Peregrine Novena is the patron saint for cancer patients, known not only for his holiness but also the miraculous healing that he received. After being scheduled to have his leg amputated, he prayed for healing. He then had a vision of Jesus coming down from the cross and touching his leg. He was then completely healed.

St. Jude Thaddeus - Impossible Causes: is the patron saint of impossible causes and desperate situations, recognized most for his preaching, healing and exorcising. He was also one of Jesus' original 12 Apostles, preaching the Gospel with great vigor, often in very difficult circumstances.

St. Maximilian Kolbe - **Addiction** is the patron saint of addiction battles, particularly drug addiction. During World War II he housed over 3000 Polish refugees at his monastery, was imprisoned and sent to Auschwitz and volunteered to die in place of the stranger in that death camp.

St. Rita of Cascia – **Difficult Marriage** was a wife, mother, widow and then nun and reflected holiness throughout each phase of her life. Even though she dealt with abuse in her marriage, she prayed for her family and still remained dutiful at home. When her husband died, she was admitted to the convent of Augustinian nuns at Cascia. She

PARISH CLUSTER NEWS

Remember to send your bulletin information this week to Cris Burmeister at sheart@netins.net.

Our Lady of Holy Rosary

Lost Nation/Toronto

Friends of Faith continues to collect cake mixes, frosting, sprinkles, etc. throughout January. At the end of the month they will



prepare "Birthday Cake Kits" for the Lost Nation Food pantry and Wheatland Referral Center. Thank you for the many donations we have received so far!!

January 30th there will be a OLHR finance council meeting at 5:30 pm and a Parish Council Meeting at 6:30. Meetings will be held at the rectory.

CLUSTER MEETING—Mark your calendars for February 7th at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held in the Lost Nation Hall following Mass.

Knights of Columbus will meet on February 13th at 7:00 pm in the Lost Nation Hall.



<u>SS Philip & James - Grand Mound</u> Due to annual Soup-er Bowl Sunday fundraiser, no coffee hour will be scheduled for February.

CHILLIN SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY



Sunday, February 3, 2019 From 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. SS Phillip & James Church Grand Mound, IA Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. All-You-Can-Eat Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup Adults - \$6.00 - Kids - \$3.00 Call 563-847-7572 by February 2 for pre-order deliveries

Altar Servers for February Feb 3rd—Vivian & Mary Clare Bronwe, & Ali Swanton Feb 10th—Natalie & Nathan Butler, & Isabel Shockey

Feb 17th—Alec, Ellen, & Olevia Olsen

Feb 24th—Zachary, Jacob, & Andrew Weih

February Ministries

Feb 3rd—Ushers: Mark Hahn, Bill Tague, & Bryan Whitman Lector: Chris Grillot EM: Barb Morrissey & Bill Tague Feb 10th-Ushers: Bill Tague, David Butler, & Michael Weih Lector: Maureen Schrader EM: Joyce Barnes & Bill Tague

Sacred Heart - Oxford Junction

Religious Ed—CEW Weekend March 8—10th, 2019

Held at the Bean Farm 7731 148th St., Scotch Grove. (Bean Farm is actually located 1 1/2 miles north of Onslow). Applications are on the bulletin board in OJ. Contact Barb Ihns for more info at 563-941-5294.

The **February minister sign-up** sheet has been finished & will be posted. March sign-up sheet will be available soon. If you have a certain date you want, remember to sign up. Karen will be working on the March schedule after February 15. Many thanks to all of you great volunteers!

Remember February 3 Mass will be at 8:00 am in Oxford Junction. We are exchanging Mass time that day with GM, as they are having a soup lunch (Souper Bowl Sunday)!

Did you know you can request a Mass intention for a friend or family member by placing a note in an envelope and dropping it in the collection basket as it is passed? Please include th e following: the name of the deceased and if you want the Mass offered on a particular date.

With advanced notice, every effo rt will be made to have the Mass said on the date you have r equested, otherwise the Mass wil I be said as dates become available.

The intentions are listed in our weekly bulletin. A stipend/ donation of \$5.00 is suggested.

PARISH REFLECTIONS 4A



Our Lady of Holy Rosary

Jeanene Cavey, Dick Nodurft, Melvin & Irene Duwa, Richard Vens

SS Philip & James Church

Chris Forret, Austin Flammang, Sandy Crosthwaite, Natalie Regan, Elmer Hasenmiller, Grace Kinney

Sacred Heart Church

Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Brad Manuel, Dennis Koppess, and Wendy Larive

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Women of Lost Nation invite all (men included) to their *Cheer Brunch* on Sat., Feb 2nd at 9:— am. The Guest Speakers will b Deanne and Chloe Bennett, with their travels to Ghana, Africa and their involvement with Mawuvio's Outreach Programme.

Check out The Catholic Messenger E-edition

Readers can enjoy a full-color replica of *The Catholic Messenger* in electronic form as an E-edition. To get a sneak peek for free from **Jan 17 to Feb 17**, visit *The Catholic Messenger* website at <u>www.catholicmessenger.net</u>. Click the e-edition button on the right side. The e-edition is a great way to read *The Catholic Messenger* on a laptop, desktop or tablet. And the e-edition has a searchable archive!

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MASS INTENTIONS 4B

Saturday 01/26/19/Sts. Timothy & Titus 05:00pm Toronto/Dean Schneider 01/27/19/3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Sunday 08:00am Grand Mound/Pat Morrissey 10:00am Oxford Junction/Glen Regennitter Monday No Mass Tuesday 01/29/19/Grand Mound 08:00am Richard Nichols Family Wednesday 01/30/19/Grand Mound 05:00pm Charlotte Sucic Thursday 01/31/19/St. John Bosco 05:30am Lost Nation/Otto Benischek, Sr. Friday 02/01/19/Oxford Junction 08:00am Roger & Helen Barth Saturday 02/02/19/Presentation of the Lord 05:00pm Lost Nation/Helen Marcucci Sunday 02/03/19/4th Sunday Ordinary Time 08:00am Oxford Junction/Anna & Ervin Hansen 09:30am Toronto/For the Parish 10:30am Grand Mound/Clarence Kinney

Readings for the week of January 27, 2019

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4: 4:14-21 Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/ Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34 Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 19 [8]/Heb Saturday: 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or Luke 2:22-32 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 1 Cor 13:4 -13/Lk 4:21-30

Observances for the week of January 27, 2019

Sunday:3rd Sunday in Ordinary TimeMonday:St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of theChurchThursday:Thursday:St. John Bosco, PriestSaturday:The Presentation of the Lord; World Day forConsecrated LifeNext Sunday:4th Sunday in Ordinary Time