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Masses
 Saturday 5:15 PM
 Sunday 9:30 AM
 Rev. J. J. Mech
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 Rev. Gregory Deters
 Associate

Saturday	January	30	5:15 Mass for the repose of the soul of Dr. Kate Bolton, requested by Gail and Yates Hafner; for Michael Vasquez facing radical neck surgery for recurring thyroid cancer, requested by his aunt Margaret England, and for names and intentions on the Rosary Prayer List
Sunday	January	31	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 Mass for Marian and Howard Shirkey; World Peace; Our leaders Ministers: Denise Hytower, Jean-Marie Allion
Monday	February	1	
Tuesday	February	2	The Presentation of the Lord
Wednesday	February	3	St. Blaise, St. Ansgar
Thursday	February	4	
Friday	February	5	St. Agatha
Saturday	February	6	St. Paul Miki and Companions 5:15 Mass for names and intentions on the Rosary Prayer List
Sunday	February	7	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 Mass for Rev. Thomas McAnoy, Our Leaders, World Peace Ministers: Ann Murphy, Trina Martell

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Isaiah 6: 1 – 2a, 3 - 8
 1 Corinthians 15: 1 - 11
 Luke 5: 1 - 11

Remember These Friends in Prayer

Catherine Speirs	Patrick Sieve	Nicole Arvanitis	Kerry Barnes
Margaret Hogan	Lily Norman	Marva Bryant	Jan Christensen
Barnes Family	Ken Jenkins	The Kolmetz Family	Julie, Ron & Marty Morin
Alma Bojanic	Kay and Jim Morhard	Susan Amman	Lauren Reagan
Daniella McClendon	Roger Carlson Family	Miriam Levant	Allison Holley
D.A.K. Jones	Muriel Abrams	Tom W. & Family	Ricardo Patino
Didilus Family	Brenda Lumpkin	Taylor Wright	Fred Kammerer
Marie Therese Lucien	Burma Gilchrist	Cynthia Davis	Barbara Bedolla
Morand Family	Maureen S.	Linda Cummings	Natalie
Heather Lucido	Wimbush Family	Sandy Johnson	SaraWillis
Andrew Philka	Paul H. Mullin	Ann Sadje	Pat Bartkowski
Susanto Suprpto	Rita Bowers	Jane V.	Mary Rayes
Charles Jerry Williams	Ida Bailey	Cindy LaGosh	Mr. Simmons
Jessie Dunn	Ila Gillespie	Nicole Church	Mary Ellen Murphy
Regina Burns	John T. Knox	Mark Tavin	Aileen Rosado
Calvin McFarland	Joseph Daoud	Brian Stump	Jasmine Wright
Reising Family	Cynthia Herron	Jason Morhard	Rosa Lee Vaughn
Bradley Morin	Rebecca Voigt	Leah James	Susan Wahl
Rev. James Meyer	Henrietta Jackson	Alice Brown	Joanie Stanesic
Marjorie Perdue	Harold Meek	Barbara Johnson	Patricia Ennis
Mrs. Zaciek	Grandma K.	Chris & Michael Shea	Carol Verbrugge
Elisa Martinez	Mary Ruskin	Dan Hall	Ernestine Stephens
Barthwell Family	Rhonda Maxine Irwin	Sherley Epps	Margie Pauline
Greg Varano	Vocations	Eliisa Bojanic	Winona Ware
Trotty Family	Ellie Finn Murphy	Orzechowski Family	Pat Roberts
Donna Asmar	Robert Ruffer	Phyliss Gossett	Rachel Lynn
James Teal	Clemencia Carmona	Caitlan Maloney	Gloria Graydon
Sarah W.	Danny Page	Craig Burtch	Jean Baustian
Wade Gilchrist, Jr.	Alice Coleman	Tim Calloway	Mary & Willie Toney
John Carlos Swanson	Myrtha Johnson	Laura Anderson	Lois and Tim Turrin
Carlos Vasquez	Nick Van Heck	Suzanne Welter	Ann Morey Franklin
Lucille Sobocinski	Ray McConnell	Monique Glaspie	The Jackson Family
Owen Patrick Strunk	Clarence Mayes	Honey, Tom & Zachary	Sandy Johnson
Bill Brazier	Tory Murray	The Mullin Family	Debbie Schaefer
Barbara Foley	Bob Delbeke	Mary Martin	Angelina Roberts
Shannon Barnes	Eileen Marie Finn	Matthew Elias	Allan Krupp
Rosa Maria Santos	Luchrisha Drake	Micaela Norman	Eleanor Fuchs\
Gloria Virgo	Sister Georgene Schumacher		

PRAY FOR FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY AND IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Sgt. Muddy Peha Calvin Trotty Tommy Fitzpatrick David Guiroga Matthew Dixon
Sgt. Brandon & Tiffany Childs George Hurley Family of George Rayes Lance R. Stevens
Tonya Gray Gary Didilus

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of the Rosary is an open Christian Family, a mixture of unique beings in an inner-city setting. Gifted and guided by the Holy Spirit, called in Faith to prayer, love and concern, this apostolic community searches to creatively use its resources to become inviting, loving, healing and one with the distressed/alienated people of today.

PARISH COUNCIL

It's been a couple of years since we've taken a look at membership on the Rosary Parish Council—and the time is coming very soon to reinvigorate this important group. By definition, the Parish Council is “the primary visioning body of the parish, assisting the Pastor in determining the overall Mission of the parish.” The mission outlined by the Parish Council is entrusted to the Commissions for implementation: Worship, Education & Formation, Christian Service and Stewardship. Each member of Rosary has input into the make-up of the Parish Council through the nomination process. Parish Council members are active practicing Catholics, members of Rosary, able to work in groups and possessing gifts, abilities and traits that will enhance the work of the Council. Start thinking NOW about people you feel would be qualified to represent you, your ideas, your dreams on the Rosary Parish Council. (More next week)

COMMUNITY GARDEN

It's time to start planning our community garden. With Sister Joan moving, the burden for planning and doing the actual gardening will fall on members of our community who have faithfully tended the garden for many years AND all Rosary members who would like to get involved. There will be a short meeting after Mass today with Sr. Joan to share information and to line up our gardening team.

OUR ANNUAL PARTY

For over 40 years, Rosary has hosted residents of area adult foster care homes for a mid-winter party. This year we will welcome guests on Sunday, February 14, from noon to 2:30. Please pencil in this date on your calendars so you can be here to help with the set up, with serving food, but most importantly to welcome our guests and enjoy the party with them.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Sister Joan really wants to stay in contact with all her Rosary friends. Drop her a note from time to time:

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ALREADY?

Patrick Yee will be graduating from college this spring. Yes, in between coming to Rosary to play flute with our choir and coming to help with food baskets, etc., Patrick has been studying instrumental and vocal music and performing arts at Adrian College. Part of his graduation requirement is to give a “capstone recital” to demonstrate to an audience all he has mastered in his four years at Adrian. We are all invited to this recital—Sunday, March 20 at 4 PM at Downs Hall on the campus in Adrian. Right now, Patrick’s father Bowman needs some idea of how many Rosary friends will attend this, so refreshments for the reception after the program can be planned. Are you going?

FINANCES

Last weekend’s Offertory collection totaled \$1,911. 61 envelopes were used. The statements of Offertory contributions for 2015 are being distributed. Take a look at your statement. Are there many “gaps” between your donations? Should you be thinking about ways to make your donations more regular? We depend on a steady flow of regular donations to fund our parish.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Alexia Rowell	Monday
Mason Seymour	Monday
Eileen Karrer-Perkins	Monday
Beverly Blaney	Wednesday
Alex Sultan	Saturday
Jessica Flogger	Saturday

FATHER GREG'S GRAB-BAG

Thank the Lord that we live in Michigan—we could be in Pennsylvania or Washington where they are STILL trying to dig out from under that incredible snowfall!! I know a lot of people do NOT enjoy the snow; I, on the other hand, enjoy it immensely!

There is something calming about a fresh blanket of snow—I don't know why, it just is. When I was a young boy, my parents used to take car rides out to the country (that country is now called Plymouth and Northville-- LOL!)-in order to look at God's creation. I remember getting out of the car with my two sisters—we would run up the hill and look out at the scenery. It was breathtaking! Something as "simple" as the snow impacts profoundly in the deep recesses of our minds!

The reason I speak of this image is because of today's 2nd Reading. We speak about the word LOVE and how very simple it is to define. I am sure there are many definitions of "love" -St. Paul gives us a few: "Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered." St. Paul ends this Chapter with these 3 words: "Love never fails." That is truly my Prayer for each of us—that the love we have for God AND neighbor may extend as far as the limitless snow—that it may glisten like an early morning snowfall--- -simply beautiful to the eye!!!

Fr. Greg's Joke

After a talking sheepdog gets all the sheep in the pen, he reports back to the farmer, "All 40 accounted for" " But I only have 36 sheep", say the farmer. "I know", say the sheepdog. "But I rounded them up." (Get it?? Pretty bad!!)

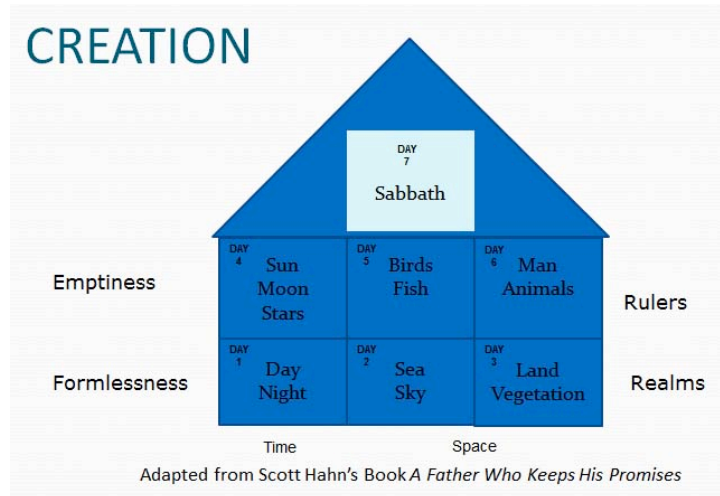
Have a great week! Father Greg

PARISH SPIRIT AWARD

Last weekend we began accepting nominations for the 2016 Parish Spirit Award. This year, the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance has decided to honor a person under age 25. We have several great candidates here at Rosary. If you did not enter a nomination last weekend, please do so today—either drop it in the special basket, or in the Offertory collection. Keep Wednesday, March 2 in mind—the date of the Parish Spirit Award presentations, Sacred Heart Church, 6:30 PM This is always a wonderful, moving celebration of the Church in the City. Let's plan on a great Rosary turnout.

RCIA GATHERING

The Adult Faith Formation class continues to meet Monday evenings, 6:30 – 8 PM at Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is invited to learn more about our Faith. Here is a preview of this week's session:



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

This past Monday in our RCIA gathering we learned about the Creation Story found in the book of Genesis chapter 1. The first three days God responded to the earth's formlessness by creating realms. By creating day/night, sea/sky, and land/vegetation the three elements for life are in place: light, water, and food. Symmetrically, the next three days he resolved the earth's emptiness by filling the realms with rulers – the day and night to be ruled by the sun, moon and stars; the sea and the sky to be ruled by the birds and fish; and the land to be ruled by man. He filled the structure in three days, and then filled that structure with living beings. For six days God created and after each creation God declared it good, but on the last day his pièce de résistance was the creation of the human person which he declared very good.

The fact that the story is told in a very orderly format is not a coincidence. It helps us to understand the meaning and significance of creation. It shows us what and why God created. The “what is a home for His children, for us, his pièces de résistance. Let's look at Gen 2:1-3 in order to see the “why”.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Let us review all that we know about God. He is all-powerful, all-knowing, all-love, supernatural, pure spirit... So, by “rested” does it mean God was tired and had to recuperate from all the hard work of creating? No, He didn't have to lift a finger to create. “Rested” means He shared a lazy cozy unhurried time to do nothing but enjoy the company of those He loves so much, to rest in one another! That is why he blessed and made the seventh day holy, so that He could share the perfect love of the Trinity with all of us for no other reason but for us to love Him back. We were created out of love, to be loved, and to love. Brings a smile to my face and gives me goose bumps every time I think about it. This Monday we are going to get an overview of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body and look a little closer at Genesis 1:27. I hope to see you there!