


DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	SPECIAL EVENTS	DAILY READINGS,
SUNDAY 02/12/2017	10:00 AM— Mass	Faith Formation after Mass. RCIA after Mass. Coffee & Donuts after Mass	<i>Sir 15:15-20</i> <i>Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18m</i> 33-34 <i>Cor 2:6-10</i> <i>Mt5:17-37</i>
Monday 02/13/2017	NO MASS		<i>Gn 4:1-15, 25</i> <i>Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21</i> <i>Mk 8:11-13</i>
Tuesday 02/14/2017	4:00 PM— Mass ✠John & Shirley Vincent by Kevin Fleming	9:30 AM— Bible Study in Parish Hall.	<i>Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10</i> <i>Ps 129:1a, 2, 3ac-4</i> <i>Mk 8:14-21</i> <i>Acts 13:46-49</i> <i>Lk 10:1-9</i>
Wednesday 02/15/2017	8:00 AM— Mass ✠Shirley Simoson by Carl Simoson Pro-Life Rosary after Mass.	1:00 PM- Book of Psalms – Parish Hall. 7:00 PM- Holy Spirit Prayer Group.	<i>Gn 8:6-13, 20-22</i> <i>Ps 166:12-15, 18-19</i> <i>Mk 8:22-26</i>
Thursday 02/16/2017	8:00 AM—Mass ✠Barbara Lovell by Nicki Conroy	7:00 PM— Parish Council meeting in Parish Hall.	<i>Gn 9:1-13</i> <i>Ps 102:16-18, 19-23, 29</i> <i>Mk 8:27-33</i>
Friday 02/17/2017	8:00 AM— Mass ✠Bradley Beaudreau by Nicki Conroy		<i>Gn 11:1-9</i> <i>Ps 33:10-15</i> <i>Mk 8:34—9:1</i>
Saturday 02/18/2017	8:00 AM—Mass ✠Baby Beloved by Amy Huber 4:00 PM— ✠June Hanes by Nicki Conroy	3:15-3:45 PM- Reconciliation KofC Dinner—"East meets West " Dinner in Parish Hall after 4:00 Mass.	<i>Heb 11:1-7</i> <i>Ps 145:2-5, 10-11</i> <i>Mk 9:2-13</i>
SUNDAY 02/19/17	10:00 AM— Mass 2:00 PM— Healing Mass	Faith Formation after Mass. RCIA after Mass.	<i>Lv 19:1-2, 17-18</i> <i>Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13</i> <i>Cor 3:16-23</i> <i>Mt 5:38-48</i>

FEBRUARY 12, 2017

 AS CATHOLICS, WE ARE NOT TO FOCUS ONLY ON OURSELVES BUT ARE CALLED BY OUR BAPTISM TO REACH OUT AND SHARE OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE WITH OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

NOTE: Please be aware that our bulletin is posted on our website; therefore, any information in the bulletin is out there in cyberspace, accessible to anyone. Please let the office know if this is an issue for you.

Our Mission Statement: To Fulfill Fr. Michael Murphy's dream to be a welcoming community

**To grow in the love of the Lord*

**To follow the teachings of the Church*

**To serve one another and the community.*



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Office Hours: 9:30 AM—5:00 PM Monday—Friday

Office located next to the Church. (Closed on all Holy Days and Holidays)

MASSES — *Tues. 4:00 PM—Wednesday thru Saturday 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 3:15—3:45 PM (or by appointment)

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES: By appointment

HOLY DAY MASSES: Vigil 6:30 PM, 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM

**see calendar on back for possible time changes*

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES

***WINTER:** Nov. 1ST to the last Sunday before Memorial Day

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM

***WINTER SNOW DAYS—SUNDAY MASS WILL BE AT 2:00 PM**

SUMMER: Memorial Day Weekend until October 31ST

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL—2017

"Your Every Act should be done with Love"

Assessed Goal Amt. Paid Pledge Bal. Over/Under
12,265.

Please be generous to the Diocesan Support Appeal. Your contribution to the DSA is a way to act with love for our sisters and brothers throughout the diocese and to continue the saving work begun by Jesus. *Next week during Mass, you may complete a pledge envelope or go to:*

www.charlottediocese.org/dsa to make a gift online.

***PLEASE RETURN ALL BABY BOTTLES,
 EMPTY OR WITH DONATIONS.***

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation would like to hold a Vacation Bible School this summer. We need to know when the best time to plan such an endeavor is and how many children would be interested. Please email Nicki at:

nwrightconroy@gmail.com with the *ages of your children*, whether you would prefer a *3 or a 5 day VBS* and whether *June or July is better* for your family. We know we will not be able to accommodate everyone but would like to accommodate the majority of our families. *Nicki*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be having an "East Meets West" dinner *next Saturday, February 18th*. Your host will be Vince & Cherry Stringfellow. *Tickets will be available after both masses this weekend*. Please purchase your tickets **in advance** so we can secure the proper amount of food. Thank you!



"IN PURSUIT OF A CLEAN HEART"

Living Waters Catholic Reflection Center will be having a *Lenten Prayer Day* on **March 22, 2017**. It will be from **9:00 to 3:00 PM**. Cost is **\$20.00 and includes lunch**. To register please call: **828-926-3833** or email to: **lwrc@bellsouth.net**.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

R.Allan, Tom Beyer, Ginny Condren, Deacon Miles, Jeanne Devlin, Thomas Dexter, Elliot Dowdell, Norma Esbenshade, Evelyn Fairbanks, Caroline Greene, David & Christina Hefke, Maryellen & Ray Hoefler, Josh Ketchum, Kimberly Krisan, Matt Loetz, G.Lydia, Lisa M., R.Mas, Kathleen Mercogliano, Robert Missana, Jeanne Mitchel, Joseph Orvos, Suzanne Palmiere, Pat & George Pastore, Boone Tilley, Olivia Triollo, Barb & Bob Williams, Bella Grace Yarrington, Bruce Yarrington, David Yarrington- **AND ALL THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER. NAMES WILL EMAIN FOR ONE MONTH, UNLESS NOTIFIED OTHERWISE.**

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTION

All the readings on this Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time seem to address from one perspective or another the idea of "free will" as it goes hand in hand with "God's wisdom." St. Paul speaks to this ongoing philosophy and discussion of "free will" more than anyone else in Holy Scripture. However, as he points out in our Second Reading from his First Letter to the Corinthians, "We speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory."



In addition to St. Paul, St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas wrote volumes about the issue of "free will." The point of all of this is that on the one hand we are gifted with free will, but we must accept the reality that making the wrong moral decision has consequences. In our First Reading from the Prophet Sirach, we hear "Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him." That is immediately followed by "Immense is the wisdom of the Lord."

We do have choices throughout our lives. One of those choices is pursuing stewardship as a way of life. One can choose to be a steward or choose not to. Nevertheless, if we look at it from the point of view of God's wisdom rather than ours, it really is not a choice at all. It is something we should and must practice. In a homily this past June, Pope Francis said, "You cannot love God without loving your brothers and sisters; in fact, you cannot love God without being an active participant in the Church."

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