

✠ *Holy Week*

Tuesday	Mass at St. Peter, 8 am Masses at St. John, 9:30 am
Wednesday	Mass at St. Peter, 8 am Mass at St. John, 9:30 am
Holy Thursday	Mass Commemorating the Mystical Supper of Our Lord , 7 pm, St. John (followed by Adoration until midnight) St. Peter's Adoration: 6 to 11 pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross , 3 pm, St. John Communion Service & Veneration of the Cross , 7 pm, St. John



Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil, 8 pm, St. John



Easter

8 am Holy Family
9:45 am St. Peter
11:30 am St. John

Rice Bowl Spotlight - Malawi

Timothy's story~ Timothy Machicka, his wife, and five children live in Malawi, a country where more than half of the people live on less than \$1 a day. His family was no exception. He struggled to grow potatoes and corn on his small plot and did odd jobs to earn money. Still, his family only had one meal per day.

He joined an agriculture program run by CRS where he learned that popular chili peppers can grow without much water. His harvest was so successful this year that he rented more land for next year. He also received tools and training from CRS as well as formed a farmers group. The group purchasing of fertilizer also affords them lower pricing.

Facts

- Malawi is one of the world's least developed and densely populated counties.
- Farming is the main work there, with **80%** of the rural population relying on food they grow. When drought occurs, their food supply is gone.
- Less than **10%** of Malawians work in a salaried job.

Rice Bowls

Lent rice bowls are available for almsgiving, one of our goals during Lent (along with service, fasting, and prayer). Please count your Rice Bowl total, make your check out to your Church, and drop it off at the office after Lent. Thank you.

Marriage Moments by Susan Vogt

Lent is a time of penance and purification, but we needn't walk around with sour faces. Do something foolish on April Fool's Day -- healthy families laugh together.

Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Failure to forgive blinds us to another's goodness. Lent provides an opportunity to wash away our blind spots in the pool of forgiveness. Listen to Jesus message today: "Go wash and see."

Ordination and Installation of New Bishop

Enjoy the upcoming ordination and installation of Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger at home on April 10: Time Warner Cable News will carry the ceremony beginning at 1:30 pm. For those who subscribe to other cable service, you may view the ceremony on EWTN.

Retreats

Dominican Retreat Conference Center 518.393.4169

April 25-27: *Stitching into Mystery: Yarn Craft as Contemplative Practice* Where is God in the work of your hands? Enter into a weekend of quiet and reflection that comes so naturally as you knit, purl, chain, and crochet works that will be used by yourself or as gifts for others. Deepen your relationship with God by using scripture and other readings to contemplate the mysteries of the Divine.
Director: Sr. Barbara Rapp, OP

AND

"All Generations Shall Call Me Blessed" scripture weekend for men and women: On the surface, The Book of Ruth appears as a story of the relation-ship of women who seek to deal with lives that have been over-whelmed by loss, risk, change and survival. This Book, however, serves as an icon for both women and men. Through the eyes of Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz we are invited to explore the mysteries of those moments in our lives that periodically challenge us to ask *"Is it possible to begin anew?"* Director: Sr. Marilyn R. Vassallo, CSJ

Weekend retreats: \$195 (age 65 & over--\$180)