

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 15, 2015

Please pray for those in special need of prayer.

Leonard Wein, Rita Hoffman, Don, Clancy Adkinson, Mary Hunter, Mary Anne Falcone, Amber Hoyt Phraner, Angel, Carmen, Raymond Bivens, Jr., Helen Pratti, Agnes Henry, Rose Gunderson, Ronnie Hunter, and Robert Bivens.

Offices Closed

Parish offices will be closed tomorrow for Presidents' Day.

Ash Wednesday Masses

Ash Wednesday schedule on February 18:

8 am and 6 pm at St. Peter

9:30 am and 7:15 pm at St. John

Baked Goods Needed

Donations of baked goods, fruit, cheese/crackers for the Family Life coffee hour next Sunday, February 22, would be appreciated. If you are able to help out, please give Sheila Todd a call at 865.6291. Items may be dropped off in the Father Willis Hall kitchen.

Coffee Hours

Coffee hours will be held at St. Peter and St. John next Sunday the 22nd. Stop in for a warm cup of coffee, a snack, and fellowship.

Rice Bowls

Rice Bowls are available this Lent, a season when we dedicate ourselves to almsgiving, service, fasting, and prayer. At the end of Lent count your Bowl, make a check out to your Church, put in envelope marked 'Rice Bowl,' and place in offertory basket (no cash please).

✦ OFFERINGS ✦

St. John: \$ 1,733

Holy Family: 248

St. Peter: 1,269

Collection Next Weekend

Your support of the Black and Indian Missions Collection assists the presence of missionaries in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native missions, schools, and religious education programs. Help train catechists, deacons, and seminarians for future generations in many of our cities. Thank you.

Annual Shrove Pancake Dinner

The Family Life Committee's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is this Tuesday! Come for pancakes, sausage, scramble eggs, orange juice, coffee, and tea. Free will offering.

Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. As a sign of our penance, we preserve for the Diocese of Albany the custom of abstinence from meat on the Fridays of Lent. Abstinence binds all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Fasting binds all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting calls for only one full meal per day.

By retaining these traditions for our Diocese, we do not intend that they be interpreted as laws binding under pain of sin, but as customs from which we will not hold ourselves lightly excused. They are expressions of our desire to be converted in our hearts, to be reconciled with each other, and to love our neighbor.

Bishop's Appeal closes in four weeks!