

Dear Parishioners,

This Monday, March 7th, 7:00-9:00 PM, I will be joining most every priest in the greater Greenville area at Mary Magdalene Catholic Church (off Woodruff Road just east of HWY 14). This will not be a penance service — just about 20 priests hearing confessions for as long as people are coming! I do not know how many of you may be able to get there, but you are welcome! These penance services are not a good time to ask for spiritual direction. My advice: if a sin is mortal, it's killing you. If something is killing you, deal with just that. If nothing is killing you, but something is making you very sick, deal with that. If nothing is killing you or making you very sick, work on that! If you haven't been to confession in one month, or 75 years, this is the simple and effective approach!

At St. Luke's and Holy Cross, I have been hearing confessions at both churches — and people from both have been going to both! Also, people from other areas come after seeing the dates and times posted on our website. Forgiving sins in the sacrament is one of the most rewarding parts of the life of a priest. Of all the sacraments, it involves the most profound heart to heart conversation. This is why I prefer not to hear confessions face-to-face, but only with a fixed screen. Everyone going to confession has the right to have a fixed screen for any reason. Every priest hearing confessions, also, has the right to have a fixed screen for any reason.

Fr. Jim Dubrouillet

This Week in our Parish

- Sun., 6 9:00 AM Mass
- 10:15 AM Senior High Youth Mtg.
- Mon., 7 7:00 PM Confessions @
St. Mary Magdalene
- Tue., 8 7:00 PM RCIA
- Wed., 9 6:00 PM Confession
- 6:30 PM Religious Ed. (grades 1-6)
Adult Bible Study
- Thu., 10 9:00 AM Catholic Outreach @ Holy Cross
- 12:15 PM Mass
- Fri., 11 6:30 PM Stations of the Cross
- Sat., 12 3:30 PM Confession @ Holy Cross
- 7:00 PM Mass
- Sun., 13 9:00 AM Mass
- 10:15 AM Junior High Youth Mtg.
Senior High Youth Mtg.

Mass Intentions

- Thu., 10 12:15 PM Melissa Windsor †
Roxana Garris
- Sat., 12 7:00 PM For the People
- Sun., 13 9:00 AM Joseph & Eleanor Kiesznoski †
Dorothy Mitchiner



Happy birthday to all those celebrating birthdays this week! May God bless you on your special day!

Readings for the Week

- Sun Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Mon Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, and 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b;
Jn 4:43-54
- Tue Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
- Wed Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
- Thu Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47
- Fri Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, and 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Sat Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53
- Sun Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5,6; Phil 3:8-14;
Jn 8:1-11

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners: B.Ahearn, G. Amorosia, Mr. & Mrs. A. Bazza, C. Carpenter, D. Clements, L. Currens, J. Dunn, I. Maziarz, J. Maziarz, P. Mitchell, B. Moll, R. Pavlick, J. Russell, J. Sewell, D. Sheridan, K. Tallyen, M. Tobon, A. Young

Friends and Relatives: D. Amorosia, K. Armstrong, B. Authement, Bolt Family, George Cohen, Jr., D. DeLise, S. DeLise, D. Doria, S. Drake, B. Elliott, M. Fernandez, J. Gniewek, Mr. & Mrs. E. Guderian, Jr., H. Hanahoe, A. Heredia, E. Kiesznoski, W. Kuell, D. Lovett, L. G. Marcengill, C. Maziarz, J. Merck, B. Metts, M. Nash, V. Navasnik, T. & M. Nicholson, C. O'Quinn, L. O'Quinn, L. Paradis, J. Pavlick, T. Quatrini, M. Reddy, J. Richeda, M. Rizzo, G. Roberts, C. Robinson, M. Sanchez, T. Shayne, P. Shoemaker, E. Swire, J. Taylor, S. Taylor, our homebound members, all current and former members of our military and those who have asked for our prayers.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

After Hours Emergency Line: If you have a medical emergency and need to reach Father Jim outside of office hours, please call 864-897-7980. This number is also listed on our website.



Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 AM next Sunday, March 13. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead next Saturday night.

Ladies: The women of St. Luke will again be participating in the North Greenville Softball League. If you are over 18 and wish to play some softball contact me, *Rosemary Stevenson 855-0504*

Heart to Hand Prayer Shawl Ministry has changed its meeting date for March due to Holy Week. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16th If you are interested in donating to our prayer shawl ministry, we are in need of 4-ply, machine washable, 100% acrylic, any color yarn (ex. Red Heart brand). If you or a loved one, friend, co-worker, have a need for a shawl, lap blanket, afghan, (we even have ones for people in wheel chairs), please don't hesitate to ask for one.

Respect Life: "Jesus is with us every step of the way, giving us the grace we need. God invites us to embrace the lives we have been given, for as long as they are given. Every life is worth living." - *2015-16 Respect Life Program Flyer USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

Anointing of the Sick: Mass with the anointing of the sick is celebrated the third Friday of each month during the 12:15 PM Mass at Holy Cross.

Links: For additional information about the following please visit the church webpage under *Events*.

40 Days for Life	February 10 – March 20
Spring Men's Discernment Retreat	March 11-13
SC Council Catholic Women Conv.	March 11
SC Marriage Encounter Weekends	April 1
Knights of Columbus Event pictures	visit KOC page

Capital Campaign Report February 21, 2016

Cost to Date	\$1,174,692	From Growth/Dev	\$550,000
Balance Due	\$69,334	Donations & Int.	\$448,142
<u>Loan Interest (5 yr)</u>	<u>\$29,645</u>	<u>Pledges Expected</u>	<u>\$104,850</u>
Total Cost	\$1,273,671	Total Funding	\$1,102,992
	Funds Needed		\$170,679

Stewardship Report February 27-28, 2016

Weekly.....	\$3,549.11
YTD Collection.....	\$152,857.14
Surplus/ (Deficit).....	\$2,118.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

March 12-13, 2016

7:00 PM	Lector: J.Thompson Servers:T. Bynum M. Bynum A. Bissonnette Greeters:G. Miller D. Pietras
9:00 AM	Lector: V. Stein Servers: A. Borcherts K. Kline E. Pliauplis Greeters:V. Giammalvo R. Heredia L. Stein L. Stein

Holy Cross Catholic Church
558 Hampton Ave Pickens, SC
Mass Schedule*

Saturday.....	5:00 PM
Sunday.....	11:15 AM
Monday.....	8:15 AM
Wednesday.....	12:15 PM
Friday.....	12:15 PM

**Check the website to confirm.*