

From the Pastor's Desk:

Today's liturgy shows Jesus who goes out to meet his people. It is the feast day of encounter: the newness of the Child encounters the tradition of the temple; the promise finds fulfillment; young Mary and Joseph encounter the elderly Simeon and Anna. Everything, therefore, meets as Jesus arrives. What does this mean for us? Above all, that we too are called to welcome Jesus who comes to meet us. To encounter him: the God of life is to be encountered every day of our lives; not now and then, but every day. To follow Jesus is not a decision taken once and for all, it is a daily choice. With Jesus we find the courage to carry on and the strength to remain firm. The encounter with the Lord is the source.

~Pope Francis

Today is observed as World Day for Consecrated Life. In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. Its purpose is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervor which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord". **Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.** (ORDO, 2020)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS: Catholic Christian Discipleship

Please look for the **Pancake Breakfast** information for Ss. Peter & Paul's religious education fundraiser soon. Student assignments and a donation list of food items needed will be available next week. Grades K-5 parents are asked to provide bars, sweet breads, and other calorie-filled sweets for our Mardi Gras theme event. Be ready for FEBRUARY 23rd to eat all the pancakes you can! Each person who eats will get a free Mardi Gras necklace to celebrate. By the way, Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 26th.

Keep all our cluster's Confirmation students in your prayers as they prepare for this sacrament. Also, pray for our second-graders as they prepare for First Reconciliation and First Communion.

Please pray for each other and for those most in need of prayers.

Blessings ~ Georgi

Class Times: Wednesday - February 5th, 2020

St. Stanislaus/Ss. Peter & Paul

in Gilman: **Grades K - 5: 3:40 - 5:00 p.m.**

Grades 6 - 11: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

St. Michael/St. John

in Sheldon: **Grades K - 11: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.**

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

Ss. Peter & Paul

Adult Envelopes	\$ 848.00
Loose	72.00
Total	920.00
Total from January 27, 2019	985.00
Catholic Schools	45.00
Building Fund	50.00
Energy	20.00

St. Stanislaus

Adult Envelopes	\$ 303.00
Loose	4.00
Total	307.00
Total from January 27, 2019	419.00
Catholic Schools	60.00
Energy	85.00

St. John

Adult Envelopes	\$ 540.00
Loose	97.40
Total	637.40
Total from January 27, 2019	704.00
Catholic Schools	25.00

St. Michael

Adult Envelopes	\$ 260.00
Loose	44.00
Total	304.00
Total from January 27, 2019	349.00

(Totals include only the basic collection)

Called to Become Saints

Catholic Services Appeal 2019-2020

Our annual Catholic Services Appeal has begun throughout the Diocese. The "fair share" responsibility for the coming year is listed below. As of January 31st, we have collected:

2019/2020 Catholic Services Appeal

	Assessment	Received	Amount Due
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$ 11,354.00	\$4,280.00	\$7,074.00
St. John	\$ 8,870.00	\$3,750.00	\$5,120.00
St. Stanislaus	\$ 5,421.00	\$4,525.00	\$ 896.00
St. Michael	\$ 2,860.00	\$ 732.00	\$2,128.00

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