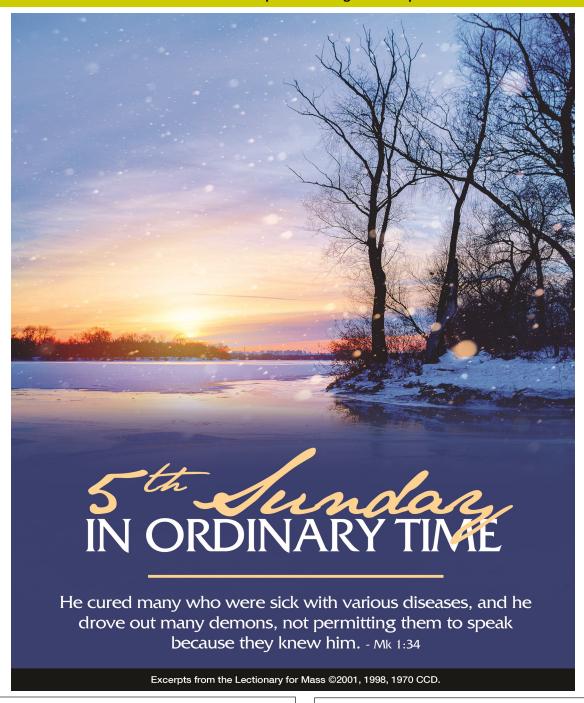
# Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

February 4, 2018 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4 de febrero de 2018 — quinto domingo en tiempo ordinario



# **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

Saturday	5:30 p.m
Sunday	
Daily Masses:Thursday	8:30 a.m
Wednesday and Friday	
CONFESSIONS (Saturday) 4:30	p.m. or by appointment

# **HORARIO DE OFICINAS**

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

#### **HORARIO LITURGICO**

Domingo		
Misa Diaria:Jueves 8:30 a.m (Ingles)		
Miércoles y Viernes 12:00 del medio día		
CONFESIONES (Sábado) 4:30 p.m. o por cita		

# **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON 813 W Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs VA 23075

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# **St John Parish Calendar**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2018** 4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass Thanksgiving for Fr. Frank

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2018

9:00 AM Mass soul of Joseph DiMarino

10:00 AM Rosary

12:15 PM Misa por el alma de Eulalio Carrillo

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2018** 

12:00 Noon Mass for health of Fr. Paul Maier

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2018

8:30 AM Mass for soul of Flora Giordino

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2018

12:00 Noon Mass birthday for Mary Miskinom

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2018

4:30 PM Reconciliation

5:30 PM Mass soul of Shirley Hughes

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2018

9:00 AM Mass 10:00 AM Rosary 12:15 PM Misa

#### ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



# REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Pray for

Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Deborah Shorter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillan

Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Thomas Whitehead, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, David Stull, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Shirley Griffy and Fred Brown.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **February** laundry detergent

En el mes de **febrero** necesitamos **Detergente para Ropa** 



When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons,

not permitting them to speak because they knew him. - Mk 1:32-34

#### Readings for the Week of February 4, 2018

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22

-23/Mk 1:29-39

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 [8a]/Mk 6:53-56 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 [2]/Mk

7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 [30a]/Mk

7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 [4a]/Mk

7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 [11a

and 9a]/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22

[4a]/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31--

71:1/Mk 1:40-45

# ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 14 9:00 AM ENGLISH & 7:00 PM SPANISH

THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY NOON MASSES DURING LENT. JOIN US FOR THE LENTEN SERVICES AT NEIGHBORING CHURCHES.

#### January 27 & 28, 2018

 Weekly
 Year to Date

 Actual
 \$4,746
 Actual
 \$143,498

 Budget
 \$5,266
 Budget
 \$163,246

 Difference
 (\$520)
 Difference
 (\$19,748)

Debt Reduction \$1860 \$1660

Difference (\$200)

## Remaining Debt Balance \$34,102

# **MASS ATTENDANCE**

5:30 9:00 12:15 85 142 180 I have a question for you today.

Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?

Do you think that it is? Do you think that life on earth is a drudgery?

It probably depends upon what kind of week you had last week. Or what kind of week you have ahead of you as to how you answer that question.

Job said that it is. He is the one who asked that question. From the first reading.

"Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?"

Job had been through a lot of bad stuff, so it's not unreasonable for him to ask that question.

What about today? How's life?

I have found that life always has to have a certain amount of 'drudgery' involved. I believe it is our remedy to original sin. It continually purifies us during our journey towards heaven.

We sin less when times are hard. No one wants to be pushed too hard. And no one wants a life of 'drudgery.' But the opposite is filled with problems. A life that's too easy ultimately ends in our own downfall.

We have to keep this in mind when we start to complain about work or any of the challenges we face in a day (taking care of a loved one, taking care of the kids, continuing the battle with a sickness). It becomes 'drudgery' when we forget that the challenge is good for us, that it can be purifying, and that we actually derive our happiness and fulfillment from the victory of the fight.

We measure our happiness against the struggle we face in a given day. No fight = no change for the satisfaction of victory. No struggle = no measuring stick = no perspective = no happiness.

After Job received back all his blessings (he lost them all and then eventually was given them all back), I wonder if his joy after having lost everything and gained it back was more than his joy the first time around. It is almost as if the drudgery of life stretches out ones capacity for happiness, ultimately granting them a bigger capacity.

I think Saints are very happy in heaven because they experienced so much drudgery in life, they really got stretched out so that when they got to heaven they have a larger capacity (a bigger cup to be filled with the joys of heaven).

Thank God for the drudgery of life. It is good for us. Fr Rossi

Only ten days to go before Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 13. We need a count for those attending, no need to pay now , pay at the door. We will be serving from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Good food, good fun , good music. All proceeds go toward upcoming receptions and events as requested by the church such as First Communion and Confirmation. Hope to see everyone there!

Can you believe that Lent will start in only two weeks?? That means the Lenten Dinners will also be starting. As always, in order to make this year another successful year we **NEED YOU**. If you are interested in pitching in (and perhaps making a Lenten sacrifice or commitment) now is the time to step up. We can always use help performing food prep work, set-up, food donations (especially desserts) cooking, serving and cleaning up. If you are interested in any of these please call the office, or just show up. Can't do any of these!! Come and eat and bring a friend.

# Lenten Fish Dinner Sponsorship Opportunity

Lenten dinners will be here before you know it. In order to keep our prices the same as last year we need spon-

sors. Please take a look at these sponsorship opportunities and let us know if you can help us and help our community:

Fish -	\$1,700
Sea Food -	\$200
Vegetable Oil & Margarine-	\$300
Breading & Hushpuppy & Mac&Cheese	\$200
Big Potatoes & French Fries -	\$300
Dressings -	\$250
Produce -	\$350
Coffee, Ice Tea, Sugar -	\$200
Paper Product -	\$500

Please consider sponsoring any of the above items or give a donation of a portion of the total amount. All amounts of donations help.

Thank you in advance. The Lenten Fish Team

**Looking for a Ministry? Perhaps you want to fulfill a New Year's resolution?** Well, maybe this ministry is for you. We are in need of someone to be in charge of flowers and decorations during the most important seasons of the year, Christmas and Easter. Please give us a call at the office if you would like to volunteer or would like more information.

# YOUR 2017 TAX LETTERS HAVE BEEN MAILED!!. SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.

# Men: Are You Ready to Accept the Challenge?

Our communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protection of families, service to others and to defend our values.

For over one hundred years, Knights of Columbus have done exactly that, standing up for the Church, serving the least among us, and strengthening our parishes and families.

Eligible Catholic men can now join the Knights of Columbus online in a simple, streamlined process.

As a member, you join a worldwide community of nearly two million men, including tens of thousands here in Virginia, who stand together.

Men have a duty to lead, protect, serve and defend. The world needs more committed, unified Catholic men to answer the call. Will you answer?

Visit **kofc.org/joinus** to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus, Council 6936.

Registration is now OPEN for the 2018 Catholic Men's Conference!. All men over 18 are invited on March 17, 2018 to Saint Bede Catholic Church in Williamsburg, VA for our 6th Annual Diocesan Men's Conference. This year's theme, "Truly Present," will explore Jesus' presence to us and our call to be present in all our relationships in the world as husband, father, brother, and friend. Registration Cost. The \$40 early-bird admission cost is available until February 1, 2018. After February 1, 2018 general registration will be available online for \$55 until March 10, 2018. After that point, registration will only be available at the door for \$60.