

## February 4, 2024

### Ministry Schedules

#### Lectors

Sat. 2/3: Kathy Cooney  
Sun. 2/4: Terry Marsh  
Sat. 2/10: Carolyn Lema  
Sun. 2/11: Jeff Klason

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 2/3: Deb Slecta  
Sun. 2/4: Debbie Munger  
Sat. 2/10: Marian Delay  
Sun. 2/11: Pat Trim

#### Ushers

Sat. 2/3: Bob Meierdierks  
Andy Savarese  
Sun. 2/4: Mike Quinn  
Jim McGann  
Sat. 2/10: Juan Medina  
Bob Meierdierks  
Sun. 2/11: Leonard Garcia  
Robert Tupek

#### Prayer Line

If you would like prayers for any serious health or personal reason you can text your prayer requests to Andy and Judy Savarese at (435) 259-5995. They will in turn forward your text to a group that will pray for your prayer intention.

#### Confession Schedules

MOAB: Confessions are heard at 4:15pm on Saturday afternoons or by appointment at St. Pius X.

MONTICELLO: Confessions are heard at St Joseph's on the last Sunday of the Month.

### Scripture Readings

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Mon** - 2/5 – Mass - 8:30 am

First Kings 8: 1-7, 9-13

Mk. 6: 53-56

**Tues** – 2/6 – Mass - 8:30 am

First Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30

Mk. 7: 1-13

**Wed** – 2/7 – **NO MASS** - 8:30 am

First Kings 10: 1-10

Mk. 7: 14-23

**Thurs** – 2/8 – **NO MASS** – 8:30am

First Kings 11: 4-13

Mk. 7: 24-30

**Fri** – 2/9 – **NO MASS**

First Kings 11: 29-32; 12: 19

Mk. 7: 31-37

**Sat** – 2/10 – Mass 5:00 pm

First Kings 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34

Mk. 8: 1-10

### The Schedule for the 2024 National Collection

Feb 14: Church in Central/Eastern Europe (Ash Wed.)  
Feb. 14- Mar. 31: Rice Bowl (Lenten Season)  
Feb. 18: Black & Indian Missions (US)  
March 10: Catholic Relief Services  
Mar. 24 Holy Land (Palm

and/or  
Mar. 29: Sunday and/or Good Friday)  
April 28: Home Missions  
May 12: Communications  
June 30: Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

July 14: Pastoral Solidarity for Church in Africa  
August 4: Religious Retirement  
September 28: Priests' Retirement (Diocesan Collection)

### Weekly Collection – St Pius X

Jan. 27 & 28 Offertory: \$1188.<sup>00</sup>  
Latin America 2<sup>nd</sup>. Collection: \$ 250.<sup>00</sup>

### Offerors

Sat. 2/3: Andy & Judy Savarese  
Sun. 2/4: Dave & Marian Delay

### Offerors Sign Up Sheet

There is a sign-up sheet for Jan. & Feb. 2024 in the back of church for those interested in taking up the gifts during the offertory.

### Lenten Recollection

LENT is a 40-day season of prayer fasting and alms giving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday. It is that sacred time when we remember the depths of God's love for us expressed in the mysteries of Christ's passion, death and resurrection. This recollection will be a time to reflect on that mysteries and give thanks for the great and merciful love of God for us. Through prayer, reflection and silence we hope to find

renewal and meaning in our own experience of death and life and let Jesus teach us what it means to be anchored in love and live in hope.

The facilitators for this recollection are Dr. Catherine Morgan a certified Ignatian Spiritual Director and her husband Ralph, Ignatian Spiritual Companion. The couple is recommended by Bishop Solis. This recollection is open to all parishioners of St. Pius X and St. Joseph Monticello but is mandated for all Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers. Please don't miss this opportunity this is part of your spiritual formation. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: **It will be held at the Parish Hall on March 2, 2024 Saturday from 9am-3pm.**

### Morning Mass

There will be no morning Mass on Wed. 2/7 and Thursday 2/8.

### Diocesan Development Drive

This month begins the 2024 Diocesan Development Drive, "[Eucharist, The Heart of Giving.](#)". Our annual Diocesan Development Drive needs your support. Help us accomplish this mission by giving with a generous heart. Help our Diocesan Development Drive be a success!

### **Season of Lent**

Lent is a period of penitential preparation for Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> for 6 and a half weeks before Easter and provides a 40-day period for fasting and abstinence in imitation of Christ's fasting in the wilderness before he began his public ministry.

The word LENT comes from Middle English word LENTE meaning springtime which is itself descended from the Old English word LENCTEN. It is the springtime of our Soul where we do pious activities like fasting to restrain our bodily desires in order that our soul could soar high to God. We do penance because we are all sinners we need to be sorry for our sins that's why we need confession. Alms giving and prayer help us to be closer to Christ who suffered and died for us. The 40 days of lent are primarily identified with the time Jesus spent in the desert fasting, praying and being tempted by the devil: Mt. 4:1-11

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting for Catholics from ages 18-59 one full meal, no snacks. Abstinence no meat Catholics from age 14 and above.

### **Significance of ASH Wednesday**

In old testament times people used ashes as a sign of repentance. They would sit in ashes roll around them, sprinkle them upon their head. They did this as outward sign of their inward

posture of repentance: **Daniel 9: 3-6.**

The ashes symbolize our mortality.

“Remember you are dust  
and unto dust you shall return.”

**Ash Wednesday this year is  
February 14**

