Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Feb 14 2021

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| Wed. | Feb. 17 th | 9:00am | St. Joseph |
| Wed. | Feb. 17 th | 12:00pm | St. John |
| Wed. | Feb. 17 th | 4:00pm | Parish Center |
| Wed. | Feb. 17 th | 7:00pm | St. John |
| Wed. | Feb. 17 th | 7:00pm | St. Columbkille |
| Thurs. | Feb. 18 th | 7:00pm | St. Columbkille |
| Fri. | Feb. 19 th | 9:00am | St. John |

Adoration following Mass until 11:00am (4:00pm on the First Friday of the Month)

Sat. Feb. 20th 4:00pm St. John
Sun. Feb. 21st 8:30am St. Joseph
Sun. Feb. 21st 10:30am St. Columbkille

<u>Confession</u>

Wednesday 11:00-11:25am St. John Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm St. Columbkille

Whenever school is cancelled due to weather, weekday Masses/Adoration/Confessions are cancelled & office is closed or will open late.

Readings for the Week

Monday, Feb. 15th

Genesis 4:1-15, 25 Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 16th

Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10 Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 17th

Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians 5:20, 6:2

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb. 18th

Deuteronomy 30:15:20 Luke 9:22-25

Friday, Feb. 19th

Isaiah 58:1-9a Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, Feb. 20th

Isaiah 58:9b-14 Luke 5:27-32

Sunday, Feb. 21st

Genesis 9:8-15 1 Peter 3:18:22

Mark 1:12-15

In this Sunday's Reading

"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."- 1 Corinthians 10:31 How often do we think about whether we do things for God's glory or for our own glory? Consider that. How often do we put other "gods" - like money, pride, position or possessions - before God? It's a good question to ponder.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$5775.00 Loose - \$217.10 Building Fund - \$125.00 650 Parish Families (297 Family envelope holders)

Mass Intentions for Weekend of Feb. 6 & 7

80 Envelopes use

Saturday St. John: + Elmer & Beatrice Micklash

Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd
Parishioners

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Judy Baranski

Donation:

In memory of Elmer Micklash by Carol Beaudin

In loving memory of Ronny Peruski, Feb 12th 4 year anniversary "love leaves forever, memories on the heart." I love you, Roxy

We are called:

Join our faith community-and more than 12,000
Catholic communities across the United States-in a
life- changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick
up your family's CRS Rice bowls at the entrance of
each church on Feb. 14, 2021. During the 40 days of
Lent. We will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition
affects our human family and on the need to take
action to end this global injustice.
Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Same Yet But Different Ash Wednesday in

2021. We have had a year filled with different ways of living and praying. There are fewer people in church. No water in the font. Less singing. No coffee and doughnuts on the way home. Yet we still pray. Instead of distributing ashes as a cross on the forehead - unsafe in this time of the COVID 19 pandemic -- we can still receive them by sprinkling on the top of the head (permitted by our Catholic Church's ritual rules respecting an ancient liturgical practice). We may look a little cleaner. Regardless, we can still repent -- and believe in the Gospel! We will still bear ashes home to begin our Lenten disciplines and practices.

Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Tuesday & Wednesday program includes:

Kindergarten through 6th grade.

Argyle: 6-7:30pm Tuesday (Feb. 16, 23) Ubly 3-4:30pm Wednesday (Feb. 17)

Sheridan Corners: Wednesday (Feb. 17, 24)

Youth Group

Youth Group will be meeting again Feb. 21, 2021 in the Parish Center @ 5:00-7:30pm.

Youth group is for all 7th thru 12th graders.

All are welcome and there is no charge.

First Reconciliation Classes:

St. Joseph Hall @ 6-7:30pm on Thursday Feb. 18. St. Columbkille Church @ 9:00-10:15am on Feb. 21. Reconciliation is on Saturday February 27th at 2:30pm @ St. John's Church Ubly.

Rosary

We will be having a rosary on Wednesday's at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. Rosary at St. Columbkille Church prior to 10:30 Mass on Sundays.

Scripture Study

Our Scripture Study sessions will begin on Monday, March 1st. We will be gathering at St. Columbkille Church from 6:30 - 8PM. March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5 & 12. We will be studying "Biblical Women in Crisis, Portraits of Faith and Trust." By Jeanne Kun. For questions please call Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski 989-375-4281.

Social Distancing and Masks are required.

Christ's Mission Appeal 2020

Our Parish is conducting the annual Christ's Mission Appeal. Our goal for this year is \$56,548 as of this week our Parish has pledged \$44, 868. Please be generous to the Christ's Mission Appeal by sharing your gifts and blessings. Your contribution to Christ's Mission Appeal is a way of serving our brothers & sisters throughout the diocese and continuing the saving work begun by Jesus.

VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

Counters:

Tuesday Feb. 16: Shirley Piontkowski, Luci Kubacki,

Barb Roggenbuck

Feb. 22: Rose Maikrzek, Judy Messing, Ann Ypma March 1: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn

Peruski

4:00pm Saturday Mass Feb 20th St. John

Lector: Luci Kubacki
EMHC: Martin Kubacki

Ushers: Bob Brahmer, Whitey Pawlosky, Allen Peruski

8:30pm Sunday Mass Feb. 21st St. Joseph

Lector: Gordon Walsh
EMHC: Lori Uhl

Ushers: Chuck Izydorek, Kevin Hessling, Bruce Uhl

10:30am Sunday Mass Feb. 21st St Columbkille

Lector: Amy Sweeney EMHC: Val Fischer

Ushers: Marv Osentoski, Clarence Wolschlager

Pastoral Council Update

We like to update everyone to let you know that we have sold the Argyle farm land. We have some upcoming projects that need to be taken care of this year. We need to replace the Pyro-Chem fire suppression system in the Parish Center kitchen. We need a new roof on the rectory in Ubly. Also looking to do some tuck pointing on the outside walls at St. Joseph & St. John's church. Need to look into some storm windows for the addition at St. Columbkille church.

Work of Mercy Project

Spend your lent doing a work of mercy at your leisure and help the homeless at the same time. There will be a workshop at the Parish center gym (for social distancing) to cut & tie plastic bags. Bring your bags for folding, scissors & cutting, mats for measuring & making loops. Also your hands for tying loops into balls for crocheting. We will be meeting on Tuesday February 16th from 10:00am - 11:30am.

Attention all parishioners: End of year statements are now available. Please call the office if you would like yours. We are trying to conserve paper and ink and will only print statements for those who request them. Thank you ③



Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

Will you quench His thirst? --- Fr. Nate's Update

Image of Saint Valentine, from The Printery House, printeryhouse.org

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time, and Saint Valentine's Day!

First, some humor: I have become a lot more social with the passing of the years; some might even call me a frivolous old gal. I'm seeing five gentlemen every day. As soon as I wake, Will Power helps me get out of bed. Then I go to see John. Then Charley Horse comes along, and when he is here he takes a lot of my time and attention. When he

leaves, Arthur Ritis shows up and stays the rest of the day. (He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint.) After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bedwith Ben Gay. What a life!

WHY Should You Take the Disciple Maker Survey? (February 17-March 22)

- The Survey is like an "intake test" for a teacher, to find out what knowledge their students have and don't have, so they can customize their lessons to help you. Did you know the word disciple means "student"?
- It will help the pastor to be a better shepherd by helping him to get to know his flock. The better he knows them, the better he can PREACH/TEACH/REACH OUT out to all;
- It will help parish leaders to choose programs to meet the needs of our parishioners;
- It will help the diocese to serve more effectively each parish and equip them for ministry!
- It will MAKE you a better disciple of Jesus, and help you to go and MAKE disciples!

Happy Saint Valentine's Day! From www.littlewaychapel.com/blog/valentines-day: "We know very little for certain about the historical St. Valentine, but these three things are undisputed: That he was a bishop or a priest, that he lived under the 3rd century Roman persecution, and that he was martyred for being a bold witness of God's unfailing love.... Here are the two most popular stories explaining Valentine's association with what we now celebrate as Valentine's Day: As a bishop, St. Valentine secretly performed Christian weddings against the order of the pagan Roman emperor, which is how Valentine's day became associated with Romantic love. Another legend claims that after refusing to sacrifice to pagan gods, Valentine was imprisoned. While behind bars, Valentine evangelized the jailer, and then healed the jailer's daughter of her blindness. On his execution day, he wrote the girl a note signing it, "Your Valentine."

BEST LENT EVER! Sign up for a short daily video series from Matthew Kelly, at BestLentEver.com!

Let Us Pray: (Pope's Feb. Intention): Let us pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded by all, Lord hear our prayer!

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg

Good Shepherd Parish

A merger of faith communities from St Columbkille, St Ignatius, St John, and St Joseph

2021 Lenten Season Liturgical Schedule

Regular Weekday and Weekend Masses

Wednesdays 11:30am – St John Church, Ubly
Thursdays 7pm – St Columbkille Church, Sheridan Corners
Fridays 9am – St John Church

Saturdays 4pm – St John Church, Ubly (changes to 5pm March 13)

Sundays 8:30am – St Joseph Church, Argyle

Sundays 10:30am – St Columbkille Church, Sheridan Corners

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after 9:00am Mass – 11am until 4pm First Friday of the month

February 17th - Ash Wednesday

9am – St Joseph, Argyle – Mass with distribution of Ashes
Noon – St John, Ubly – Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Ashes
4pm – Parish Center – Liturgy with distribution of Ashes (for Faith Formation families)
7pm – St John – Mass with distribution of Ashes
7pm – St Columbkille, Sheridan Corners – Liturgy with distribution of Ashes (for Faith Formation families)

Individual Confessions/Reconciliation

Wednesdays 11am to 11:25am – St John Church, Ubly
Saturdays 11am to Noon – St Columbkille Church, Sheridan Corners
Thursday, March 11th 5:00 – 6:00pm at St John Church – Fr Nate with visiting priest
Tuesday, March 23rd 7:00 – 8:00pm at St Joseph Church – Fr Nate with visiting priest

April 1st - Holy Thursday

7pm - St John, Ubly

April 2nd – Good Friday

2pm - St John, Ubly

April 3rd – Easter Vigil

8:30pm - St John, Ubly

April 4th - Easter

8:00am – St Joseph, Argyle 9:30am – St Ignatius, Freiburg 11:00am – St Columbkille, Sheridan Corners February 14, 2021

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Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 | 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 | Mk 1:40-45

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE



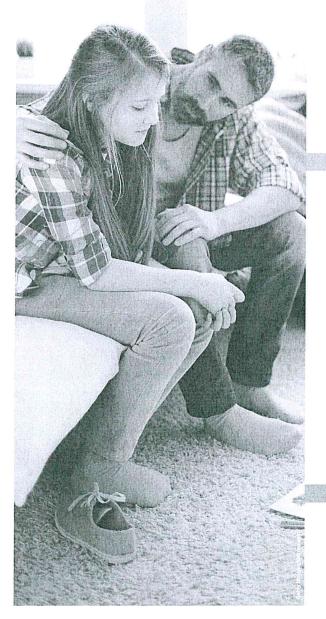
While leprosy as found in Biblical times is now rare and very treatable, it is not hard to imagine the tragic consequences it had on those who were affected. They suffered physically, but also socially and emotionally: Levitical priests declared lepers unclean, banishing them from the religious community. Jesus, as he did so often, would upend these conventions in his encounter with the leper in today's Gospel. "Moved with pity," Jesus healed him, telling him to return to the local priest for readmittance to the community. Jesus' model of compassion for the man is meant for us to embody. Modern culture continues to stigmatize people perceived as different - those suffering from depression and other mental illnesses, the homeless, perhaps those who struggle with cognitive disabilities - shunning them in different ways from full participation in community. To imitate Christ, as Paul alludes, is to have compassion for the needs of others - to "be moved with pity." Let us pray for the grace to put on the mind and heart of Christ, and dignify the presence of all our brothers and sisters in our community.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I admit I was taken aback by today's Old Testament reading: Not only were lepers banished from the religious community, but they had to announce themselves by crying out "Unclean, unclean!" Jesus changed all that. He healed the leper, encouraging him to return to the priest for readmittance. I am struck by how the leper approached Jesus. He did not demand a cure, but asked, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Although it is unlikely that any of us in the developed world will experience leprosy, we ourselves or people we know may carry inner struggles that have led to separation from the Church or a sense of isolation. In our humanity, we do not have the power to heal these maladies on our own. Instead, let us come to Jesus as the leper does, asking him, if he wills it, to heal us and our wounded world. Let us pray with confidence, knowing that Jesus in his compassion can and will make us clean and whole.

REFLECT Who are today's lepers? What are the inner struggles or wounds that may keep us from fully participating in our parish community or have left us estranged from members of our own family? Bring these before Jesus in your own words. Call a family member you have fallen out of touch with. Invite a person who has left the Church to lunch and listen with compassion.





Remember there's no such thing as a small act of kindness.

Every act creates a ripple with no logical end... Scott Adams

Imagine a world where we all lookout for each other. In 2021 we are

challenging you to look for the good! The Prevention Teams of Tuscola and Huron counties have joined together in a 100 Act of Kindness Campaign.

The Teams are excited to hear and share acts of kindness being done in our own local communities. If you witness or participate in any *Act of Kindness* send us your story! Upon receipt you will be entered into a bi-weekly drawing with a grand prizes drawing at the end of March 2021 - Spring Theme.

TO ENTER:

- 1.) Tuscola County residents email Amy at <u>acuthrell@listpsych.com</u> Huron County residents can email either Shelly at sgrifka@hchd.us or Erica at erica@huroncmh.org
- 2.) Subject line of the email: 100 Acts of Kindness
- 3.) Briefly share the act of kindness (you can change names if you so choose.)
- 4.) Be sure to include your name and address in the email to qualify for the bi-weekly raffle.

 Mail in option is available by sending to:

List Psychological 651 N State St. Caro, MI 48723

All random acts of kindness that are submitted will be shared on the following FACEBOOK pages! Be sure to like them:

Tuscola: Tuscola Prevention and Recovery Coalition

Huron: HuronCountySuicidePreventionCoalition