

Even if all human hearts were to be inflamed with the burning love of the seraphim and were to beat with love for God until the end of time, what would He gain thereby? His happiness and perfection are and remain infinite – they can neither be augmented nor lessened, whether His creatures honor Him or dishonor Him, love Him or hate Him, curse Him or bless Him, obey Him or disobey Him. God’s love for man is the purest, the most disinterested, of all love – the most embracing of all love. It is a love which excludes all selfishness and all self-interest. Jesus has indeed given to all men unspeakable proof of His love, but what does He receive in return? Alas! From the greater number of us all here on earth He receives ingratitude and disregard and forgetfulness and even, horror of horrors, outright hatred! Only from just a few does He receive the magnificence of pure and sincere hearts! ☐

1. There will be NO Catechism class this morning.
2. There will be NO 5:00 Sunday Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament this afternoon.
3. **There will be the Saint Blaise Blessing of Throats after all Masses this morning.**
4. Friday, February 10, 2006, is the Feast of Scholastica, the sister of our holy Father Saint Benedict. Please pray for the Nuns of Saint Joseph’s Monastery, asking St. Scholastica to watch over, guide, and protect them always.
5. Saturday, February 11, 2006, is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (Roman Calendar).
6. Sunday, February 12, 2006, is Septuagesima Sunday and the beginning of the Septuagesima Season. At the bottom of this page is a list of suggested readings for each day of this important season.
7. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. **LET US ALSO PRAY FOR EVERYONE.** Let us pray for ALL the priests and religious men and women of the world. **NO MAN, WOMAN, OR CHILD SHOULD BE LEFT OUT OF OUR PRAYER.** God made all men to be with Him in heaven for all eternity, and this includes every human being on earth, regardless of station or condition or place. While Our Blessed Lord was hanging on the Cross He did not look around and pick and choose those for whom He was dying. He did not exclude a single member of the Human Race – even His enemies – from the wounded Love that came forth from Him during those momentous moments. Weak human nature and erroneous persuasions will prevent some from achieving the purpose intended for them by God, but that matter remains entirely between all such and God. Our only duty is to pray for souls. We make **no** judgments concerning such matters. If there is any sifting to be done, it is to be done by God, Himself alone. **We are NOT** the ones to do the sifting.
8. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard’s schedule only)
 - SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels
 - MONDAY: Special intention Micheline Barrere
 - TUESDAY: For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
 - WEDNESDAY: Special intention James and Maria Brueggemann
 - THURSDAY: In Honor of the Most Precious Blood
 - FRIDAY: For our beloved Nuns of Saint Joseph’s Monastery (*Feast of Saint Scholastica*)
 - SATURDAY: Special intention Helen Patin

Next Sunday begins the holy season of Septuagesima

Septuagesima is a season all its own. It is a period of time set apart to prepare us all for the more important season of penance and prayer and sacrifice:

~ Lent ~

<u>SUGGESTED READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE FOR EACH DAY OF THE SEPTUAGESIMA SEASON</u>		
<u>SEPTUAGESIMA WEEK</u>	<u>SEXAGESIMA WEEK</u>	<u>QUINQUAGESIMA WEEK</u>
<i>Sunday:</i> Gen. 1: 1-26 Matt. 20: 1-16 <i>Monday:</i> Gen. 1: 27-31; 2: 1-10 <i>Tuesday:</i> Gen. 2: 15-24 <i>Wednesday:</i> Gen. 3: 1-20 <i>Thursday:</i> Gen. 4: 1-16 <i>Friday:</i> Gen. 4: 17-26; 5: 1-5 <i>Saturday:</i> Gen. 5: 15-31	<i>Sunday:</i> Gen. 5: 31; 6: 1-15 Luke 8: 4-15 <i>Monday:</i> Gen. 7: 1-5, 10-14, 17 <i>Tuesday:</i> Gen. 8: 1-13 <i>Wednesday:</i> Gen. 8: 15-22; 9: 1-6 <i>Thursday:</i> Gen. 9: 12-15, 20-29 <i>Friday:</i> Gen. 10: 1-6; 11: 1-8 <i>Saturday:</i> Gen 11: 10-30	<i>Sunday:</i> Gen. 12: 1-19 Luke 18: 31-43 <i>Monday:</i> Gen. 13: 1-16 <i>Tuesday:</i> Gen. 14: 8-20