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VISITING PRIEST: Fr. Ermias Gebreegiabher
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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. English (Children's Liturgy & S.F.C. Choir)

Sunday 7:45 a.m. Italian

9:00 a.m. Italian (Italian Choir)

10:30 a.m. English (Children's Liturgy & Organist/Soloist)

12:00 p.m. English (Children's Liturgy & C.F.C. Choir)

DAILY MASS:

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Italian/English (Devotion to Padre Pio)

Wednesday

and Friday 8:00 a.m. Italian

Thursday 7:00 p.m. English (Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:00 a.m. mass till 9:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. and upon request

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

BENVENUTI ALLA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



From the Pastor's Desk

I would like to thank all of you for a prayerful and moving funeral mass for our sacristan Joe De Gasperis.

The family have been in contact with me and are grateful for the out pouring of well wishes and friendship from our parish community. Joe's one month memorial mass will Sat. March 2nd at 10am.

This weekend we will be blessing a plaque of Giuseppe De Gasperis and Angelo Iamonaco that will be placed in our sacristy in tribute to their years of service to our parish.



We hosted our 4th session in our bible study program. 4 more sessions left, come out and open the sacred scriptures among friends.

Remember the Catholicism program is continuing on Sundays at 4pm thanks to Linda Maselli-Jackman for her leadership and our parishioners for their involvement.



During this season of lent try to make time to join us for the stations of the cross.

Stations in Italian Tuesdays 6:30pm
Stations in English Thursdays 6:30pm
Follow in His footsteps.

As you might have heard Pope Benedict XVI has decided to retire as the Pontiff. This provision was written into the 1983 new code of canon law. He cited his failing health as a major factor in making this decision. We pray for him and the church as we begin the process of electing our new Vicar of Christ.

Together we are continuing to work wonders....

"Our Pope has described charity as "the true force that changes the world." This statement is definitely true when we talk about ShareLife, the primary charitable appeal of our Archdiocese. Through our active involvement in ShareLife, we reach out to some of the most vulnerable, marginalized and needy people in our midst. We also help our neighbours, friends and fellow parishioners as they work through difficult times. In our region, we have the chance to exercise Catholic charity in a true meaningful way. **Please consider supporting ShareLife, the annual fundraising appeal of our Archdiocese, during this Lenten season.**"

**First ShareLife Sunday – March 17, 2013
Together, we can work WONDERS!**

FIFTH SEDER MEAL HOSTED BY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Date :- Saturday – Mar. 23
Time :- 6:30 PM
Venue:- St. Norbert's Parish Hall



Tickets available at the Parish Office - \$25/- per person

Come partake in a Christian Seder, experience the Haggadah and get in touch with your roots.

Did You Know...?

The Israelites believed they were the chosen people. Their awareness of being elected by God as His chosen nation is not based on pride or the thought that they deserved God's favour. This awareness stems from their repeated experience of God's faithfulness to them throughout the Old Testament.

Today's first reading, from the book of Deuteronomy, considered by many scholars as one of the most important passages of the Pentateuch, tells in a creed-like form of God's favour to the people of Israel.

The book of Deuteronomy is the fifth book of the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Hebrew Bible). It contains three speeches of Moses delivered to the Israelites on the plains of Moab (Jordan), before entering the Promised Land.

Deuteronomy comes from the Greek and means "The Second Law". It is in fact a restating of the Law for the new generation that grew up during the 40 years of wandering in the desert.

The temptations that Jesus is exposed to in the Gospel reading, would have recalled to Luke's gentile audience three big temptations: love of pleasure, love of riches and love of power.

On the other hand, for the Jewish audience, the temptations would have rather reminded them of their experience in the desert while wandering for 40 years: physical hunger, lure of idolatry and temptation to test God.

Let us try and follow Jesus' example when faced with such temptations: He responded to each temptation out of deep fidelity to God. So should we.

Join us during this year of Faith with the Catholicism Program.



Linda Maselli-Jackman (Vice-Principal Bishop Romero H.S.) and Fr. Xavier are facilitating this 10 part series on **Sundays at 4 pm at St. Norbert's Church**

February 17, 24
March 3, 10, 17
April 7, 14, 21

BIBLE STUDY CLASS LED BY FR. XAVIER

The Bible Classes continue immediately after the 7 pm Mass on the following Thursdays –



**Mar. 21 - Apr. 11 – May 2
June 6 (final class and reception in church hall)**

OUR PARISH COLLECTION - 10 FEBRUARY

Weekly Offering - \$ 2,035.00
Maintenance - \$ 2,583.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY





La Quaresima si apre con il racconto delle tentazioni di Gesù. Poste alla soglia del suo ministero pubblico, esse sono in qualche modo l'anticipazione delle numerose contraddizioni che Gesù dovrà subire nel suo itinerario, fino all'ultima violenza della morte. In esse è rivelata l'autenticità dell'umanità di Cristo, che, in completa solidarietà con l'uomo, subisce tutte le tentazioni tramite le quali il Nemico cerca di distoglierlo dalla sua completa

sottomissione al Padre. "Cristo tentato dal demonio! Ma in Cristo sei tu che sei tentato" (sant'Agostino). In esse viene anticipata la vittoria finale di Cristo nella risurrezione. Cristo inaugura un cammino - che è l'itinerario di ogni essere umano - dove nessuno potrà impedire che il disegno di Dio si manifesti per tutti gli uomini: la sua volontà di riscattarlo, cioè di recuperare per l'uomo la sovranità della sua vita in un libero riconoscimento della sua dipendenza da Dio. È nell'obbedienza a Dio che risiede la libertà dell'uomo. L'abbandono nelle mani del Padre - "Io vivo per il Padre" - è la fonte dell'unica e vera libertà, che consiste nel rifiutare di venire trattati in modo diverso da quello che siamo. Il potere di Dio la rende possibile.

Friendly Gatherings

Hosted by Father Xavier on Feb. 23 at 11:00 am in the church hall, where we can play with our friends and chat. Father has also offered to bless our pets while we are there. As some Friends' pets won't be able to handle these gatherings, come along with a photo of your pet, or the latest news to keep us up to date. Thanks, Connie Marsh



TREE OF LIFE

Dear Parishioners, As we begin this season of Lent we have an opportunity to symbolize our acts of alms giving, charity and prayer. When you perform one of these acts we invite you to place a leaf (supplied at base) on the tree next to the altar. You can place as many as you want as you fulfil these acts. I am sure by Easter our tree will be full of our acts of kindness.



God Bless, Fr. Xavier

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Mass Intentions

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 19

7:00 PM

- +Giovanni Aimola
- +Giuseppe Caldarone
- +Ida Brebner

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 20

8:00 AM

- +Maria Cuccuzella

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 21

7:00 PM

- +Federico del Mar
- +Lamberto Samortin
- +Hermenigildo Carag

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 22

8:00 AM

- +Nicola & Anna Ricci

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23

5:00 PM

- +Pasquale Mazzucco

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24

7:45 AM

- +Anna Maria Scavello

9:00 AM

- +Elvira & Lorenzo De Santis

10:30 AM

- +Gertrudes Condrada

12:00 PM

- +Aldina Iaboni

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS/ PROGRAMMA DEGLI EVENTI



Tuesday Feb 19- 06:30 pm (Italian)
Thursday Feb 21- 06:30 pm (English)



Martedì Feb 19 -06:30 pm (Italiano)
Giovedì Feb 21 - 06:30 pm (Inglese)



Parish Council Meeting on
Tuesday - February 26 at 7:30 pm
in the church hall.

**MISSIONE QUARESIMALE - ITALIANO
DON FRANCESCO**

Marzo 06 (mercoledì) - 07:00 pm Missione/Confessione
Marzo 07 (giovedì) - 07:30 pm Missione/confessione
Marzo 08 (venerdì) - 07:00 pm via crucis
Marzo 09 (sabato) - 10:30 am Messe - ricevimento



Love is a Great Power!




Before you act, listen. Before you react, think.
Before you spend, earn. Before you criticize, wait.
Before you pray, forgive.
Before you quit, try.

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