



La Belle Dame

The Newsletter of Our Lady of La Salette Parish

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Lenten and Easter Liturgy Schedule 2011

Ash Wednesday, March 9

- 6:30 a.m: Liturgy of the Word with Imposition of Ashes
- 8:45 a.m: Mass with Imposition of Ashes
- 12:15 p.m: Liturgy of the Word with Imposition of Ashes
- 4:30 p.m: Liturgy of the Word with Imposition of Ashes
- 7:00 p.m: Mass with Imposition of Ashes



Lenten Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent at 12:15 p.m.

Palm Sunday, April 17

Palm Sunday Processions for Children and Teens, 9:30 Mass

Paschal Triduum

- Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thursday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.
- Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord: Friday, April 22, 1:30 p.m.
- Good Friday Stations of the Cross: Friday, April 22, 7:00 p.m.
- Blessing of Food: Saturday, April 23, 10:00 a.m.
- Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 23, 8:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 24, Masses at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Lenten Communal Penance Services

All the priests of the vicariate will hear confessions during communal celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

- Our Lady of Sorrows: Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m.
- National Shrine of the Little Flower: Monday, April 18, 7:00 p.m.
- St. Hugo: Tuesday, April 19, 7:00 p.m.



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YOUTHSTAFF News

As the YOUTHSTAFF moves into the spring season, the calendar continues to be full of activities and opportunities for us. We just completed a weekend Confirmation retreat that was really great.



We had 30 Confirmation candidates meeting with 10 of the YOUTHSTAFF members examining and growing their faith and fellowship. We spent the weekend in song, prayer and activities in the Wisdom Wigwam, Understanding Oasis, and Reverence Retreat. We had the pleasure of spending some really great hours with the confirmation candidates! They are an amazing group!

We continue to collect pet food to augment with SVDP food distributions. We are hoping to help those families in need that also have pets so they are taken care of as well. Donations to this effort can be placed in the SVDP collection box in the gathering area. The furry family members of our neighbors in need thank you!

Coming up in July will be our Mission Trip to Mingo County, West Virginia. This is located approximately 200 miles south east of Cincinnati, OH. Our youth will work with the kids of the community playing games, doing skits and crafts all designed to help kids learn about Jesus.

They will also participate in various work projects. Whether we're painting houses, performing minor home repair, cleaning up debris, volunteering in community gardens or other projects in the community, the work they do will serve as our way of blessing people in need. Please continue to pray for the YOUTHSTAFF volunteers as they prepare for this important ministry.



As the YOUTHSTAFF continues meeting every Monday evening from 7:00-9:00, we will pursue a deeper understanding of our faith, our community and our parish together. We would love all high school students to drop in anytime. You never know what we will be doing – from games, to crafts, to movie nights. There is always something happening at YOUTHSTAFF! Come join us.

-Bob Doppel

YOUTHSTAFF will be serving their delicious pancakes (be sure to also try the sausages!) on February 27, from 10:30 until 1:00.

Big Cash Raffle

You can't win if you don't buy a ticket! Order yours here:

http://www.lasalette-church.org/big_cash_raffle/big_cash_raffle.htm

The drawing will be held March 5 during the Mardi Gras Party. See you there!



Ladies Guild Happenings

The Guild just finished holding the Annual Parish Bake Sale. The tables in the Gathering area were heavily laden with a variety of homemade treats.

We cannot take all the credit due to the generosity and baking skills of many other members of our Parish Family besides our faithful Ladies Guild members. One such member, Greg Stannis, baked and sold his own homemade zucchini bread and donated all his earnings to the Ladies Guild...and this is not the first time. Greg has been one of our biggest supporters over the years. Thank you, dear Friend.

It was a very successful event and all the proceeds will stay in the Parish. So, a big and sincere **Thank You** to all who provided the treats, bought the treats and/or gave a donation to the event.

At our regular monthly meetings, the women lift up in prayer all the special needs we know about, including our parishioners, our staff and the many volunteers who keep this parish humming. It is our way of returning all your kindness and support of our activities.

- Pat Omans

*Thank you - to all
- for all you do!*

Coffee House Benefit Concert

Join us for an inspiring, ecumenical evening of contemporary Christian music in an informal, casual, and fun atmosphere!

The event is sponsored by the Berkley Clergy Association and South Oakland Citizens for the Homeless to benefit the Welcome Inn Homeless Shelter. Participating churches include Our Lady of La Salette Catholic church, Greenfield Presbyterian, Berkley First United Methodist, and Cana Evangelical Lutheran church. Suggested offering is \$10.00. The concert will take place at Berkley High School cafeteria located at 2325 Catalpa, just east of Coolidge Highway between Eleven and Twelve Mile roads. The doors open at 6:00 p.m. For further information call Deacon Brian Carroll or Mr. Peter Rogers at (248) 541-3762.

Lenten Fish Fry

Once again, Our Lady of La Salette Boosters will be serving fish every Friday during Lent (5:00-7:00). Please come to the cafeteria to enjoy baked or fried fish with all the trimmings.

Thank you to the Boosters for your tireless and continuous support of our Parish.

Sacrament Schedules

Confirmation

Confirmation Retreat is Saturday, February 12 through Sunday, February 13. Rehearsal is March 12 at 9:00 am and Confirmation Liturgy will take place that evening at 5:00 Mass.

First Communion

The First Communion Retreat is Sunday, April 17 at 10:30 (following the Youth Participation Mass). Rehearsal is April 30 at 9:00 am, and the First Communion Liturgy is May 1.



You're Invited to a Garden Party!

May 7, 2011- Save that Date! Come to the 12th Annual La Salette Auction. Plans are underway for another fantastic evening. Our theme this year is "Garden Party". Tickets are \$25 pre-sale and \$35 at the door. Your ticket includes beer, wine & food and lots of fun! Buy your ticket in the month of March and your name will be entered in an "Early Bird Drawing". Ask about the discount for a table of eight.

We are looking for all types of gifts and ads for the auction. Check out the Wish List in the Gathering Area at church. Take a tag and donate a gift. Donor forms are available in the gathering area of the church and at the parish office. If you have a question about gifts or ads please contact Debbie Fritsch, 248-543-2357, debfritsch@sbcglobal.net, Linda Gable-Smith, 248-544-7520, Chris Lyons, 248-761-5670, jsealyons@gmail.com, or call the parish offices, 248-541-3762.

The auction is a major fundraiser for the parish and we guarantee you will have a great time! It's an event you can meet fellow parishioners, friends and family to have a fun evening out and help the church at the same time. It's the perfect venue for giving your time, talent and treasure. Consider volunteering, consider attending, and consider going home with an item or two. We'd love to see you there!

- *Debbie Fritsch*

Blood Drive - May 13

As you consider your lenten sacrifices, please also consider donating a pint of blood during our next blood drive - Friday, May 13 (lucky day to give blood!).

Your donation will save three lives, and with the proper preparation, is an easy and painless task. Your donation will be used in the trauma and cancer therapies for those in our community.

Please call Peggy Squires for an appointment - 248-541-0488.

Youth Participation Masses

The third Sunday of every month is Our Lady of La Salette's Youth Participation Mass (9:30), where we invite our Parish Youth to become more involved in the Mass celebration through participation in special ministries, including lectoring, ushering, greeting, and offertory.

We invite all families to come to these special Mass celebrations wearing La Salette blue/plaid or Bronco blue, to show our appreciation for all that our Parish does for our youth, and the wonderful contribution our youth makes to our Parish.

For future months, if your child is interested in being a lector (5th grade and higher) please contact Gail Waldrup, Chair of Education Commission (248-506-2295) or Peggy Squires (248-376-5361). They can provide you with more information about practice sessions.