

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2016

Please pray for the souls of Lilia Garin and Lorin Skiff ~ may they rest in the peace of our Lord.

## Ash Wednesday Masses

Masses for Ash Wednesday:

8 am and 6 pm at St. Peter

9:30 am and 7:15 pm at St. John

## Shrove Tuesday Dinner Cancelled

The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner will not be held this year as a result of poor attendance last year.

## Lent Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6 pm during Lent beginning February 19 at St. Peter and St. John the Baptist.

## Don't Forget the Nose Plugs

All are invited to the free annual Swim on the 7<sup>th</sup> at SUNY Delhi pool 1-4 pm.

## Lent Mass Schedule

~ St. Peter ~

Saturday~ 5:30 pm

Sunday~ 9:30 am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, First Friday~ 8 am

~ Holy Family ~

Sunday~ 8 am

~ St. John ~

Saturday~ 4 pm

Sunday~ 11:15 am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, First Friday~ 9:30 am

Monday & Tuesday~ 7 pm

## OFFERINGS

St. John: \$1,251

Holy Family: 274

St. Peter: 1,248

## Year of Mercy Actions II

Pope Francis' second action of mercy during this Jubilee Year: Pilgrimage ~

Traditionally many pilgrims travel to Rome during Jubilee Years to take advantage of the indulgences gained by practices such as passing through the Holy Doors of the major basilicas there, which are only open during Jubilees.

Pilgrimages may also be made to churches or shrines under the patronage of Jesus such as The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, attend World Youth Day in Poland, or attending the American Congress on Mercy.

## Opening of the Holy Doors

O God, author of true freedom, who desired to gather the whole human race into one people, unshackled from the chains of slavery; and who gives to us, Your children, a time of mercy and forgiveness; grant that Your Church, ever expanding in freedom and peace, may brilliantly shine out to all as a sacrament of salvation; and make known and active in the world the mystery of Your love.

*Rice Bowls are in Church entranceways.*

## Family Perspective Bud Ozar

Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later He asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to go further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

## Second Collection

Next week is the collection for Black, Native American, and Latin American Missions. This collection addresses the need for more Latin American priests to meet the needs of many communities or help obtain resources for the communities who are isolated (some only accessible by boat).

The collection funds missionaries in African, Alaskan, and Native American missions supplying Bibles and catechetical materials as well as help to provide training for deacons, catechists, and seminarians urgently needed in these Dioceses.

## Marriage Moments Susan Vogt

Mardi Gras allows us a last fling before the Lenten penitential season. Do something frivolous together. Eat something decadent, give each other a massage, enjoy being foolish, etc. If you are the uptight type, let go. You have six weeks ahead to exercise over-responsible side.

Five weeks left for Bishop's Appeal!

## Confirmation Retreat

The Confirmation Retreat will be held Sunday, February 21, at Sacred Heart Church in Sidney from 1 to 7 pm.

## 2015 Tax Statements

If you would like your 2015 offertory statement for tax returns, call the office.

## Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive

Please drop needed items at Holy Family: cans of pasta, tuna, stew, chili, pasta sauce; fruit, jelly, graham crackers, spaghetti, peanut, mashed potatoes (box), stuffing; soap, toilet paper, personal care items.

## Parenting Pointers Susan Vogt

Ash Wednesday is this week. Prepare for Lent by talking with your family about how this can be a time of generosity and mercy (forgiveness).

## Free Daily Lent Reflections

Would you like to experience a deeper, more powerful Lent this year? Sign up for Bishop Robert Barron's free daily Lent reflections to arrive from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday. The creator and host of the **Catholicism** film series will send you a short reflection straight to your inbox. There is simply no better way to super-charge your Lent: [LentReflections.com](http://LentReflections.com) or text **LENT** to 22828.