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First Sunday of Lent

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Genesis 9:8-15 God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.

Reading 2: 1 Peter 3:18-22 The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15 Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	20	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners		First Sunday of Lent
Sunday	21	8:30 a.m.	KW	Joe and Gertrude Jaso	✠	First Sunday of Lent
Sunday	21	10:30 a.m.	ML	Evan Withrow	✠	First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday	23	9:00 a.m.	ML	Butch Criser	✠	Tuesday of the 1 st week of Lent
Wednesday	24	5:30 p.m.	ML	Marie Ann Mantooth	✠	Wednesday of the 1 st week of Lent
Thursday	25	8:30 a.m.	KW	Laurie Anspach	✠	Thursday of the 1 st week of Lent
Friday	26	8:30 a.m.	SH	Marilyn Eck	✠	Friday of the 1 st week of Lent
Saturday	27	5:00 p.m.	SH	Steve Eck	✠	Second Sunday of Lent
Sunday	28	8:30 a.m.	KW	Deborah Bone	✠	Second Sunday of Lent
Sunday	28	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		Second Sunday of Lent

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: God's Project of Love "Repent, and believe in the gospel," that is, believe in this Good News that the kingdom of God is at hand. In our lives, we always need to convert—every day!—and the Church invites us to pray for this. In fact, we are never sufficiently orientated towards God and we must continually direct our minds and our hearts towards him. In order to do this, we need to have the courage to reject all that takes us off course, the false values which deceive us by subtly flattering our ego. Rather, we must entrust ourselves to the Lord, to his goodness and to his project of love for each of us. Lent is a time of repentance, yes, but it is not a time of sorrow! It is a time of penance, but it is not a time of sorrow, of mourning. It is a joyous and serious commitment to strip ourselves of our selfishness, of our "old man," and to renew ourselves according to the grace of our Baptism.

Only God can give us true happiness: it is useless to waste our time seeking it elsewhere, in wealth, in pleasure, in power, in a career. . . . The Kingdom of God is the realization of all our aspirations because at the same time, it is the salvation of mankind and the glory of God. On this first Sunday of Lent, we are invited to listen carefully and to hear Jesus' appeal to convert, and to believe in the Gospel. We are exhorted to begin the journey towards Easter with commitment, to embrace evermore the grace of God who wishes to transform the world into a kingdom of justice, peace and fraternity.

May Mary Most Holy help us to live this Lenten season with fidelity to the Word of God and with unceasing prayer, as Jesus did in the desert. It is not impossible! It means living each day with the desire to embrace the love that comes from God and which seeks to transform our life and the entire world. Pope Francis, *Homily for the First Sunday of Lent*

Word of Life

"Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that 'the two shall become one' (Mt 19:5)." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Healing within Marriage from an Abortion"

***PLEASE EMAIL BULLETIN ITEMS TO JULIE BY NOON WEDNESDAY TO** secretary@barbercountycatholic.org

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Roger Ringer, Earl Kuhn, Cortlyn Hill, Ella Rundle, Eileen Schmidt, Jerome Ricke, Charlotte A. Ringer, John Eck, Herb Landwehr, Jaunita Ricke, John Harding, Mike Lynch, Ronald Ringer, Pete Eck, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Vernon Rinke, Joe Hrencher, Gerard Ricke, Evan Withrow, Gladys Christensen, Victor Blick, Roman Blick Jr, Eulanda(Butch) Criser, Steve Eck, Ernest Young, Deven Leis, Art Junger, Ted Hauser, Jim Ricke, Laura Seiler, Anita Patterson, Sue Smith, Mary Traffas, Betty Ricke, Walter Sedlak and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Austin Stull, Jackson Petit, Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis, Luke Fisher

Church News

Knights of Columbus Sharon Council - Annual Fish Fry

The annual fish fry sponsored by the KoC Sharon council begins this week. Dinner is available in the Sharon Knights of Columbus hall from 5:30-7:30 pm, Carry Out is welcome. (No fish fry on Good Friday).

Stations of the Cross – St Boniface

This week Stations of the Cross will be Friday following morning Mass. Future times are to be determined.

Save the Dates

Final preparations are being made for a Lenten retreat. Reserve the evenings of March 7th, 8th, and 9th. We will gather at St Boniface in Sharon at 7 pm. The theme will be: “Close Encounters if the Best Kind”. Fr Sherman Orr, Pastor of St Elizabeth Ann Seton Wichita will direct our retreat.

The Holy Land Trip is a GO!

Our travel specialist is being told Israelis expecting to reopen in June. She recommends signing up for the trip and buying the “cancel for any reason” insurance. As of last Friday, 26 people have signed up. They would like to cap the trip at 36.

Ministry Schedule February 27th – February 28th

Week 4	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Londa Fischer	Loretta Boor
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Danny Archuleta	Daryl Honas
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Steve Roberts	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Daryl Eck Margie Eck Anne Schreiner Todd Fischer Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Charlotte Ringer Cheri Dohrmann Marge Wright Leroy Seiler
Servers	Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Kendall Nelson	Volunteers	Derrek Randels Emma Randels Kassidy Rambat
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
Rosary	Volunteer		Charlotte Ringer