

Fourth
SUNDAY
IN LENT

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March 14, 2010

The stewardship message in the parable of the Prodigal Son is that it is never too late to become a good steward. Blessed is the elder brother who had been a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

St. Michael's Catholic Church Updates

BISHOP'S ANNUAL MINISTRIES APPEAL

Thank you to the seventeen families who have already pledged to support the Mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial contribution to the 2010 Bishop's Annual Ministries Appeal. This represents approximately 8% of the parishioners who were sent the BAMA material, \$2,400 has been pledged and \$2,850 collected. St. Michael's goal is \$5,300. If you have not yet made your pledge, you may do so either by mailing your envelope to the parish office or putting it in the collection basket. If you did not receive a pledge envelope, some are available at the entrance of the church. Thank you.

Attention Cursillistas and all who are interested in Cursillo: Join the Cursillo Community for faith sharing and fellowship at an Ultreya on Saturday, March 13 at 7:00 PM at Crespi Hall, Carmel Mission. The April Ultreya will be held April 10 at 7:00 PM at Holy Cross Mission Chapel in Santa Cruz. It is also a great opportunity to find out more about Cursillo and for Cursillistas to rekindle the movement in their lives. If you have any questions, please call either your local Cursillo parish representative, or Cindy Vierra at (831) 757-5193, or visit our website at www.montereycursillo.org.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar 14	Catholic Relief Services Collection DayLight Saving Time, Time changes, forward
Mar 19	Stations of the Cross 7 pm
Mar 21	Maintenance Collection
Mar 24	Reconciliation Service, 7:00 pm
Mar 26	Stations of the Cross 7 pm
Mar 28	Palm Sunday Religious Education Collection
Mar 29	Chrism Mass, Salinas 11:00 am
April 1	Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
April 2	Good Friday Collection Service for Good Friday, Way of the Cross, 3 pm
April 3	Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
April 4	Easter Sunday 10 am No School of Religion Classes today

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



We pray the devotion of the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 pm in St. Michael's Church. This is a beautiful commemoration of Christ's Passion and death, taking less than one half an hour, but so powerful. Please join us.

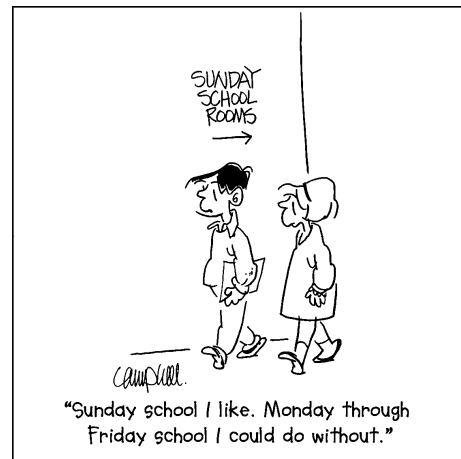
OPERATION RICE BOWL

As part of our community's observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rise Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting learning, and giving. Please be sure to take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Visit orb.crs.org for more information.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Last week's income

Sunday Plate: \$1,523.00
Thank you for your support!



ST. MICHAEL'S ALTAR SOCIETY NEEDS YOU

Much gratitude to parishioners who volunteer a few hours each month from their busy lives to help prepare St. Michael's for guests. Their efforts save our church thousands of dollars each year. Many more hands are needed, please contact Colette 703-4098 to volunteer for this needed service.

LENTEN OBLIGATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. Abstinence means we do not eat meat. The obligation to abstain on the appointed days begins the day after your fourteenth birthday. Fasting means that we eat only one full meal on the fast day. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days when we are obliged to fast. Two other light meals are permitted, but eating between meals is not permitted. You are obliged to observe the fast from the day after your eighteenth birthday until the day after your fifty-ninth birthday.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

General Intention: That the world economy may be managed according to the principles of justice and equity, taking account of the real needs of peoples, especially the poorest.
Mission Intention: That the Churches in Africa may be signs and instruments of reconciliation and justice in every part of that continent.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Jos 5:9,10-12/Ps 34:2-7/2 Cor 5:17-21/
 Lk 15:1-3,11-32
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Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2,4-6,11-13/Jn 4:43-54
Lenten Weekday [4]

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9,12/Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Lenten Weekday [4]

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9,13-14,17-18/
 Jn 5:17-30
Lenten Weekday [4]; Patrick, bishop

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 5:31-47
Lenten Weekday [4]; Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, doctor of the church

Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5,12-14,16/Ps 89:2-5,27,29/
 Rom 4:13,16-18,22/Mt 1:16,18-21,24
JOSPEH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3,9-12/Jn 7:40-53
Lenten Weekday [4]

Sat. Vigil/Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 3:8-14/
 Jn 8:1-11
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Mass Intentions for the week
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	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Saturday 13	4:00 People of the Parish	
Sunday 14	10:00 People of the Parish	
Monday 15	9:00 Communion Service	
Tuesday 16	9:00 Private Intention	
Wed. 17	9:00 Private Intention	
Thursday 18	9:00 Private Intention	
Friday 19	9:00 Private Intention	

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Judy Fredrickson, Sr. Jane Celest Frier, Angela Cowles, Andy Sparaza, Jim Pahler, Norma Pahler, Manuel Valdivia, Ruth Valdivia, Larry Hustedt, Bruna Odello, Rita Catamatori, Mike Edwards, April Stoeckle, Jerry Mac Callister, Mary Meyersieck, Rev. John Mc Sweeney, Dori Calby, Deena Benton, Monica Cubilla, Loriann, Eric Blenio, Hattie Gustavson, Barbara Bosio, Mary Clancy, Tom Dempsey, Charlie Horton, Odessa Ikemoto, Pola Altuna, Bob Balliet, Ginger Rey, Roberta & Richard Caldwell, Isabel Escamilla, , for those who care for them. If any members of this community know of parishioners who could be added to this list please call the rectory.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

In Remembrance: Pat Smith, Louis Rapoza, Terry Martin, Steve Pahler, Kendal Fleck, John Sullivan, Lina Locatelli, Vera Flanagan, Pump Puccinelli, Julie DeGregorio, John Shevenell, Rosa Dorfmeister, Rick Otanez, Bill Acuff, Tiffany Lacey, Dick Kilmartin, Ruth Blau, Carla Hendershot, Rev. Tom Agar, Laura Pund, Dennis Crowley, Patricia Ann Doyle, Margaret Sullivan, Allen McTighe, Mabel Stagnaro, Bob Alexander, Nora Leishman, Donna Pope, Joe Alfano, Gene Krummel, Maria Andersen, Dee Oppmann, Al Leake, Wilma Gardner, Mary Wilmot, Richard Unti, Bonnie Gysen, Les Sealand, Dorothy Willie, Robert Zeh, Margaret Ford, Thomas Keane, Bob Fanella, Michele Roark, and Edith Khalil. If you have a loved one or know of someone who has recently passed, please let us know so we can remember them in our prayers.

PRAYERS FOR TROOPS OVER SEA'S

Please pray for the safety for our troops over sea:
 Lt. Michelle McLaughlin Cherland.

If you have information for the bulletin please contact by email: lady Marie4@juno.com Material must be submitted the Monday before the weekend. Please remember during the holidays the material must be sent in early.