

## Third Sunday of Lent

February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005

### *From the Pastor*

Ever since I came back to Saint Mary's as pastor, it has been obvious that I limp and have some problem with stairs. The primary reason for this has been a serious accident I was in while in Oregon. I fell and totally tore up the tendons in my left knee. I had surgery and spent time in a wheelchair, then a walker, then a cane. But I have never been able to do stairs well.

Now it is obvious that something more is wrong with my legs. After nearly ten years of favoring my left leg, my right knee and hip are showing signs of wear. There is also some possibility of some back difficulties. This makes it hard to do stairs with either leg. I am told that when I come down the two steps for the homily I always look like I am about to die. It is also hard to stand for too long so the other day with preaching, giving out ashes, and then communion was very hard on my legs.

My excellent doctor is working on all of these things. He has also chewed me out for not going to him sooner, but I do not like going to the doctor. And of course none of this is helped by being overweight. Part of that problem is my favorite exercise is walking and now again that is impossible to do.

I think it is important that I let you know why my walking is getting worse. I will keep the parish informed about what they decide to do about all of this. There may be times when I let someone else distribute communion for me.

But other than that I am feeling fine. Thanks for all the statements and calls of concern.

Special thanks and praise to Father Jesus Camacho for all the extra things he does to make my life easier. He is so very good to me.

***Peace, Fr. Tom Faucher, Pastor.***

**Feb. 28** Communal Penance Service at St. Mary's 7pm, bilingual.



### SUNDAY READINGS THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT February 27<sup>th</sup>

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42



### SCRIPTURE READINGS February 28<sup>th</sup> – March 6<sup>th</sup>

**MON. 2Kgs 5:1-5/Lk4:24-30**

**TUE. Dn 3:25,34-43/Mt18:21-35**

**WED. Deut 4:1,5-9/Mt 5:17-19**

**THU. Jer. 7: 23-28/Lk11:14-23**

**FRI. Hos 14:2-10/Mk12:28-34**

**SAT Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14**

**SUN 1Sam 16:1,6-7/10-13/Eph 5:8-14/Jn9:1-41**

### Reflections

1. Describe an experience when a barrier in your life was broken down
2. Where or to whom do you go to be refreshed?
3. When has someone else, drawn "living water" from you?

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM			
Reader 1	Dominique Clifford	Tom Beckman	Marina Edwards			
Reader 2	Anne Smedley	Bob McQuade	Margo Mojica			
Priest Bread 1	Fr. Faucher	Fr. Faucher	Fr. Faucher			
Head Eucharistic M - Bread 2	Ray Hoobing	Bill Teske	Leona Howell			
Eucharistic Minister Bread 3	Larry Winner	Roland Krueger	Toni Post			
Eucharistic Minister - Bread 4	Virginia Medek	Marilyn Tratz	Karena Whitmore			
Deacon - Alternate - Wine 1	Mary Ann Hogg	Kathy Carney	Isabel Yale			
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 2	Jan Winner	Merikay Jost	Michelle Young			
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 3	Augustine Edade	Kathy Vawter	Judie Young			
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 4	Eileen Hoobing	Cathy Stephenson	Joanne Lechner			
Altar Server - Cross Bearer	Lukas Baker	Joe Cieslak	Josh Davis			
Altar Server - Candle Bearer	Victoria Lehman	Jacob Kartes	John Burlile			
Altar Server - Candle Bearer	Matt Baumann	Leah Hahn	Jessica Burlile			
Hospitality Captain	Christian/Monica Pittman	Donna Nasker	Glenda Muir			

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### Lenten Reconciliation Services

All Services are at 7:00 PM

#### **February 28<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's Catholic Church**

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Holy Apostles Catholic Church

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Risen Christ Catholic Church

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Sacred Heart Catholic Church

March 10<sup>th</sup> – Our Lady of the Rosary

March 14<sup>th</sup> – St. John's Cathedral

March 15<sup>th</sup> – St. Marks's Catholic Church

**Mom & Tots.** And the winner is... Quinn Morrison won last fall's bake sale raffle. His prize was a stay at a condo resort in Sun Valley. Congratulations Quinn and thanks to all who participated!

**Prayer and Meditation Retreat** From March 4-6 2005, at the Monastery of the Ascension, Jerome. This retreat is for members of 12-Step programs. It introduces the experience of entering into prayer as a daily practice. Costs, including meals: commuters \$90, with housing \$150. Contact Grace at 208-423-6301 or [grace@safari.myrf.net](mailto:grace@safari.myrf.net) or [www.idahomonks.org](http://www.idahomonks.org)

### **Catholic Charities of Idaho: FREE TAX**

**PREPARATION:** Two sites are open for seniors, and families who would want to take advantage of this opportunity please do call 1800-926-2588. All who would like to volunteer their services to the poor, and elderly of our Treasure Valley Catholic Community please call 345-6031 ext 109.

**Returning Catholics...** Holy Apostles Catholic Church is hosting a RETURNING CATHOLICS PROGRAM. This is a four eight weeks course that explains the faith, information and dialog on church practices and beliefs. It starts Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. 6300 Meridian Rd., Room 102. For more information please contact Monta Shuyler at 888-5506

**Advanced Home Health Care...** Do you love helping people in need? Advanced Home Health Care has several part-time and full-time openings available. We can work around your school schedule too. We assist our clients in their home doing light housekeeping, medication reminders, running errands for them and companionship. If you think you would enjoy helping people call Kelli Adams at 321-7896. You can apply at 1102 N. Cole Road Boise, Idaho 83704. (Near Emerald & Cole Rd.)

**BK Irish Fest Dinner and Auction** 5:30pm at Bishop Kelly! Plan to attend this fun-filled event benefiting Bishop Kelly High School. The night will include a prime rib dinner, silent and live auctions, dessert auction, no host bar and dancing! The cost is \$35.00 per person. Advanced reservations are required. Please contact Gerry Faricy at 338-6605 or [www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org) for more information or to make your reservations. Bring out your green and join us!

**Masters or Continuing Education Certificate in Religious Education or Pastoral Studies** -The Diocese of Boise is conducting information meetings for anyone interested in a Masters Degree in Religious Education or Pastoral Studies through Loyola University of New Orleans. Classes will meet locally throughout the diocese for a period of four years beginning as early as 2005. Information meetings in Boise will be **March 13** at 7pm at St. Mark's, **March 14** at 7pm at Holy Apostles or **March 17** at 7pm at Sacred Heart. For more information call Dan McGill at 342-1311.

**Sitter/Nanny needed...** for a 2 year old boy and an 8 year old girl at my home. Need to have own transportation. A reliable person. Monday-Friday 8:00a.m. - 6:00p.m. Salary DOE. Please call Trish 489-3015/429-8651.

St. Mark's Catholic Community has a special room available for anyone who wishes to celebrate Mass while reducing their exposure to communal germs. This room is located in the rear of the church, is protected by walls and glass, and has a separate entrance available. It is wheelchair accessible. Call St Mark's at: 375-6651 to reserve the "Recovery Room". If you would like Communion brought to the room please advise an usher when you arrive. St. Mark's Catholic Community is located at 7960 Northview, Boise, ID 83704. We welcome visitors.

**5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Rally** with the REACH Team. Come hang with the REACH Team, an awesome group of young adults from Tacoma, WA. Eat pizza, play games, meet friends from Catholic parishes throughout the city and have fun! To register call Meg at 342-7611.

**REACH** Team is back for a **Junior High Retreat!!**



7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders, join them for a blast of a time, March 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss out on this awesome overnight retreat experience of faith, fun, music and good laughs. See old friends and make new ones!! Call Molly for more info. at 344-2597.

***Hope you can make it!!!***