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Our pastor, Father Thomas Faucher, is on a partial medical leave from parish ministry. This is to give him time and opportunity to recover from illness. Almost all parish ministry will be done by Father Miller, Father Camacho, our deacons and parish staff during this time. Father Faucher will celebrate or concelebrate some Sunday Masses and preach on occasion, but not on a regular basis. Please keep Father Faucher in your prayers.

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PASTORS' PAGE

Cuando nuestro Señor Jesucristo nos invita a ser perfectos como nuestro Padre celestial es perfecto (Mt 5,48), nos traza el proyecto de vida de cada persona. La meta de cada uno de los bautizados es: asemejarnos a nuestro Señor, ser como El. El tiempo de cuaresma es una oportunidad magnífica oportunidad para revisar nuestro proceso de crecimiento y maduración, tanto en lo humano como en lo cristiano. Es como mirarnos en el espejo de la fe con un poco más de detenimiento para poder distinguir con claridad lo que nos falta por adquirir y lo que está de más. Las penitencias que nos recomienda la Iglesia durante este tiempo son, por una parte, precisamente para refrenar los impulsos naturales hacia lo cómodo, lo fácil y lo superficial; y por otra, para practicar aquellas virtudes cristianas que no son humanamente atractivas pero que resultan muy agradables a nuestro Dios. El enemigo a vencer es el egoísmo y el demasiado apego a lo puramente material en perjuicio de lo espiritual. La cuaresma, por lo tanto, nos invita a una vida más saludable, más austera, más enfocada hacia el bien de los demás; una vida más completa y más llena de sentido. Es decir, una vida que acerca al modo de ser y vivir de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

Su amigo y servidor,
Padre Jesús Camacho

When our Lord Jesus Christ invites us to be perfect as our celestial Father it is perfect (Mt. 5, 48), we are patterned by the project of life of every person. The goal of each baptized person is to be like our Lord. Lent is a magnificent opportunity to check our process of growth and maturation, both as human beings and Christians. It is like looking at ourselves in the mirror of the faith a little more thoroughly in order to distinguish with clarity what we lack and what we need more of. The mortifications that the Church recommends to us during this time are, on the one hand, precisely to restrain our natural impulses towards what is comfortable, what is easy and what is superficial; and on the other hand, to practice those Christian virtues that are not humanly attractive but that turn out to be very agreeable to our God. The enemy to fight is the selfishness and the excessive attachment to purely material things to the detriment of the spiritual. Lent, therefore, invites us to a healthier, more austere life, more focused on the good of the others; a life more complete and full of meaning. That is to say, a life that reflects the life and being of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Your friend and servant,
Fr. Jesús Camacho



SUNDAY READINGS March 5th

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| First Reading: | Gn 9:8-15 |
| Second Reading: | 1 Pt 3:18-22 |
| Responsorial Psalm: | Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 |
| Gospel Reading: | Mk 1:12-15 |

Reflections

1. *Relate an experience when you were "tested."*
2. *Describe a time when you were challenged to confront a weakness in your life.*
3. *Explain how you deal with failures in your life.*



Scripture Readings March 6th - March 12th

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| MON. | Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46 |
| TUE. | Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15 |
| WED. | Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32 |
| THU. | Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12 |
| FRI. | Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26 |
| SAT. | Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48 |
| SUN. | Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Mk 9:2-10 |

FINANCIAL NEWS

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| Contributions: | | |
| February 25 th & 26 th | \$ | 7,221.00 |
| Last Year | \$ | 6553.00 |
| Capital Campaign: | | |
| Building Fund Donations: | \$ | |
| February 25 th & 26 th | \$ | 6,286.00 |
| March 1 st to Date | \$ | 526,098.93 |
| Pledged | \$ | 1,120,000.00 |
| Needed for Church | \$ | 2,600,000.00 |

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S – ESTA SEMANA EN SANTA MARIA

| Date/ Fecha | DESCRIPTION (DESCRIPCION)/PLACE (LUGAR) |
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| Sun., Mar. 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 a.m. – Sophia Mark Baptism 9:45 – 10:45 a.m., First Eucharist Class (2nd grade classroom) 10 a.m – 12 p.m., Clases de Catecismo y 10 – 11:30 a.m. Clases de Confirmación |
| Tues., Mar. 7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., St. Mary's Mothers Bible Study (Rm. C) 6:30 p.m., School Governing Board (Rm. D) 7-9 p.m., English as a second language classed (School) 7-9 p.m., Karen's Choir (Church) |
| Wed. Mar. 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 – 7:30 p.m., Mexican Folkloric Dance (Gym) |
| Thurs. Mar. 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 p.m., Bingo 6:30 – 8 p.m., Citizenship Classes (School) 7 p.m., Bob Parsley's Choir (Church) 7-9 p.m., English as a second language classed (School) |
| Fri., Mar. 10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 noon, Centering Prayer in Church 6 p.m., Stations of the Cross (followed by soup supper in gym) 7 p.m., Historia de la Iglesia (Rm. B) |
| Sat., Mar 11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Idaho Catholic Appeal Weekend Fin de Semana de Diezmo Diocesano |

SACRED HEART ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

The Knights of Columbus Annual St. Patrick's Day dinner will be held Saturday, March 11th from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart School Gym, 3901 Cassia, Boise.



Please join us for Corned Beef and Cabbage with the trimmings, beverages and great raffle prizes.

Tickets available at the door:

- Singles \$8.00
- Couples \$15.00
- Families \$25.00
- Children under 6 free

Call Tony @ 861-0647 for more information or tickets.

CAN YOU DONATE A CONFERENCE TABLE?

The community of St. Mary's seems to be very alive and active judging from the many meetings and events we have scheduled. We desperately need conference rooms to accommodate all of these activities but our current rooms don't have the necessary furniture. We

could really use two conference tables; if anyone would like to contribute a table or knows where we can get one (free of course) please contact Marisela at the Parish Office. Thanks and God Bless.

GRAND NOCHE ROMANTICA

Sena y Baile en la Catedral de St. John's en Boise

- Musica en vivo (Duetto)
- 6 de mayo a las 7PM
- Cena de 7 a 9PM
- "PAREJAS SOLAMENTE"
- \$35 por parejas; \$40 en la puerta;

Los fondos para retiro hispano de evangelización

MARY, COMPANION ON OUR LENTEN JOURNEY - WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER

Women's Day of Prayer is an all-day workshop coming to Boise on Saturday, March 25th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Journey with Darlene Pape and Sr. Beth Mulvaney as they share about Mary, Companion on Our Lenten Journey, Women's Day of Prayer. All women are invited and there will be both English and Spanish sessions. The workshop will be held at the Nazareth Retreat Center at 4450 N. Five Mile Road in Boise. The \$10 registration fee includes lunch. Registration forms are available at the parish office. The deadline for registration is March 17th and there will be no registrations at the door.

RETRouvaille PROGRAM – MARCH 17

Retrouvaille Offers Help To Hurting Marriages.

Couples in troubled marriages are invited to explore an option other than simply enduring their pain or getting out of their marriage. Retrouvaille is a Catholic program geared to rebuild marriages that have become unloving and uncaring, or for couples who are thinking of separation or divorce, but want to try again. The next program at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center in Spokane will begin on March 17th. Call 800-470-2230 for more information or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

BOISE HUMAN RIGHTS FILM FESTIVAL

Flux Ministry and Amnesty International present the Boise Human Rights Film Festival at the Flicks. March 12 and 13. ALL ARE WELCOME. This is not an age specific event! It is open to all in the area. We will be featuring eight films on various human rights issues and this will be followed by conversations tying in the Catholic Social teaching. Tickets are available in

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advance at Ten Thousand Villages in Hyde Park or at the Flicks Movie Theater. For more information please contact Angela Hummel at 208.713.3055, fluxministry@yahoo.com.

IDAHO CATHOLIC APPEAL

Willing to Serve, Willing to Share is the theme of the 2006 Idaho Catholic Appeal.

Idaho Catholic Appeal Sunday is March 12.

"*Dispuestos a Servir...Dispuestos a Compartir*" es el tema de la colecta diocesana anual del 2006. La colecta se llevará a cabo el 12 de marzo.



Bishop Kelly High School has begun open registration for fall, 2006. The Early Bird Discount ends March 10. Please visit our website www.bk.org for information or call 375-6010.

- Sacred Heart School is now accepting registrations for our Preschool Program. This program runs Monday-Friday from 8:30-11:00 am for children who will be age 4 by December 31, 2006. Our tuition is \$250.00 monthly plus a \$60.00 Registration/Materials fee.
- Please come to the school office to register between the hours of 9:00am and 2:30 pm. When registering, it is necessary to have you child's birth certificate and current immunization records. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the school @ 344-9738.
- We look forward to welcoming your child to Sacred Heart Pre-School.

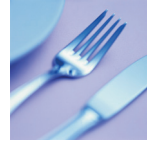
NEWS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be offering free dinners to the people of Garden City and surrounding areas starting March 6. The GARDEN CITY DINING ROOM is a partnership with Community Christian Center. Dinner will be served Mon-Wed at 5:30 p.m. Contact Hope Ryan at 853-4921 or hoperyan@svdpid.org or check the website www.svdpid.org for more information. The location is 202 E 42nd St. in Garden City.

Volunteers and Pledges of funds are needed. Will your family sponsor one meal a day/week/month at \$3 per meal? Will your family, scout troop, office team

volunteer one day a month to serve food to people in need? Please pray about your involvement and for this project - Thank you!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting silverware (metal) for the soup kitchen. Please bring those donations to any Ada County Thrift Store (2110 S. Broadway, 6464 W. State St, 213 N. Main St. Meridian).



RADIO MINISTRY/MINISTERIO DE LA RADIO

There are 8 parishioners from the Hispanic Community who will be part of a weekly program called La Voz Católica beginning February 26th from 9 to 9:30AM – their program will be on 890AM.

Un ministerio nuevo en nuestra comunidad en la radio tendra su primer programa el 26 de Febrero en el canal 890 AM de la radio. Este programa se llamara La Voz Catolica cada domingo de 9 a 9:30 de la mañana.

VIA CRUCIS

Se hace una atenta invitación a todos de nuestra comunidad para participar en un Vía Crucis bilingüe que se llevará acabo los viernes durante la cuaresma comenzando el 3 de marzo a las 6 de la tarde e incluye una comida después del Vía Crucis.

FRESH SMOKED HAM SALE

This sale benefits Bishop Kelly's Baseball program. The smoked hams are fresh product from Independent Meat Co. in Twin Falls and average about 16 pounds each.



The price (\$40) includes Idaho State sales tax. Orders must be received by April 2, 2006 (Sunday) for delivery on April 8, 2006 (Saturday). **Orders can be placed at St. Mary's School (see Shawna in the school office) until Friday, March 31st.** For any questions or special arrangements call Coach Sutcliffe at 888-1676 or Julianne Lostra at 938-2070.



MONASTERY OF ST. GERTRUDE

WEEKEND RETREAT

Wondering about religious life today? Come and See at the Monastery of St. Gertrude, March 17 - 19, 2006. This is a weekend to familiarize yourself with Benedictine monastic life by praying, working and

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playing with the sisters. For more information, contact Sr. Janet Barnard, Vocation Director, 208-962-5024 or vocation@stgertrudes.org.

DINNER DANCE!

Go Daddy-O! Swing into Spring at 'Moonlight Serenade' Big Band Dinner Dance, March 25, at the Greencreek Community Hall, to benefit the Historical Museum at St. Gertrude. No-host bar opens at 6:00 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30 and dancing from 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. with live music by Hog Heaven Big Band from Moscow. Wear your best "swing" era fashions and your fast shoes! Tickets are \$20 per person, \$35 per couple and are available at the museum by calling 208-962-2050 or emailing museum@connectwireless.us.



BISHOP KELLY IRISH FEST 2006!

March 18, 2006, is the date of the BK Booster Club's Annual Irish Fest Dinner and Auction starting at 5:30 p.m. at Bishop Kelly High School! Plan to attend this fun-filled event benefitting Bishop Kelly High School. The night will include silent and live auction, no host and dancing! The person. Advance required. Please contact Debbie Flandro at 336-0143 or email dflandro@hotmail.com for more information or to make your reservations. Bring out your green and join us!



prime rib dinner, auctions, dessert bar, entertainment cost is \$35.00 per reservations are



Clases de Confirmación

Clases de confirmación comienzan el domingo cinco de marzo de 10 a 11:30 a.m. de la mañana en el centro parroquial. Estas clases se les ofrece a todos mayores de 16 años.

Clases de catecismo para las Primeras

Comunion comienzan el 5 de marzo de 10AM a 12PM.

Educación Católica para Adultos presentará la Historia de la Iglesia el viernes; el 3, 10 y 31 de marzo; y el 7, 21, y 28 de abril de 7PM a 9PM en el centro de reuniones aquí en Santa Maria con nuestro Padre Jesús Camacho. Para inscribirse por favor hable con Marisela en la oficina parroquial al número 344-2597.

Estudios de Biblia con el Padre Jesús Camacho se presentan los martes a las 7 p.m. en el centro parroquial.

ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION OF THE TREASURE VALLEY (ACE-TV) NEWS

Courses: Tuesday, March 7, 7-9 p.m. at Our Lady of the Rosary, Mr. David Pedersen will discuss and facilitate an experience of music and chant as prayer (\$5). Begin Lent in a prayerful, powerful way!

Workshop: Sat, April 8th, 8:30-12:30 at St Mark Church Richard Groves presents An Introduction to the Sacred Art of Dying, a program to identify and alleviate spiritual pain associated with end of life; for adults of all ages, esp health care professionals, parish nurses, caretakers, persons with chronic or terminal illness, ministers for grief or bereavement, RCIA, catechists, Eucharistic ministers to homebound...for all who want to "die a little each day so as to take up their cross and follow Christ." (\$10; call Peg at 424-8989 for information or registration.)

"Our knowledge of women in the early church is limited to a few familiar names from the Bible. The reality is that women were integral to the leadership and growth of the Church." Come to a lecture by Sr. Teresa Jackson OSB entitled, They Did More than Bake Cookies: Women's Leadership in the Early Church at Our Lady of the Rosary, on Monday, March 13 at 7 pm. Donation to defray Sr. Teresa's expenses will be accepted.

TRUE GIRL - A MAGAZINE FOR CATHOLIC TEENS

Cost - \$18.95 for 6 issues per year. To subscribe, write: True Girl, P.O. Box 874, LaPorte, IN 46350; or visit the True Girl website at: <http://www.truegirlonline.com>. This information was provided by St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women and the Idaho Council of Catholic Women.

LOST? Find the Way, the Truth and the Life at the Idaho Catholic Youth Convention. March 31 – April 2nd at the Nampa Civic Center. All Catholic youth grades 9 - 12 are invited to come have fun and hang out with hundreds of Catholic youth from throughout the diocese. This year's convention features Brad Henning who will speak on relationships, love and sex; Tammy Evevard who will share the message of how much God loves us all; and award winning music group Critical Mass. Registration fee \$69.95 due by March 15. Contact Fr. Arnie to register or for more information at 344-2597.

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LENTEN TRIVIA QUESTIONS

How many days are in Lent?

40. Suggested by Christ's 40 day fast in the desert. The Jews also spent 40 years wandering in the wilderness; Elijah spent 40 days journeying to Mt. Sinai; Moses spent 40 days on Sinai in the presence of God; Noah's ark was rained upon for 40 days and 40 nights; the people of Ninevah fasted for 40 days after Jonah carried God's warning to them. Scripture scholars say that biblical numbers often have symbolic meanings: Three is common in ritual prayer (Holy, Holy, Holy); seven indicates completion or perfection (i.e. creation); 12 expresses the fullness of Israel (12 tribes). Forty symbolizes a generation, a large number, a long period of time, a time of preparation for a great event. Note

that there are 46 calendar days in Lent, but since fasting is forbidden on Sunday, there are only 40 days of actual fast. (Catechist 1988 p. 21)

Where does the "dust to dust" expression on Ash Wednesday come from?

On Ash Wednesday, when your forehead is marked with ashes in the Sign of the Cross, the priest says, "Remember that you are dust and to dust you must return." These words, which come from the story of the Fall in Genesis, inspire us to spend the next six weeks remembering our mortality and the risen life that we have in Jesus.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Special thanks go this week to Idaho Provisioners (see Ad, below).