



# St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

## This Sunday, Feb 19

CAPA Campaign  
Knights' Informational  
8:30 am Mass  
11:00 am Mass

## Monday, Feb 20

Parish Office Closed  
President's Weekend  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
10:00 am Women's Guild Board Meeting



## Tuesday, Feb 21

7:00 am Men's Reflection Group  
8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:15 am Nursing Home Ministry  
7:00 pm Knights' Play Practice

## Wednesday, Feb 22

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Quilt Charmers  
6:00 pm Mid-Week Mass  
7:00 pm RCIA / Symbolon  
7:00 pm Altius  
7:00 pm High School *Shift* Bible Study

## Thursday, Feb 23

8:00 am Daily Mass  
12:00 pm Hope House Meal Prep

## Friday, Feb 24

9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Share the Word

## Saturday, Feb 25

8:30 am Aerobics  
4:30 pm Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass  
6:30 pm Mardi Gras Celebration



## Next Sunday, Feb 26

8:30 am Mass  
9:35 am Altar Sever Breakfast  
9:45 am RE K-5  
9:45 am *Shift* Bible Study for Middle School  
11:00 am Mass  
7:00 pm High School Youth Group

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, Feb 19—Mike Saccomanno; Col Charles B Stratton  
Monday, Feb 20—Melton & Heinek  
Tuesday, Feb 21—Don and Dell Ladd  
Wednesday, Feb 22—Stan & Judy Edburg; Linda Jokinen  
Thursday, Feb 23—Art and Jewel Smalley  
Friday, Feb 24—Pat & Alisa Kostecka and Family  
Saturday, Feb 25—Shirley Chorvat; St. Joseph Parishioners

Mass intentions are prayed by the priest offering the Eucharist sacrifice for a particular person(s), living or dead. If you would like Fr. Brian to offer a Mass for a loved one either call the office or drop a note in the offering basket on Sundays with a date and the names for whom you would like the Mass intention prayed.

February 18-19, 2017

## Knights of Columbus



Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life to support your parish, give back to your community, and grow in your faith. Contact Grand Knight Mike Kerschen at 991-6633 for more information.

Thur, Feb 23 Officers & Directors Meeting at 7:00 PM  
Thur, Mar 2 Council Dinner Meeting at 6:30 PM  
Thur, Mar 9 Knights' Fourth Degree Meeting at 6:30 PM

## Opus of the Laity 2.0

On Saturday, March 25, 2017, Deacon Jim Kestell will be offering a class on one of the most misunderstood practices in the Catholic Church, indulgences. The class is from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Register by calling St. Joseph at 466-4991 or register on our website [www.stjosephcolbert.org](http://www.stjosephcolbert.org). Those who register by March 1<sup>st</sup> will receive a free copy of *The Handbook of Indulgences: Norms and Grants*.



## Men's Reflection Hour

The Men's Hour has been greatly missed by several men of the parish, Lou Faiman has stepped up to lead this Tuesday morning group. Every Tuesday at 7:00 AM the men of the parish can come meet to pray and to reflect on the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The session lasts about an hour, allowing for the 8:00 AM Mass attendance afterward. They meet in St. Martin's Room, which is next door to the parish office. All men of the parish are welcomed and encouraged to participate!!

## Knights presents "Mary Poppins"

Tickets are now on sale in the Gathering Space or on the parish website for our all-male cast of Mary Poppins. Proceeds from the play will go to support Missionaries of Charity and Catholic Charities' Rising Strong Program. Tickets are only \$11.00 per person.



## St. Joseph Auction

This year we were scheduling our major fundraiser for May 2017, Dr. LeRoy Byrd had stepped forward to chair this event. With his passing, we have postponed this event until the Fall of 2018. We are now looking for a new chairperson or possibly even co-chairs for this event. Please prayerfully consider helping coordinate this as we have several projects we would like to complete. If you or anyone you know would like to help, please let Fr. Brian know!

## ACA Reminder Weekend



Last weekend was Commitment Sunday for our diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. The goal for our parish is \$63,769. We appreciate the generosity shown by so many and ask those who have not yet pledged, please consider the Bishops request that all Catholic households do so.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Women's Guild



The Women's Guild welcomes and includes ALL parish women, in its membership, and all women are invited to join in our social events, fundraising activities, outreach projects, and Circle groups. Attending Women's Guild socials is a great way to meet other parish women and learn about all the Guild's activities.

- Health and Fitness Circle Sat mornings at 8:30 AM
- Share the Word Bible Study Fridays after 9:00 AM Mass
- Outreach Circle Hope House Meal Prep Thurs., Feb 23 at 2:00 PM. Watch your email for the shopping list needs.
- Fellowship Circle Fri, Feb 24 Set up for Mardi Gras Celebration

If you are interested in the Women's Guild, contact either Sue Kerschen at 464-2984 or Denise Pilgeram at 238-6940.

## Mardi Gras Party!



On Saturday evening, February 25<sup>th</sup>, we will have our annual Mardi Gras Party! This is a parish-wide event for the whole family. There will be traditional Cajun food, colored beads, feathers, fun activities for the kids, and live music the night of the event. The cost is \$3 per person, \$5 per couple, and \$10 per family. What a deal!! Tickets are on sale in the lobby following all the Masses. Get your tickets early because tickets will not be available at the door. You don't want to miss this fun annual event!

## SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for the St. Joseph Women's Guild annual Lenten retreat "Broken & Given" April 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Clearwater Lodge. This is an all-inclusive retreat cost dependant on lodging selection. Online registration and payments for this event will open in a couple of weeks! The first 10 registrants will receive a discount! Watch the bulletin for more details!

## Craft and Hobby Circle News

Thank you for all the plastic shopping bags! We had enough to make 10 sleeping mats. We DO NOT NEED anymore bags; our cup runneth over! Our last cutting day will be at the March Craft and Hobby Circle day on March 11<sup>th</sup>. We will cut the rest of the bags to make our plarn!

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

It's that time again! Jeannie will begin working on the new ministry schedule next week. Please call the office or email your UNAVAILABILITY dates for March, April, and May. We will email the new schedule to everyone by Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, if you have not received an updated schedule, please check your junk box, or the website under the Liturgical Ministry tab. Lectors are sent a reminder postcard the week prior; reminders for other ministries are on the front cover of the bulletins.

## Bring in your Palms

We have placed large pots in the Gathering Space for you to bring in last years blessed palms. Fr. Brian will burn the palms and bless them to use for Ash Wednesday Masses.



## Youth Ministry

### Altius—Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

For 6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> Graders, designed as a bridge from the RE K-5 program to the more diverse High School programs. Focusing on understanding the Mass and the sacraments, with a strong emphasis on hands-on projects.

### High School Youth Group—Sundays at 7:00 PM.

For 9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> Graders, focusing on evangelization and proclaiming the salvation in Jesus Christ and our response in faith. We will continue our discussion on our relationship with Christ.

### Shift Middle and High School Students

*Shift* is a bible study program developed by our Youth Minister for our students. This is open and free, you do not have to be registered in RE for this program. Middle School *Shift* meets on Sundays at 9:50 AM, during Religious Ed K-5 class times in St. Mary's room. High School *Shift* meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM, during Altius, in St. Peter's room.

## Book Circle

Sorry the weather kept us from meeting last week. We are postponing our discussion of *Glitter and Glue* until our March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:00 PM. Bev was able to renew the book bag so bringing the book to our March meeting will be fine. We are going to read *Resisting Happiness* for Lent. We have the books and you will need them by March 1<sup>st</sup> (Ash Wednesday) because you read a short meditation each day of Lent. We won't discuss the book until our April meeting but you will want to have it for Lent. You can pick up your copy in the office. They will be on the plant stand beside Fr Brian's office. Also if you go online to Dynamic Catholic there will be a short presentation on the day's reading each day of Lent. If you have any questions about the books or the circle, please call Bev at 701-9223.

## RCIA's Rite of Election

We have a dedicated group of Candidates coming into the Church. The Rite of Election for these candidates is March 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. Please continue to keep our Candidates in your prayers.

## Prayer Shawl



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will only meet the first Thursday of every month starting in March. This meeting time coincides with the Knights' Council Dinner meeting. Come knit, crochet or quilt a blanket with a fun bunch. If you have any questions about this ministry please contact Connie Schmidt at 951-5623.

## Lenten begins March 1<sup>st</sup>

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent. Our Ash Wednesday Masses will be 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Join us Fridays of Lent with the Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM followed by a community dinner provided by either the Knights of Columbus or the Women's Guild. We will have a Lenten Reconciliation Service Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM.

The Church specifies certain practices of penance during the season of Lent a self-imposed observance of fasting on all weekdays of Lent is strongly recommended. Catholics are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, The Fridays of Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.