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QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY - PRE-LENT 3
February 14, 2021

Events for the week:

Sun., 2/14/21 – 10:00AM - Holy Mass for Sp. **James Dean**, of. by wife, Marjorie.
Tue., 2/16/21 – 8:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass for Sp. Bishop Francis Hodur
Ash Wed., 2/17/21 – 11:00AM – Holy Mass & distribution of ashes, intention for: all Parishioners.
6:30PM – Holy Mass & distribution of ashes.
Fri., 2/19/21 – 8:00AM – Holy Mass and Litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, for: Father John Cramer, his family, and parishioners.
6:30PM Stations of the Cross.
Sat., 2/20/21 – 8:45AM – Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM
Next Sunday, Feb. 21 – Holy Mass for Sp. John David's family.

THIS WEEK PRAYER for: - Father John Cramer, his family and parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish in Kewanee, IL.

I Reading: Hosea 2:16b,17b,21-22
II Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
GOSPEL: Mark 2:18-22

Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. Some people came and asked Jesus, "How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?" **19** Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. **20** But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast. **21** "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. **22** And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **Thanks** go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.
Thank you very much to **Mr. Kenneth Payne, his son, and co-workers for plowing** the snow recently and during the past winter seasons.

Thank you also to **Members of pastor's family** for help to remove the snow.

- **Hall for Rent** is available...\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.
- **February 17** – Ash Wednesday
- **March 7** – Annual Parish meeting after the Mass.
- **Friday, March 26** – Halushki sale; pre-order till **March 19** - \$7.00 per quart.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: Feb. 17 – Joelle Karvois.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: Feb. 17 – Stephen & Joelle Karvois

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Father Richard Wosiak - Helen Hopko - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik – Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Joseph Ross – Thomas Justen – Marjorie Dean.

H & R Center Tremont: Dolores Halaburda (309); ***Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA*** – Marie Demnitski (223).

FUTURE MASS INTENTIONS: Feb. 14: Sp. James Dean; Feb. 21: Sp. John David's family; Feb. 28: Sp. Julian Bednarek Sr.; March 7: Sp. Joanne Plaxa; March 14: for our Congregation; March 21: Sp. James Dean; March 28: Sp. John David's family.

THE HOLY SEASON OF GREAT LENT began on Ash Wednesday. As Jesus fasted for 40 days in the desert, the Church traditional fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christian reminds us of our total dependence on and love for God. Please remember that Fridays are days of **abstinence** from meat. **Fasting:** all those of post-confirmation age are to fast on Fridays, and on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals, with no snacking between meals.

Our Lenten regulations are recommended for healthy adults. Children under First Holy Communion age, the infirm, those on restrictive medication and the elderly are exempt from the obligation of fasting. During this holy and grace-filled season of Lent, all of you are encouraged to share in our Lenten Journey in preparation for Christ's Resurrection by faithfully attending not only Sunday's Mass but also our Lenten service such as: **Stations of the Cross (Friday's at 6:00PM)**. **Your prayers and participation will be appreciated by our Lord and Savior.**