



Saint Faustina Catholic Parish



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Our web site, www.stfaustina.org is now up and running. Check it out!!!

Daily Masses - 8am -- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Weekend Masses -- Saturday, 4 pm & 6 pm
Sunday, 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am -- Spanish Mass, 7:00 pm

Saint Faustina Parish is a community of Roman Catholics inspired by the Holy Spirit called to reflect God's Divine Mercy, to foster spiritual growth, and attend to the temporal and spiritual needs of all God's people.

Parish Clergy

Fr. Jean Desir
Pastor

Fr. Fernando Gil
Assisting Priest

Parish Staff

Elaine Goth
Bookkeeper

Lois Pellicchia
Director of Religious Education

John Kiely
Director of Finance

Jim Bell
Building & Maintenance

Doug Traverson
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight

Louise Johnson
Columbiettes President

Jose Cordeiro
Spanish Mass Ministry Coordinator

Mass Schedule

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Mass in Spanish, 7:00 pm

The Divine Mercy Chaplet
takes place 15 minutes prior to Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesdays @ 3 pm

Confessions

Saturdays @ 3 pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Tuesday @ 8 am Mass

Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

First Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm

Baptismal Classes

Fourth Thursday @ 7 pm by appt.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Penance is an important requirement of the Lenten Season. Jesus said to St. Faustina, "The soul that will go to Confession (during Lent) and receive Holy Communion (on Divine Mercy Sunday, the first Sunday following Easter) shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary of St. Faustina, page 699)

St. Faustina Parish will hold a Communal Penance Service this Thursday, March 18, from 7 to 9 pm. Several priests will be at the Church to hear your confession. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity.

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 10 am - 4 pm

Bulletin for the week of March 13 - March 19, 2010

Twenty-Three Parishioners are Confirmed

The following members of our St. Faustina Family received their Confirmation on Sunday, February 14, 2010, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Clermont. They were Confirmed by Bishop Harrington.

Alex Agudo	Alexander Lopes	Judy Pagan
Nyria Bittar	Angelo Lopes, Jr.	Bethzaida Ramirez
Angelina Cuadrado	Camille Lopez	Melanie Ramon
Anais Estrella	Natalie Lopez	Milena Ramon
Jessica Flores	Diana Mayhugh	Jessica Ramos
Isabel Gonzalez	Cristina Melendez	Danhya Rubio
Elizabeth Harrington	Jonathan Melendez	Dominic Vu
Carlina Hinksman	Jose Emmanuel Munoz	

WELCOME TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Families are at the very core of the Knights of Columbus. The Order was founded by Father Michael J. McGivney for the purpose of protecting immigrant Catholic widows and orphans. Decades after the founding of our Order, the vision and mission set forth by Father McGivney is still as relevant and worthwhile to today's families as it was to those families from 19th century New England. With today's lifestyles, there are many demands on a person's time. Work and family responsibilities makes it difficult to juggle the different roles and still have time to give back to those in need.

The Knights of Columbus organizational structure enable members to serve the community and the Church while doing so along with their family and other Catholic families that share like beliefs and values.

If you are a Catholic man, 18 years of older and you wish to become closer to your family or if you wish to strengthen your faith or just want to give back to you community, we have something for you in the Knights of Columbus. Join us !!

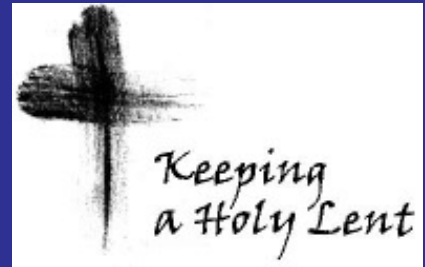
WELCOME TO THE COLUMBIETTES

Our purpose as a Columbiette is to:

- Promote the spiritual, social and charitable welfare of our members.
- To instill a steadfast conviction relating to the proper place and function of Catholic women in safeguarding the religious, civil and economic rights of all Catholics.
- To rely upon the intercession of Mary, our Mother and Model, for guidance in guarding the common good, and to work through her, on loving and aiding all members of the human family and to give assistance to the Knights of Columbus in all their activities upon request.
- We are a unified body of Catholic women who work side-by-side with the Knights of Columbus Councils, with whom we are affiliated.
- We enjoy the challenges and satisfaction of making a difference.
- You can do more for your church, family and your community as a Columbiette.
- Discover activities that involve the entire family, thereby building spirit from within.
- Be a more effective Catholic by actively working toward goals of unity and understanding. Set the example through works of charity, devotion and promotion of Catholic values.
- Join others in programs that brighten the lives of the less fortunate - the sick, the handicapped, the elderly and the young. Strengthen the community from within.
- Have fun - make friends. Join others in events that bear fruit.

We are an auxiliary group of the St. Faustina #14217 Knights of Columbus. The very word C O L U M B I E T T E S incorporates our objectives:

Cooperate and work with the Knights	Inspire civic and community action
Offer opportunity to participate	Educate Catholic women to the need
Lend assistance to the needy	Train others to carry on
Unite all Catholic women in action	Take active interest in legislation
Meet with members of other auxiliaries	Enjoy fun in fraternity
Belong and be identified by the Knights	



St. Faustina will host "Soup and Stations of the Cross"

on Friday's during Lent. A soup dinner will be served at 5 pm with the donation proceeds going to the poor. Stations of the Cross will follow at 6 pm.

Please consider joining us during this wonderful season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Easter.

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The Tools of Crucifixion

TODAY, March 14 -- Robe

Feb 28, Rope and Whip
March 7, Sponge & Vinegar
March 21, Hammer and Nails
March 28, Crown of Thorns

Regulations on Fasting and Abstinence

The dual disciplines of fasting and abstinence have a long history in the Catholic Church. Going back to the early Church, the purpose behind the custom of self denial is not punishment; it is to simplify our lifestyles so that we create a certain emptiness. In this way, freed from all distractions, we are able to hear and respond to God's continued call to conversion and holiness.

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17) and Good Friday (April 2) by all Catholics between the ages of 18 to 59 years (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence.

Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self denial that are suitable to their condition.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent.

Mass Intentions & Readings March 13 to March 19

Sat. 3/13 Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
4:00 pm - Richard Sobin

6:00 pm - Blessings for the Timm Family

Sun. 3/14 Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
7:30 am - Helenmarie Butterworth

9:00 am - Ronald Tews +

11:00 am - Paul Fisher +

7:00 pm - Rosa Contreras +

Mon. 3/15 - No Mass
Isaiah 65:17-21 John 4:43-54

Tues. 3/16 - 8 am - Barry Harbison
Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 John 5:1-16

Wed. 3/17 - 8 am - Fred Phillips +
Isaiah 49:8-15 John 5:17-30
3:00 - *Chaplet of the Divine Mercy*

Thurs. 3/18 - 8 am - Healing for Debra Soberay
Exodus 32:7-14 John 5:31-47

Fri. 3/19 - 8 am - James Steffen +
Solemnity of St. Joseph
2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a Romans, 4:13, 16-18, 22
Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a



Jesus We Trust In You



**Our Assessment
for this year is:
\$42,000.08**

**The Construction Fund
Total is over \$81,500.00**

**Construction Fund
500-PLUS Club**--Father Jean has 500-PLUS people willing to donate \$2 per month (a total of \$24) --**in addition to your weekly offering**--for the entire 2010 year. If you would like to join, please stop by the front desk.



MEETINGS and MINISTRIES

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR ST. FAUSTINA
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & COLUMBIETTES
WILL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEKND, MARCH 13 & 14,
AND NEXT WEEKEND, MARCH 20 & 21, AFTER ALL MASSES
ALL MEN AND WOMEN IN OUR PARISH ARE WELCOME**

Please note for both groups that even if you are a seasonal resident that you can still be a member of the organizations.

The Junior Legion of Mary (formerly known as the Mother of Divine Mercy Prasedium) meets every Sunday at 1 pm in the church. The ministry is open to anyone up to the age of 18 who has received their First Holy Communion. For further information please contact Sinead Fernandes at Sinead_Fernandes@yahoo.com or by calling 863-332-5699.

St. Faustina will hold at Lenten Penance Service on Thursday, March 18 from 7 to 9 pm. Penance is an important part of the Lenten Season and is a must if you are to receive Divine Mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday following Easter). Several priests will be available to hear your confession.

The updated & revised St. Faustina website is now up and running. It is www.stfaustina.org. The website includes things like descriptions of our ministries and how you can become more involved in our parish, including a listing of parish contacts and our parish calendar so you can keep track of what is going on at St. Faustina. In addition, our bulletin is posted weekly.

Calling All Cooks--We are in the process of starting up a "Food Social" team to prepare and organize food for church activities. If you are interested in joining this team or putting your name on the list to bring food, please call **Nina Andrusko 352-536-4332**.

The Legion of Mary - Which is open to all men and women, will meet every Monday from 7 to 8:30 pm in the church. **For more information, please contact Debbie Bergeron at 863-420-4524.**

The "New Parishioner" Welcome Ministry is basically the WELCOME WAGON of St. Faustina's Parish. Extending a hand of friendship, we assist new families to feel comfortable with the transition to our Catholic Community. **Contact Judy Coutu at 863-424-0797 for more information.**

The Food Pantry accepts donations from the generous members of our parish as well as friends and merchants of the Four Corners Area. After all items are thoroughly checked for currency of expiration dates and security of packages, the date of receipt by the pantry is marked on each item to insure freshness. It is then our privilege to distribute packages to those families in need.

Request forms are available at the front of the church. Please take a minute to fill out these forms so that we can accurately fill your bag and have it ready for pick-up on the day and time you select. **WE NEED TWO (2) DAYS NOTICE TO FILL YOUR REQUEST.** The Food Pantry is open Monday thru Thursday from 10 am until 4 pm and on Friday by appointment.

Hermanos en Cristo te invita a orar alabar a nuestro Serflor todos los Sabados a las 8:30 pm en la terraza de nuestra iglesia. Para mayor informacion comunicarse con: Jose Ojeda (352) 241-8366, Roberto Aponte (352) 241-0973, Mauricio Coral (863) 236-3356.

Hermanos en Cristo invites you to pray and praise our Lord every Saturday at 8:30 pm on the terrace of our church. For more information please contact Jose Ojeda (352) 241-8366, Roberto Aponte (352) 241-0973 or Mauricio Coral (863) 236-3356

Collections for February 27-28

**Offertory \$6,059.00
Construction Fund, \$4,191.00**