First Sunday in Lent~
When He calls to me, I will answer; I will rescue him and give him honor. Long life and contentment will be his.

The School Mass that was scheduled for Monday at 9:30 a.m. has been cancelled. Bishop Harrington is unable to come due to 2 funerals he has to attend.

Bible Study ~ will be held every Sunday of Lent. We'll be having a Bible Study of that Sundays reading and gospel. We will start at 9:15 and go to 10:10 a.m. We welcome all ages. Please bring a Bible. For more info call Leona at 583-7591.

First Communion classes meet at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning in the school library.
On Wednesday evening the 1st - 5th grade Faith Formation students meet at 6:15 p.m. in the church basement. At 7:30 p.m. the 6th - 8th grade students meet and the 9th - 10th grade Confirmation students meet in the church basement.

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"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." Luke 6:38
It is time for the **Diocese of Winona's Annual Diocesan Appeal.** Please respond to the appeal you received in the mail this past week. Our parish goal is $3,640. Our parish has reached 9.89% of its goal, as $360 has been sent in so far. Thanks so much for what you can do to help our parish meet its goal.

Eucharistic Adoration is when we have time to grow in love and spend some quiet time with God. Here Christ pours out His love for us. *Eucharistic Adoration will be available here at Litomysl on Wednesdays during Lent, from 6 to 7:00 p.m. (beginning February 28th).* During your visit please include in your prayers an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
Stations of the Cross here at Litomysl will be on Wednesday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. (beginning February 28th) This is a good way to walk the road to Calvary with Jesus. After the stations are recited, Deacon Jim Hunt will close with Benediction. Everyone in the parish is encouraged to take part in these Lenten activities.

School Giving Calendar Winner:
February 25 - Alan Rhoades, Owatonna

Registrations are presently being taken for the 2007-2008 school year for preschool through fifth grade at St. Isidore's School. Call the school at 451-5876 for information. The mission at St Isidore's is to create students who model Christ centered behavior.

…Jesus, my friend, when life is overwhelming, help me remember to lighten someone else's day with an encouraging word. Amen

Mass Intentions
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., & Sat. - NO MASS
Sunday – 10:30 a.m. – Earl McNearney †

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Lec – David Miller
EM – Bruce Kubicek
Cup – Bob Prokopec & Gordy Spinler
Servers – Tim Boecker & Julia Borchert
Gifts – Randy Borchert Family
Ushers – John Styndl & LeRoy Schroeder
Rosary – Janet Miller Singing – Combo

Father Lawrence Ginther served at Litomysl in the 1960's. He is now retired, living in Winona. He sent a $1,000 check to St. Isidore's School with the following note.
Congratulations to the parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish to keep St. Isidore's School open (I heard this via a friend in Blooming Prairie). I was very happy, I do not like to see a Catholic School close. The people of Holy Trinity always have had Faith, Hard-working and Faithful to their parish.
Enclosed is a small donation for the school. I pray the enrollment will increase. The best enrollment was in the years I was pastor there. I pray you people can keep the school in operation till the end of time.
My prayers and good wishes.
Yours in Christ,
Fr Lawrence Ginther

Thank you so very much Father Ginther!

At the 10:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday, March 4th, the 10th grade students who will be confirmed on May 5th at Sacred Heart will be taking part in a Rite of Sending. Please continue to pray for these students: Alexis Kasper, daughter of Steve & Penni, Ryan Noble, son of Kevin & Lisa, Chantel Skala, daughter of Ron & Dawn, Jamie VonRuden, daughter of Jim & Kay, and Adam Wondra, son of Joe & Terry.

First Communion for our 2nd graders will be Sunday, April 15 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please pray for those who will be receiving their First Communion: Rachel Kubicek, daughter of Todd & Jill, Jacob Neal, son of John & Ann, Irene Neal, daughter of John & Ann, Colin Nelson, son of Bruce & Marilyn, and Zachary Sisler, son of Dennis & Teresa. St. Helena's Guild is in charge of refreshments after Mass.

Ladies ~ Quilting is W*ednesday* at 9:00 a.m. with a potluck lunch at noon. 38 quilts were put together last Wednesday. Good job Ladies! Anyone is welcome!

THANKS! !

Thank you for the Two new altar linens that were donated in memory of Albert and Martha Styndl and Justin Spinler. They are beautiful!

Summer Softball League - Those 18 and older, interested in playing on a Church Softball League, please contact Troy Anderson at 363-1701, or yorte21@hotmail.com ~~Sign up sheet is on the table in the back of church. The roster needs to be completed by March 15th.

To help strengthen your faith family, the Litomysl Pastoral Council will be asking all parishioners to fill out a **questionnaire.** The questionnaire will be attached to the bulletin on Sunday, March 11th. Parishioners will be asked to fill out the questionnaire at home, and return it the next Sunday, on March 18th. Please take time to fill it out to help them better serve your parish.

On the **first Thursday** of the month, Serrans across the country come together for a Holy Hour of Adoration and pray for vocations. The Owatonna Area Serra Club invites all parishioners to join us on the first Thursday of the Month (March 1st) from 5 to 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church to pray for vocations. Tom Kingsley, VP of Vocations leads us in a public adoration for forty-five minutes with the remaining fifteen minutes for private or silent adoration. Prayer booklets are available for everyone. Please come and join us.

The Holy Trinity Catholic Aid Council #328 will meet on Wednesday of this week, February 28th after the Benediction (about 7:45 p.m.) in the school library. All members are encouraged to attend and all parishioners are welcome.

There will be NO Generations of Faith offered in March - everyone is asked to attend the following instead... **"Marriage: The Forgotten Vocation?"** will be the subject of a talk to be given by Fr. Richard M. Hogan at Sacred Heart Church on Monday, March 12, 6:30 p.m. This is part of the highly successful adult faith formation series, The Call To Be Catholic, sponsored by five Steele County parishes, the Winona diocese, and the Univ. of St. Thomas Gainey Center. Fr. Hogan, a parish priest from the St. Paul-Minneapolis diocese, is a nationally known author and speaker on Pope John Paul II's teachings on Marriage, Family, and Human Sexuality--most often referred to as The Theology of the Body. No charge, but a free will offering is suggested

Please pick up some Lenten booklets on the tables at each entrance & use them during Lent with your family. There are three different books.

Being at peace is not easy. Anxiety, depression and strained relationships can disturb our peace. Catholic Charities offers healing to individuals, couples and families. For more information contact Catholic Charities at 1-507-433-3062.

Owatonna Knights of Columbus Council #945 invites everyone to:
Lenten Seafood Dinner every Friday during Lent – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the KC Hall. $8 for adults, $4 for children 10 and under.

Beneficiaries

February 23 – St. Mary's REP/CYO
March 2 – Healthy Seniors
March 9 – Birthright
March 16 – Big Brothers and Big Sisters
March 23 – Compassionate Friends
March 30 – Catholic Daughters
April 6 – Izaak Walton League

Benefit Breakfast at St. Mary's School

Proceeds to: St. Mary's Music Boosters (sponsored by the Owatonna KC's).
Sunday, March 11, 7:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Live music entertainment throughout the morning by St. Mary's Choir and Band.
Also there will be a Bake Sale by the Catholic Daughters along with the Breakfast.

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The Carmelites of St. Joseph at Queen of Angels Hermitage will be hosting a Lenten Day of Prayer and Reflection, Friday, March 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mass and lunch are included. Free will offering. The Hermitage is located at 1009 Oakland Ave. East, Austin, MN. Please call 507-437-4015 to register

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St. Mary's (Newry) of rural Geneva **Annual Fish Fry** Friday, March 16 serving 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free will donation.

Pancake Breakfast Sunday, March 11 at St. Columbanus Church, Blooming Prairie serving 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Blooming Prairie Knights of Columbus.

How about giving your spouse a Marriage Encounter Weekend with you!! Marriage Encounter weekends provide a safe environment for spouses to examine their lives together - their weaknesses and strengths, their attitudes towards each other and toward their families, their hurts, desires, ambitions, disappointments, joys and frustrations - and to do so so openly and honestly in a Christ-like, face-to-face, heart-to-heart encounter with the one person on this earth who means more than any other and upon whom happiness here and hereafter depends. Contact Jeff and Rondi Kodet at 507-644-3523 or http://mail.grovess.net/cgi-bin/WebMail/compose.cgi?USERNAME=N%2FA&MSGTO=jrek@redred.com&ACTION=bugmessage. The next weekend is scheduled for April 13-15 in Windom. Sign up today - you'll be glad you did!