## The Torch



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#### Pastor's Desk

St. Dominic Parish

Delhi Township, OH

February 2020

We begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday on February 26. Lent is a season for the whole parish to reflect on our relationship with Jesus Christ. Are we truly following Him and learning from Him, or are we just going through the motions? Lent is an opportunity to renew our relationship with God!

Fr. Chris and I will again be offering the series given by Bishop Robert Barron on "Catholicism" on Tuesday evenings in Lent. (The first session begins on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday.) We had over ninety attend the Fall sessions. Hope to see you all back. All newcomers are welcome to join us.

If any of you have drifted away from parish life over the years, please know that you are always welcome to come back and reconnect with some wonderful people. The beginning of Lent is a good time to do it. The Lord invites you and all of us, "Return to me with all your heart!"

Fr. Jim

## Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, February 26 and Good Friday, April 10, are days of abstinence from meat and days of fast (that is, limited to a single full meal). Regarding Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled:

Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with an uplifted and clear mind. Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (Canons 97 and 1252).

Regarding the obligatory days listed above, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of the Holy Father may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, or "substantially," the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more, rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion.

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## May They Rest in The Peace of the Lord

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners, as they have entered eternal life.

**Thomas Doyle,** husband of Eileen Doyle and father of Glenn Doyle, Michael and Karen Doyle and Tricia and Stephen Mullin.

**Tom Bittner**, husband of Ruth Ann and father of Andy Bittner, Elisabeth and Matthew Ryan, Paul and Corrin Bittner and Julie Bittner.

Mary C. Lipps, mother of Richard and Eileen Lipps, Harold and Debbie Lipps, Kathy and Stan Carr, Butch and Donna Lipps, Jan and Don Kathman, Viv and Ellis Sweet, Karen and Floyd Norman and Greg Lipps.

**Anna Flanigan**, wife of Tim Flanigan and mother of Sean and Ann Flanigan, Shannon and Robb Flanigan, Penny Flanigan and Ryan and Suzanne Flanigan.

Iris Totten, mother of Bob Will, Harold and Donna Will, Linda Mattingley and Stephen Will.

**John Krallman**, father of Mark and Sharon Krallman, Connie and Jeff Wolfzorn, Danny Krallman and Susan and Chris Fox.

Mary Ellen Young, mother of Christine and Jack Heidi, Barbara and Glenn Holmes, Beverly and John Cahill, Tracy and Jeff Bowling, Constance and Tim Kellard, Jeff Young, Greg Young, Gene Young and Michael and Lisa Young.

**Frank Backscheider,** father of Frank Backscheider, Jr., James Backscheider, Edward and Debbie Backscheider, Janet Sattler, William Backscheider and Chester "Ted" Backscheider.

**Barbara Bosse,** mother of Donna Knese, Carol Hillberg, Judy Bosse, Don and Barb Bosse Jr., and Mary Kaye and Lorenza Williams Jr. Bosse.

### The St. Dominic Goldenaires

**SAVE THE DATE** – Thursday, February 27 at noon. Brown bag lunch and Speaker Ron Vance with his Bible sticks. See the bulletin for more information.



## **School Registration**

School Registration forms for Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-8 are available on the school website at www.stdominicdelhi. org and in the school office. Priority registration for all current students, including preschool, and siblings of current students will be accepted through February 21, 2020. Registration forms for current students came home on Friday, January 31. For additional

information, or to arrange for a personal tour, please call the principal, Bill Cavanaugh, at 251-1276, ext. 420. EdChoice Scholarships are accepted, and financial aid is available. For questions regarding Registration and EdChoice, call the school office at 251-1276, ext. 422.

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#### St. Dominic Parish Lenten Activities

**ASH WEDNESDAY** 



#### February 26

6:10 a.m. Communion Service with Ashes 7:30 a.m. Mass with Ashes 8:15 a.m. Mass with Ashes 7:00 p.m. Mass with Ashes

## BIBLE STUDY - BISHOP BARRON'S CATHOLICISM SERIES with Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris

Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris will be again offering a series called "Catholicism" this Lent beginning Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m. We will discuss the fundamental truths of Catholicism. Part of the input will come from videos by the popular Bishop Robert Barron of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. We will be using the same book that we used in the fall. If you will be attending and do not already have a book, please call the Parish Office by Wednesday, February 12, so that we can order enough books.

The topics are as follows:

February 25: Church

March 3: The Mass

March 10: Communion of Saints

March 17: Prayer and Life of the Spirit

March 31: Last Things: Hell, Purgatory, Angels and Devils, Heaven

#### LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Tuesday, March 24 7:00 p.m. in Church "Light is On" Confessions from 8:00-9:00 p.m.

See the March Torch and the weekly bulletins for a complete list of Lenten Activities.

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## JOIN US! SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2020

## LAS VEGAS NIGHT



ST. DOMINIC GYM
8:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M.
(Doors Open at 7:30 p.m.)
Admission \$8.00/person \$15/2 people



**MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND** 

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WE NEED DEALERS - If you would like to deal Las Vegas Night, please call Jason Shattuck 513-477-8162.

LEND A HAND - SET-UP FOR LAS VEGAS NIGHT Friday, February 21, 6 - 8 P.M.



HORSE RACE SPONSORS - To help defray the cost of rental and other expenses, we are seeking individuals, companies, teams, clubs, etc., to sponsor a horse in the Horse Race Game for \$25.00. If you would like to sponsor a horse, call the Parish Office at 471-7741 by February 13.

\*\*WE NEED 100 SPONSORS\*\*

Las Vegas Night proceeds are used to maintain our present facilities. The proceeds from this year's Las Vegas Night will be used for parking lot upgrades. Your support of this event is crucial to maintaining our facilities!

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## **COMMUNITY DINNER**

February 20, 2020 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. In O'Connor Hall

Hope to see everyone there!

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