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Saturday, February 3– St. Blaise 6:00 PM St. Wendelin Parish

Sunday, February 4 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Carl C. Hesidenz 10:00 AM Madeline Cook

Monday, February 5 - St Agatha

7:30 AM Joe Walsh

Tuesday, February 6 – St. Paul Miki

7:00 PM Reid Karenbauer

Wednesday, February 7 - Weekday

7:30 AM Faithful Departed Souls

<u>Thursday, February 8</u> - Weekday

7:30 AM John F. & Barbara H. Green & Families

<u>Friday, February 9</u> - Weekday

9:00 AM Martha Young

<u>Saturday, February 10</u> - St. Scholastica

9:00 AM Faithful Departed Souls

6:00 PM St. Wendelin Parish

Sunday, February 11 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Ralph Zediker, Jr.

10:00 AM Joe Musthaf

#### Sanctuary Candles Burn For:

Immaculate Mary	Special Intentions
Sacred Heart	Jay Stephenson
St. Joseph	Special Intentions
St. Wendelin	Jay Stephenson

Please keep in your prayers all those in need of our prayers at this time including:



Josephine Hesidenz, Vera (Sis) Geibel, Ed Welter, Neal Arnold, Sally Coyle, Colleen Collins, Ed Murray, Michelle Gould, Debbie Hudson, Lawrence Osche, Bob Mitch, Jesse Kretzer, Alice Waltman, Bernadette Geibel, Leo & Helen Rodgers Sr, Doug Krisely, Vickie Ullrich, Norma McCorry, Maxine Bauldoff, Lois Arnold, John Neudorfer, Jay Stephenson, John Stewart, Ed Neff, Jake Ribald, Jim Dillaman, Anna Marie McKivigan, Patty Carben, Mary O'Donnell, Debra Wick, Ken & Charlotte Ross, Barry Porter, Elizabeth Ozella, Joanne Steighner, Marie Kaufman, Cody Fend, Mary Reed, Olivia Smith, Eugene Bergbigler, Sr., J. Manculich, Barb Campbell, Debbie Selfridge, Fr. Lou Pascazi, Nadine Ball, Gary Osche, Joel Ball, Ron Kabel, Mary Weiland, Sarah Lucas, Doris Rasch, George Bauldoff, Claire Hilderbrand, Brian Roush, Diane McDonald, Mike Smith and Kim Sutton.

If you or anyone for whom you have requested prayers have had improved health and you feel it is no longer necessary to keep them on the prayer list, please let us know.

#### DO NOT BE AFRAID...

Afraid of what, of whom? Our Lord? Can you imagine? With all that we know of Jesus in comparison to what his first



followers saw happening in His presence, He says "do not be afraid, from now on you will be catching men!" Would we be as awestruck today as they were then? Today there would have to be a catch, strings attached, a special effects coordinator, computer generated images. Surely there would be an explanation? Why not then as we see in the gospel, a simple yet magnificent encounter between the human and the divine. Peter, realizing this says "depart from me Lord, for I am sinful." On the other hand the words of Jesus have been immortalized, 1.) in the song Be Not Afraid which is a folk group classic now, and 2.) in the theme and mission of the pontificate of our dearly departed Pope John Paul II. In the first words he spoke to us as our new spiritual Father on October 22, 1978, a profound proclamation was echoed throughout the world, "Do not be afraid!" In the 1994 book written by John Paul II, Crossing the Threshold of Hope, the Holy Father states: "it was an exhortation addressed to all people, an exhortation to conquer fear in the present world situation, as much in the East as in the West, as much in the North as in the South. Have no fear of that which you yourselves have created, have no fear of all that man has produced and that every day is becoming more dangerous for him! Finally, have no fear of yourselves!" Peter realized his sinfulness, and in his encounter with the Lord, in his encounter with the divine he feared his unworthiness. We too are unworthy at times! But as we encounter the divine in the blessed occasions of our lives, Our Lord says, "Do not be afraid, from now on you will be catching men." What an opportunity, a challenge, a responsibility – to be Christ, to witness to the divine among us, to touch the hearts of others! But do we? Can we? Shouldn't we?

A great big thanks!!! If you haven't noticed, there are about 16 newly <u>built</u> picnic tables out back under the pavilion. The Boy Scouts built these for our use! All it cost us was the materials – what a bargain! Thanks to our scouts and scout masters for a job well done!

God Bless You! Rev. Kev



Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Roberta Weiland. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and may the perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Thank you from the family of Roberta Weiland for the delicious funeral dinner.

"The rich man is not one who is in possession of much, but one who gives much." St. John Chrysostom

Collection for Jan. 27/28 Offertory......\$3,344.50

NEEDED EACH WEEK . \$3,500.00

Please pray for the men and women who are serving in the military, especially those from our parish.



Jeff Geibel Brian Stephenson Derrick Baptiste Garrett Dietrich Brian J. Neff Angela Neff Jeremy Welter Douglass Swigart

#### **MONTHLY 50/50 RAFFLE**

Please pick up your February tickets in the back of church Thank you for your continued support.



### ST. WENDELIN SCHOOL NEWS

Kindergarten Open House and registration for the 2007-2008 school year will be held in the school library on Wednesday, February 7th at 9 AM. Please bring copies of the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, and health records. For more information call the school at 724-285-4986 between 9 AM and 2 PM.

## DAFFIN'S EASTER CANDY SALE and HOAGIE SALE

St. Wendelin School families are taking orders for Daffin's Easter Candy and also Hoagies. Order forms for both are available in the vestibule, or you may contact a school family to order.

### HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE VINCENTIAN ACADEMY DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

Are you considering a Catholic high school for your children? On Sunday, February 11, from 12:30 to 2:30 PM, you have an opportunity to tour the school, meet with teachers and school administration, and obtain information. For more information call 1-412-364-1616, ext. 123.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

TODAY - B.P. Screening following the 10AM Mass.

Wed. Feb. 7 - 7:00 PM in the Church - Meeting of all First Communion parents.

#### **COMMUNITY DINNER**

St. Wendelin Parishioners will be serving the dinner on Tuesday, February 20, from 4:30-6:30 PM. If you are able to help, please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule.

#### **LOVE WALK**

February 11th at Sacred Heart Church in Shadyside. This year the collection is for baby and infant items for Angel's Place and non-perishable food items for EECM. Participants are asked to bring non-perishable food along with items for Angel's Place. A few suggestions: Diapers (size 4-6), baby food, Gerber finger foods, formula, blankets, cereals, baby wipes, etc. If you plan to donate any item(s), please drop them in the box in the back of church by Saturday, February 10.

#### **NEIGHBORING EVENTS**

ST. PAUL, Butler - 7:00 PM Monday, February 12 - Holy Hour for Peace, includes prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rosary and concludes with Benediction.

#### HAPPY HUNTERS SPORTSMENS CLUB,

<u>BENEFIT</u> Ron Kabel Family - Saturday, February 10 - Buckwheat Cakes & Sausage Breakfast. 7-12 noon \$4. For information call Ken Geibel 724-282-4737.

A "Bake Sale" will also be held during the breakfast. If you would like to donate baked goods, please call Donna Green at 724-445-7222.

#### PICNIC - CHINESE AUCTION

Please call if you have any questions about the baskets. If we begin now to gather items, we should have some really nice baskets. You may prepare one as a group or family. Parishioners with a business may donate a service.

If we start early, this could be a great thing for our picnic. Call Joyce Geibel at 724-285-1350.

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