

# Our Ellen Welke Fund Needs Our Help.....This Lent

Our Island Community has benefitted greatly for those who are seriously ill and are in need of frequent flights for medical appointments. We are grateful to Paul and Angel Welke for making this ministry possible. Please help us to fill up the necessary funds.

## February Stewardship Offerings

01 February: Envelope Checks & Cash: \$903.00, Loose Checks & Cash: \$73.62. Total Collection: \$976.62

08 February: Envelope Checks & Cash: \$509.00, Loose Checks & Cash: \$106.00. Total Collection: \$615.00

15 February: Envelope Checks & Cash: \$390.00, Loose Checks & Cash: \$78.00. Total Collection: \$468.00

22 February: Envelope Checks & Cash: \$360.00, Loose Checks & Cash: \$71.25. Total Collection: \$431.25

Total for the month of February 2015: \$2490.87

We encourage you to use the weekly envelopes with your personal number; this way we will be able to have an accurate accounting of your donations for the coming year.

Thank you one and all, God Bless, Peace  
Fr. Jim Doherty



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We encourage the attendance at our Lenten Mass Sundays at 930am.

Weekdays: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 900am. Stations of the Cross Fridays of Lent at 400pm. Confessions available before and after Stations of The Cross.

All Fridays during Lent the eating of fish is encouraged, and the abstaining from meat.

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### March Mass Intentions:

01 March Sunday 930am: Donna Gillespie (Seriously Ill),- Wife of Doug Gillespie req. Kathy & Triston Boddicker

03 March Tuesday 900am: Winifred McDonough req. Kathie & Tim Gonyeau

05 March Thursday 900am: Michael Sabados(Seriously Ill),- req. Rudy & JoAnn Gross

08 March Sunday 930am: Winifred McDonough req. Kathie & Tim Gonyeau

10 March Tuesday 900am: For the Parish & Beaver Island

12 March Thursday 900am: For the Parish & Beaver Island

13 & 14 March Friday & Saturday 900am: *Mass and 24 hour Adoration begins. Pope Francis encouraging all to celebrate "24 Hours For The Lord." Sign up will be available for those interested to come to at least an hour more*

*or less throughout the course of the day and the night of Eucharistic Adoration, & Father Jim will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Check the Vatican website: <http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html>*

15 March Sunday 930am: Janet O'Donnell req. Her Loving Family

17 March Tuesday 900am: For The Parish & Beaver Island. Happy Saint Patrick's Day: "Patrick," an award winning film narrated by Liam Neeson (*Schindler's List*), with Gabriel Byrne (*The Usual Suspects*), as the voice of Patrick will be shown at 430pm. *Saint Patrick's Day in the Church.*

19 March Thursday 900am: Solemnity Mass of Saint Joseph Patron of the Universal Church

22 March Sunday 930am: Winifred McDonough req. Kathie & Tim Gonyeau

24 March Tuesday 900am: For the Parish & Beaver Island

25 March Wednesday 900am: Solemnity of the Annunciation

29 March Palm Sunday of The Lord 930am: Holy Week Begins For Intentions of The Parish

31 March Tuesday: No Mass Here,- *Chrism Mass at The Cathedral in Gaylord; presenting for the Parish at the Chrism Mass in Gaylord: Tina Morgan, Sharon Misiak, Kathy Boddicker, & Mark Pearson.*

### **April Mass Intentions:**

02 April Thursday 7pm: *Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper of The Eucharist. Instituted by Jesus in the Upper Room for the Church & the World to be celebrated until the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Jesus in his glory.*

03 April First Friday 12-3pm: *Good Friday, The Celebration of the Lord's Passion.*

04 April First Saturday 7pm: *Easter Vigil Mass Celebration*

05 April Easter Sunday 930am: *Easter Sunday of The Lord's Resurrection*

Abraham's future looks promising: he and Sarah had a child in their old age and they were so delighted that they called him Isaac, a name that means "laughter." But we hear in today's First Reading that God asks a favor of Abraham, a very huge favor. Abraham sets out with his only beloved son placing the wood of the sacrifice on Isaac's shoulders, his most precious gift, and the gift that God had arranged. 'God asked Abraham for his future.

This is not a story of human sacrifice, or of a father's lack of protection for his son. It is a story of human trust and divine love in response to that trust. It is a call to Abraham and to all of us rooted in that very same covenant of God's holy people...it is a call for us to trust in the God who has fashioned us with his fingers...a God who protects us many times over, a God who loves us, saves us, feeds us with the love of his very self...a God who gives us a destiny and a purposeful meaning for living.

And as we journey down the mountains of Transfiguration's heights into sometimes what seems to be the valleys of darkness and even the shadows of death itself, we are called to hang in there no matter what with the faith of Abraham. And the unbending trust to carry on knowing that our God will 'not', does not disappoint His own. As we continue our Lenten journey, as with Abraham, Sarah, Patrick, Francis.... let's ponder what inhibits our full and unconditional trust in the Lord.

