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Liturgical Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass:
5:30 PM Congregational Singing

Sunday Masses:
7:30 AM
9:00 AM Congregational Singing
11:00 AM Cathedral Choir
5:30 PM Contemporary Ensemble

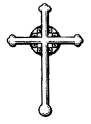
Daily Masses:
7:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturday 4:00 PM-5:15 PM
Other times by appointment.



FEBRUARY 25, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF LEIT



MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 7:30am & 5:30pm

26 Unborn Infants

For All Senior Priests in the Archdiocese

27 Frances Nichols Swigert, dec

Carlo Sposito, dec

28 Earle A. Chiles, dec

For Victims of Violence

March

1 Ray Wentz, dec

Freda Shaw, dec

2 Ann Nguyen Thanh Ha, dec

Teresa Nguyen Thanh Binh, dec

3 Blanchet House



A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

After every school mass shooting, there are cries for changes in our society that might keep our children safe. The two most common solutions are gun control and a better mental health system. To date, little has been done on either front, though the state of Connecticut did enact some stiff gun controls after the Sandy Hook massacre. I recognize that the cry for better mental health care is often a way to divert our attention from guns—a hot button issue in this country. Still, the solution is probably found somewhere in the mix of better mental health services, better screening of those who buy guns, and some reasonable control on guns themselves.

The recent incident at Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, touched and affected me more than other recent shootings. Isn't it a tragedy that we can even speak of "other recent shootings." My fear is that we will grow callous and indifferent in the midst of so much violence. Perhaps this is "compassion fatigue" where we can longer muster empathy for victims or the will to bring change. If so, we need to rouse ourselves anew and work to see that such violence and sadness never happen again.

I was particularly touched by the many students who were interviewed after the shooting, how vocal and articulate they were, how idealistic and inspiring their words, and how they certainly do not suffer from any compassion fatigue. They want action, and they want action from us. As one young man put it, "We're children; you guys are the adults."

So what do we do? I've seen placards that say, "Gun control is a life issue." In a broad sense, this is true. But I wouldn't link it with another life issue, abortion, as some would urge us to do. Every abortion kills; but guns, as columnist Ross Douthat says, "sit harmless in millions of households and many deter violence or turn back evil men." I heard a southern congressman recommend that all teachers carry concealed weapons. More weapons in our schools, and placing this responsibility on our teachers? I don't think so. Perhaps more security guards in schools, and better security at school entrances? Yes, perhaps.

Russ Douthat, a conservative columnist in the New York Times, made a very novel and creative suggestion in a recent column (Feb. 17, 2018). He recognizes that there are many places with a healthy gun culture, but there is also "a fetishization of guns and violence" in America, "especially among alienated, isolated young men." For them, he warns, "the guns-and-citizenship ideal can curdle into a crude myself-alone libertarianism for an age of polarization and mistrust." Douthat suggests a system that would "consider limits that are imposed on youth and removed with age." Gun ownership would be staggered: "Let 18-year-olds own hunting rifles. Make revolvers available at 21. Semiautomatic pistols at 25. And semiautomatic rifles like the AR-15 could be sold to 30-year-olds but no one younger." No doubt such a proposal would be attacked by every interest group, but it's worth considering . . . and nothing to lose but our helplessness.

Msgr. Patrick S. Brennan

Week of February 25

Sunday: Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass
Parish Rosary 5pm

Monday: Catholicism 7pm

Tuesday: Parish Penance Service 7pm

Wednesday: School Mass 8:30am
RCIA 7pm

Thursday: Adoration & Benediction 6pm

Friday: Women's Fellowship 8:30am
Simple Supper 6pm
Stations of the Cross 7pm

**Due to inclement weather
the Financial Report for February 18
will be in next week's bulletin.**



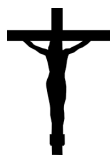
WORSHIP ✦ PRAYER ✦ FAITH FORMATION

Catholicism: Join us Monday, in St. Joseph Hall at 6:45pm, for Bishop Robert Barron's video series, Catholicism. The film will begin at 7pm followed by a small group discussion. Light snacks will be provided.

The Parish Reconciliation Service will be on Tuesday, February 27 at 7pm with multiple confessors.

School Mass: We are invited to join the students, faculty and parents for Mass on Wednesday, February 28 at 9:30am.

Benediction and Adoration will follow the 5:30pm Mass on Thursday, March 1.



Friday Simple Supper & Stations: We are invited to make the Stations of the Cross (a traditional Lenten devotion) on the Fridays of Lent at 7pm in the Cathedral. Before the Stations, we are invited by the Knights of Columbus to join in a Simple Supper at 6-7pm in St. Joseph's Hall. A varied menu will be provided each Friday during the Lenten season. We are looking forward to serving you!

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Last Year's Palms: Between Ash Wednesday, February 14, and Sunday, February 25, we will collect last year's palms. Place your palms in the baskets at each entrance to the cathedral, and we will properly dispose of them.



Please consider a charitable bequest to St. Mary's Cathedral in your estate planning.



"Pause a little, leave behind the unrest and commotion that fill the soul with bitter feelings which never get us anywhere.

Pause from this compulsion to a fast-paced life that scatters, divides and ultimately destroys time with family, with friends, with children, with grandparents, and time as a gift...time with God."

Pope Francis

SOCIAL SERVICES



Book Drive: Social Services is collecting gently used children and adult books for distribution to shelters and to the waiting and community rooms of our partner agencies. Please bring your donations to Mass and place them in the basket in the vestibule or drop them at the rectory. Thank you!

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OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Fr. Chun's Book, *Returning to Radiance*, is available to parishioners after the weekend Masses during Lent. This book can help a person to heal and forgive, to deal with struggles, to improve relationships, and to deepen one's prayer life – an excellent Easter gift for Paschal Peace.

Catholic Women's Coffee & Fellowship: will meet in St. Joseph's Hall on March 2 and 16 (no March 30) from 8:10-9:30am. We've evolved from a once a month gathering to every other week to accommodate varied schedules and to further promote the spirit of togetherness. **All are welcome!** Coffee, treats, community and conversation will be served. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Bartow at nancykbartow@gmail.com or 503.781.4818.

St. André Bessette is in need of men's and women's clothing, especially shoes, pants/jeans. *New socks and underwear* (for men & women) are also greatly appreciated. Please deliver your donations to the Cathedral office or contact Leslie Bentley 503.227.5981 for pick up. Thank you! They are also in need of blankets, backpacks, towels and washcloths, shaving cream, razors, soap and shampoo.

27th Annual Tobin Lecture: Friday, May 4, 6:30pm at All Saints Church. The keynote speaker will be Sister Donna Markham, OP, Ph.D., President and CEO, Catholic Charities USA.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - MAR 3 & 4

Presiders:

Vigil	TBA	11:00	TBA
7:30	TBA		
9:00	TBA	5:30	TBA

Lectors:

Vigil	Barbara Brainard, Thomas Mannix
7:30	Martha Pelster
9:00	Liesl Nebel, Steven Gassert
11:00	Sr. Connie Furseth, Anne Yoo
5:30	TBA, Ty Broussard

Greeters & Ushers:

Vigil	Thierry/ Mary Wuilloud
9:00	Longaker Family
11:00	Bill Joyce, Sandy Simmons, Chris O'Brien

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Vigil	Kevin Keaney, Lori Dunham Henry Arriaga, Ed Geisler, TBA
7:30	Martha Pelster, Jesse Alvarez, Todd Houser
9:00	Anna Graham, Mike McKelligon, Patsy McKelligon Eileen Boyd, Joe Schafbuch, Nikki Schafbuch
11:00	Debbie Paynter, Mary Ganji, Rick Ganji Sarah Westenberg, Dohky J-Karchaei, Sue O'Donnell, John Jacobson
5:30	Dorene Kemp, David Pfaff, Jim Peck Daniel Hseih, Kathy Kelly, Barbara Brown

Altar Servers:

Vigil	TBA
7:30	TBA
9:00	TBA
11:00	TBA
5:30	TBA

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