

The gospel reading today is a call to ditch violence and embrace the way of love. The way of love is the surest path to peace and there can only be peace on earth if you and I are not enemies but good neighbors. Although we commit mistakes that annoy others and make them get angry with us, violence will not erupt when love reigns in our heart. Even if violence starts, it does not spiral into a never-ending feud because love allows us, not to revenge but to forgive. In other words, forgiveness stops violence from spiraling.

This call to love our enemies and forgive those who have done us wrong is the Christian option to stop the prevalence of violence. It is not easy but not totally impossible. God is love and even the hardest heart can be melted by His love. That is why there is a need to constantly pray and ask the Lord to help us forgive one another.



Next week there will be an extra collection as we join with the rest of the Diocese in donating to those affected by the devastating earthquake in Syria/Turkey



**February 19th, 2023
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Fr. David's Parish Office Hours:

Kennett: Monday and Wednesday 10-4, Portageville: Thursday and Friday 10-4
Fr. David is available for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during Adoration or by appointment.

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday and Wednesday: Adoration at 5PM: Mass at 6PM
Sunday Masses: 10:30AM Mass in English; 10:05AM Rosary;
1PM Mass in Spanish

Please pray for /Oramos para:

+Lynette Anderson, +Pedro Orcio, The Melendez Family, James Hargett,
+Sandy DeLisle, +Bill Anderson, Polly McAtee, Bob and Sharon Hines, Vera Gleuck,
and Kathy Larsen. Special prayer for Bishop Rice, Fr. David, and our homebound.

Mass Intentions

February 19 +Lynette Anderson
February 22 Diane Henrich & family
February 26 +Rose Saracini

Collections for February 12th: \$1283.00

Father David has a new phone. 417-413-3864

February 22, Ash Wednesday Schedule:

7 AM: Bilingual Mass

12 Noon: Service with Distribution of Ashes

6 PM: Mass at St. Eustachius

(no evening mass at St Cecilia)

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday of Lent, starting this Friday February 24th. 6 PM in English, and 7 PM in Spanish. Please join in this contemplation of the Passion of Christ.

Due to Bank Holiday, the Church Office will be closed on Monday February 20th.

PSR Classes

These classes are for anyone seeking the sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation. We have parent classes at the same time as the children's classes, which is 11:45am on Sundays.

Camp-RENEW-All fliers are posted on the bulletin board. The deadline for camper application is April 11, 2023.

Youth Group

Don't forget that the Youth Group meets every Wednesday evening after the 6:00 PM Mass for religious education and other activities.

Colectas del 12 de febrero: \$1283.00

El padre David tiene un teléfono nuevo. 417-413-3864

De 22 febrero, Horario del Miércoles de Ceniza:
7 AM Misa bilingüe
12 del mediodía Servicio con distribución de cenizas
Misa de las 6 PM en San Eustaquio
(no hay misa vespertina en Santa Cecilia).

Las Estaciones de la Cruz se llevarán a cabo todos los viernes de Cuaresma, a partir de este viernes 24 de febrero. 6 PM en inglés y 7 PM en español. Por favor, únase a esta contemplación de la Pasión de Cristo.

Debido al feriado bancario, la Oficina de la Iglesia estará cerrada el lunes 20 de febrero.

Clases PSR

Estas clases son para cualquiera que busque los sacramentos de la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación.
Tenemos clases para padres al mismo tiempo que las clases para niños, que son a las 11:45 am los domingos.

Campamento-RENOVACIÓN-Todos los volantes se publican en el tablón de anuncios. La fecha límite para la solicitud de autocaravanas es el 11 de abril de 2023

Grupo de Jóvenes

No olvide que el Grupo de Jóvenes se reúne todos los miércoles por la noche después de la Misa de las 6:00 PM para educación religiosa y otras actividades