FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 18, 2018, 10:15 AM

LEADERSHIP TRAINING DAY

Our Diocese of Eastern Michigan is offering a Leadership Day geared at building up skills for ALL OF US in God's Church. This is a one day FREE event with a free-will offering to cover lunch costs. It will be on Saturday, February 24 from 10 am - 4 pm at St. John's in Midland. A list of workshops is posted on the office window. Please contact Joyce Thewalt to register or you can go online to eastmich.org and register for yourself. Take advantage of this awesome opportunity for lay leadership, parishioners, Vestry and everybody in between!

FOOD PANTRY

In 2017 our food pantry was very successful and we were able to make a big impact on a couple of families, in 2018, we continue to depend on your donations. Things we need include: stuff that would make up a full meal (i.e.- tuna fish and tuna helper, etc). We can always use protein (peanut butter, canned meats...) and fresh foods like milk, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Gift cards for grocery stores or gas cards also always make a huge difference! If you have questions, please see Jennifer Irelend (810) 471-0673.

ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES IN LENT

Fr. Don will be leading both one-hour discussion oriented groups. Please join us for one or both.

Sundays at 9:00 AM beginning the First Sunday of Lent: The Basics of the Christian Life

This is a four Sunday look at those timeless basics needed to take a person through the Christian Life. Before you set out on a journey, what do you take with you? The picture of the TbarB Chuckwagon is a reminder that a cowboy must have that basic meal from old Cookie while on the trail. What Christian tools do you need for your life journey?

Wednesday's following the soup supper during the weeks of Lent: "The Book of Forgiving" by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu.

During Lent this is a book on the practice of forgiving and how one arrives at the place where forgivness is possible. Copies of the book will be available in the office for a suggested donation of \$10.00.

LENT RESOURCES

If you are looking for a Lenten devotional studay this season, please consider the following options: **Lenten Meditations from Episcopal Relief & Development** Devotional books avaible on the table near the front entrance in the gathering space.

Lent Madness: Who will win the Golden Halo? 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing reamins open for a day for voting. You can learn more about your favorite saints while enjoying a more lighthearted Lenten offering. Visit lentmadness.org to vote daily! @lentmadness

There are also several good Lenten study resources avaiable at **IgnatianSpirituality.com**.

-----THIS WEEK AT ST. CHRISTOPHER'S-----

MASTER CALENDAR ONLINE AT STCHRISGRANDBLANC.ORG

TODAY 8 am & 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist

9 am - Adult Formation (The Basics of Christian Life)

10:00 am - Children & Youth Formation 11:30 am - Coffee Hour & Fellowship

Wednesday, Feb. 21 4:30 pm - Bells

5:30 pm- Holy Eucharist in Columbarium Chapel

6 pm - Soup Supper 7 pm - Choir Rehearsal

7 pm - Adult Lenten Study: "The Book of Forgiving"

Saturday, Feb. 24 10 am - 4 pm - Diocesan Leadership Day @ St. John's

(Midland) - FREE, see Joyce Thewalt

Noon - Defensive Driving Class

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