Team Hope Relay for Life Breakfast - March 1, 2015

Team Hope Relay for Life will serve Breakfast Casserole and fruit next Sunday after the 9:30AM Mass.

Please join us.

Altar Society News

This has been an exciting week! We had a wonderful half day retreat with Bishop Carey and Fifty (50) women attended. The morning began with Mass and then we adjourned to the Parish Hall where Bishop Carey spoke about prayer and how it is an important part of Lent. The morning ended with a delicious lunch prepared and donated by El Erradero Restaurant. A big Thank You to the Bishop for taking the time to do the retreat for us and to El Erradero for the delicious meal. Thank you to all who worked to make this happen, Father Griener for helping us get started, Marilyn Bloom for being my right hand person and Colleen Collier for the lovely center pieces and pitching in and helping out. If I left anyone out I apologize. Mary Sterns will be taking the lead on getting Chapter Two of the retreat going. We will provide the date and time when things are set in place.

We want to welcome our newest Circle, Circle 12 (for Our Lady of Guadalupe). It is a pleasure to welcome the women from the Hispanic Community into the Altar Society; Circle 6 has agreed to be a sister Circle to them to help them get started. WELCOME!

The Altar Society meeting for February will be held on Sunday March 1 after the 9:30AM Mass.

CALL FOR AUCTION ITEMS - Smokin' Joe's Memorial Chili Feed!!

The annual Smokin' Joe's Memorial Chili Feed and Silent Auction will be held Saturday, April 18th, from 4:30PM. to 8:00PM. in the Parish Hall.

Besides the prize-winning KC House Chili and a tasting of homemade chili from Baker County residents, there will be the usual Silent Auction! At this time, please check around your home, ranch, or garage for **new or** "gently used" item you no longer need, as a donation for the silent action.

Proceeds from this Chili Feed and Auction will be used to complete the kitchen facility project at the Rachael Center on Court Street. Tickets for the event will be available soon.

Contact individuals, to leave an item for the auction or any donation for the cause, are Arlene Dethloff (541) 910-1777; Francis Mohr (541) 519-6606) or the Parish Office (541) 523-4521.

Religious Education

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Youth Choir practice in the church at 6:00PM RE Classes at 7:00PM

Reflection - February 22, 2015

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. Father Greiner's chasuble color has changed from green to violet. The Altar cloth has also changed from green to violet. We have no flowers beside the Tabernacle. Lent is about imitating Christ's 40 days in the desert and is the only liturgical season that begins on a weekday (Ash Wednesday). To have the 40 days of Lent we do not include Sundays or the Triduum (which is Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday). Lent is a time for the Lenten practice of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lent is a time for us to think about whether we are doing what we should be doing as God's children. Lent is our 40 days to spend special time with God. It's a time to get to know God better.

This week: Think about things you need to change about yourself. Also, what are some of the things God asks you to do - pray more, give more to others and help others who are in need.

Stations of the Cross and Lenten meals

We will have our first Lenten Fish Fry on February 27th, in the parish hall, after the 6:15PM Station of the Cross. The meal will consist of Beer Battered Cod, fries, coleslaw and bread. We hope everyone, who attends Stations of the Cross, will come downstairs and join us for a great meal.

Tickets for the fish fry will be available after the Masses this weekend. Prices for Adult Tickets -12 or over - are \$10.00, Children - Age 3 -11 - are \$5.00 and Children 3 and under are free. Get yours early! If you would like to buy a ticket contact Mark Arcidiacono at 541-403-2038 or the parish office at 541-523-4521.

Knights of Columbus News

Forty Cans for Lent.

"40 Cans for Lent". The Knights are asking everyone to donate a can of food a day for our food bank again this year. There will be a box in the entry of the church for your donations on Saturday nights and Sunday or you can bring items to the parish office during the week. All food gathered is for our Parish Food Bank. As an incentive from the Supreme Office, the Knights receive \$100 for every 1,000 lbs. collected. This money will also go to our Parish Food Bank. Thank you for helping!!

Bingo

Join us in the parish hall for bingo every Sunday from 2:00PM to 4:00PM. The jackpot continues to grow!