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**Mon. 02/09** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**  
 Feast Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass Gary Petrunyak, *Family*

**Tues. 02/10** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**  
 Feast Saint Scholastica, Virgin  
 8:00 AM Mass Lorraine Shuma, B/day, *Carol Smith*

**Wed. 02/11** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**  
 Feast Our Lady of Lourdes  
 8:00 AM Mass Health of Paul and Adeline Cassarly, *Cassarly Family*

**Thur. 02/12** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**  
 Feast Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass Mildred Mauceri, *Jim Riley*

**Fri. 02/13** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**  
 Feast Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass Janet Pufka, *Page Family*

**Sat. 02/14** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**  
 Feast Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 4:30 PM Mass Joe Golab, *Barbara Wozniak*

**Sun. 02/15** **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**  
 Feast Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 9:00 AM Mass Henry Zaczek, *Bros & Sister*  
 11:00 AM Mass Our Lady of Fatima Parish Family


*Lord  
 Jesus  
 Christ  
 Son  
 Of  
 God  
 Have  
 Mercy  
 On  
 Me  
 A  
 Sinner*

**Happy Birthday:**

02/10 Lorraine Shuma  
 02/14 Linda Sisto  
 Dan Stitt  
 02/15 Mike Mickey  
 Alfred Sisto  
 02/16 Jayden Starr

**Wedding Anniversaries :**

02/19 Chuck and Ceil Hennigan



**Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we  
 pray the Holy Rosary Daily  
 At O.L.F. before each Mass and  
 privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm  
 AND  
 Mon-Fri @ 5:30 PM Starting Ash Wed thru Lent**

**MONEY MATTERS**  
**(Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 1, 2015)**  
 188 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 2,605.30 of which \$ 330.00 accounted for non-envelope contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	181	# Used	76	# Unused	105
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## MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS

### HAS THE CHURCH CHANGED ITS TEACHING ON THE DEATH PENALTY?

No, it hasn't. CCC 2267 (revised edition) says: "Assuming that the guilty party's identity and responsibility have been fully determined, the traditional teaching of the Church *does not exclude recourse to the death penalty*, if this is the only possible way of effectively defending human lives against the unjust aggressor."

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*Moreover, it is scandalous for Catholics to equate the death penalty with murder.*

CCC goes on to say that if non-lethal means are adequate to protect people's safety, the civil authority should limit itself to those means. CCC then quotes the encyclical *The Gospel of Life* where John Paul II teaches that conditions in our day are such that recourse to the death penalty is hardly ever necessary.

It is wrong for Catholics to say the state has no right to inflict the death penalty. Moreover, it is scandalous for Catholics to equate the death penalty with murder. As a careful reading of CCC reveals, the Church *acknowledges* the right of the state to inflict capital punishment (see also CCC 2265).

We can never equate an intrinsic wrong like murder with a right.<sup>44</sup> The Church is simply saying that, in our time, conditions that would justify the state *exercising* its right to use the death penalty are very rare. But a right that should be used rarely does *not* become a wrong.

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*At this year's Easter Vigil Mass two of our adult (male) parishioners will be accepted into full membership of the Church by way of receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Sacrament is usually administered by the Bishop; however, by special permission the pastor, Father J.D. Zatalava will administer the Holy Sacrament in the parish church. We will have more details about this extra ordinary parish event in future bulletins. For now, read this brief but informative piece taken from the materials we use for the educational component of the preparation segment. Be aware of the fact that several people who have seen the whole program are pushing for a parish-wide adult education program. Let your voice be heard!*

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<sup>44</sup> Some Catholics claim that the Church's opposition to the death penalty is the same as the Church's opposition to abortion. This is absurd. We cannot equate the death of a few guilty felons with the death of millions of innocent babies. Capital punishment is a state's right (even if conditions justifying its use are rare), while direct abortion is always wrong (and can never be justified). The Church has not, and indeed cannot, reverse its teaching on the death penalty or any other moral doctrine. If the Church ever contradicts a former teaching, then either the former teaching was false or the revised teaching is false - both cannot be simultaneously true. In either case, the Church has taught erroneously. If the Church has ever taught erroneously in a matter of faith and morals, then it cannot be Christ's true Church.

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