

Hi!

This is Ad Orientem. The newsletter for the friends and family of the Dillman household. In each issue, there will be family news, jokes, riddles, activities, books to read, faith filled stories, and more. This is the very first newsletter. One will appear in your mailbox until we run out of ideas. May your Family enjoy the new newsletter now and up until we finish.

*Sincerely,
Brayden Dillman.*



Announcements!



Special days to remember:
(the following is from the Traditional Latin Mass calendar.)

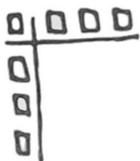
Presentation of Our Lord/purification of Our Lady/ end of Christmas-February 2

Ash Wednesday -February 14

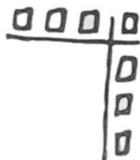
Ember days -February 21, 23rd, and 24th

WANTED

We encourage everyone to send your book reviews, recipes, poems, (we definitely encourage) prayer requests, prayers, stories, jokes, original artwork, family news, hobbies, sports birthdays, celebrations, anniversaries, **QUESTIONS**, etc. Please see contact info on last page. Don't forget to include your name and if you want something sent back to you!



DILLMAN FAMILY NEWS



JAKE- THIS MONTH HE WILL TAKE THE POSITION OF BEING THE ADORATION COORDINATOR AT ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

TABATHA- WORKING ON DETACHMENT FROM EARTHLY GOODS

BRAYDEN- NEW ALTER SERVER AT ST. LEO'S CHURCH

MADELEINE- WENT ICE SKATING IN JANUARY

MARYJO- STARTING TO CRAWL

MARYJO TURNS
1 NEXT MONTH



Brayden Dillman's section

God's

Paintbrush- Lent

Lent is a Christian season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that is 40 days leading up to Easter. The first day of the Lenten season is

Ash Wednesday, this year it falls on February 14. On Ash Wednesday, our Family goes to church and receives ashes on our foreheads. When the priest makes the sign of the cross on our forehead with the ashes, he says,

"Remember man, that thou art dust, and unto dust shalt thou return." The ashes symbolize, death and repentance. We leave them on the remainder of the day, or until they fade away. We also fast, and abstain from meat. There is another day in which we fast called Good Friday, this is the day Jesus died.

Lent is a little challenging, but of course we will ask Jesus to help us get through it. During these 40 days we choose one thing to abstain from as a family and one thing individually. We pick something that is hard for us to do in order to grow closer to Christ. One year, we gave up electronics, and took the TV to our basement. Now we only bring it back up for football and family movie nights.

My family, and I wish you a blessed Lent, and I will see you in the next issue!



There was a little girl named Therese and she loved God best. She became a Saint by doing small things with great love. Now, we call her Saint Therese of the

Child Jesus, who is a doctor of the Church. Her parents' names were Mr. and Mrs. Martin. She had five beautiful sisters; Pauline, Marie, Leonie, Helene, and Celine. St Therese was the youngest and her father called her "Little Queen". She was very young when she felt the call to become a nun. When she was fifteen St. Therese got permission from the Bishop to enter the Carmel, a convent for Carmelite nuns. In the Carmel she offered many works and sacrifices to God; for example she would eat food even if she did not like it. St. Therese died at the age of 24, with tuberculosis. She gave her whole life to God.

Our Faith



He Does Tell People

Some boys were taunting a poor barefooted lad one day, making fun of his Christian Faith. They said to him, "If God really loves you, why doesn't He take better care of you; why doesn't He tell somebody to send you a pair of shoes?"

The lad seemed puzzled for a moment, then with tears rushing to his eyes, replied, "I think He does tell people, but they are not listening."

They Did Ordinary Things

Although Jesus and Mary were caught up in the most extraordinary works of God, most of their lives they did what you and I do. They did ordinary things. It doesn't mean that nothing was happening in their little house of Nazareth. It means that what happens when you do ordinary things is so great that it is known only by God.

—Rev. Émile Brière



IT IS CONFIDENCE
AND NOTHING BUT
CONFIDENCE
THAT MUST LEAD
US TO LOVE.
- SAINT THÉRÈSE
OF LISIEUX

Dad's prayer

The Our Father is a prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples. (See Matthew 6:9-15)

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Amen

Many Are Called

“And every one that striveth for the mastery, refraineth himself from all things... I chastise my body, and bring it into subjection: lest perhaps, when I have preached to others, I myself should become a castaway.”

1 Corinthians 9:25, 27

“Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy; if you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. If you do not close your ear to others, you open God's ear to yourself.”

— St. Peter Chrysologus

Be Kind and Pray for One Another

Do not be surprised or astonished if one who is frail should fall in this world, for angels fell in Heaven, and Adam was overcome by a puny apple in Paradise. Be kind to a brother suffering temptation, and pray for one who is troubled, just as you would pray for yourself. Since we are all frail men, we are bound in charity to pray for one another.

—Thomas à Kempis

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SIX-SECOND
RIDDLE ANSWER
KEY

1. Window
2. Clock/Watch
3. Shoes
4. Plants/Trees
5. Corn
6. Chair
7. Stairway
8. Pig

FROM "ACTIVITIES" PAGE

**“You have made us for
yourself, O Lord, and
our heart is restless
until it rests in you.”
-Saint Augustine**