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**Rambling II** by Carl E Beyer

The Pot Luck this past Saturday after the 4:00PM Mass was a great success. There were about fifty people at the pot luck. For our first run at a Saturday Pot Luck I would say it hints at more great one to come. I would like to see a BBQ Pot Lucks when the weather warms up a bit. Feel free to mention to Father Mansfield that you are looking forward to a Pot Luck BBQ later in the spring.

Our Ash Wednesday Mass had people standing so we had around 500 parishioners attending. Next year we will probably have two Ash Wednesday Masses to better accommodate our parishioners. I had the honor of applying ashes to foreheads which I was very privilege to do. It helps that I do the scheduling for Eucharist Ministers and therefore have an in for choosing when I serve. As an Eucharistic Minister we do not get to interact with the children so putting the ashes on the kids forehead was a real pleasure. This is the one time of the year where our mortality is really driven home. As friend of mine said when he gave ashes he could not help but think of saying "You Gonna Die, You Gonna Die". A little crude but true. What we do say is something along the lines of "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

But we before die let us live!! God Bless you All. Go forth and enjoy this great gift of life that God has given you.