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Pursuing Jesus Christ: Forming Disciples on Campus & In the Family

3rd Sunday in Lent **March 7, 2021**

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

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Sacrament Preparation

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact at least six weeks before the desired Baptism date. Parents must be registered parishioners for at least three months & attend Baptism preparation class. Contact the parish office by phone or *cwolfert@parish.dol-in.org* to register for a class and schedule the ceremony.

RCIA & Inquiry to the Catholic Faith

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Contact Christine Wolfert at cwolfert@parish.dol-in.org or by phone at (765) 288-6180.

Marriage Preparation

Marriage preparation must begin at least six months before the marriage date. Marriage preparation may begin at St. Francis even if the marriage is celebrated elsewhere. Call the parish office at (765) 288-6180 to schedule an initial meeting with a priest.

Ministry to the Sick

If you or a loved one would like Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion, contact the parish office at (765) 288-6180.

A note from Father Underwood

Father Eric Underwood

Three Weeks of John's Gospel: This weekend, we begin celebrating the three Scrutinies of the RCIA process. These rites intensify the preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. They include minor exorcisms, which are prayers asking God's blessing and that Satan be driven away from those who are proceeding towards Baptism.

During these three weeks of the Scrutinies, the selections from John's Gospel call attention to the journey of conversion that takes place when we are called by God and respond, especially for those approaching the Sacraments of Initiation.

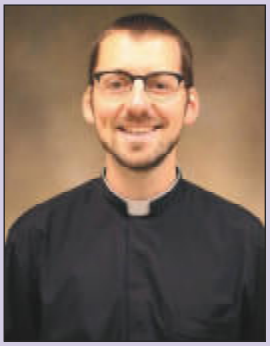
These readings also offer us something for our personal meditation:

March 7 - The Woman at the Well [John 4:5-42]: Have you considered how personal this encounter was? It was this woman's hour and she had Jesus' undivided attention. He knew her better than she knew herself and revealed that He had come to give her eternal life. When she allowed Jesus to love her, she was able to leave behind that which consumed her before. And, she ran off to tell everyone. Her life had been changed. How can you let Jesus in to the deep parts of your heart? And, when he does come, what will you do in response to Christ? Will you share your faith with others? Will you thank God?

Take some time to pull out your Bible and read the Scrutiny Gospel each week. Ask Jesus to enliven your heart and help you to grow closer to him as we prepare for Easter.

And then, remember to pray for those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation.

Father Coady Owens



Father Christian DeCarlo

Pray for our Catechumen & Candidates

This year we are excited to introduce you to our four RCIA Catechumen and Candidates who will come into full communion at the Easter Vigil. Please keep the following in your prayers, as well as their catechists!

Catechumen
Michael Mosier (L) with sponsor David Bauer (R) at the Rite of Election on 2/28 in Lafayette at the Cathedral.

Candidates (baptized)
Jacob Harberstroh
Zachary Stephens
Natalie Taylor

Congratulations to the Grybush Family on the baptism of their daughter Gemma Rose!

Liturgical Minister Schedule for Sat/Sun - March 13-14, 2021

Date & Time	Sacristan	EMHC	Reader	Greeter/Usher	Server
Sat. 3/13 4:30 pm	John Burnette	Tim Lacey	Angela Saval	Anne Lacey	Wesley Crouch
Sun. 3/14 9 :00 am	Elaine Gillis	Lory Lee	Greg Holzer	Dan Wolfert	Noah Modglin
Sun. 3/14 11:15 am	Anne Bennett	Lynne Cooper	Abby Huff	Sue Ann Nunez	Christian Carrao
Sun. 3/14 8:00 pm	Lauren Brannick	Reed O'Neil	Jake Kellock	Joe Domina	BSU Student

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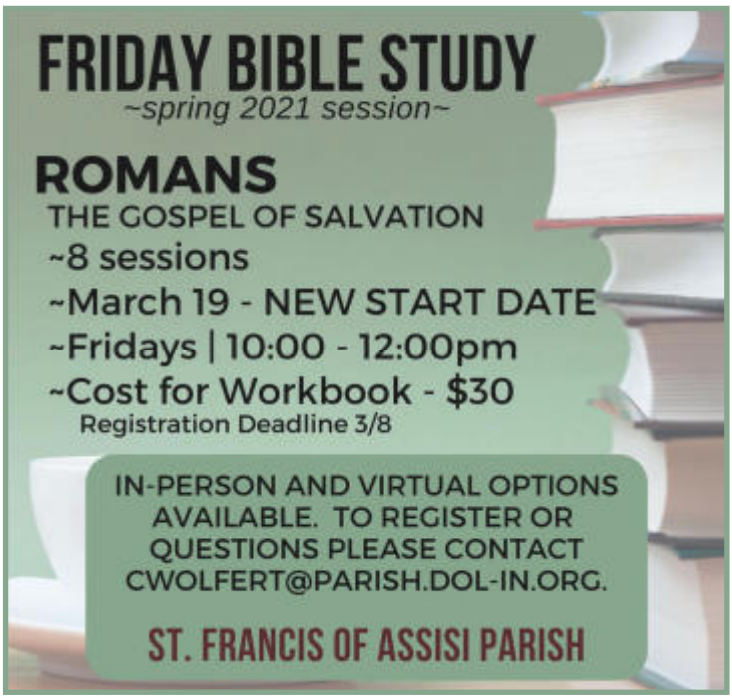


MUNCIE Catholic

Muncie Catholic Youth Ministry

Muncie Catholic
Middle School Youth Group
meets Wednesday March 10th from 3:30-5pm in Noll Hall on St. Mary Campus. All are welcome!
Contact *religioused@stmarymuncie.org*.

Cans for Haiti

Each year St. Francis distributes Haiti Cans for Lent. We ask that you fill these cans with loose change (or bills!) during the 40 days of Lent. The money raised in the cans will be used to purchase medicines and medical supplies for our sister parish of St. Michael in Plaisance, Haiti. Cans can be picked up after Mass this weekend and on Ash Wednesday and can be returned the weekend after Easter on Divine Mercy Sunday.

Pastorate Opportunities

NEW Bible Reading Ministry to those Homebound

The intention for this blessed Ministry is to share the good word of the Bible, from beginning to end via phone, with people who are homebound for whatever reason.
Those who are homebound and would like to have the Bible read to them via phone or anyone interested in becoming a reader, should contact Richard Morris II
email: morrisii@yahoo.com cell: 765.749.2479

A certain "commitment" by both the reader and the person being read to, is agreed upon in the beginning.

Reading the Bible in its entirety, can take 2 years plus, depending on the number of chapters read at each reading, along with the number of reading sessions per week.

Hopefully, a special blessed bond will be developed between the two persons involved.

Please prayerfully consider joining this new ministry!

Prayer for our Diocesan priests

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (name of priest) and in him, speak in and through him. Think your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart. Give him your own dispositions and feeling. Teach, lead, and guide him always. Correct, enlighten, and expand his thoughts and behavior. Possess his soul, take over his entire personality and life. Replace him with Yourself, incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving, pray in and through him. Let him live in You and keep him in this intimate union always. O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests, pray and intercede for (...). Amen.

Date	Father	Date	Father
3/1	Chris Saliga	3/16	Derek Aaron
3/2	Martin Sandhage	3/17	Ssean aaron
3/3	Msgr. Robert Sell, III, J.C.L. V.G.	3/18	Timohy Alkire, J.C.L.
		3/19	Mathew Arbuckle
3/4	Daniel Shine	320	Joshua Bennett
3/5	Christopher Shocklee	3/21	Michael Block
3/6	Travis Stephens	3/22	Brent Bowen
3/7	William Summerin	3/23	Michael Bower
3/8	Clayton Thompson	3/24	Paul Cochran
3/9	Eric Underwood	3/25	John Cummings
3/10	Peter Vanderkolk	3/26	Cole Daily
3/11	Joseph Vargese	3/27	James DeOrso
3/12	Mark Walter	3/28	Christian DeCarlo
3/13	Richard Weisesnberger	3/29	Andrew DeKeyser
3/14	Pope Francis	3/30	Brian Doerr
3/15	Bishop Timothy Doherty	3/31	Richard Doerr

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC MEN 18 AND OLDER! Your pastorate and community need YOU! There is no better way to serve both than to become a Knight of Columbus! It has never been easier to join than it is right now. Dues are free for a year if you register online at www.KofC.org and use promo code: MCGIVNEY2020. Call, text, or email John McDonald, Membership Director, with any questions: (765) 748-2204 or jmcdonald20@ymail.com.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Application

Applications are now available for the Knights of Columbus Council 560 Scholarship. Two $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to current high school seniors or undergraduate college students. The applications are available on the Knights of Columbus website (https://kofcmuncieindiana.com). An eligible candidate must be a member of a Catholic church and a resident of Delaware County. For more information, contact Jim Cheslik at (765) 749-0315 (C) or (765) 286-3061 (H).

Footprints Sewing Group at St. Lawrence

The Annual Baby Shower to benefit First Choice for Women and Project Gabriel will begin on February 13 and conclude on April 3. **Items needed are: Diapers, baby wipes, crib sheets, washcloths, towels, bottles, thermometers, and pack-&-play sheets**. Donations can be dropped off at church or the Rectory. The March meetings of this group will be on the 11th and 25th at 9:30 a.m. in St. Agnes Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Evela Ward at (765)228-5348 or Jo Turner (765)282-0170.

Alzheimer's Support Group - A SUPPORT GROUP IS BEING FORMED IN OUR PASTORATE FOR FAMILIES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH DEMENTIA OR ALZHEIMERS DISEASE. THE GROUP WILL BE LEAD BY PAT SAVAGE, LCSW AND A MEMBER OF ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR THINK YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THIS WORTHWHILE AND SUPPORTIVE GROUP, PLEASE CONTACT PAT AT savagepat462@gmail.com or 765-730-9811. ONCE WE DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO MAY ATTEND, A DATE AND LOCATION FOR THIS GROUP WILL BE DETERMINED.
PLEASE RESPOND BY MARCH 15, 2021.
I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU, PAT

Weekly Schedule & Mass Intentions

All daily Masses & 9 am Sunday Mass available on Facebook Live-Stream. ***All are welcome at our student lead Masses & Adoration!***

Mon 3/8	**5-5:30 pm**	**Confessions**
	5:30 pm	**Mass:** +Vera Johnson
	8:00 pm	**BSU Students** - Holy Hour
Tues 3/9	**9:00 am**	**The Young and the Restless** - Zoom call - contact cwolfert@parish.dol-in.org to get link.
		NO MASS *(8:00 am at St Lawrence)*
Wed 3/10	**9:00 am - 10:00 am**	**Staff Holy Hour** in the Worship Space All are welcome!
	3:30-5pm	**Middle School Youth Group -** Noll Hall St Mary Campus
	5-5:30 pm	**Confessions**
	5:30 pm	**Student Mass:** Int. for Fr. Christian DeCarlo **All are welcome!**
	6:15pm	**Newman Night**
Thur 3/11	**11:45 pm**	**Confessions**
	12:15 pm	**Mass:** Int. for Phil Smaldino
Fri 3/12	**5-5:30 pm**	**Confessions**
	5:30 pm	**Mass:** +Angela Lyons
	6:15 pm 7 pm	Soup in Parish Hall - please sign up Stations begin - all are welcome
Sat 3/13	**3:30 pm**	**Confessions** 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
	4:30 pm	**Mass:** +Rich Chalupa
Sun 3/14	**9:00 am**	**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS** **Mass:** +Julie Pittman
	10 - 11 am	**YFF**
	11:15am	**Mass:** For the Parish
	6:00pm - 7:30pm	**Muncie Catholic HSYG** -St Mary
	8:00 pm	**Mass:** +Debbie Brannick

Pray For Those Who Serve

Please keep **Navy Lieutenant Andy Baierwalter, Lt. Colonel Scott McCarthy, Marine Corporal Colin Holzer, Navy Hospitalman Noel Holzer, Sergeant Nathan Bolka, Specialist Keegan Nuñez, Captain Jon VanPixteren, Lieutenant Bailey Windell, Airmen Luis Pepe**
and all Armed Forces Personnel in your prayers, particularly those of our extended Parish family.

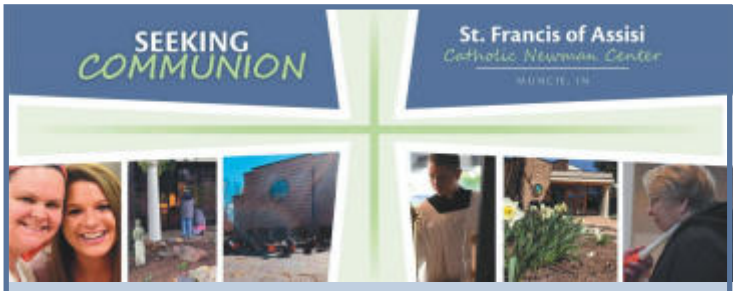
If you have a loved one serving, please let us know so we can keep them in our prayers: *SFABulletin@parish.dol-in.org*.

Time, Talent & Treasure

On-Line Giving

Is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop, and change your weekly contributions at any time. To sign up please go to www.stfrancisnewman.org/give, call the parish office, or scan here!

Weekly Stewardship Report	February 28, 2021	Year-to-Date
Budgeted Weekly	$8,654.00	$302,890.00
Weekly Collection *Includes online gifts	6,207.50	$289,251.24
Over/Short	-$2,446.50	-$13,638.76



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Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to set up your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on all the happenings at **St. Francis of Assisi Parish and Newman Center**!

Bulletin E-Mail Information

Please send all bulletin requests/updates to *SFABulletin@parish.dol-in.org*.
All bulletin requests must be in by noon on Friday.

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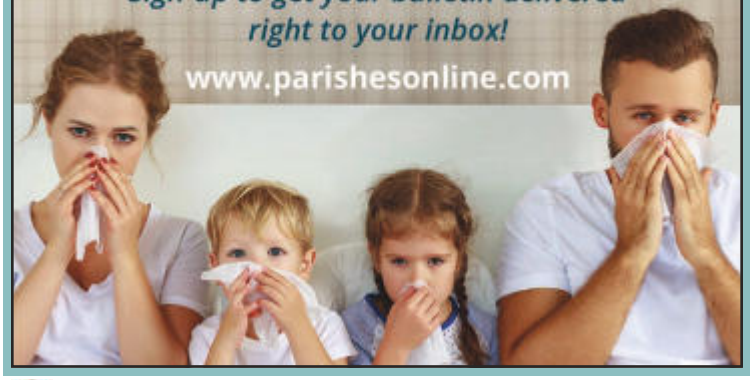

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