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Weekend Masses

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday & Friday .. 8:00 am

Office Hours

Monday—We	ednesday
	8:00 am—12:00 pm
Thursday	12:00 pm—3:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday—after 8:00 am Mass to 9:00 am 1st Friday—after 8:00 am Mass until 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday......11:00 am
And by appointment

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage, or RCIA

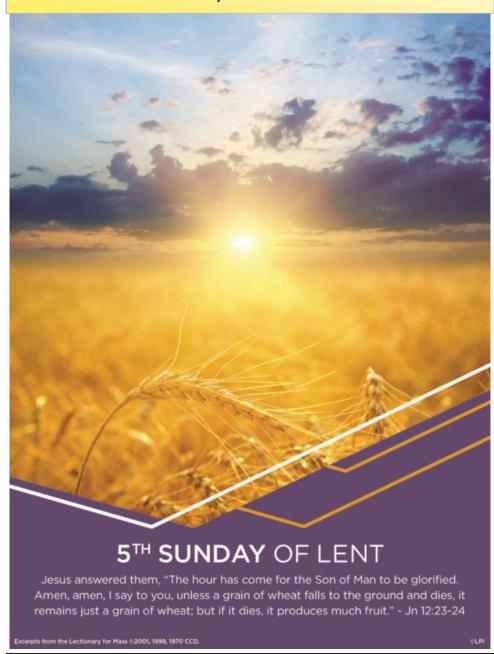
Contact the parish office to make arrangements.



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5th Sunday of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. "Please forgive me," I asked, "but you seem to be smiling as you share this." She said, "Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I'm smiling because I just can't wait to see what good things God does with this mess." She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.



This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus' earthly ministry. It's at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, "Father, glorify your name!" John then writes: Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his turning to the Father with an unshakeable *expectation* of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: "Father, glorify Your name in all these things!" Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times.

—Father John Muir

Parish Support

Contributions from the week of March 3

General Fund: \$3,625.00
Capital Improvement: \$100.00
Church Maintenance: \$70.00
WeShare Online—February: \$1,599.00



THANK YOU for supporting YOUR Parish; every contribution helps, no matter the amount!

"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting *me* to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

My Lord and my God, give me everything that brings me closer to you.

—St. Nicholas of Flue



Sanctuary Candle Sponsorship

March 17th-March 23rd

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The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. You may honor your loved one by sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp on the week of your choosing.

For more information, please contact Anastasia at the Church office—920-437-1979.

Palm Sunday

Next weekend is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Please refer to last weekend's bulletin insert for Mass and service dates and times.

Since happiness is nothing else than the enjoyment of the supreme good, and the supreme good is above us, no one can enjoy happiness unless he rises above himself.

-Bonaventure

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 18

8:00 am † Rita Duben

† Ronald & Barbara Skeris Elmer

Tuesday, March 19

8:00 am † Dorothea Umentum

† Carol Johanski

Wednesday, March 20

NO MASS

Thursday, March 21

NO MASS

Friday, March 22

8:00 am † Leo & Mary Kleczewski & Families

Saturday, March 23

4:00 pm † Loretta Zarnoth

Sunday, March 24

9:00 am † Marie Micolichek

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Scrip News

Many Thanks to the **11** people who purchased **\$2220** worth of Scrip from February 26th to March 3rd, giving the Parish **\$144.89** in profit.

This Week in the Parish

Tuesday, March 19

10:00 am Worship Mtg

Thursday, March 21

6:00 pm Adult Education

Friday, March 22

8:00 am Mass—Parish Book of

Healing

In the Chapel

Noon Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23

10:00 am Quilting

in Clare Hall

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

10:00 am Donut Sunday w/video

Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of March 17, 2024

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4,

12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27,

33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-

30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn

8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a,

16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-

18, 22/

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or

Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/

Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6

-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-

3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn

10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10,

11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45

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Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-

16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

(2a)/

Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1— 15:47 or 15:1-39

March Intentions of the Pope and the Bishop

Pope Francis' Intention

FOR THE MARTYRS OF OUR DAY, WIT-NESSES TO CHRIST Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

Bishop Ricken's Intention

FOR A GREATER APPRECIATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: May we, during this Season of Lent, encounter Jesus more deeply in the Sacrament of Reconciliation where we are freed from the burden of sin and are reconciled to God our Father.

St. Ann Fraternity of The Secular Franciscans

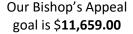
We invite all parishioners to Bible Study (Lectio Divina), Prayer and Reflection at 10:00 am in the Adele Brise room off the school Cass Street entrance on the **Second** and **Fourth** Saturdays of the month. The next meeting will take place on & **March 23**rd. All are welcome.

This Week's Birthdays— 75 or more years young

Carol Ouradnik (3/18) Lennie Rhyner (3/19) Joseph Dais (3/19)

Birthday Blessings

Bishop's Appeal 2024





Thank you to all who have already given to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal. To those who have not yet returned their Bishop's Appeal envelope, please do so as soon as possible.

The parish will be refunded 50% of the amount collected in excess of our goal amount! Again, thank you to all for your generosity. Deacon Paul

Lent Parish Project

We are again participating in St. John's Ministries Wish List. Please place your donations in the box in the back of church. Thank you.

A "wish list" of needed items can be seen taped to the lid of the collection box (and was an insert in a previous bulletin). Please donate only items that are new or gently used and in good condition. There are also wish lists on Amazon & Walmart. Lastly, monetary donations can be mailed to the shelter.

Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. It is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please Be Generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

Prayer for Forgiveness for Others

God, I am really struggling to forgive (specific person). Please give me the strength and courage to forgive this person, keeping in mind that You first forgave me. I know it may not be easy, but I want to do what is right. Please strengthen and enable me to do so today.

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