

March 6, 2022 - 1st Sunday of Lent

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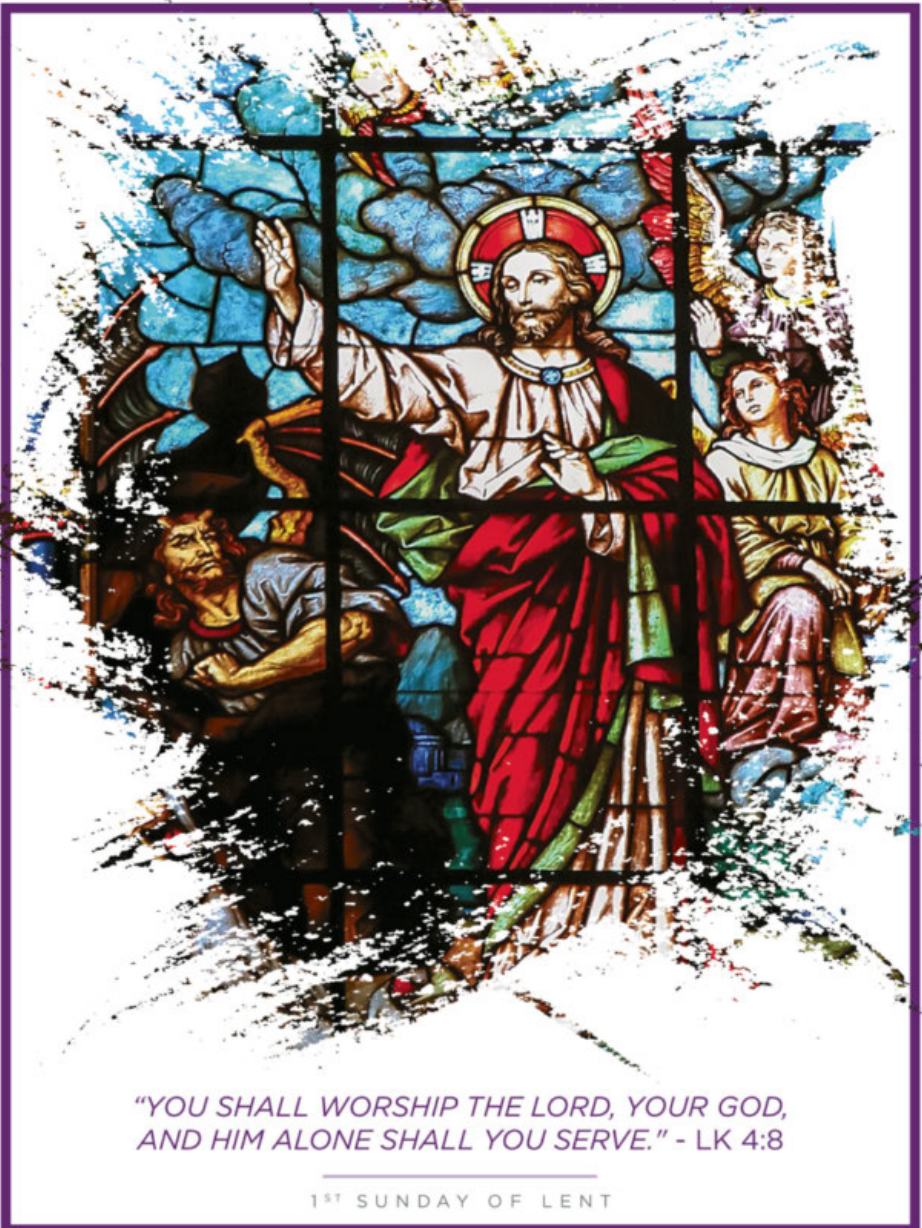
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 6:15-6:45pm

Thursday before First Friday: 3:00-4:00pm

Anytime by appointment



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Sacrament of Matrimony:

Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance with the Pastor.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptism Prep class is required before baptism. Please call the office to pre-register.

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From the Pastor

The parishioners extend our condolences to the family of Sue Borries, whose funeral is today at 5:00 p.m. We join her husband, Dennis, and their children in thanking the firm Bruce's Legacy at www.bruceslegacy.com. According to Dennis, his family is deeply appreciative and grateful for any and all donations that are made to this firm since this firm is responsible for bringing Sue back home. This development was certainly helpful so the family could have a sense of closure regarding the tragedy. We pray for the repose of Sue's soul and the consolation of her family.

Who won the election for the parish council? The parish welcomes three new members to the parish council: Shannon Hinkle, Rhonda Meyer and Dennis Runde. We are grateful to the members of the parish who volunteered to put their names on the ballot. I don't know if they consider the outcome as winning or losing the election! I believe the Holy Spirit works through the community, so this election is part of the way the Spirit works. The three members leaving the Parish Council are Laura Deters, Mary Flach and Carl Waldhoff. Each of them has served the parish well, and we are grateful to them for contributing their time and talent to the parish in this way.

Wednesday was Ash Wednesday! We are in the holy time of Lent. The art and the environment in the church are more somber during this penitential time. The color for Lent is violet or purple. The altars are not decorated with flowers. It's a quiet and reflective time for the church.

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7 o'clock we will gather for praying the Way of the Cross. Any and all are welcome.

Penance Service on Tuesday, 22 March, at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan on coming to confession on Tuesday, 22 March. We will have 3 confessors to minister the sacrament of penance or reconciliation. We start at 7 o'clock, and we will go until the last person is finished. Please note: there will NOT be the usual time for confessions on that evening; i.e., 6:15 to 6:45.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE EUCHARISTIC DAY OF PRAYER MONDAY, MARCH 7th

Please come to pray to our Eucharistic Lord for the end of abortion and for the end of the evil disregard for human life in our world. **Eucharistic Exposition on March 7th will begin at 9:00 am** and continue through Tuesday, 6:00 am. Volunteers are needed to please commit to a half hour or hour of prayer in church on the sign-up sheets at the church entrances. If you are home bound or unable to come, your prayers are needed also in whatever way you are able. Thank you for your prayers and sacrifices!

Prayer to the Blessed Sacrament

Lord Jesus, I firmly believe that the Blessed Sacrament is
Your very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Senses cannot grasp this marvel.

Faith, however, reaches beyond what the eyes can see and
assures us that You are present.

We can also see You, O Lord, in the children in the womb.
In a day when so many have forgotten these children, and
dismiss them as less valuable than those who are born,
grant that we may grow all the more
convinced of their dignity and worth.

Then grant, O Lord, that we may act accordingly. Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of March 6, 2022

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 7, 6:30 am: Bernard Ruholl

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 am: Francis Koeberlein

Tuesday, March 8, 7:55: Fred J. Waldhoff death anniv.

Wednesday, March 9, 6:30 am: George Habing

Thursday, March 10, 2022, 6:30 am: Anita Holman

Thursday, March 10, 7:55 am: Mildred & Stu Stumeier

Friday, March 11, 6:30 am: Living & deceased CDofA members

Friday, March 11, 7:55 am: Elizabeth Weidner & family

Saturday, March 12, 4:30 pm: Jim Esker

Sunday, March 13, 6:30 am: Pro Populo

Sunday, March 13, 8:30 am: Ken Will

Sunday, March 13, 10:30 am: Adeline Barclay

Attention Homebound



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound for Sunday, March 13th are Deb Blankenship 217-663-0862 and Brenda Henry 217-857-3964.



Liturgy Schedule 1st Week of Lent March 7 - March 13

Monday,	Sts. Perpetua and Felicity Mass at 6:30 am Adoration 9:00 am until 6:00 am Tuesday morning
Tuesday,	St. John of God Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Wednesday,	St. Frances of Rome Mass at 6:30 am
Thursday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 7:55 am
Saturday,	Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday,	2nd Sunday of Lent Mass at 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am

Confession Schedule

Tuesday, March 8 - 6:15-6:45 pm
Thursday, March 10 - 6:15-6:45 pm
Saturday, March 12 - 3:00-4:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 11 - 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday -- 11:45 am & 4:45 pm

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, March 7

- Adoration, 9:00 am Monday - 6:00 am Tuesday
- RCIA, 7:00-8:15 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center

Tuesday, March 8

- Confessions, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Guitar practice, 6:45 pm
- CHWC meeting, 7:00 pm Sr. Ethelbert Center

Wednesday, March 9

- Young adult choir, 6:00 pm
- Eucharist group study, 4:00-5:30 pm, Sr. Ethelbert Center
- JH/HS religion 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 10

- Confessions, 6:15-6:45 pm
- Adult choir, 7:00 pm

Friday, March 11

- Stations of the Cross, 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 12

- Confessions, 3:00-4:00 pm



Special Collection The Annual Collection for Catholic Charities will be March 12th and 13th. Catholic Charities depends greatly on your generosity to provide the services for men, women, and children who need help with the basic necessities of life, such as food, a place to live, lights and heat in their homes, medication, clothing, school supplies. Envelopes have been provided in your church contribution packet for this collection. Please use this envelope or use an envelope with Catholic Charities written on it. Thank you in advance for being the presence of Christ in the lives of those in need and for your generosity.

Lenten Regulations

ABSTINENCE - Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

FAST - Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Please remember in your prayers:

Margaret Pruemer, Will Niccum, Joe Ruholl, Bill and Rosie Myers, Andrea Wernsing, Paula Spencer, Mark Roedl, Linus Willenborg, Cole Wellbaum, Kyndal Dasenbrock, Bob and Mary Lee, Vivie Kinkelaar, Dawson Lohman, Marilyn Zerrusen, Roddnie Deters, Tanner Pruemer, Steve Runde, Toby McMahon, Debbie Meyer, Nicholas Wentz, Gary Cornell, Sharon Ghast, Jennifer Carlen, Tammy Gebben, Chad Nelson, Liz Kremer, Judy Lueken, Tony Schumacher, Bruce Fisher.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call the office at 217-961-6404.

Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> <u>2/27/2022</u>	<u>Total Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>
230 Adult envelopes	\$8,079.50	\$340,193.32
49 Online giving	\$2,211.00	\$90,733.00
Other	<u>\$873.00</u>	<u>\$28,375.66</u>
TOTAL	\$11,163.50	\$459,301.98
Assisi to Africa	\$425.00	\$31,293.00

Religious Education News

Grade School Trivia Night will be on April 10 at 5:00 pm. at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Pizza will be served at 5:00-6:00 p.m. The children’s choir will sing at 5:30 pm. Grade 1 & 2 Trivia at 6:00 pm. Grade 3 & 4 Trivia at 6:30 pm. C.D. of A winners announced at 7:00 pm. Grade 5 & 6 Trivia at 7:30 pm.

Grade 1-6 Mission Boxes: Students will be given mission boxes at the beginning of Lent. The money will be brought to school the beginning of April and offered during Mass. The money will then be sent to the missions.

Grade 2 First Reconciliation: The First Reconciliation and prayer service for grade 2 students is scheduled for March 19, 2022 at either 8:45 or 10:00 a.m. in church. Please bring your baptismal candle to the service.

Grade 3-6 Report Cards: Religion teachers will be filling out report sheets soon. The report sheets will be sent home to parents the week of March 14. Please sign and return.

Reconciliation Schedule: Grade 3-6 students will be going to Confession during Lent. 4E & 4R-March 7; 5W & ½ 5K-March 9; 6A-March 10; 4S-March 14; 6C-March 17; 3C & 3D-March 21; 5B & 1/2 5K-March 23; 6H-March 24; 3K-March 28; 5M-March 30; 6T-March 31.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

March 9 - Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm
 March 11 – High school stations of the cross 7:00 pm
 March 16 - Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm
 March 18 – Junior High Silhouette Stations 7:00 pm
 March 23 - Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm
 March 30 - Religious Ed Classes 7:00-8:15 pm

Grade 7 Parents –There will be Silhouette stations practice before religion at 6:30 pm March 9th/16th and the Stations will be presented on March 18th. Participants will need to be at church by 5:00 pm that evening. We are so blessed to host this event after a 2 year absence.

There will be a **mandatory CHWC** meeting on March 8th at 7:00 pm in the Sr. Ethelbert Center. We will have pizza! Many things to discuss and important paperwork to fill out!

Service hours –Your junior high and high school student was asked at the beginning of the year to complete 20 hours of service during the school year, and Lent is a perfect time to fulfill that goal! We will be talking about it more this week during religion. Please help with our goal by talking to your student about how they may like to volunteer at church or contribute to the community! Blue service forms can be turned in anytime!



CALLING ALL QUILTERS:

This year’s CCW quilt is pieced together and ready to be quilted.

The quilt will be setup in St. Clare Hall.

These are the dates and times:

Tuesday thru Thursday from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and then 1:00 pm– 4:00 pm starting March 8th until the quilt is completed.

Please call Rita Habing (217-857-3006) to sign up or if you have any questions.

The CCW would like to thank the terrific ladies of our parish for sharing their time and talent while creating this one of a kind treasure.

WE’RE HOSTING A BABY SHOWER IN HONOR OF A YOUNG MOM – Mary, Mother of Jesus!

In honor of the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25th, St Francis Church will host a baby shower for the Family Life Center. Please bring UNWRAPPED baby items to church between March 19 and March 27, and place in the basket at the main entrance or the St. Clare entrance. The Family Life Center is our area’s frontline in helping moms and dads through an unexpected pregnancy. Here are suggested items to donate: 0-6 month neutral sleepers and outfits, 0-24 month boy or girl sleepers and outfits, baby or toddler toys, board books, cloth books, baby nail clippers, thermometer, etc, swaddle blankets, diapers of all sizes, baby wash/shampoo. If you prefer to make a donation, please place in the Sunday collection in an envelope marked “Family Life Center.” Thank you in advance for helping the babies, moms and dads!

God Bless Those Serving our Country.

Anthony Vahling, Ryan Weber,
 Cody Bushue, Andrew Isley, Shawn Zerrusen,
 Ali Kingery, Andrew Simmons,
 Jesse Koester, Justis Coventry,
 Braydan Bushue, Mallory Stone,
 Paul Schumacher, Damon Sabo.



Teutopolis Park District

- 3rd and 4th grade instructional volleyball (March 12-26): Sign up continues.
- 5th and 6th grade volleyball (March 12-May 7): Sign up continues (late fee applies).
- Baseball/softball: sign up continues (late fee applies).



The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) is sponsoring a Lenten Retreat

“Life’s journey - Why is God so important?” on March 29-30 at the Villa Maria Retreat and Conference Center, 1903 East Lake Shore Drive in Springfield. Fr. Larry Brunette, retired from the Dioceses of Springfield in Illinois and Joliet will facilitate the retreat. The retreat will feature spiritual presentations, prayer, the rosary, confession, fellowship, and the celebration of Mass. The retreat begins with registration and a light breakfast at 9:00 am on March 29 and concludes after lunch on March 30. Retreat costs include meals, refreshments, retreat master, retreat materials, and use of the facility. The cost for an overnight stay, double occupancy is \$90. An overnight stay, single occupancy is \$110, or for commuters it is \$70. Registration is due by March 22 and payment can be made to S.D.S.S.W. For additional information and a registration form, send an email to Myrna McKee at sdccwinil@gmail.com.

Decolores Weekend

Looking for a retreat to attend during your 40 day Lenten journey?

Enjoy a 3 day - 3 night retreat, at Camp Walter Scott south of Effingham, filled with talks from religious and lay persons, Mass each day, Stations of the Cross, Reconciliation and fellowship.

A men’s weekend will be held Thursday, March 24 through Sunday, March 27th. Spiritual director will be Father Adam Prichard for the men’s weekend. Contact Rob Grupe 217-821-9583 for more details.

A ladies weekend will be held Thursday, March 31 thru Sunday April 3rd. Spiritual director will be Father Michael Berndt. Contact Diann Ruholl 217-663-2056 for more details.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words; be silent and listen.

Logos for 'Hope amidst Isolation' and 'VICARIATO DE ORIENTE' are visible in the top right corner of the poster.

Liturgical Ministers for March 12/13

Ministry	4:30 pm	6:30 am	8:30 am	10:30 am
Readers	Dan Niemerg Kent Probst	Jane Pruemmer	Monica Kremer Jill Schumacher	Cathy Thoele Marty Siemer
Ushers	*Scott Brumleve Chris Deters Allan Gillespie Aaron Stortzum Jerry M. Runde Todd Probst	*Joe Esker Larry Esker Dave Probst Gary Deters Allen Koester Mike Hardiek	*Greg Hess Dan Habing Jake Habing Troy Bloemer Paul Willenborg Todd Voelker	*Rich Niebrugge Greg Addis Jeff Thoele Brian Ruholl Tom Niebrugge Tom Schabbing.
Servers	Avry Kreke Bo Kreke Olivia Hemmen	Abby Wortman Jennifer Uthell Eric Uthell	Krista Roedl Kaylee Roedl Brileigh Bloemer	Luke Dennis Mary Jane Dennis Penny Dennis

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St. Michael's Swine and Dine Breakfast will be held Sunday, March 6th, today from 7am to noon at St. Michael School. St. Michael's is serving an ALL YOU CAN EAT whole hog sausage, pancakes, eggs, sweet breads and rolls menu. \$10 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors, 4 and under eat free.

Drinking Habits Local talent is performing *Drinking Habits* written by Tom Smith on March 10, 11, 12, and 13 at the Ron Diehl Recreation Center at Hendelmeyer Park in Effingham, IL. Proceeds from the play will benefit Effingham Catholic Charities. Doors open at 6:30 pm, curtain rises at 7:30 pm. Cost is \$30 per person (includes wine and snacks). The Sunday performance will begin at 2:00 pm, tickets cost \$20 per person (wine not included). To purchase tickets go to Effingham Catholic Charities Events Page on Facebook or www.cc.dio.org or phone 217-857-1458. Tickets are also available by phone, nights and weekends. Please call Ron Donsbach at 217-925-5231 or 217-821-2138. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Ham Bingo will be held Saturday, March 12th from 7-9 pm at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall (KC Hall). Doors will open at 6 pm. Brats, hotdogs, snacks, and refreshments will be sold. Ham rounds, money rounds & blackout round. \$100 door prize for adults & kids raffles. Volunteers needed, contact Russ Runde at 217-663-4091. See their FB page for more information.

Drive Thru No Fish, Fish Fry will be held at Sacred Heart, Effingham, on Friday March 18, 4:30-7:00 pm. Thanks to Joe's Pizza - the menu options are: 8" cheese pizza w/salad - \$9.00; Red pasta w/salad & breadstick - \$9.00; White pasta w/salad & breadstick - \$9.00; Breadsticks (4) w/marinara sauce - \$6.00. There will also be an iPad raffle. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at Sacred Heart School or at the drive thru event.

Family Life Center and Silk Purse is expanding to Newton. Their first "Moving forward in HOPE" event will be a breakfast fundraiser on March 19, from 7:30 am to 10:30 am, at the St. Thomas Parish Center.

St. Isidore Spring Breakfast at Bishop Creek is Sunday, March 20th from 7am – Noon. The menu will include whole hog sausage, ham, fried or scrambled eggs, pancakes, homemade breads and rolls. We will also have a Country Store with raffles, baked goods and mystery boxes. We look forward to seeing you there!

Pulled Pork Fundraiser for St. Mary's Catholic Church, Shumway, Sunday, March 27th, 4:00-7:00 pm at Shumway Kluthe Center. Adults/carry out \$12; Kids 12 and under \$8. Prepared by Country Rhodes. Menu includes pulled pork, chicken tenders, hush puppies, steak fries, coleslaw, baked beans, potato salad, and applesauce. For tickets contact: Leslie Kemme 217-821-3399; Terry Hoene 217-343-4545; Kathy Adams 217-994-3144; Jesse Davis 217-821-2309; Donna Davis 217-690-2640.

Attention Parishioners!

Do you ever see people in church and wonder what their names are? Are you a new member and wish you had something to help you put names with faces? Help is on the way! St. Francis parish is producing a new pictorial directory. Ja-Fa, owned by Jennifer Hecht, who grew up in our parish will be taking the photos. The photo sessions will take place in Sr. Ethelbert Center on the following dates: April 4 through April 13; May 16 through May 26; and June 6 through June 17.

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More details regarding times, how to schedule your session and other information will be provided in next weeks bulletin.



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