First Sunday of Lent





Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

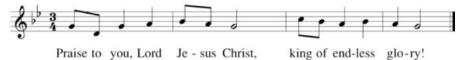
Reading I: Deuteronomy 26.4-10

Response: Psalm 91 — cantor first, then assembly



Reading II: Romans 10.8-13

Gospel Acclamation — cantor first, then assembly



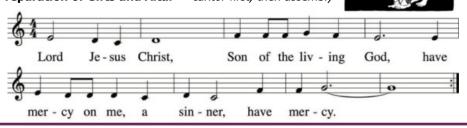
Gospel: Luke 4.1-3

Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed — see sidebar

Universal Prayer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts and Altar — cantor first, then assembly





Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

6 March 2022

Parish Life

Weekly Schedule

More "Blah, Blah, Blah" from Msgr. Mark

I want to introduce you to a friend. He is a classmate of mine from seminary days ... and, as it happens, he will be in town for a good part of

next week. Fr. John Meoska hails from rural Grant County, in the far southwest corner of the state. I tease John that he still has a little manure behind his ears, for while he's had a rich and varied life, his farm upbringing remains central to his character and outlook. He is one of those affable guys who, though physical distance and devotion to our work limits our time together, when we do get together, we manage to pick up where we left off with our friendship.

Our autobiographies start in parallel tracks but John's life is more varied and interesting than mine. We come from stable and faithful families, were drawn to the idea of the priesthood early, each of us tried some other things in our college years but found ourselves at the graduate seminary run by the Benedictine monks of St. John's Abbey in central Minnesota. We were ordained a year apart and each of us served a couple turns as parish associates, but then I went off to more schooling and John took leave from the Diocese of Madison to explore religious life. He would spend more than twenty years living as a hermit as a member of a new foundation in the Carmelite order, devoted to prayer and spiritual development. [You might recognize the names of a few of the heavy hitters of the Carmelite tradition: Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, and Therese of Lisieux.] Then John felt a call away from the hermitage life to community religious life ... returning to St. John's where he has now been a monk for fifteen years, serving in several important roles in the Community and the University. Farmer ... diocesan priest ... hermit ... monk. In comparison, mine has been a pretty dull life.

I'm going into this not just to confirm what a boring guy I am. This you already knew. But as we've done several times in the last few years, St. Michael's and Resurrection Parishes are teaming up with our neighbors across the river at St. Anne's to host a three-day traveling Lenten Mission this week ... and Fr. John will be the preacher. You can find the details of dates and places (we will move from church to church) elsewhere in the bulletin. I just wanted to give you a special nudge to hear an insightful voice who will help give your Lent a grand start. If you want to view a conversation between Frs. John, Tom Lindner, and myself, check our website.

And, on a completely different matter, with the amazing decline in COVID cases as of late, Bishop Callahan has freed the pastors to make decisions about church health protocols locally. As Marathon County is still an "orange" county according to the CDC, we will ease into changes slowly. We will make a small step by returning blessed water to the fonts at the entrances of our churches! We will keep the distancing and masking requirement at our 5:30 pm Saturday Mass for a little longer. We've polled those who attend that service and of the 61 opinions shared, 26 said the distancing and masking were why they chose to attend that liturgy, 30 said that while they didn't choose that Mass because of the COVID protocols they're willing to put up with them for the sake of others, and 6 said they were eager for us to drop the distancing and masking. We are in a time of flux, so as I say elsewhere, "Stay tuned. Things change."

Msgr. Mark Pierce

Sunday, March 6

7:30am Confessions at CR

8:30am Mass at CR for the People of the

Eastside Parishes

10:30am Mass at SM: +Grace and Bill Zenner 6:00pm Confirmation Living Stations Prep - SM

Monday, March 7

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

5:30pm Mass at CR: +Dawn Rolling

6:00pm Confessions at CR 6:30pm Lenten Retreat at CR

Tuesday, March 8

St. John of God

12:10pm Mass at CR: For the Deceased

Members of the Sobkowiak Family

12:45pm Lenten Eucharistic Adoration at CR 3:00pm Mass at Forest Park: For the Intention

of the Feldbruegge Family

5:30pm Rosary and Novena at CR 6:30pm Lenten Retreat at SM No Catholicism 101 at SM Cafeteria

Wednesday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome

11:00am Soup Luncheon at CR Brennan Hall 12:10pm Mass at CR: +Viola and Joe Tatro 6:00pm Faith Formation - Elementary and

Middle School at SM

6:30pm Living Stations at SM 6:30pm Lenten Retreat at St. Anne

Thursday, March 10

12:10pm Mass at CR: +Fr. Steve Gross

Friday, March 11

6:30am Men's Discussion Group at CR 9:00am What Catholics Believe Bible Study SM

12:10pm Mass at CR: Special Intention for the

Butzen Families

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT Saturday, March 12

3:00pm Confessions at SM

4:00pm Mass at SM: +Gene Karpinski 5:30pm Mass at CR: +Mary A. Schuster

Sunday, March 13

2:00am Daylight Saving Time begins

7:30am Confessions at CR

Mass at CR for the People of the 8:30am

Eastside Parishes

Mass at SM: +Mary Peksa 10:30am



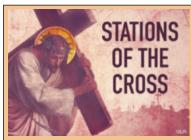




Readings for the Second Sunday of Lent March 13

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-36

The second Sunday of Lent features the story of the Transfiguration—Jesus' revealing of his divine nature to his inner circle. It serves as something of a Lenten reminder of our ultimate goal—total transformation. Notice that the heavenly voice of the Father repeats the testimony given at Jesus' baptism: "This is my chosen Son." But added is the phrase "listen to him." The significance of that extra piece is revealed by what came just prior to this passage: Jesus has revealed to his disciples the suffering and death that awaits him—and the challenge to embrace the cross that awaits them. We have a suffering/glory pairing—a preview of the Good Friday/Easter feasts to come. Why is it important to keep evidence of glory before us at the same time we talk about the cross? What distortions to our faith come from treating only one in isolation from the other?



"The Stations of the Cross" during Lent on **Tuesday and Wednesday** We invite you to take a thoughtful walk with Jesus on his Way of the Cross each week of Lent. At Resurrection Church the Stations will be celebrated on Tuesdays at 6:25 pm

(after the regular Tuesday Novena). At St. Michael Parish, this week, March 9, the Faith Formation classes will present "The Living Stations" at 6:30 pm. On subsequent Lenten Wednesdays, the Stations will be celebrated at 5:15 pm. On March 16 at St. Michael's the format will be "The Way of the Cross through Mary's Eyes."

Please remember all of our homebound and hospitalized parishioners from Resurrection and St. Michael Parishes in your prayers this week.

Resurrection Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of:

Chester and Margaret Kwarciany

St. Michael Votive Candles burn:

- In memory of Tom Vick
- In memory of Jerry and Mary Zelenka
- In memory of Ramona, Joe, John and Katie Bretl
 In memory of Viola and Joe Tatro
- Special intention for a peaceful death for Kim N.
- Special intentions for a happy marriage and peace in the family
 - Special intentions for good health for Lynn
 - Special intentions for good health

Mass and reflection opportunities are available throughout the week on our website at eastsideparishes.org

- The 8:30am Sunday Mass at the Church of the Resurrection is live-streamed for immediate viewing and then available for re-viewing for several days.
- Either Fr. Mark or Fr. Joe record one of the readings from the daily Mass and also share a 5-8 minute (audio-only) reflection.

Scripture readings for this week can be found at: https://bible.usccb.org



Lenten Retreat on March 7-9 "A Parable and a Prayer: Three Lenten Gatherings of Practical Spirituality"

Visit our website at **eastsideparishes.org** to watch a conversation between Fr. John Meoska, Fr. Mark, and Fr. Tom Linder regarding this week's Lenten Retreat.

Monday, March 7, 6:30 pm—Church of the Resurrection "A Parable: Prodigal People—" Reflections in Luke 15:11-32"

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 pm—St. Michael Parish "A Prayer: Reflections on the Lord's Prayer, Part I"

Wednesday, March 9, 6:30 pm—St. Anne Parish "Practical Spirituality: Reflections on the Lord's Prayer, Part II"

Each night's presentation can work as a separate event, but we invite you to participate in all three.

The Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen will serve soup in Brennan Hall at Resurrection on Wednesdays, March 9 April 13, 11am-1pm. Volunteers are needed to help prepare, serve, setup or cleanup; or donate bread to serve with the soup. You may choose how long you can help. Please contact Nancy Anderson to volunteer to help or to donate bread at 715-845-2699 or andnancy@gmail.com

The details on the disciplines of Lenten fasting and abstinence

Knowing that inner growth does not come without shaking things up a bit, the early Christians reverenced the Jewish custom of avoiding meat for a time (abstinence) and reducing the amount they ate altogether (fasting). The practice had several meanings—learning self-control; physical hunger as a reminder of spiritual hunger; living in solidarity with the poor by freeing up money for almsgiving. At Lent's outset, all Catholics should consider what types of self-denial and penance will lead them to growth in faith, but those between ages 18 and 59 are, at a minimum, asked to keep Ash Wednesday (March 2) and Good Friday (April 15) as days of fasting (eating but one full or two smaller meals). Those 14 and older are called to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. Let these practices be springboards to a more mindful Lent.

What are the Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowls We often use "stuff" (food, drink, entertainment, shopping, the Internet) to plug hungers that are, at root, spiritual. One of the aims of Lent is to regain control of our hungers. The CRS Rice Bowl Project can help, while attending to the needs of those on the edge of poverty. Any container will work, but the cardboard CRS one can be assembled and given a place of honor on your dinner table. Feed it your pocket change at the end of the day, or, more daringly, what you save by cutting out your favorite "pacifiers."
At the end of Lent, we will welcome your "stuffed" Rice Bowls back and forward the contribution to CRS's worldwide development work.

4 Financial Giving February 27, 2022

St. Michael Parish

Church of the Resurrection

Adult Envelopes/Offertory	\$8,375.00
Electronic Contributions	\$980.00
Weekly Total	\$9,355.00

 Adult Envelopes/Offertory
 \$6,963.00

 Electronic Contributions
 \$400.00

 Weekly Total
 \$7,363.00

Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions\$366,856.75

Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions....\$451,666.28



Total "We Believe" cash contributions to date \$1,255,569.57

Thanks to the generous contributions of parishioners, \$3,615 was collected in the Hope Life "Operation Baby Bottle" campaign. These donations will be used to support the many life-affirming programs offered through HOPE Life Center and will help them in their continued growth to reach out to men, women and their families. Quite a few bottles are still unaccounted for. If you are still filling a bottle, you may return it to either church or parish office over the next few weeks.



COVID procedures at Sunday Masses at the Eastside Parishes Updated March 2, 2022 Here's a rundown of our current procedures at worship:

- For the unvaccinated, the wearing of face coverings and social distancing remain strongly recommended.
- Most of each church will be available for seating, with two exceptions: first, the pews at the very front and the very back of the churches will continue to have a "buffer" row behind or in front of them for those who would welcome more space between them and others and, second, for the time being the 5:30 pm Mass at Resurrection will continue to require 6' distancing and the wearing of masks by all.
- We are not inviting the assembly to exchange the Sign of Peace beyond a verbal expression at this point. You are welcome to exchange it within your family and household grouping, but for now it might be best not to assume that those around you will welcome a handshake.
- Sanitizing of "high-touch" areas after liturgies will continue per CDC recommendations.

Stay tuned. Things change.

St. James Fraternity of the Secular Franciscans will meet on Sunday, March 13, at 2 pm in Krasowski Hall at St. Michael's. Reflection 13 is the study lesson. Guests are welcome. Call Lora at 715-845-8927 for more information. Secular Franciscans are lay people building the Kingdom of God in the world where they live.



Sunday Mass and Healing Service, Sunday, March 13, 3:30pm at St. Matthew Parish. Confessions from 2-3:15pm.

St. Patrick's Parish Fish Fries, Halder will be serving carry-out fish fries every Friday during Lent 4-8pm. Call 715-693-2765 to order.

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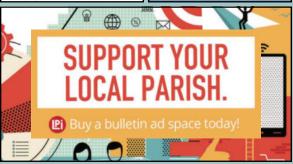


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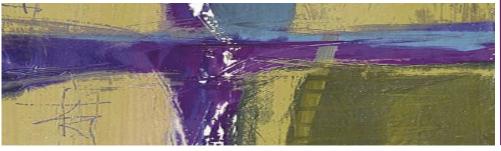
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Song After the Final Blessing





EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again, until you come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil... and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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