

THE U.S. SENATE VOTED a couple weeks ago to keep Daylight Savings Time in force year round. The bill was endorsed on a stunningly unanimous voice vote – no partisan divide over what’s been dubbed the Sunshine Protection Act – and thus ending the twice-a-year fiddling with clocks.

This wouldn’t happen, however, until November 2023, so there is time, as was reported, to consult with airlines and



broadcasters. Which, of course begs the question: Why didn’t that happen before the bill was passed? Furthermore, the legislation still awaits a House vote before final consideration by the President.

In the meantime, input from the Church might also be warranted. How we tell time does matter.

To be honest, however, I’m not sure how we’d come down on the matter if legislators did consult bishops, liturgical experts and various religious leaders.

Personally, I like longer days, by which I mean sunshine as far into the late afternoon or early evening as possible. On the other hand, it’s a lot easier getting up for 7 a.m. Mass when it looks like morning and not just another hour of night.

From a religious perspective, however, when the sun rises and sets, or vice versa, is significant. For Jews, Muslims and Christians, our holiest days of the

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Lent THIS WEEK

SHARING LENT

On Friday at 5:15 p.m. we welcome our neighbors from First English Lutheran Church to St. Anne as we pray the Stations of the Cross for Ukraine at 5:15. Join us in McKillip Hall to share this prayer that revives a tradition of many years in which people from both congregations gathered on the night before Thanksgiving, now with a Lenten



CELEBRATING RECONCILIATION: There are multiple opportunities during Lent to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation. Reconciliation is offered at **9 a.m. Saturdays** and **5-6 p.m. Wednesdays**. During the church renovation, the sacrament is celebrated in the library, just off the Gathering Space. McKillip Hall is open for prayer before and after confession. An examination of conscience and guide for celebrating the sacrament will be available on site, as well as at stanneswausau.org/liturgy.

Reconciliation also will be offered at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 12 at St. Michael Parish.

THE SUNDAY GOSPELS of Lent offer considerable “food for thought” as we continue our weekly scripture study gatherings at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Gathering Space.

LOVE | MERCY | INVITATION

A parish goal — and need — for these weeks of Lent is to invite and encourage more parishioners to assist in the various ministries at Mass. To learn more about these ministries and possibly arrange a time for orientation, send an email to mail@stanneswausau.org.

⇒ **READERS:** Adults and confirmed teens who proclaim the word of God at Mass.

⇒ **SERVERS:** Adults, teens and children in fourth grade or older who assist the presider and assembly in preparing for and during Mass. This could include a parent and a child. While dormant for nearly two years, it is important that we restore and revive this significant ministry. Parents please encourage your children. Adults of all ages are invited to assist in this role.

⇒ **WELCOME MINISTERS:** It’s as simple, but essential, as welcoming people as they arrive for Mass and beginning the collection during Mass.



Palm Sunday, 9/10 April: The triumphant entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem and the trauma of his passion. Sunday morning liturgies will begin outside with the blessing and procession of palms.

Holy Thursday, 14 April: The Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 6:30 p.m. with the reception of holy oils and washing of feet. And a surprise!

Good Friday, 15 April: Celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 12:15 p.m. with veneration of the cross. Stations of the Cross will be prayed walking in the church neighborhood at 5:15.

Easter Vigil, 16 April: Worship in the Holy Night of Easter at 8 p.m.

Easter Morning, 17 April: Mass at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

share sunday

On the first two Sundays of April we will gather items for the Women's Community. Bring donations along to Mass or drop them in the Gathering Space during the week. Learn more about this week's beneficiary at womenscommunity.org. These are the items being requested this month:

- Bottled juice
- Body wash
- Body lotion
- Cooking oil
- Tuna
- Sugar
- New pillows
- Laundry detergent
- & dryer sheets
- Paper towels
- Toilet Paper
- Hair conditioner
- Single toothbrushes
- Gas & Grocery gift cards



ANNOUNCING: St. Anne Summer Jam is Saturday, June 18! Watch for more information coming soon.

THE PASSION OF LUKE to be proclaimed on Palm Sunday will be previewed in brief gatherings after next weekend's Saturday and Sunday morning Masses.



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JOINING OUR PARISH: Fr. Tom would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at frtom@stanneswausau.org or call 849.3930.

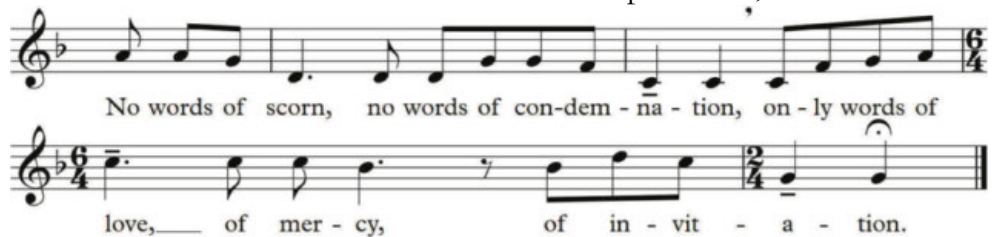
CELEBRATING BAPTISM: We gladly welcome children to faith through the waters of Baptism. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please send an email or call Fr. Tom. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation seminar.

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE: We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact Fr. Tom to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn about marriage preparation.

Gathering Antiphon: We gather simply during Lent, echoing this antiphon with words taken from Pope Francis' first Sunday Angelus address of 17 March 2013. Already, just days after his election, the Holy Father had identified an essential Gospel virtue that would come to permeate his papacy.

"No Words of Scorn"

Pope Francis, Nicholas Palmer



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Kyrie Eleison

No Greater Love Mass, Michael Joncas



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Psalms 34

Columba Kelly, OSB



Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Mass of the Angels and Saints, Steven Janco



Glo-ry, praise and hon-or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Profession of Faith (The 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. Amen.

"Shelter Me"

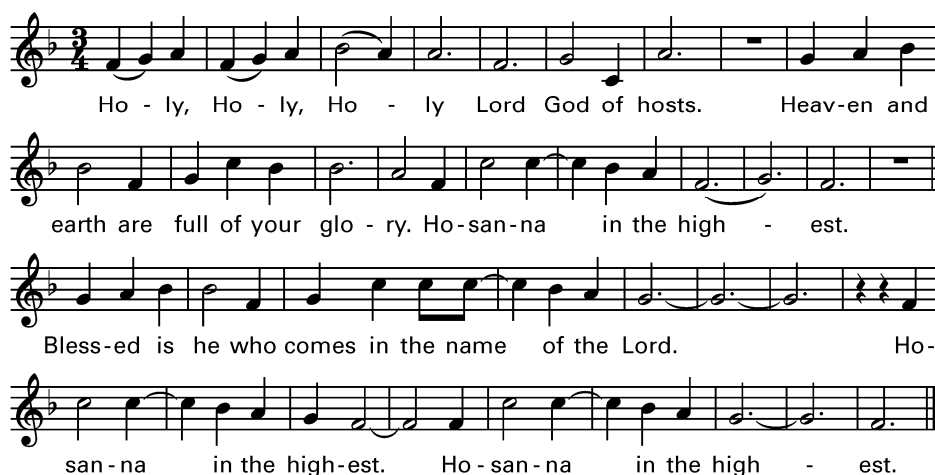
Michael Joncas



Eucharistic Prayer

Mass of Renewal, Curtis Stephan

Holy, Holy



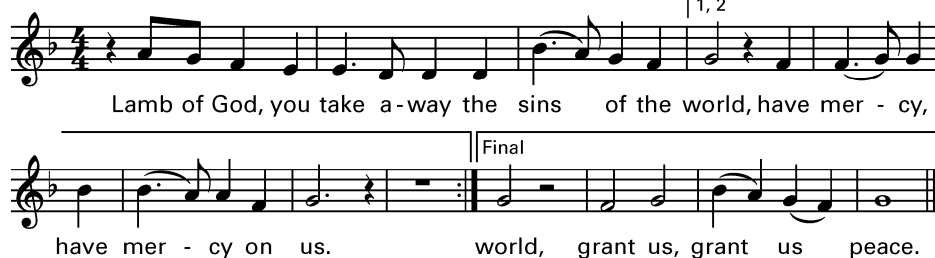
Mystery of Faith



Amen



Lamb of God



RE-IMAGINING: As the church renovation continues, check stanneswausau.org/re-imagining for new construction photos, as well as the weekly Quick Things email for a video update. You can also peek through doors in the Gathering Space to see the progress. A complete overview of the project is provided at the web site.



TODAY WE HEAR one of the most beloved gospel stories, Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving when we, through our own sinfulness, leave his presence, and then through repentance, return to him. If you have not done so already, consider celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation and experience God's loving embrace and forgiveness.

- International Catholic Stewardship Council



2021-22 Parish Target: \$110,760
Pledges/Contributions: \$ 59,216
178 contributors / 17% of parish
Still needed: \$ 51,544

You can contribute to the Annual Appeal at stanneswausau.org.

PARTICIPATION AT MASS

March 19/20

4 PM - 121; 8:30 AM - 143

10:30 AM - 111; 6 PM - 76; Online - 192

ST. ANNE PARISH GIVING

Total collected (March 20): \$17,969
Weekly need: \$15,099

Total collected (since July 1, 2021): \$566,040
Amount needed: \$564,609

This Week

MONDAY 28 MAR / Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

• 6 PM - GriefShare on Zoom

TUESDAY 29 MAR / Ez 47:1-9,12/Jn 5:1-16

• 7 AM - Mass +William Radtke

• 6:30 PM - Scripture Study, Gathering Space

WEDNESDAY 30 MAR / Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

• 8:15 AM - Mass +Floyd Majeske

• 5-6 PM - Reconciliation

• 6:30 PM - Forming Young Disciples

THURSDAY 31 MAR / Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

• 8:15 AM - Mass +Vernon & Kathryn Nauman

FRIDAY 1 APR / Wis 2:1a,12-22/Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

• 7 AM - Mass +Ruth Ellen Stencil

• 5:15 PM - Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY 2 APR / Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

• 9 AM - Reconciliation

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT | 2/3 APR

Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

• 4 PM Saturday +Gerald Klopotek -LIVESTREAM

• 8:30 AM Sunday +Mary & John Spara Olson

• 10:30 AM Sunday +George Waldvogel

• 6 PM Sunday -People of St. Anne Parish

Links to the daily readings listed above, as well as video and written reflections, can be found at stanneswausau.org.

GIVE US THIS

DAY

is an excellent monthly prayer resource with daily psalms, scripture, intercessions and reflection. The parish's group discount subscription will be renewed soon, so if you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, contact Paul Hoffer for more information at paulh@stanneswausau.org. You can learn more and see a sample copy at giveusthisday.org. There's also a link to the web site in the Quick Things email.



"Mercy, O God"

Francis Patrick O'Brien



"Our Father, We Have Wandered"

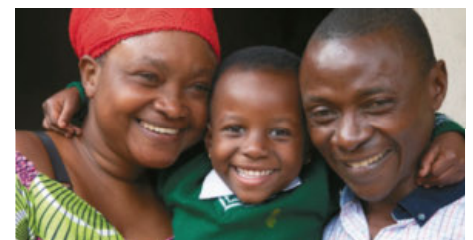
Kevin Nichols



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A STORY OF HOPE FROM RWANDA

Malnutrition is widespread in Rwanda, but Glorioso and her husband are doing everything they can to keep their children healthy and set them up for success. From learning to grow a kitchen garden to participating in a micro-savings group, Glorioso and Karekezi know it takes many resources to help their children thrive. How have you helped others access what they need this Lent? You can see a video version of this story and links to more information in the Quick Things email.



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⇒ TRIDUUM CHOIR:

Might you lend your voice to our worship during The Great Three Days? A Triduum Choir is being formed for just that purpose. Rehearsal is at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in McKillip Hall. All parishioners who enjoy singing are invited. This choir also will participate in the dedication Mass of the new altar and renovated church in June.



⇒ **LIVESTREAM MINISTERS:** As we continue to offer a livestream of Mass for the benefit of those unable to join us in-person, we need more people to coordinate the livestream. Full orientation is offered and it's not as complicated, or reason for fear, as you might imagine. This is a role that parents and older children could fulfill together. To learn more about this ministry, please send an email to mail@stanneswausau.org.

HANGING BASKETS and Patio Planters are being sold to raise funds for the summer Youth Mission Trip. Brochures with complete details are in the entranceway and at stanneswausau.org/flower-sale. The order/payment deadline is March 31.



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week begin at sundown on Thursday for Muslims, on Friday for Jews and on Saturday for Christians. Similarly, those holy days conclude at sundown the next day. In other words, we tell time and determine the beginnings and endings of days by this reality of created, natural light, not something concocted by mathematicians, retailers or politicians. Ideally.

I say "ideally" because we clearly fudge on this - a lot. The allowance for celebrating Lord's Day (Sunday) Mass on Saturday afternoon comes from this ancient, liturgical understanding of time. When the sun sets on Saturday it is, by our Christian determination, already Sunday. Common practice has distorted that a bit in that we celebrate Mass on Saturday afternoon long before the sun sets in the summer, and after the sun sets on Sunday nights in the winter. For better or worse, we are clearly not sticklers about this.

When the sun sets is of greater concern in regard to the Easter Vigil in that it must begin after dark. Sundown on Holy Saturday will be at 7:45 this year, so there will be lingering light when we bless the Easter fire at 8 p.m. That's not ideal, but, I'll confess, practical. The date of Easter in relation to the start of Daylight Savings Time has occasionally determined the Vigil's start time. Easter coming before or after a time change could be the difference between a Vigil starting at 7:30 or 8, or maybe even 8:30 or 9.

All of which may seem piddly and insignificant, but I appreciate that we're guided by something beyond human whim in making such determinations - something as dramatic and powerful as the sun. Or, as regards the date of Easter - the moon. It would be simpler if Easter were celebrated on the same date every year - some arbitrary human-imposed date - and there have been suggestions to go that route. Instead, we look to the heavens.

And so, when the sun has set, initiating the Sunday after the first full moon after the vernal equinox, we gather around a fire, another force of nature, to begin celebrating the resurrection, something that cannot be contained by time. **TL**

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