March 10, 2019
First Sunday of Lent

THEME: Choosing to Remember and Not Forget

How much we want all of life to be easy and pain-free! Yet our experience of life teaches otherwise, and our faith shows us how the pain of the past can lead us to hopeful futures.
PASTORAL SHARINGS

The Gospel on the first Sunday of Lent is when Jesus is led by the Holy Spirit into the desert by himself for forty days right after He was baptized by John the Baptist. Jesus did what very few people do or are able to do. He stepped away from the world for a significant period of time to spend time with God the Father.

It does not say Jesus did those forty days in the desert. My best guess is Jesus prayed and discerned God the Father’s will for Himself for when He begins ministry. After the forty days were over Jesus was tempted by the devil. Jesus had not eaten those forty days. The devil’s first temptation was food. The devil tempted Adam and Eve with food and they fell into sin. The devil told Jesus to change those rocks into bread. Unlike Adam and Eve Jesus resisted the devil. In His victory Jesus shows it is possible to resist the devil’s temptation. This foreshadows Jesus’ future victory over the devil on the cross.

The devil then tempted Jesus with power over the whole world along with glory if He worships the devil. Jesus says in response a line from Deuteronomy: you shall worship the Lord your God and Him alone shall you serve. It seems a little off that the devil tempts the creator of the universe and king of the universe with ruling power over the world. Jesus doesn’t rule as a politician or dictator. Jesus rules with love and we can freely accept His love. In the third and last temptation the devil tests Jesus’ trust of God. The devil quotes a Psalm when He tells Jesus to throw himself down from the temple and the angels will support Him. Jesus said you shall not put God to the test. Jesus shows His true trust of the Father when on the cross He says “Into your hands Lord I commend my spirit.” Like Jesus, we too can be tempted in many different ways. Jesus gives us the grace to resist temptation. It can take time to overcome temptation. Grace builds on grace. We can fall and the Lord is there to pick us up. This Lent like Jesus’ forty days in the desert maybe we can spend a little extra time with the Lord in prayer. In doing this we can also come closer to knowing God’s will for us in our daily lives. Prayer also helps us to make decisions that will bring ourselves and others closer to the Lord.

Blessings, Fr. Greg

There are books for Lent 2019 in the back of church—The Word Among Us—Daily Meditations March 6th—April 21. Please take one home as you enter or leave church.

Parish Offering
February 28—March 6, 2019

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**Other Offerings:**
- Buildings & Grounds Fund: $475.00
- Kitchen Renovation donations: $20,273.00 (this includes $12,121.00 in Buildings & Grounds Fund reported last week. As of this bulletin, kitchen renovation donations will be reported separately).
- Ash Wednesday envelope: $25.00
- Easter flower envelope: $265.00
- IROW Magic Paper Box: $6.00
- Strong Bodies class: $50.00

**Bears of Offertory Gifts:**
- 03/09 +Frank Waksmonski
  by Chris & Joni Anderson
- 03/10 +Bernice Buss by James Buss family

Offertory Prayer: Lord, let us use this time now to thank and praise you with our giving. You are the power to give and take away. In all seasons, we worship your holy name.
Parish Announcements

ATTENTION: ENGAGED COUPLES: You need to contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance of the wedding date. An appointment needs to be made to meet with our pastor to plan the wedding date & complete the necessary forms for the Parish and the Diocese of La Crosse.

Father Greg will visit parishioners when they are hospitalized. Families can call the Parish Office to make these arrangements.

Father Greg will visit the homebound on a bi-monthly basis, on 1st Friday or by request. Two ladies of our parish will visit the home bound every 1st Friday. Call Parish Office to request visit.

If a family member is in a nursing home/assisted care, please contact the Parish Office in regard to general mailing/address changes, giving envelopes and bulletin mailing which will be recorded in the parish census.

Baptisms will be celebrated the second Saturday or Sunday of the month (April 13, May 11, June 8-9) Parents presenting a child for Baptism (encouraging expectant parents) are asked to contact Jessica Zoromski @715-446-3918 and then meet with her and Fr. Greg one month before confirming date of Baptism. Baptism prep: (April 8, May 6, June 3).

Adult Sacramental Preparation-contact the Parish Office.

Every Friday of the month there will be Mass at 8:30AM followed by recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Upcoming Events

Pro-Life All You Can Eat Chili Dinner & Raffle-Sacred Heart Parish, Marathon, Sun., March 10-10AM to 3PM. Adults $7, ages 6-12 $3, age 5 & under free. Raffle tickets at door. Drawing at 3PM

St. Adalbert Catholic School, Rosholt-BINGO, Sun., March 10 doors open noon, begins 1PM. Homemade chicken soup with kluski noodles

St. Matthew Catholic Church, Wausau Sunday Mass & Healing Service, March 10th-3:30PM. Confessions before Mass 2-3:15PM

St. Peter’s Church, Stevens Point-St. Patrick’s Day Pancake Breakfast Sun., March 17th-8AM-noon in Kolbe Hall. Adults $7, ages 6-12 $4, age 6 & under free. Basket Raffles


St. Michael’s Church, Junction City Grilled Pork Chop dinner-Sun., March 31st 11AM-1PM. Double chop meal $10, single chop meal $8, hot dog meal $5. Includes baked potato, green bean casserole, fresh salad, applesauce, bread, dessert & beverage. Sunday Mass 9:30AM

Spring Luncheon St. Ladislaus Parish, Bevent-Sun., April 7 featuring storyteller Pati Kachel (A Patchwork Quilt of Heartwarming Stories), Mimosa Bar 11AM. Program 11:30-12:30. Lunch 12:30. Door prizes & Raffle. $10/person. Register by 4-2-19 by calling ; Geraldine 715-454-9347, Bernie 715-341-2546 or Susan 715-440-3165

Extraordinary Ministers-March 9-10
4PM: Audrey Postelnik, Helen Damask, Rose Nowinsky, Delores Thayer, Carol Sheehan
10:30AM: Sue Muzynski, John/Bev Kostecki, Chad Streblow, Mike Fischer

Altar Servers-March 9-10
4PM: Richard Thayer, Rory Salvesen
10:30AM: Gracie Wanta, Kaydence Wanta

Sacristans-March 9-10
4PM: Ian Salvesen, Milo Salvesen
10:30AM: Levi Baker, Vivian Resch

Readers-March 9-10
4PM: Richard Thayer
10:30AM: David & Bernie Nartoch

Sacristans-March 16-17
4PM: Joan Wawrzaszek
10:30AM: Marcie Nemke

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4PM: Carol Sheehan
10:30AM: Mary King

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Faith Formation/Youth Ministry

Jessie Zoromski, DRE: 715-446-3085, Ext. 304
Email: cre@stflos.org

Linda Buss, Youth Ministry 715-446-3085, Ext. 306
Email: youthministry@stflos.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MARCH, 2019 CALENDAR

Sunday, March 10
Sunday School class K-5 grades 9-10:15AM

Wednesday, March 13
Open Gym 5:30-6:30PM
Religious Ed class 6-10 grades 6:30-8PM

Saturday, March 16
Holy Temptations Feast Night in church Basement. This is a Youth Ministry fund raiser-9th & 10th grade service project.

Sunday, March 17
Sunday School class K-5 grades 9-10:15AM

Wednesday, March 20
Open Gym 5:30-6:30PM
Religious Ed class 6-10 grades 6:30-8PM

Thursday, March 21
Lunch with Fr. Greg @Wittenberg-Birnamwood Middle School

SPRING BREAK FOR BOTH D. C. EVEREST and WITTENBERG BIRNAMWOOD School Districts will be during the last week of March.
Parish of St. Florian • Hatley, WI

Calendar of Events

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019
Daylight Savings Time Begins

9:00 AM
Religious Education classes for Kindergarten through 5th grade students until 10:15AM

10:00 AM
Stations of the Cross in church before Mass

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019

6:30 PM
Adult Bible Study “Judges” in Parish Center Resource Room until 8PM

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019

7:30 AM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15am

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019

5:30 PM
Open Gym in Parish Center before Religious Education classes begin

6:30 PM
Religious Education classes for 6th through 10th grades until 8PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019

8:00 AM
Cleaning of Church. Everyone welcome!!

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019

7:30 AM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15am

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019

3:30 PM
Stations of the Cross in church before Mass

5:00 PM
HOLY TEMPTATIONS FEAST NIGHT in church dining hall—chefs tables open at 5:30PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019-St. Patrick’s Day

9:00 AM
Religious Education classes for Kindergarten through 5th grade students until 10:15AM

10:00 AM
Stations of the Cross in church before Mass

11:30 AM
BAPTISM: Kinsley Iva Thiex
Parents-Tyler Thiex & Kylie Resch
Godparents-Cody Thiex & Cassie Zblewski

Mass Schedule

Saturday, March 9, 2019
St. Frances of Rome
3:00 pm PRIVATE CONFESSIONS until 3:45 pm
3:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS
4:00 pm +Frank Waksmonski by Chris & Joni Anderson

Saturday, March 10, 2019-First Sunday of Lent
10:00 am STATIONS OF THE CROSS
10:30 am +Bernice Buss by James Buss family
and for the Intentions of the Parish Family

Sunday, March 11, 2019-NO MASS

Sunday, March 12, 2019
7:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15am
8:30 am +Mercedes Knauf by family

Wednesday, March 13, 2019-NO MASS

Thursday, March 14, 2019-NO MASS

Friday, March 15, 2019
7:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15am
8:30 am +Lori Ostrowski by Eugene & Carol Knapp

Saturday, March 16, 2019
3:00 pm PRIVATE CONFESSIONS until 3:45 pm
3:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS
4:00 pm Health of Jonathan Paulson by Scott & Bonnie
and for the Intentions of the Parish Family

Sunday, March 17, 2019-Second Sunday of Lent
St. Patrick’s Day
10:00 am STATIONS OF THE CROSS
10:30 am +Dennis Clark by Sandy & family

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Weekly Readings
for the Week of March 10, 2019

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 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [1b]/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cade-3, 7c-8
[3a]/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gw 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

REBOOT Combat Recovery course: Another 12 session course will begin on March 28 from 7 to 8 pm. Through REBOOT COMBAT RECOVERY, combat veterans and their families are winning the fight against combat trauma. The writers have designed this faith-based trauma-healing course to address the spiritual and moral wounds of war. The REBOOT course produces results. Military families are healing. Divorce rates are dropping. Medication abuse is decreasing. Suicides are reduced.

For more information, contact Jeanette Anderson at Jeanette_anderson1966@gmail.com or by phone at 715-212-1848. As a combat veteran, you may register at REBOOTRECOVERY.COM

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ANNUAL EASTERN EGG HUNT
Easter Sunday
April 21st
after the 10:30AM Mass
EASTER BUNNY
NEEDS YOUR HELP!!
WRAPPED CANDY, prizes & stuffed animals can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Monetary donations would also be appreciated so candy & prizes can be purchased. Clearly mark your donations. ANNUAL EASTERN EGG HUNT.

DOMESTIC CHURCH EVANGELIZATION RETREAT
March 28 - March 31
St. Anthony’s Spirituality Center
Marathon, WI
Draw closer to your spouse this Lent with a retreat that will help perfect your marriage. Begins Thursday evening and ends at noon on Sunday.
Register: diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment
For more information email: aheinzen@diolc.org

PICNIC COMMITTEE MEETING is scheduled for Thursday, March 28 at 7PM. All chairpersons are asked to attend as this will be the first planning meeting for the year. Advise David Narloch if you cannot be there. 715-446-3435 or email: DJNarloch@aol.com

ST. FLORIAN parishioners have been very gracious in donating items for the SPORTS RAFFLE and MINI RAFFLE. When you are out shopping, this would be a good time to browse the sale items and think about purchasing a few things to donate to our church’s annual picnic raffles. You can drop off your donations at the Parish Center during office hours. BUT PLEASE TRY TO STORE YOUR GENTLY-USED ITEMS FOR COUNTRY STORE at home until end of May, as space in the Parish Center is limited during the school year.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA TRAVELING MADONNA
The ROSARY SOCIETY offers a traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima to be venerated in our homes and extends an invitation to all parishioners to sign-up for a two-week period. A prayer sheet is included as a guide for daily prayers to be said in front of the “Traveling Madonna.” The statue will be delivered to and picked up from your home. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the vestibule (back) of Church near the west-side exit door. All parishioners are encouraged to participate in this beautiful devotion. In these troubled times it is a great privilege to have the Blessed Mother to turn to and intercede for us.

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DID YOU GET MARRIED IN 1969?
Since August 2000, the Diocese of La Crosse has sponsored 50th JUBILEE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Celebrations for those couples celebrating fifty years of marriage. Bishop William Callahan will send each couple a special invitation to attend a celebration in their honor.
The dates & locations of this year’s events:
Sunday, July 14 at Christ the King Chapel-LaCrosse
Sunday, August 25 at St. Mary, Altoona
Sunday, September 8 at St. Bronislava, Plover
MONDAY, MARCH 11th IS THE LAST DAY THIS COMING WEEK TO CALL IN YOUR NAMES TO PARISH OFFICE. (ask for Rita at Ext. 302) if you will be celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2019 and would like to attend one of the above celebrations.

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EVENTS IN LENT

KNIGHT OF REFLECTION sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Tuesday, March 12th at St. Mary, Torun, 5589 Dewey Drive, Stevens Point.

Exposition 4:30PM, Rosary 5PM with Confessions and 5:30PM Mass followed by dinner & presentation entitled “Lenten Spiritual Journey through the Holy Land” by Rev. Jeffrey W. Hennes.

ST. ADALBERT PARISH, Rosholt
FISH FRY—every Friday March 1st through April 12th 4PM—7:30PM
Fish or Shrimp or Combo $10  Kids Fish or Shrimp $6
Dinners include choice of potato, coleslaw, bread and one dessert.
Coffee & milk included. Also take-out orders: 715-677-4518. Homebound delivery in Rosholt. Weekly Raffle

ST. PATRICK PARISH, Halder (136058 Halder Drive, Mosinee)
FISH FRY—Fridays during Lent (March 8th through April 19th—4-8PM)
Deep fried or baked haddock & shrimp. Meals include French fries, homemade potato salad, coleslaw, rye bread & dessert. Cash or check

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH, Wausau—SOUP SUPPERS
Serving every Wednesday in Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday, March 6th until April 17th. Serving in St. Matthew School cafeteria 4:15PM until 6:30PM. Free Will donation.

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