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Mass Schedule

Weekend Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

Weekday Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am

Holy Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm
(EXCEPT Christmas & New Year's)

Confessions Saturday 3:15-4:15 pm
Sunday & Weekdays 7:30-8:15 am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wed. (except First Fridays) 9:00 am-10:05 am
Benediction
First Fridays, Mass at 8:30 am, 9:00-10:05 am
Benediction

Sacraments

Baptism

1. You must be a registered member of our parish.
2. Make an appointment to see the priest to discuss and participate in the baptismal preparation.
3. Schedule the baptism (time and date).

Marriage

1. Wedding arrangements need to be made six months in advance.
2. Either the bride or groom must be a registered member of the parish.
3. Call the parish office to make an appointment with the priest.

Anointing of the Sick

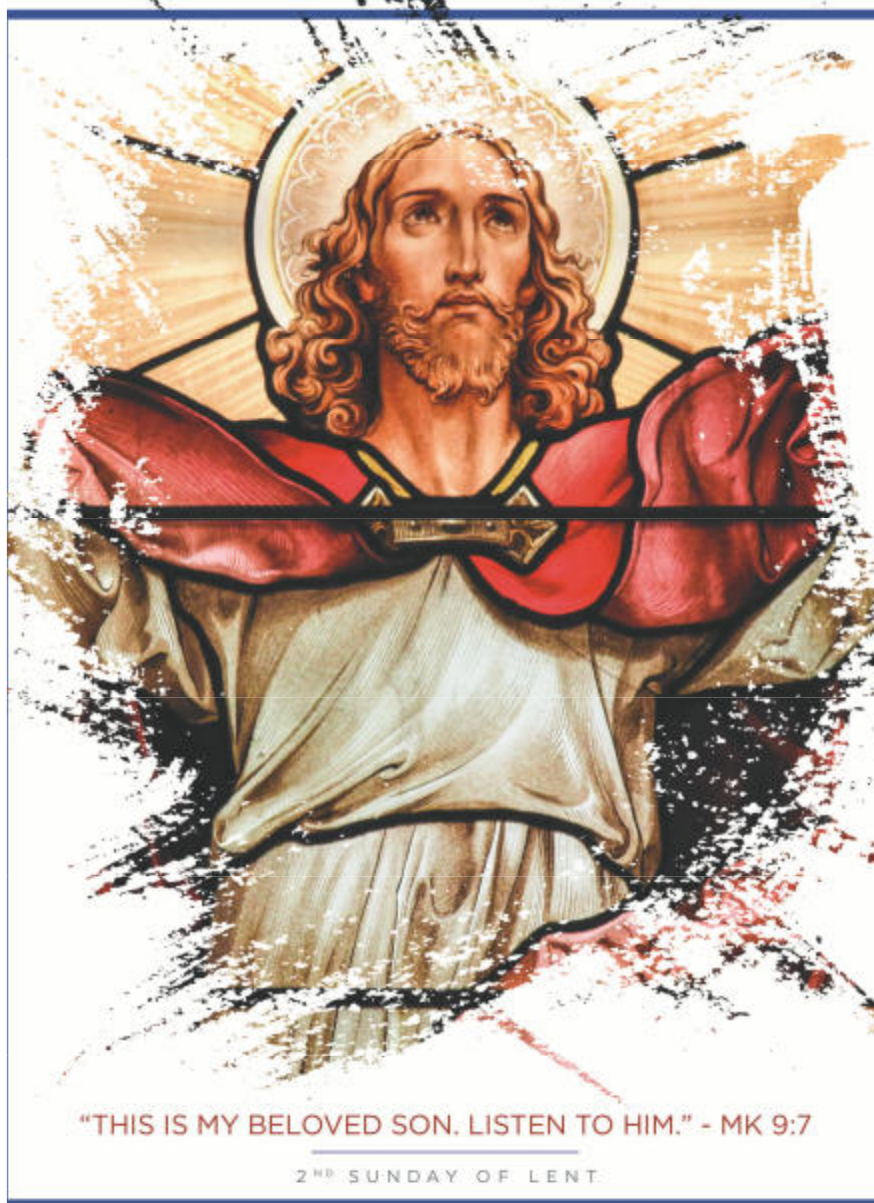
Please call the office if a loved one is seriously ill or in the hospital.

Ministry of Care

If you or a family member is ill, homebound, or unable to come to church and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit, please call the parish office or John Rood at 815-824-2518.

Bulletin Deadline

Items must be submitted to the parish office by 12:00 pm on Monday or the Friday preceding a holiday.



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The 2nd Sunday of Lent

A voice came down from heaven and said, "this is my beloved Son, listen to him."

Do you have anyone in your family who has a listening problem? Notice I did not say a hearing problem. Many people have ears that work quite well; nevertheless, they are very selective in what they hear. You've heard the aphorism that God gave us two ears but only one mouth indicating that God wanted us to spend twice as much time listening as talking.

Paul Tillich, noted theologian of a past generation, once wrote these important words, "The first duty of love is to listen." And that's true. The first duty of love is to listen.

How do we listen to each other well and to God?

Rick Warren once noted three steps. The first one is listen with your eyes. Approximately 80% of communication is non-verbal. Look at people when you listen to them! It was a huge cultural adjustment for me because it was the other way around growing up.

Second, listen with your heart. Be sympathetic. Tune in to the emotions behind words, such as the tone of the voice and empathize with the person.

And finally, he advises, make time to listen to the people around you.

Well said. In the game of life, you and I need to listen to Christ and we need to trust what he says. We need to listen to Jesus with our hearts. And what does Christ have to say to us that we need to hear?

He may want to talk with us about how we are treating family members or co-workers or friends. He may want to talk to us about our discipleship, about our faithfulness to the church. He may want to talk to us about some undesirable behavior that has crept into our lives. Or he may simply want to offer us encouragement as we live our lives.

The story of the Transfiguration tells us that true worship occurs when we leave and do what the Holy Voice tells us to do: "Listen to him." And then, having listened, we do what he tells us to do.

~From the desk of Father Okoro



Liturgical Roles

Weekend of March 6th/7th

Sacristan:	4:30 pm Sarah Treadway
	8:30 am John Rood
E.M.	4:30 pm Sarah Treadway
	8:30 am John Rood
Lector:	4:30 pm Donna Herrmann
	8:30 am Paloma Cardenas
Ushers:	4:30 pm Ben Herrmann, Joe Herrmann, Sue Lilja
	8:30 am Emily White, Caroline Bend, Elliot Kupp, Jerry Binkowski, Jesse Monarrez
Money Counters:	Bob Hickey, Jan Schnorr, Ginger Browder
Linen Ministry:	Anne Hart
Altar Flowers:	Denise and Jan Houghtby
Minister of Care:	John Rood

Mass Schedule

Saturday, February 27

4:30 pm Joseph Weigel †
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

Sunday, February 28

8:30 am Our Parish Family

Tuesday, March 2

8:30 am Bud Thuestad †
By Betty Thuestad

Wednesday, March 3

8:30 am Margaret Rice †
By Ken & Kathy Spears

Thursday, March 4

8:30 am Deceased Members of Altar & Rosary †
By Altar & Rosary Society

Friday, March 5

5:30 pm Rev. Perfecto L. Vasquez †
By Lia Aspengren

Saturday, March 6

4:30 pm William & Jane Weigel †
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

Sunday, March 7

8:30 am Our Parish Family

We have several openings for Mass intentions. Masses may be said for a loved one who has passed, as a gift for someone who is living, or in thanksgiving for blessings received. Please call the parish office to schedule Masses.



The red Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is \$10.00. It will burn for one week. The memorial will be published in the Bulletin.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of:

Rev. Perfecto L. Vasquez †

Prayer Requests

Millie Anderson, Marguerite Armstrong, Lia Aspengren, Suzanne Bertrang, Jim & Dorothy Caracciolo, Patricia Carlson, Wilfred Cidlik, Ann Cox, Tony Crumpton, Phil Foster, Heather Fritsch, Delores George, Judy Hogan, Ed Houghtby, David Mibm, Jan Mueller, Mary Mueller, Cydney Park, Gladys Schnorr, Betsy Todd, Janet Weigel.



Readings for the week of February 28, 2021
Sun: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
Mon: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tue: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wed: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
Thu: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sat: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Stewardship of Treasure
84 Registered Families
Week of February 20th/21th
 Needed each week in 2020-21 \$2,520.00
 Rcvd.....\$2,094.05
 Loss for the week.....\$ 425.95

Fiscal Year-to-Date (35 weeks)
 Needed (at \$2,520.00/week).....\$88,200.00
 Received for the fiscal year to date.....\$84,664.87
 Loss to Date **\$ 3,535.13**

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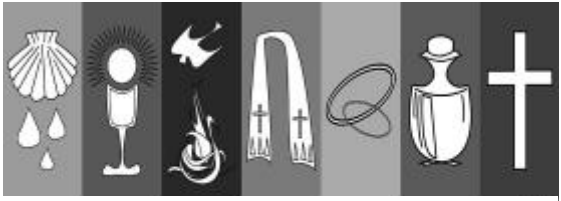
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 Spiritual Director
 and Mr. Kirk Reinhart,
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Upcoming Events

- Sat 2/27 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass
- Sun 2/28 (8:30 am) Sunday Mass
(9:30 am) RE at Home after Mass
- Tue 3/2 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
(7:00 pm) Parish Mission - The Sacraments
- Wed 3/3 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
(9:00 am) Eucharistic Adoration
(7:00 pm) Parish Mission - The Sacraments
- Thu 3/4 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
(7:00 pm) Parish Mission - The Sacraments
- Fri 3/5 (5:30 pm) Daily Mass
(6:00 pm) Stations of the Cross
- Sat 3/6 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass
- Sun 3/7 (8:30 am) Sunday Mass
(9:30 am) Family Catechesis after Mass
- Tue 3/9 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
- Wed 3/10 (8:30 am) Daily Mass



The Sacraments

The great sacraments of our Church have endured for thousands of years. Everything in the Church's life comes from and returns to them. But there is far more to these ancient rites than meets the eye.

Join us for this year's Parish Mission.
"The Sacraments", a video series by
 Bishop Robert Barron, at **St. James Church,**
March 2nd - March 4th
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

March N.I.C.E. Center suggested donation is
Frosting,
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Birthdays

- Dawn Fritsch 3/1
- Catherine Bend 3/4
- Marion Cox 3/5
- Sara Nolan 3/5

The Rosary is a spiritual weapon in the struggle against evil.

Thirty minutes before every Mass the Rosary is recited for the healing of our families, marriages, relationships and parish-ioner intentions.

We invite you to join us as we gather to pray the Rosary.

Observer
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Choir Practice

Choir practices for Holy Week will be:

- Wed, March 10
- Tue, March 16
- Wed, March 24

All practices will begin at 7pm. All are welcomed.



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