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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 5th Sunday of Lent

Years ago, when the Betty Crocker company first began selling their cake mixes, they offered a product which only needed water. All you have to do was add water to the mix which came in the box, and you would get a perfect, delicious cake every time.

It bombed. No one bought it and the company couldn't understand why. Eventually, they found out that people didn't want to be totally excluded from the work of preparing a cake; they wanted to feel that they were contributing something to it. So Betty Crocker changed the formula and required the customer to add an egg in addition to water. Immediately, the new cake mix was a huge success.

When it comes to packaging Christianity, making call for discipleship, unfortunately there is the temptation to make it 'all you have to do.' For example, "Do you feel that something is missing in your life? Do you feel that your worldly ambitions and material rewards aren't enough-- do you have all that and still feel empty inside? Well, all you have to do is turn to Jesus! All you have to do is let Jesus into your life! He'll give you the spiritual sustenance you're looking for and when you add the material success you already have, you truly will "have it all."

So whenever you hear someone say "All you have to do" in relationship to discipleship invitation, all you have to do is to walk away as fast as you can! You don't have to buy into a discipleship journey where you don't even have to break an egg, where it's all pre-mixed for you in the box. That kind of faith has an immediate appeal, but it lacks the depth to sustain you over the long haul of Christian living.

Christian discipleship is an invitation to die with Christ; it is costly but it pays off in the end because we rise with Christ in glory. Lent is a time of dying to oneself, dying to selfish pursuit, dying to sin, so that one can rise with Christ at Easter. "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains simply a grain of wheat, but if it dies bears great fruit."

~From the desk of Father Okoro

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of March 27th/28th

Sacristan:	4:30 pm	Sharlyn Larson
	8:30 am	John Rood
E.M.	4:30 pm	Sharlyn Larson
	8:30 am	John Rood
Lector:	4:30 pm	Donna Herrmann
	8:30 am	Marilynne Voris
Ushers:	4:30 pm	Ben Herrmann, Joe Herrmann, Sue Lilja
	8:30 am	Emily White, Elliot Kupp, Logan Bend, Paul Aloisio, Jerry Binkowski
Money Counters:		Ginger Browder, Jerry Heitkamp, Saul Cardenas
Linen Ministry:		Anne Hart
Altar Flowers:		Ana Cardenas, Tess Rowland, Betty Thuestad
Minister of Care:		John Rood

Mass Schedule

Saturday, March 20

4:30 pm Erwin Jungels †
By Cathy Saelens

Sunday, March 21

8:30 am Our Parish Family

Tuesday, March 23

8:30 am Marguerite Griffen †
By Gen Thorson

Wednesday, March 24

8:30 am Ray Schnorr †
By The Schnorr Family

Thursday, March 25

8:30 am Jim Kolanowski †
By Irene Kolanowski

Friday, March 26

5:30 pm Leona Thompson †
By Betty Thuestad

Saturday, March 27

4:30 pm Clarence & Mary Nolan †
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

Sunday, March 28

8:30 am Grace Crumpton †
By Alvie & Sue Crumpton

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.

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, Dolores George, Judy Hogan, David Mihm, Jan Mueller, Mary Mueller, Gladys Schnorr, Betsy Todd, Janet Weigel.

Readings for the week of March 21, 2021

Sun: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11
Tue: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thu: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Fri: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Sat: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Stewardship of Treasure
84 Registered Families
Week of March 13th/14th

Needed each week in 2020-21 \$2,520.00
 Rcvd.....\$1,778.10
 Loss for the week.....\$ 741.90

Fiscal Year-to-Date (38 weeks)

Needed (at \$2,520.00/week).....\$95,760.00
 Received for the fiscal year to date.....\$89,697.12
 Loss to Date **\$ 6,062.88**

Thank you for your generosity!



“Pulled Pork”

Drive Through Dinner

Sunday, March 21, 2021

2:00-4:00pm

St. James Church, Lee IL



Two sandwiches, sauce, baked beans, and cole slaw.

Purchase tickets from a Knight or that day.

\$12.00 Donation

Upcoming Events

- Sat 3/20 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass
- Sun 3/21 (8:30 am) Sunday Mass
 (9:30 am) No RE - Spring Break
 (2:00 pm) Knights of Columbus Pulled Pork Dinner
- Tue 3/23 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
- Wed 3/24 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
 (9:00 am) “Be Reconciled” Day until 10:30 am
 (6:30 pm) “Be Reconciled” Day w/ two priest
 (7:00 pm) Choir Practice
- Thu 3/25 (8:30 am) Daily Mass
- Fri 3/26 (5:30 pm) Daily Mass
 (6:00 pm) Stations of the Cross
- Sat 3/27 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass
- Sun 3/28 (8:30 am) Palm Sunday Mass



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Choir Practice

Choir practices for Holy Week will be:

Wed, March 24

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

As we approach Holy Week, please schedule some time to sit with our Lord after Holy Thursday Mass from 8:00 pm until midnight. A sign up sheet is in the back of the church. Sign up for one hour or all four hours.



Birthdays

Margaret Koester	3/20	Phil Foster	3/26
Sam Cansino	3/25	Mary Mendoza	3/26
Steve Herber	3/25		

Anniversary

Francis & Pam Freund 3/25 49 yrs

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