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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:30am
Monday 8:00am Communion Service
Tuesday - Saturday 8:00am

Confessions

Tuesday– Saturday 7:00am –7:45am
Saturday 8:30am –10:00am and 3:00pm-3:45pm

Parish Center and Chapel Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm
Friday 8:00am - 12:00 noon

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday 12:00 noon, 1 week prior
 bulletin@holynamewausau.com

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Father Martin for preparation classes. These are required for parents and recommended for Godparents.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact Father Martin 6 months in advance.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Contact Father Martin for information

Anointing of the Sick

If you would like the Anointing of the Sick before a scheduled surgery, or if you're at home or nursing facility, please contact Judy. If you would like Father Martin to visit you while at the hospital, be sure to leave our church name upon registration.

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Mass Intentions

March 28th - April 3rd

28	Monday	8:00 am	Communion Service
29	Tuesday	8:00 am	† Eleanor and Edward Franzen
30	Wednesday	8:00 am	† Raymond Krolikowski
31	Thursday	8:00 am	† Jaye Bargender
1	Friday	8:00 am	† Ken Narloch
2	Saturday	8:00 am	† Gale Schraufnagel

Fifth Sunday of Lent

2	Saturday	4:00 pm	† Buck Hansen
3	Sunday	8:00 am	† St. Catherine's Council
			† Living and deceased members of Holy Name of Jesus Parish
		10:30 am	† Clarence Kyle

March 28th - April 3rd

The Church Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Marie Gau
 Dedicated from: Colleen and Irene Cihlar

The Chapel Blessed Sacrament Candle

Dedicated to: Gale Schraufnagel
 Dedicated from: Stacie Stanke



From the Pastor's Desk

Praised be Jesus Christ! While I was serving at Saint John's some years back, someone dropped off a complete box set of the Laura Ingalls Wilder books for the school library. It was very difficult to make that delivery – I really wanted to keep the books for myself. I grew up reading the Little House books and they are fantastic. I suppose some of the attraction to the books was the fact that I grew up on a farm. But what gives Wilder's books such staying power is their reflection of the value of hard work and the inestimable worth of family life. Ma and Pa worked so hard to make a better life for their three girls and their sacrificial love was like a beacon that drew the whole community closer together. Sometimes we wonder if such things are even possible anymore.

The short answer is that no times are so difficult that God cannot produce saints. Yes, we're living in unsettling times. But so have many others. And their stories are being told today, such as the heroism and forgiveness of a guy like Louis Zamperini whose WWII heroism is told in Laura Hillenbrand's book Unbreakable. Or maybe you've read the story of the American boys whose unparalleled rise to the top brought them face to face with Adolph Hitler as they competed for the gold medal in rowing in the 1936 Olympics (cf. Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown). Another great story of courage and compassion is The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom. Finally, one would be hard-pressed to find a more remarkable story of fortitude and forgiveness than Immaculée Iligabiza's book, Left to Tell. Someone mentioned that Immaculée came to Wausau some time ago, and I only wish I had been here to meet her. Her devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the strength it gave her not only to survive the 1994 Rwandan genocide, but even to forgive the people who killed her family are almost unbelievable.

All of this is a prelude to the theme of this column, which comes from the movie "The Way," (the 2010 movie about the pilgrimage across Spain to the tomb of Saint James the Apostle): "*You don't choose a life, you live one.*" At times, we fight hard to have life on our terms. We can be very stubborn people. However, for those who spiritually mature, the realization sets in that we have been given the gift of life and that comes with certain strengths and weaknesses. These are the limits of our life, and they cannot be exchanged. Sadly, our world considers every option open and that can make a real mess of a person's identity. We tell kids they can be whatever they want to be, but that's not exactly true. Transgenderism is a depressing topic and no matter how one engages it, non-conformism to such pseudo-science will win one an instantaneous black eye. Not that it solves all of our problems, but the above mantra gets it right: "*You don't choose a life, you live one.*"

That being said, accepting the life that God gave us is one of the most challenging realities that we'll ever face. We labor under the impression that our dreams will all be realized and that our hopes will always be fulfilled. I think of my friend Adam. He loved baseball and was remarkably good at it. After an impressive college career that culminated in being named an All-American, it seemed that his dream of making the Major League was within reach. Except that it wasn't – he washed out at the next level because he just wasn't good enough to compete with others who were more talented. No one ever worked harder than Adam, and yet he had to come to grips with a dream that was ending. This is hard stuff for us as human beings, but it can be good for us too. After all, there's no shame in giving our best, even if it's not as good as we had hoped it would be. In faith, God receives what we give and He multiplies it. If you don't believe me, maybe you'll believe Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Mother Teresa was asked once how she helped 40,000 people in the course of her lifetime. Her response was characteristically short and sweet: "*I helped one person, and then Jesus brought another and another. This was all His work, not mine.*" Often times we hang back and avoid the task Jesus is asking us to consider because we feel inadequate or it's too humble for us to engage. In his later years after moving from the farm to town, Dad continued his lifelong habit of picking up the garbage that he found along the streets. But he added another task, that of greeting each and every pet he encountered along the way. Once I walked with Dad from his home to church, a distance of just over a mile. I was amazed to see the response of each dog and deer (yes, there was a domesticated deer in a pen) as we made our way to church. It was like walking with Saint Francis of Assisi.

Hard times are an opportunity for fortitude and deep faith. The other alternative is deep fear, but we don't do well when we live in such a state. There is a choice, and God gives each of us the grace to choose rightly. But maybe that's the hardest part, asking Him for help. As the following quote makes clear, we'd all like to be heroes and do it on our own: "*Dear God, I give You all, willingly. But I don't know how to give, I just let them take. The best is to remain quiet. Because though I may not know how to give, You know how to take . . . Yet I would have wished to be once, just once, magnificently generous to You!*" (The Diary of a Country Priest, George Bernanos). Patterned on the life of Saint John Vianney, Bernanos' book shows how heroic goodness requires a humble heart and the courage to ask for help. When is the last time you asked for help? As Pa and Ma Ingalls demonstrate over and over again, before we can give we have to receive. It's just really hard to ask for help.

May God help us to live heroically the life and vocation that He has given us!

Your friend in Christ,
Father Martin



Stations of the Cross
Tuesdays at 6:15pm
Fridays after Mass at 8:30am

Confessions
Tuesday - Saturday
Saturday
Saturday, April 2nd
7:00a.m. - 7:50a.m.
8:30a.m. - 10:00a.m.
2:00p.m. - 3:50p.m.
8:30a.m. - 11:00a.m. 2 priests

March 27, 2022 - 4th Sunday of Lent

God's love story reveals itself in our stories, experiences, and aspirations. We are all prodigal sons and daughters. There are many times in our lives when we would "sell our souls" in order to pursue our passions. We pursued what we wanted without regard for others or God. We have sowed our oats, thrown ourselves into careless pleasures, spent what we know we ought to have saved, turned our backs on those we love and abused gifts we have been given. We even hit bottom and realized the silliness and self-destruction of it all. We needed to come home. We knew we erred and needed a gentle presence to show us God's unconditional love. This wayward journey home changed us.

As much as we need to be welcomed, we are also the one who needs to do the welcoming and mercy giving. Those we love need our guidance, but they don't always take it. We know that what they are doing is off the mark, self-destructive and wrong. We have to let them go and let it happen, even though they might get hurt. As we wait and hope, they choose to make their way back to us. They don't need us to judge them. They have done enough of that to themselves. We immediately embrace them and are just happy they're home. God uses us to help heal them. Knowing how much we craved understanding and forgiveness ourselves, we can now freely give it away. God uses what he has taught us to teach others.

We are also the entitled ones. At least we "think" we are entitled. After all, we work hard for what we have. We cannot get our heads around the idea that someone can get something that I really deserve! If I do what I'm supposed to do, I ought to be rewarded for that, right? If I do something wrong, I ought to pay the consequences. This is justice, isn't it? This is not God's justice. God is all about love, mercy, compassion, and forgiveness. God's justice is love freely given without merit. We carry the stories of the prodigal son, the unconditional forgiving father, and the entitled angry brother with us. When we make friends with all three, humbly telling those stories to others makes us Christ's ambassadors

Please consider becoming a mentor to help participants in a successful St Vincent de Paul program called "Getting Ahead in a Just Getting-By World." This 16-20 session workshop helps individuals build their own personal plan to get out of poverty. The program helps participants explore their "Life Now"; develop their "Future Story"; and learn how they can apply the "Theory of Change" to "Get Ahead." Mentors are a powerful part of this process. Those living in unstable environments need people in their lives who can support them through the very difficult changes necessary to build skills, change relationships, connect with resources, and develop the attitudes and behaviors necessary to complete this journey. Typically, Mentors meet with their investigators once a week for one hour and are available for occasional phone calls. Mentors are not a 24/7 hotline, nor do they provide financial support. Training is available. Call 715-298-3028 ext. 3 Email: gettingahead@svdpwausau.org



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Readings for the week of March 27 , 2022

Sunday-27 Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Monday-28 Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday-29 Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday-30 Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday-31 Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
 Friday-1 Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday-2 Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53
 Sunday-3 Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

The rosary is prayed daily at Holy Name before each morning Mass. Please come and join us!

Southwest Wausau Circle of Joy Food Pantry
 It's time to start planning for our Easter food baskets. We hope to provide **20 families** with an Easter meal this year. Do you think you could help? We will need, of course, at least **18 hams**. (We have 2 already!) We have freezer space available. If you can help with a ham donation, please call the number below and we'll make arrangements for you to drop it off, or for someone to pick it up.



Cash donations are also needed to purchase items that we might not have on our shelves. Please make checks payable to "Circle of Joy" and mark the envelope "Circle of Joy" and drop in any collection basket at church, or mail directly to: Circle of Joy, 225780 Rib Mountain Dr., Box 114, Wausau WI 54401.

If your family would benefit from an Easter food basket, please contact Brenda Ricci at 715-298-0893. If you know of a family in need who lives South of Stewart Ave., West of the river, and East of 17th Avenue, please let us know. We will make every effort to help and all requests will be kept confidential.

Holy Thursday Mass Food Drive

Due to Covid-19, we will **NOT** be having a Holy Thursday Mass Food Drive this year. The offertory Collection that day will benefit the Circle of Joy.

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
 April 2nd and 3rd
 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Lectors Roger Ellis	Shaun Eades	Shirley Fritsche
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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

March 27th - April 3rd

- Sun-27 **Chuck and Judy Neff Evening of Reflection on Marriage and Family 6:30 C**
 Mon-28
 Tue-29 Stations of the Cross 6:15 C
 Wed-30 Religious Education-Confections 6:15-7:30
 Thurs-31
 Fri-1 Stations of the Cross 8:30
 Sat-2
 Sun-3



Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support

helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

Easter Flowers

We are now accepting donations for Easter flowers. If you would like to give a donation in memory of a loved one, please clearly print their name on your envelope or insert a piece of paper with their name on it. Thank you!



Anyone interested in alternating making coffee for funerals please contact me. Thank you ~ Jeanne Rader 715-842-1020.

Inspired by the Spirit

Eternal Father, Your Holy Spirit breathes life and gives beauty to all Your creatures, and forms us in Your image.

Jesus, as You promised, You send Your Spirit upon Your Church to embolden us always to carry out Your mission.

Holy Spirit, poured out as love itself, we turn to You; inspire us!

You who strengthened the faith of those in every generation before us, inspire us today to be courageous in our belief.

You who will remain always with us, inspire us now to share what we have received for our present good and for the good of those yet to come.

Amen.

HOLY NAME PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection Report for March 20, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 9,579.00
ACH Weekly Deposit	\$ 1,354.00
Student.....	\$
Offertory.....	\$ 700.75
Maintenance.....	\$ 212.00
Weekly Collection	\$11,845.00

Annual Appeal as of March 14, 2022

Our Target.....	\$59,840.00
Amount Received	\$59,840.00
Remaining.....	\$
Percent of goal received.....	100.0%

With grateful hearts we are excited to share that we have reached our Diocesan Appeal Goal. We would like to thank each of you for the generosity and support that you have given Holy Name of Jesus Parish. We couldn't have done it without you!

Stain Glass Window Update

"Given by the people of Holy Name and KC Council #1069"

This will be the plaque commemorating the last of our six stained glass windows. (The other five windows have been paid for by Holy Name families as a memorial.)



As was mentioned last weekend, we're grateful to the Knights of Columbus for their matching grant of \$15,000. We have another gift that already came in, so we're nearly halfway to paying for this window.

For all who cannot afford the full cost, here's a chance to be a part of Holy Name's past, present, and future. Please mark as "stained glass window" if you're making a donation to this cause. By the way, the window will be the scene of the Crucifixion. Thank you for your generous support!

Traditional Easter Food Basket Blessing "Święconka"

Saturday, April 16th, 10:00 am

Holy Name of Jesus invites families and individuals to bring food for their Easter meal and/or Easter baskets to be blessed.



This is a tradition among the Polish people who had food for their first meal of Easter blessed. All are welcome to participate.

Country Store is looking for your donations.

It's that time of year again to spring clean and donate your new and used items so we can have a great sale.

Items Welcome:

Household and Kitchen Items, Books, Knick Knacks, Tools, Toys, Movies, Jewelry, Religious Items, Holiday Decorations.

Items Not Accepted:

Clothes, Exercise Equipment, Old TV's, Microwaves, Printers, Computers, Christmas Trees over 4 feet tall, Tree Stands, Paint or Chemicals of any kind. We don't want to pay to dispose of them.

Drop off at School Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:30, or call the Parish Center for assistance. Contact Kathy Oelke 715-359-8274 if you have questions.





Religious Education Schedule

Families Mark Your Calendars

Mar	30	Class & Reconciliation
Apr	6	Class
Apr	13	Class & Reconciliation
Apr	20	Class



No Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, March 27th



First Eucharist Fair

April 9

from 8 am-12:30 pm

We will begin with 8:00 Mass and then move to Simmons Hall

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Pilgrims of all ages come together for this event. Some walk in groups to share the experience, while others use the time for meditative reflection. At the end, after emptying themselves out, they have made room for the Holy Spirit to expand within them.

Saturday, May 7, 2022

6:30 AM - 8:30 PM

See the schedule of events at:

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If you are interested in participating, contact Stacie Stanke at Stacie@holynamewausau.com





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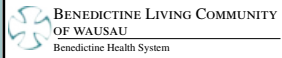


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