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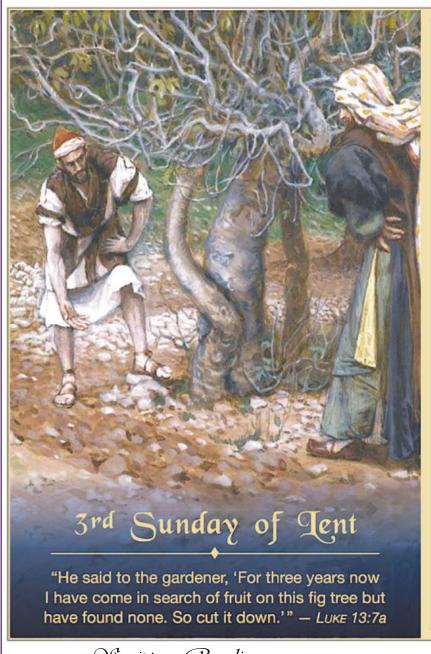
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+ Weekly Liturgies + Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 19 - Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saint Patrick, 4:30 p.m.

+ Paul McNamara by the Family

Sunday, March 20

Saint Paul, 8:00 a.m.

+ *Pro Populo* (for the People of the Parishes)

Saint Patrick, 10:30 a.m.

+ Jim Drach by Mike & Kathy Noonan

Monday, March 21

Saint Paul, 5 p.m.

+ Don & Teresa Fogarty by Mike & Barb Fogarty

Tuesday, March 22

Saint Patrick, 6 p.m.

+ Lillian Smith

by Chuck & Rogene Brady

Wednesday, March 23 - Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo,

Saint Paul, 8 a.m.

+ Candy Abry by Ed & Carol Waldschmidt

Thursday, March 24

Saint Patrick, 8 a.m.

+ Jerry Yedinak by Monica Wood

Friday, March 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord

Saint Paul, 8 a.m. + Bill & Jeanette Myers

by Mike & Sherry Cassady

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 26

Saint Patrick, 4:30 p.m. + Ed Krischel by Jim & Mary Gschwendtner

Sunday, March 27

Saint Paul, 8:00 a.m.

+ Ed & Ruth Rinn by Mike & Barb Fogarty Saint Patrick, 10:30 a.m.

+ *Pro Populo* (for the People of the Parishes)

NOTE: Friday, March 25th, at Saint Paul Church, Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m.

SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Weekend Distribution of Holy Communion outside of Mass

Until further notice, available outside shortly following both Masses at Saint Patrick and shortly following Mass at Saint Paul in small vestibule.

Scripture Reading "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you."

FLOCKNOTE: SAINT PATRICK https://SPDSPO.flocknote.com/SaintPatrick SAINT PAUL https://SPDSPO.flocknote.com/SaintPaul ONLINE BULLETIN: www.parishesonline.com • FACEBOOK: Parishes of Saint Patrick, Dwight and Saint Paul, Odell • FORMED.ORG

. Third Sunday of Lent .

"I AM sent me to you." Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, Director of Vocations for Recruitment, via telephone at (309) 671-1550 or via email at fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org; or Father Haake. To serve as a permanent Deacon, contact the Office of the Diaconate at the number above or Father Haake. To serve in Holy Matrimony, contact Father Haake.

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

- Tuesday: 5:00-5:40 p.m., Saint Patrick, Dwight
- Wednesday: following 8:00 a.m. Mass, Saint Paul, Odell
- Saturday: 8:00 a.m., Saint Patrick, Dwight

Additional Reconciliation Time: Wednesdays, 5:10 - 5:50 p.m.

— Or by appointment.. —



Please bring your palms and other burnable blessed items and place them in the marked containers in the vestibules of either church.

Easter Flower Offerings

Please turn in your envelopes on or before Wednesday. April 6th, to have your "In Memory/In Honor" names listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.





St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels

Thank you for your generosity to this project! Parish donation for the month of March is toilet paper and/or paper towels. Containers are located in the church entry and parish hall for contributions.



Spring 2022 Pre-School Screenings

(Birth to 5 years)



School **Phone** Odell #435 April 7 815-998-2272

Parents of all birth to 5 year olds within the Livingston County Special Services Unit Co-op are invited and encouraged to have their children screened.

EMPOWER ILLINOIS A donation made to Saint Paul School, or the Diocese of Peoria re: Schools (SPS/DoP), via Empower Illinois (EI) provides the donor an Illinois Tax Credit or taxes due that year of up to 75% of the donation. For example, if one owes/paid \$100 in Illinois State Tax (IST) and makes a \$100 donation to SPS via EI, the donor will receive a \$75 tax credit/back respectively. If they owe/paid \$200 in IST and donate \$100 as above, they will receive a \$75 credit/back respectively. If donor owes/pays \$300 in IST and donates \$200 via EI, the donor will receive a \$150 credit/back respectively. Of course, the tax credit could then be donated to Saint Paul School!

Please contact SPS for more information and assistance in donating via EI. A \$1 for \$1 match is being made up to \$10,000 = \$20,000 over 5 students full, or several more partial tuition scholarships for Saint Paul School! This provides more funds via tuition for the school!

Thank you in advance for your financial support of Saint Paul School, especially through Empower Illinois and, of course, vour prayer.

Catch the



Spirit!

RCIA/ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES March 23th

Christian Call to Holiness

For information:

Deacon George, 815-848-3147 (RCIA), or Father Haake, 815-584-5178 (general information).



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Collections from March 12/13

SAINT PATRICK Sunday Collection \$2143

Building Fund	\$136
Candles	\$7
Food Pantry	\$35
USCCB - Ukraine	\$250
Easter Flowers	\$125
Saint Paul School Stewardship	\$135
Mount Olivet Cemetery	\$100
Ash Wednesday	\$35
Saint Patrick's Feast Day	\$20
Bukoba	\$100
Sacred Heart - Chapel of Ease	\$115
SAINT PAUL	
Sunday Collection	\$1590
Maintenance	\$135
Easter Flowers	
Initial Offering	\$5
School Support	
Ash Wednesday	\$25

Saint Paul School Stewardship\$350 Thank you for your continued support of your parishes!

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

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m We are starting the fourth quarter of the school year. It's hard to believe how fast the school year is going by. Third and fourth grades continue to work hard in all subjects. We are studying rocks and minerals in science and grew crystals this past week. We continue to study the regions of the United States and are currently in the Southeast. Both classes are studying fractions in math and pronouns in language arts. Part of our Lenten Journey includes contemplating Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection by reading the Stations of the Cross every day. Thank you for your generous support of Saint Paul School. — Mrs. Harback

"Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer."

-ROMANS 12:12

CONVERSION AND PERSEVERANCE

Pope Francis, Shepherd of Truth

Notable quotations from Pope Francis and official teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.



"A FAVORITE TIME"

Lent is a favorable time for personal and community renewal, as it leads us to the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

DON'T GIVE UP

... We will do well to reflect on Saint Paul's exhortation to the Galatians: "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity ..., let us do good to all" (Gal 6:9-10)

"A CHANGE IN MINDSET"

Lent invites us to conversion, to a change in mindset, so that life's truth and beauty may be found not so much in possessing as in giving, not so much in accumulating as in sowing and in sharing goodness.

"OPEN AND DOCILE"

Regular listening to the word of God makes us open and docile to His working ... and bears fruit in our lives. This brings us great joy, yet even more, it summons us to become God's co-workers.

"FREEDOM FROM SIN"

Serving God in freedom from sin brings forth fruits of sanctification for the salvation of all (cf. Rom 6:22).

A DAILY CHALLENGE

Each year during Lent we are reminded that "goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized every day ... Let us ask God to give us the patient perseverance of the farmer ..., and to persevere in doing good, one step at a time. If we fall, let us stretch out our hand to the Father, who always lifts us up. If we are lost, if we are misled by the enticements of the evil one, let us not hesitate to return to God, who is "generous in forgiving" (Is 55:7)

DON'T GROW TIRED

In this season of conversion, sustained by God's grace and by the communion of the Church, let us not grow tired of doing good. The soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer and enriched by charity. Let us believe firmly that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what is promised (cf. Heb 10:36), for our salvation and the salvation of others (cf. 1 Tim 4:16).

"THE GIFT OF PATIENCE"

May the Virgin Mary, who bore the Savior in her womb and "pondered all these things in her heart" (Lk 2:19), obtain for us the gift of patience. May she accompany us with her maternal presence, so that this season of conversion may bring forth fruits of eternal salvation.

(Source: Message for Lent, 11/11/21)



DIVINE MERCY DAILY

Reflections from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

~ OFFER ME YOUR MISERY ~

MEDITATIO

Write, My daughter, that I am mercy itself for the contrite soul. A soul's greatest wretchedness does not enkindle Me with wrath; but rather, My Heart is moved towards it with great mercy (Diary, 1739).

For you, I am mercy itself; therefore I ask you to offer Me your misery and this very helplessness of yours and, in this way, you will delight My Heart (Diary, 1775).

My PRAYER RESPONSE:

Jesus, You are mercy itself. I offer You my misery and that of the whole world. May Your Heart of Mercy delight at this offering of our misery to You. Jesus, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

~ NOTHING WILL STOP ME ~

MEDITATION:

Today the Lord said to me, My daughter, My pleasure and delight, nothing will stop Me from granting you graces. Your misery does not hinder My mercy. My daughter, write that the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all. On the cross, the fountain of My mercy was opened wide by the lance for all souls — no one have I excluded! (Diary, 1182).

MY PRAYER RESPONSE:

Thank You, Jesus, that nothing will stop You from granting me Your graces. I rely on Your Heart opened on the Cross to bathe me in Your mercy. Bathe me and the whole world in Your mercy!

~ A VESSEL FOR GRACES ~

MEDITATION:

Once, Jesus said to me, My gaze from this image is like My gaze from the cross (Diary, 326).

I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You" (Diary, 327).

MY PRAYER RESPONSE:

Jesus, look at me from the Cross, so I may trust in You even more each time I gaze at You portrayed in Your image. I want to keep coming to this image as a vessel for graces. Keep my gaze fixed on You.

~ THE GREATER THE SINNER ~

MEDITATION:

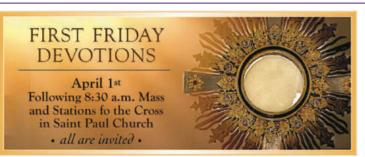
Today, I heard these words: The graces I grant you are not for you alone, but for a great number of other souls as well. ... And your heart is My constant dwelling place, despite the misery that you are. I unite Myself with you, take way your misery, and give you My mercy. I perform works of mercy in every soul. The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy. My mercy is confirmed in every work of My hands. He who trusts in My mercy will not perish, for all his affairs are Mine, and his enemies will be shattered at the base of My footstool (Diary, 723).

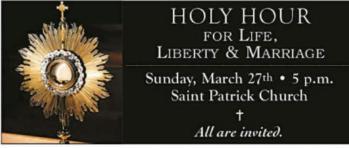
My Prayer Response:

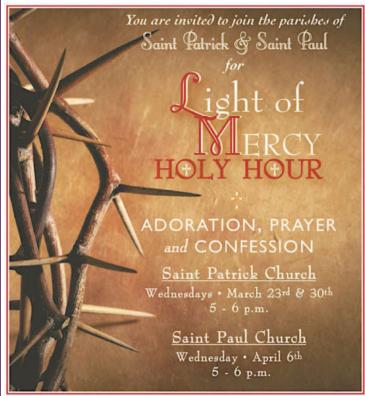
Lord Jesus, work miracles of mercy in the souls of the miserable, especially those trapped in sin, because they so need Your mercy. Help us all to trust in Your mercy.

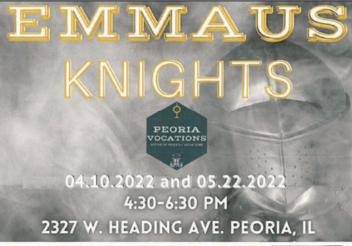
*The words of Jesus appear in boldface type

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SEE YOU SUNDAY! LET US KNOW YOU'LL BE THERE!



~ Contact Father Haake or the Office of Vocations ~

"Fathers (Fatherly figures) and sons, you are invited to contact Father Haake to make arrangements to participate in Emmaus Knights: an opportunity for dads to engage other dads and boys/young men — 7th through 12th graders — to engage with others, including priests, about discerning God's calling for them: their vocation. The event includes prayer, fun, food, discussion."

Leaders, Come Together, Be Pro-Life, Not Pro-Death

Americans are so blessed to live in the U.S. Yet, there are those who abuse the privilege time and time again. That's not the way God wants us to live. Review His Ten Commandments because one day each one of us will be judged by them. The most important one is to love God, and the rest will fall in place - to honor your parents - do not kill - do not commit adultery - do not steal. These are but a few of them.

What gives anyone the right to steal? Nothing! Their property, car, identity, etc. is theirs' only. What is so hard to understand about thou shalt not kill? It simply means don't kill anyone!

Unfortunately, we have a law that allows abortion of our tiniest human beings. Since 1973, 63 million babies have been murdered in the wombs of their mothers. There are some who say it is just 'tissue.' Any woman who has had a baby knows this is not true - it is a human being - a God-given baby. The people and doctors who work in the abortion clinics know it's a baby, too, if they would just admit it!

We need to have our president, judges, senators and representatives make a new law condemning abortion. We should all be pro-life, not pro-death.

We need Republicans and Democrats to come together to work for the good of our country on this life-and-death issue and on all our country's issues.

— RUTH WEBER, DAVENPORT, IOWA

HELP WANTED

- Office Coordinator/Administrative Professional for the Parishes of Saint Patrick and Saint Paul.
- Custodian for the Saint Patrick Parish Hall. Please contact Father Haake at the Rectory, 815-584-5178.



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"...He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none." — Luke 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have Wed. 03/30 RCIA, Saint Patrick Hall, 7 p.m. done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not Thu. 03/31 only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts, and return them with increase. Fri. 04/01 Stations of the Cross and First Friday Devotions, Remember, we are called to be generous with all of our gifts; especially the ones that means the most to us.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the sick and suffering of Saint Patrick, Saint Paul, our relatives, friends, and our communities, especially: Shannon Badder, Robert Bash, Barb Basham, Jonathan Becker, Darlene Bellis, Brad Bossert, Rick Bower, Mark Buettner, Molly Cull, Darlene DeSutter, Austin Eggleston, Bill Ehman, Barb Foley, Steve Francisco, Christine Gravesen, Marsha Haake, Mike Haake, Jordan Patrick Haigh, Carol Hartley, Frank Hemker, Karen Jahn, Bianca Kelly, David Louis, Ray Masching, Darlene McCarthy, Cosette Miles, Leona Myers, Phyllis Neumann, Tony Noonan, Livy Noles, Maria Ortiz, Father Mike Pakula, Amy Petrovich, Michelle Petrovich, Lesley Seabert, Kristi Spandet, Martha Spandet, Clark Stewart, Max Sulzberger, Mike Thiege, Phyllis Tjelle, Ann Tovar, Lenny Tryner III, Marion Verdun, Arlene Wright, Laura Wright, Jalene Woolford, and all with COVID-19 and other illnesses.

Please inform Father Haake or the Parishes Office of Saint Patrick and Saint Paul (they will forward to Father) of the names of those for whom you would like us all to pray.

Please pray for all those that are homebound, in nursing homes, in hospitals, in hospice; those with COVID-19. Of course, remember in prayer deceased loved ones and those not remembered. Especially remember those serving our country and that those who are in foreign lands will return home safely to their families. Pray for an end of all crimes against humanity: war, terrorism, murder/abortion, euthanasia, slave trafficking, bigotry, racism...

GUIDELINES DURING the PANDEMIC: Please contact Father Haake (Rectory phone number) as he may be able to administer the sacraments during the pandemic even if not an emergency. Individual Hospital protocols determine whether or not Father may visit parishioners and / or offer the sacraments.

Please update your parish membership with emergency contact information ASAP by contacting the parishes office.

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN COMMITTEE

Gerry Salzburg 584-2830 or Peg Watters 252-5393

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon. 03/21 Mobile Food Pantry, Saint Lawrence Church, South Wilmington, 4 p.m. till the food runs out Men's Prayer Group, Saint Patrick Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Tue. 03/22 Stations of the Cross, Saint Patrick Church, following 6 p.m. Mass

Wed. 03/23 Food Pantry, Gothic Church, Dwight, 1 p.m.

No CCD - Spring Break

Light of Mercy Holy Hour, Saint Patrick Church, 5 p.m.

RCIA, Saint Patrick Hall, 7 p.m.

Mid-Lenten Ecumenical Service, Congregational Church, 7 p.m.

Fri. 03/25 Stations of the Cross, Saint Paul Church, following 8 a.m. Mass

Sun. 03/27 Holy Hour for Life, Marriage & Liberty, Saint Patrick Church, 5 p.m.

Mon. 03/28 Men's Prayer Group, Saint Patrick Hall, 6:30 p.m. Tue. 03/29 Stations of the Cross, Saint Patrick Church, following 6 p.m. Mass

Saint Patrick Finance Council meeting, Saint Patrick Hall,

Saint Paul Church, following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Sun. 04/03 Viewing of The Passion of Christ, the Mel Gibson film, Saint Patrick Hall, following the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 p.m.

March 27th bulletin items are due by noon, Monday, March 28th.

~ CEMETERY CLEAN UP ~ SAINT PAUL CEMETERY

Please remove anything you want to keep by April 10, 2022.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DRIVE-THRU FISH FRY'S

4:30 to 7 p.m. in Saint Patrick Parish Hall parking lot, all Fridays of Lent except Good Friday. Serving Baked Cod, Fried Pollock and Deep Fried Shrimp, with sides and a dessert. Adults/high school, \$12 each; grade school, \$5 each. For faster service, orders may be called into the parishes office, 815-584-3110, beginning at 4 p.m. each Friday.

PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

Rebecca "Becca" Deleo-Battle

Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

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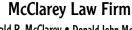
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