



# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES!

We are a Catholic parish where people experience Jesus Christ in a way that changes how they live.

## Second Sunday of Lent March 5, 2023

*Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you. Psalm 33*

### Holy Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30AM  
Tuesday, 5:30PM & Thursday, 7:30AM  
Saturday, 4:30PM English  
6:30PM Spanish  
Sunday, 8:00AM and 10:00AM  
All Masses are live streamed.

### Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday, 3:15-4:10PM  
Sunday, 9:00-9:50AM

### Adoration

Monday, 2:00-4:00PM  
Tuesday, 4:15-5:15PM  
Friday, 9:00-10:00AM

### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
Friday, 9:00AM-Noon

### Church and Chapel Hours

Monday-Friday, 7:30AM-5:00PM  
Saturday, 10:00AM-6:00PM  
Sunday, 7:00-11:00AM

### Misa en español

Sábados a las 6:30PM

### Confesiones

Sábados 3:15-4:10PM  
y por cita previa

### Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes 2:00-4:00PM  
Martes 4:15-5:25PM  
Viernes 9:00-10:00AM

## Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma 5 de marzo de 2023



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

*Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros.  
Salmo 32*

# Parish News and Words from Our Pastor

## Noticias Parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

### Into the Deep Update

This weekend we are announcing the new Pastors and the new priest assignments as part of the Into the Deep Strategic Plan. More information regarding the Into the Deep Process will be forthcoming. This week I begin saying good-bye to our STA family. Let's keep one another in prayer during this transition time and remain as positive as we can for what the Lord has in store for us. It is a very emotional and demanding time for me personally as we make these major transitions. Saying good-bye, beginning our merger with Queen of Peace, and preparing to greet the new priests assigned to our pastorate will be an important time for us here at STA. For me, saying good-bye to people I truly love and care for deeply and preparing to meet the people of my new parishes all the while maintaining our ministries and parish life through Lent, Easter, and through the end of June will be difficult and challenging. On top of that, to begin packing and preparing to physically move after ten years in the same residence is overwhelming to think about. But the Holy Spirit will help us and lead us and take care of us. My hope is that we can enjoy our final months together in these meaningful liturgical seasons of Lent and Easter and be thankful to God for these past ten years of being together on our faith journey. You will never know how much it has meant to me that I was able to serve as your pastor. Thank you to each and every one of you for your goodness to me and to our parish.



### Actualización de Into the Deep

Este fin de semana estamos anunciando las nuevas pastorales y asignaciones de sacerdotes como parte del Plan Estratégico Into the Deep. Próximamente habrá más información sobre el proceso Into the Deep. Esta semana empiezo a despedirme de nuestra familia STA. Mantengámonos unos a otros en oración durante este tiempo de transición y permanezcamos tan positivos como podamos por lo que el Señor tiene reservado para nosotros. Es un momento muy emotivo y exigente para mí personalmente mientras hacemos estas transiciones importantes. Decir adiós, comenzar nuestra fusión con Queen of Peace y prepararnos para recibir a los nuevos sacerdotes asignados a nuestro pastorado será un momento importante para nosotros aquí en STA. Para mí, despedirme de las personas que realmente amo y a las que cuido profundamente y prepararme para conocer a las personas de mis nuevas parroquias mientras mantengo nuestros ministerios y la vida parroquial durante la Cuaresma, la Pascua y hasta fines de junio será difícil. Además de eso, es pesado pensar en comenzar a empacar y preparar para mudarme físicamente después de diez años en la misma residencia. Pero el Espíritu Santo nos ayudará, nos guiará y nos cuidará. Mi esperanza es que podamos disfrutar de nuestros últimos meses juntos en estos significativos tiempos litúrgicos de Cuaresma y Pascua y estar agradecidos a Dios por estos últimos diez años de estar juntos en nuestro viaje de fe. Nunca sabrán cuánto ha significado para mí poder servir como tu párroco. Gracias a todos y cada uno de ustedes por su bondad conmigo y con nuestra parroquia.

## Best Wishes, Fr. Bart—from your STA Staff

### You will be Greatly Missed!

The time has come! As Fr. Bart shared above, this July he will be moving on to serve a new pastorate and bring joy, laughter and wisdom to his new community.

The news is bittersweet, but we know he's destined to touch the lives of many. Please know that we will be planning a farewell celebration for Fr. Bart this June and we look forward to sharing more details soon. In lieu of gifts, we suggest monetary gifts that Fr. Bart can use to purchase what he needs for his new home.

We are looking forward to spending these last few months celebrating and reminiscing on the last 10 years! Work doesn't feel like work for us when you love what you do and who you work with! Thank you for all the fun times, Fr. Bart!

-your STA Staff





# Parish News and Words from Our Pastor (cont'd)

## Noticias Parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

### Welcome Retreatants to STA!

This weekend at our 4:30 p.m. Mass, we welcome those attending the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents Retreat. Let us keep these parents who have lost a child in our prayers – praying for God's healing, consolation, and peace for them and their families. May our faith in the Risen Christ fill us with hope as we look forward to reuniting with our deceased loved ones in God's eternal kingdom of heaven.

### Almsgiving Project for Lent 2023 CRS Earthquake Disaster Relief Fund

One of our Lenten practices is almsgiving, of sharing what we have with others who are in need. **On February 6, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake devastated large areas of central Turkey and northwest Syria. The death toll has surpassed 45,000 and continues to climb. The earthquake is the worst to strike Turkey this century. Later that day, the region experienced a second 7.7 magnitude quake.**

Across affected areas in both countries, apartment buildings and schools have been leveled. For Syrians, the damage took place in areas already devastated by years of war. In Turkey, the airports and the high roads of Anatolia are closed and most hospitals are unusable. Schools have been closed across the country.

**Catholic Relief Services (CRS)** will support emergency relief efforts led by local partners in both Syria and Turkey with Caritas Internationalis, Caritas Syria in Aleppo and Lattakia—where extensive damage has been reported—and other local partners. Already in Turkey, Caritas Internationalis, in coordination with authorities, is bringing displaced people to safe, open spaces and distributing hot meals and clothing.

**Your gifts will help partners to provide safe shelter, and access to food, clean water and hygiene supplies. Please use the envelope stapled to this Sunday's bulletin and place it in next Sunday's collection or mail it to the parish. Thank you for your generosity!**

### Grow In Your Personal Relationship with Jesus During Lent

Please plan to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Both of these experiences can help us in our personal relationship with Jesus. See the bulletin for our Lenten schedule.

### Bienvenidos Participantes de Retiro a STA

Este fin de semana en la misa de 4:30 p.m., damos la bienvenida a los asistentes al Retiro del Ministerio para Padres en Duelo de Emaús. Mantengamos a estos padres que han perdido a un hijo en nuestras oraciones, orando por la sanación, el consuelo y la paz de Dios para ellos y sus familias. Que nuestra fe en Cristo Resucitado nos llene de esperanza mientras esperamos reunirnos con nuestros seres queridos fallecidos en el eterno Reino de los cielos de Dios.

### Proyecto de Limosna para la Cuaresma 2023—Fondo de Ayuda para Desastres por Terremotos de CRS

Una de nuestras prácticas de Cuaresma es la limosna, de compartir lo que tenemos con otros que están en necesidad. **En el 6 de febrero, un terremoto de magnitud 7,8 devastó grandes áreas del centro de Turquía y el noroeste de Siria. El número de muertos ha superado los 45.000 y continúa aumentando. El terremoto es el peor que ha azotado a Turquía este siglo. Ese mismo día por la tarde, la región tuvo un segundo terremoto de magnitud 7,7.**

En las áreas afectadas de ambos países, se han arrasado edificios de apartamentos y escuelas. Para los sirios, el daño se produjo en zonas ya devastadas por años de guerra. En Turquía, los aeropuertos y las carreteras principales de Anatolia están cerrados y la mayoría de los hospitales están inutilizables. Las escuelas han sido cerradas en todo el país.

**Catholic Relief Services (CRS)** apoyará esfuerzos de ayuda de emergencia liderados por socios locales en Siria y Turquía con Caritas Internationalis, Caritas Siria en Alepo y Lattakia, donde se han informado daños extensos, y otros socios locales. Ya en Turquía, Caritas Internationalis, en coordinación con las autoridades, está llevando a las personas desplazadas a espacios abiertos y seguros y distribuyendo comida caliente y ropa.

**Sus donaciones ayudarán a los socios a proporcionar un refugio seguro y acceso a alimentos, agua potable y suministros de higiene. Utilice el sobre grapado en el boletín de este domingo y colóquelo en la colecta del próximo domingo o envíelo por correo a la parroquia. ¡Gracias por tu generosidad!**

### Crece en tu relación personal con Jesús durante la Cuaresma

Por favor planea celebrar el Sacramento de la Reconciliación y rezar las Estaciones de la Cruz. Ambas experiencias pueden ayudarnos en nuestra relación personal con Jesús. Vea el boletín para nuestro horario de Cuaresma.

# Lenten Opportunities

## Ash Wednesday Masses w/Ashes

**Miércoles de Ceniza Misas con cenizas**

**February 22:** 6:30 AM, 12:10 PM,

6:30 PM (bilingual/bilingüe)

**No** 8:30 AM Mass

## Stations of the Cross (no incense)

**Friday, February 24** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, February 28** 6:00 PM

**Friday, March 3** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, March 7** 6:00 PM

**Friday, March 10** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, March 14** 6:00 PM

**Friday, March 17** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, March 21** 6:00 PM

**Friday, March 24** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, March 28** 6:00 PM

**Friday, March 31** 6:00 PM\*

**Tuesday, April 4** 6:00 PM

*\* Simple Supper served after*

*Stations in the Social Hall on Fridays*



All Masses are Livestreamed  
on YouTube and Facebook



## Reconciliation During Lent

Saturdays: 3:15-4:10 PM

Sundays: 9:00-9:50 AM

Tuesdays: February 28,

March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4 6-7 PM

Friday, March 31 9-10 AM

## Confesiones en Español

Sabados: 6:15-7:00 PM



## 2023 Holy Week Mass Schedule

### Palm Sunday

**April 1:** 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM en Español

**April 2:** 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

### Monday of Holy Week

**April 3:** 8:30 AM

### Tuesday of Holy Week

**April 4:** 5:30 PM

Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM

Last Confessions: 6:00– 7:00 PM

### Wednesday of Holy Week

**April 5:** 8:30 AM

### Holy Thursday

**April 6:** No 7:30 AM Mass

Diocesan Chrism Mass:

St Maria Goretti 10:00 AM

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

### Good Friday

**April 7:** 1:00 PM and 3:30 PM en Español

### Easter Vigil

**April 8:** 8:00 PM (incense, bilingual/bilingüe)

**No Saturday** 4:30 PM or 6:30 PM Mass

### Easter Sunday

**April 9:** 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM (incense)

(Overflow seating in the Social Hall)

w/live-stream and Communion

## Stations of the Cross: A Lenten Walk with Jesus

The Stations of the Cross is a visual representation of Jesus' suffering from the time when Pontius Pilate condemned him to death until the moment when he was put in the grave. The stations of the cross are above all a prayer we pray when we remember Jesus' suffering. The St. Thomas Aquinas stations of the cross are located on the inner side walls of the main church. Booklets help us follow along with the reflections and prayers.

From now until Easter, there will be many opportunities to pray together with the Stations of the Cross.

On **Tuesdays during Lent at 6:00PM** (following the 5:30PM Mass) there will be a simple, traditional experience of the Stations of the Cross.

On **Fridays during Lent from 6-7:30pm**, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 6:00PM, complete with music, followed by a simple supper of soup and bread.

Each week, as we eat, we'll hear someone speak briefly about their experience of faith, and how Jesus has been part of their journey. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to join us as we experience the great love of Jesus.



## Eucharistic Miracles Display Coming to St. Thomas Aquinas

Save some time March 15th - 19th to come and see how Jesus' Real Presence has been made manifest throughout history through verified miracles that confirm what we as Catholics believe: that Jesus' body, blood, soul, and divinity are truly present in the Eucharist.

This self-guided tour will be set up in the parish Social Hall.

Watch the bulletin and parish website for more details.





## Lenten Retreats

**Come on Retreat...**

**Jesus is waiting for you!**

**Lenten Retreat at St. Maria Goretti Parish**

**Women - March 10-11**

**Men - March 17-18**

**Friday 6:30PM - 8:00PM, Saturday 8AM-12PM**

No fee.

To learn more and to register:

Visit: [stmariagoretti.org/parish-life/lenzen-retreat/](http://stmariagoretti.org/parish-life/lenzen-retreat/)

**Overnight Weekend Retreats:**

**Taking Time for Peace in the Quiet**

**Redemptorist Retreat Center, Oconomowoc, WI**

**Men - March 10-12 OR March 31 - April 2**

**Women - March 17 - 19 OR March 24 - 26**

**Arrival: Friday evening at 6:15 PM (no evening meal on Friday)**

**Retreat begins Friday at 7:15 PM**

**Departure: Sunday at 1:00 PM, after lunch**

Fee \$250.00 includes private room with private bath, linens, meals (Sat and Sun).

The retreat includes time for prayer, celebration of the sacraments, presentations, some discussions, and most importantly, QUIET. Retreatants are reminded that their time is exclusively theirs, and they are free to enter the schedule to the point they are comfortable.

To learn more and to register:

Visit [www.redemptoristretreat.org](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org); call 262-567-6900; email [rrc@redemptoristretreat.org](mailto:rrc@redemptoristretreat.org)

**Online Lenten Retreats**

[www.oblates.org/lenzen-retreat](http://www.oblates.org/lenzen-retreat)

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/tag/an-ignatian-prayer-adventure/>

Don't know how you want to make this Lent special?

Check out: <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent/>

## National Eucharistic Revival

### Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit Coming to STA

Last week, we provided an example of a Eucharistic miracle. Here is another.



On April 28th, 2001, there was Eucharistic adoration at St. Mary's parish in Chirattakonam, India, when suddenly three red stains materialized on the host. The priest didn't know what to do and placed the host back into the tabernacle.

A few days later he retrieved the host to examine it again, and the red stains had arranged themselves to look like the face of a man (Jesus?). He quickly found a photographer and had pictures taken of the host. (Source: <https://www.churchpop.com/2015/06/28/5-extraordinary-eucharistic-miracles-with-pictures/>)

There are over 100 Eucharistic miracles that have been approved for devotion by the Church. Save some time March 15th - 19th to come and see how Jesus' Real Presence has been made manifest throughout history through very real and verified miracles. Jesus can't wait to get closer to you!



### Have You Heard?

**GOD IS DOING SOMETHING NEW—AND HE IS CALLING YOU TO BE A PART OF IT!**

We are in the midst of a National Eucharistic Revival. Why? Because the Church needs healing, and the world needs Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith—the Eucharist.

Scan the code to learn more about the exciting journey ahead, and sign up for weekly updates on what's happening in this unprecedented national movement!

[eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org)



# Gospel Reflection

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman



## Mt 17:1-9

The Gospel today is a 2 in 1 special! Jesus appears with Moses, representing Old Testament Law, and Elijah, representing the prophets. Jesus is the combination and perfection of these two: 2 in 1. And he is giving a preview of the ushering in of the new covenant through his death and resurrection. And in this preview, Jesus appears in blinding white clothes. Now when is it that we wear white clothes? Baptism. And did you know that Lent is the season of baptism? That's right! We often associate Lent with Reconciliation, but it is equally the season of Baptism.

Lent is 2 in 1.

The Constitution of the Sacred Liturgy, from Vatican II, says "There are two elements especially characteristic of Lent: the recalling of baptism or the preparation for it, and penance." In Lent we are to walk with catechumens preparing for their baptism at Easter, but we all also renew our own vows on that day. 2 in 1. And what happens in the waters of baptism? We are washed clean of sin, as in reconciliation, and we are filled with an inrushing of the Holy Spirit, in part to help us fulfil our vows. 2 in 1.

And what is encompassed by those vows? That can be summed up in an often-overlooked prayer that we use in the baptismal rite: the ephphatha prayer. Ephphatha means "be opened!" the word Jesus used to cure a deaf and mute man. In the rite we pray while touching the ears and mouth: "The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak; may he soon touch your ears to receive his word and your mouth to proclaim his faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father." Hear and proclaim. 2 in 1. So this Lent, let us make it a point to listen and hear what God is speaking to us, and proclaim that Word through our lives as Christians. 2 in 1.

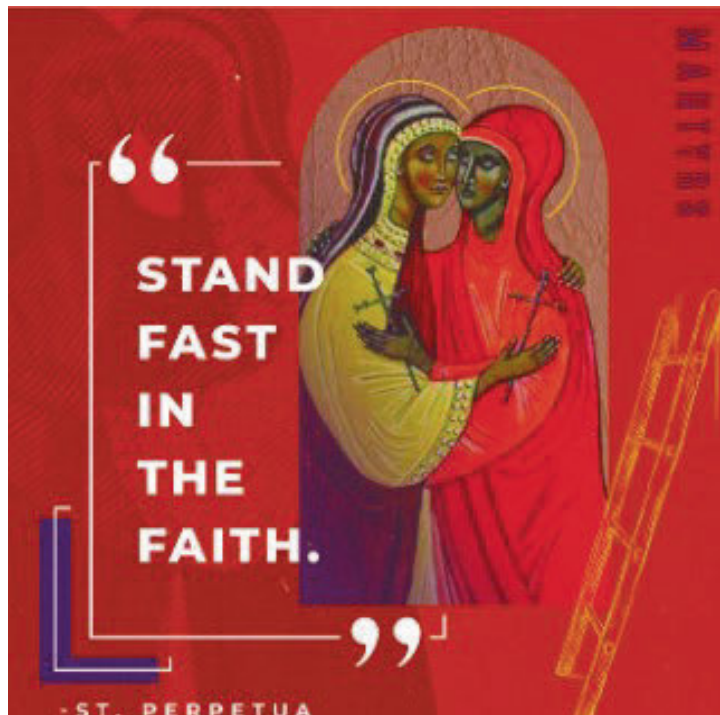


## Madison Catholic Woman's Club

### Annual Priest & Religious Recognition

Madison Catholic Woman's Club invites all women of the Diocese to attend our **Tuesday, March 21** Annual Priest and Religious Recognition Luncheon. It will be held at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 2021 Rowley Ave., Madison: 10:40 Rosary, 11:00 Mass, 12:00 Luncheon followed by remarks from Bishop Hying.

Cost is \$25 per person. Please invite your parish priest, religious or other staff as your guests. All reservations are due by March 14 and can be made on line at [madisoncatholicwomensclub.org](http://madisoncatholicwomensclub.org) or by mail (Theresa Urzagaste, 4410 Rolla Ln. Madison 53711). Please include the name of your parish and any guests' names and their parish names with your payment.





# Justice & Peace and Outreach

**Care for Creation Team Meeting**  
**Sunday, March 5**  
**8:40-9:45 AM**  
**Upper Conference Room**  
**All are welcome to join us!**

## Lenten Reflection

"...Lent is a time for atonement. We are called to become introspective as we examine our conscience, to correct our past misdeeds. In doing so we are also called to be honest with ourselves, and that requires an examination of all that surrounds us. Are the people in God's house suffering? Is someone near you in need of shelter, clothing, or a small gesture of kindness? Behaving as God's children does not always mean that we are quiet, immobilized, seated in a pew with our hands folded on our lap.

Get up and take notice of your surroundings. Break through to a better understanding of what's happening in your world, and participate in the atonement for the sins of all humankind. As we examine what is in the privacy of our hearts, we can evaluate what we allow to happen in our midst, in the collective public view of all.

It might be time to break something in our Father's House. To start we must break our habits of apathy and indifference and break the culture of turning a blind eye to those in need, breaking through to a better world by looking inside our heart, speaking out and speaking up for our brothers and sisters in Christ who need our help. Let us renew ourselves this Lent and break away from a culture of indifference to one that cultivates encounter and welcome."

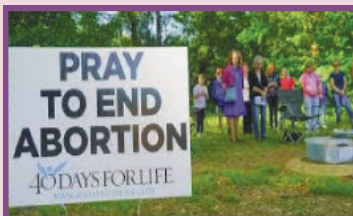
Sr. Norma Pimentel,  
adapted from *Ignatian Solidarity Network*  
Ash Wednesday reflection in *Give Us This Day*

## 40 Days for Life

Help promote an end to abortion by participating in 40 Days for Life. The Madison campaign runs February 19 through April 2. Join us in peaceful prayer, fasting, and compassionate witness at Planned Parenthood, 3706 Orin Road, Madison. Vigilers will be present seven days a week from 7 am - 9 pm.

To sign up for an hour or for more information contact Dr. John Bohn at [director@vigilforlife.org](mailto:director@vigilforlife.org).

If you can't be physically present, please offer your prayers and sacrifices on behalf of the unborn and their families.



## Lenten Fast for Creation Care-Week 3

This Lent, consider a sacrifice focused on Care for God's Creation. Why a Lenten Creation Care Fast?

Heating and cooling account for up to 48 percent of home energy consumption according to the Department of Energy. Turning the thermostat down helps protect the environment. Concerned about being too cold? Put on a sweater and/or add a blanket at night and consider how many in this world have no heat at all.



## HOME ENERGY FAST

Set thermostats to 65° or lower at night when you sleep; 60° when you are not home; and 68° in the day when you are home. Too cold? Put on a sweater and/or add a blanket. You can save an estimated 10% on your heating by turning your thermostat down 10° for 8 hours a day.

See <https://www.mge2050.com/en/our-energy-use>.

If your utility is MG&E, check the charts comparing monthly/annual usage each month to monitor your progress. The charts accompany your online bill and are stored in the Electric and Gas Use History tabs.

## Prayer for those affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria

God of mercy,  
We pray for the people of Turkey and Syria  
following the recent earthquakes.  
We mourn the death and destruction.  
and pray for those who have died  
and those who grieve.

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

We hold in our hearts those who are injured,  
and those who have lost loved ones,  
livelihoods, and homes.

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

Sustain and guide all responding to this disaster.  
Grant those affected courage and resilience,  
as they rebuild their lives and communities.

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

Inspire us to unite in solidarity,  
acting swiftly and generously,  
so that help may reach all who need it.

*Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.*

Amen.

## Grief & Healing

Rachel's Vineyard

Healing the trauma of abortion — one weekend at a time

### Healing from Abortion— One Weekend at a Time

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer Hope and Healing for women and men who have struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion.

**Upcoming retreats in 2023:**  
**March 24-26 and November 10-12**

Whether recent or long ago,  
call or email Mary at 608-821-3177

[rachel@madisondiocese.org](mailto:rachel@madisondiocese.org)

Visit: [www.madisondiocese.org/rachel](http://www.madisondiocese.org/rachel)

Further information on healing after abortion  
is found on this Madison diocesan link:

[www.madisondiocese.org/healing-after-abortion](http://www.madisondiocese.org/healing-after-abortion).

Referrals to a priest and/or therapist are also  
available. Confidentiality is assured.



### St. Catherine Ministry: We are here to support families through miscarriage

Whether you or a loved one have just received the sad news of a miscarriage, the miscarriage is already underway, or you want to know what is next after miscarrying, St. Catherine Ministry is here to accompany you by e-mail, phone call, text message or, if desired, in person.

From providing miscarriage kits to referring for burial sites to crying with you, we want to help because we have been there, too. It's as simple as contacting St. Catherine Ministry director Laura Karlen at [ljkarlen@hotmail.com](mailto:ljkarlen@hotmail.com) or 608-445-2064.

### Parish Care Team

Are you, a friend, or a family member caring for a loved one? Is it challenging to stay positive when the day-to-day demands are increasing? Sometimes it is difficult to ask for help, but there can be great healing and benefit to allowing yourself to be cared for as well as your loved one. Our Care Team offers many services to help you. We can meet with you to identify ways that we can assist you and your loved one. All of our team members are parish members who are interviewed, screened, background checked and trained.

To inquire about receiving services or become a member of our team, please contact Kathy Swanson at 608-444-9374 or Judy Niederberger at 608-845-7057.

It's a new year with new beginnings.

## Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving & Julia Hix

### Pontifical Good Friday Collection

#### *Helping Christians in the Holy Land*

Christians in the Holy Land rely heavily on our help. It is with funds from the Good Friday collection that the Franciscan Custody provides presence, care and service to the people who are living in the land of Christ. You can make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters who live and work where Jesus walked on this earth. Please plan now to make your donation on Good Friday to this vitally important work!

Did you know that funds collected in last year's Good Friday Collection provide senior care facilities in Bethlehem and Nazareth, and provided 398 homes benefiting Christian families? Your gift will make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land who are in dire need of our help. Please consider supporting the Good Friday Collection with some of your Lenten almsgiving.

### Seeking Maintenance Director

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish is seeking a full-time Maintenance Director. The ideal candidate keeps the building, equipment, mechanical systems, and grounds in clean and excellent working condition. This includes performance of routine maintenance activities and deep cleaning duties. This position offers a competitive salary and benefits commensurate with experience. Comfort with use of computer technology is required. This position may require evening and weekend hours around events or parish-wide functions. Candidates should have strong leadership, organizational and communication skills. Applicants who speak both Spanish and English are preferred.

Interested applicants: Please submit your resume to [business@stamadison.org](mailto:business@stamadison.org) by March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 or contact the Business Office with questions or to request the full job description.

### Assistive Listening Systems Available

Are you hearing impaired? Assistive Listening System Receivers are available for people who have difficulty hearing in the church or the chapel. You can request one from an usher.

This system has two options:

- 1) You can use the receiver with headphones (either bring your own, or use ours). Or...
- 2) You can use the Receiver with a loop that goes around your neck and connects directly to the T-coil of your hearing aids.

If you are unsure if your hearing aid has this capability, your audiologist can advise you how to switch your hearing aid on and off the T-coil mode.





# Young Adults, Faith Formation, & Family



A simple supper will be hosted by various church ministries every Friday of Lent.

Please join us in the Social Hall after Stations of the Cross.

There is no cost; donations gladly accepted.

## Friday, March 10: Young Adults Host Supper

**Lumberjack Vegetable** (carrot, tomato, potato, green bean, onion in tomato broth)

**Broccoli Cheese** (cheddar cheese, whole florets, and milk)

Served with ciabatta roll & saltines.



**Donut Sunday**  
**March 12 after**  
**8 & 10 AM Mass**  
**in the Social Hall.**  
**Donations gladly**  
**accepted!**

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**zip "53717"**

**FORMED**

- ♦ *Playing D-1 Soccer as a Devout Catholic w/ Samantha Kelley*
- ♦ *This Week on Formed w/Taylor Kemp & Ben Akers*
- ♦ *Return: Lent Week One w/Fr. John Burns*
- ♦ *Lent Week 1: The Desert w/Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT*
- ♦ *Lent with Brother Francis*
- ♦ *FORMED in the Word Second Sunday of Lent*
- ♦ *Litany of St. Joseph w/Dr. Christopher O. Blum*
- ♦ *Discerning God's Will w/Fr. Larry Richards*



*Middle & High School Youth Sessions*  
*are for ALL students, not just the confirmed.*  
*Come in and join us any time.*

## High School

March 5-Prayer to the Holy Spirit  
March 12-Praise & Worship (Fear of the Lord)  
March 19-Prayer & Friends (the Saints)  
March 26-Special Night (TBD)

## Middle School

March 1-Pillars of Lent Part 1  
March 8-Pillars of Lent Part 2  
March 15-Family Event: Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit in the Social Hall  
March 22-Stations of the Cross  
March 29-Reconciliation

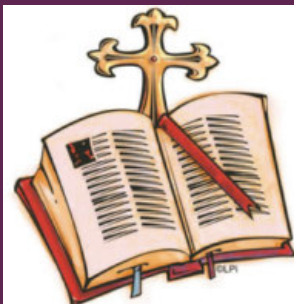
## Preschool & Elementary

March 7&8, 14&15, 21&22, 28&29

March 15 from 6-7:30 PM is a FAMILY EVENT!  
Join us for the Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit in the Social Hall

## Faith Formation Office

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## Young Adults

March 9 at 7p,  
Young Adults meet in the Youth Room at STA.  
We will continue talking about the Lenten Sunday readings.

We'll have food and fellowship.  
Come join us, spread the word, and invite!

**NOTE:** Young adults are those who are single or married ages 18-35.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, March 4 St. Casimir

4:30 PM Irene & Rollie Luedtke✙

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

### Sunday, March 5 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Timothy Kinney✙

10:00 AM David Acker

### Monday, March 6

8:30 AM Gene Kruska✙

### Tuesday, March 7 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

5:30 PM Kathleen Loehr-Lishka✙

### Wednesday, March 8 St. John of God, Religious

8:30 AM Lina Maria Vergara✙

### Thursday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome, Religious

7:30 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

### Friday, March 10

8:30 AM Jenny Jepson✙

10:00 AM (Oakwood) OPEN

### Saturday, March 11

4:30 PM Kevin Hartberg✙

6:30 PM Angela Maria Perentena✙

### Sunday, March 12 Third Sunday of Lent/Daylight

**Saving Time begins**

8:00 AM Msgr. Mike Burke✙

10:00 AM Tom Gombar✙

## Weekday Readings

**Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22/  
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8,9,11,13/  
Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday:** Is 1:10,16-20/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-  
17,21,23/Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,14-16/  
Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4,6/  
Lk 16:19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/  
Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43,45-46

**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Ps 103:1-4,  
9-12/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

**Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2,6-9/  
Rom 5:1-2,5-8/Jn 4:5-42

## Weekly Offertory Update

Weekend Offertory	Income*	MDCC & MDCC Endowment
2023 Year Goals	\$1,400,000	\$405,000
2023 Year TOTALS	\$254,305	\$98,414
Week 1 2/5/2023	\$23,707	\$5,740
Week 2 2/12/2023	\$27,916	\$3,440
Week 3 2/19/2023	\$16,796	\$7,815
Ash Wednesday 2/22/2023	\$3,401	\$20,000
Week 4 2/26/2023	\$14,145	\$685
February ACH 2/28/2023	\$42,345	\$6,515
February 2023 Totals	\$128,310	\$44,195
February 2023 Goals	\$117,000	\$18,000
Capital Projects Improvement Fund (Former Building Fund*)		
February 2023 Totals	\$12,427	
2023 Year TOTALS	\$14,602	

\*Reminder: With the payoff of our Building Fund Loans in January, the "Capital Improvement Fund" will be used for future capital improvement projects (roof replacement, re-paving the parking lot, HVAC upgrades, etc.) to proactively plan for projects in hopes to not require future loans.

\*Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus loose offertory (cash), adjustments to totals may occur.

### Counter Schedule

#### Monday, March 6:

Allen, Baxter, Dulli, Ihlenfeld

#### Monday, March 13:

Degenhardt, Dulli, Ihlenfeld, Michalski, Neu

## Prayers

### March 5th

#### Second Sunday of Lent

For each expectant mother considering abortion:  
May the Lord provide for her needs and give her the grace and resolve to choose life for her child;  
*We pray to the Lord.*

For all on a Lenten journey,  
May we listen with our hearts to God's beloved Son and reach out to those in need;  
*We pray to the Lord.*



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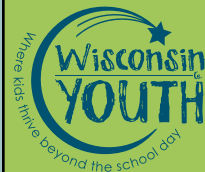


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