

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 14, 2021

St. Mary Catholic Church

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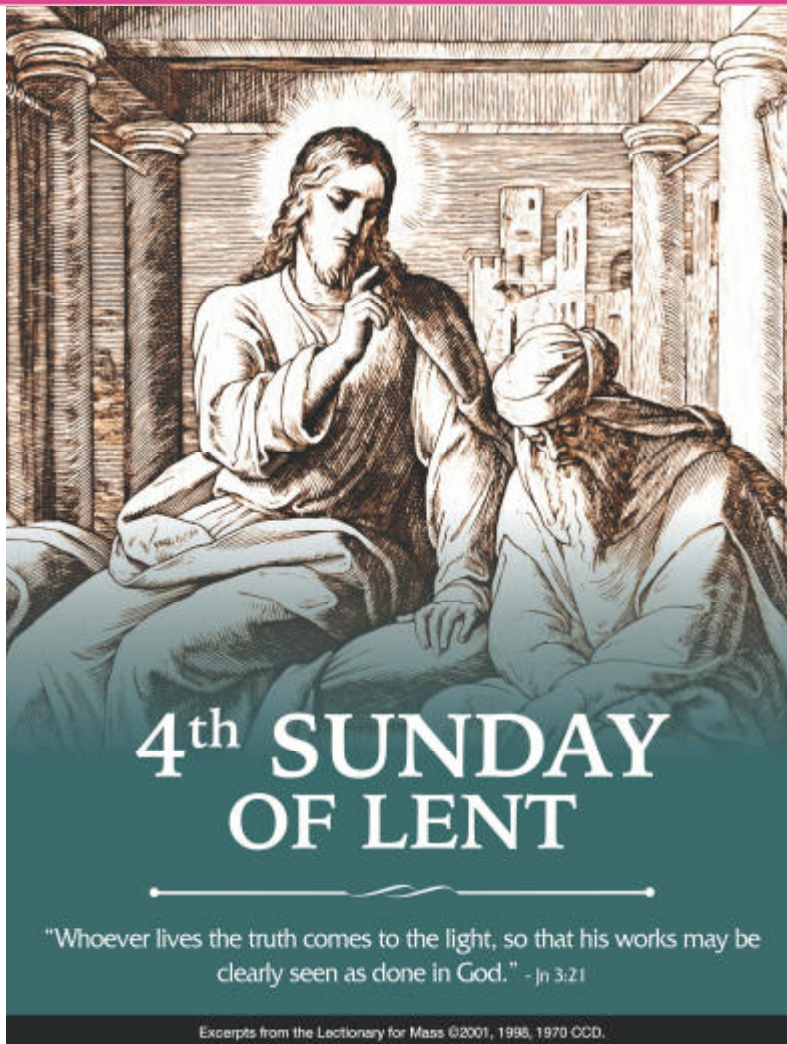
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Fr. Joe: times vary Tues-Fri.

Holly & Kim: Tues. thru Thurs.

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Bulletin Deadline: Monday



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Please call the office for appointment.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please contact parish office or pastor at least six months prior to proposed wedding date so that preparations can be completed. No weddings during the six weeks of Lent.

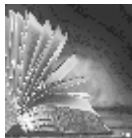
INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE INFANT BAPTISM ARE REQUIRED: Sessions are as announced or pre-arranged with the Pastor. Sessions meet only if appointment has been made with the pastor. If possible, please complete a green baptismal request form (located in the vestibule), and return it to the parish office before attending sessions. Parents need to attend, God-parents are encouraged to attend. Godparents and parents should be active in their faith and at least one Godparent should be Catholic.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! New Parishioner Registration Forms can be found at the front entrance of church and on our website. You may also call the Parish Office to register.

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar.	15	No Mass	Lenten Weekday (Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54)	
Tue	Mar.	16	No Mass	Lenten Weekday (Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16)	
Wed	Mar.	17	No Mass	Lenten Weekday (Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30)	
Thurs	Mar.	18	No Mass	Lenten Weekday (Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47)	
Fri	Mar.	19	No Mass	St. Joseph (2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a)	
Sat	Mar.	20	4:30 pm	Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent	John Schumacher, Joe Metzger, Betty Dilley
Sun	Mar.	21	9:30 am	Fifth Sunday of Lent (Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33)	Our Parishioners



Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23. Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6. Ephesians 2:4-10. John 3:14-21.

This Is the Verdict. The gospel declares the Light of Christ came into the world. The choice is either

to prefer darkness or live by the truth revealed by that Light. The Letter to the Ephesians declares that we are saved not by our own works (though good works we still need to do), but by God’s gift and grace.

- What darkness will I move out of so I may stand in the Light?
- What good works will I continue doing to acknowledge God’s gift and grace to me and to all?
- How can I live this truth: we are saved as a people by God’s grace?

PRAYER TO MAKE A “SPIRITUAL COMMUNION”

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen**



Maren Poettker, Tom Blair,
Duane Kapp, R. Lee Willette,
Michael E. Horstmann, Josie Kandler,
Father Dale Maxfield & Father Joe



FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to **Everett Bohnenstiehl**, son of Nick and Beth, on receiving his First Holy Communion. May the Bread of Life continue to strengthen Everett as he continues to live his Catholic Christian life.



Our Parish family extends our deepest sympathy to the family of **Barbara Bizenberger**, who died last week. May our gracious God welcome Barbara to her new life and give comfort to her family and friends who mourn the loss of their loved one.

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

To sign up for **Mass** click on the **Sign Up Genius** link found on our **Facebook** page or **Website**. You may also call the Parish Office during office hours before the date of the Mass you wish to attend. **We will continue to have live streaming of Sunday’s mass on our Facebook page.**

Sunday, March 14th

9:30 am—Mass

10:35am—11:45am—PSR for all Grades

Wednesday, March 17th

6:30 pm—Stations of the Cross led by Pastoral Council

Thursday, March 18th

8 am— 12:00 pm—Quilting in Rectory Basement

Saturday, March 20th

4:30 pm—Mass

Sunday, March 21st

9:30 am —Mass

10:35am—11:45am—PSR for Grade 8

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD

Weekend of March 6 & 7

Plate	\$30.00
31 Envelopes	\$1200.00
33 Online Donations.....	\$1912.00
Total	\$3142.00

Religious Education	\$95.00
Sister Parish.....	\$40.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$110.00

Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal 2021:

Total Received: (16).....	\$1240.00
Goal: (483).....	\$13,210.00

Please continue to support our Parish by sending in your contributions or through Online Giving.

Thank you, God bless and Please stay safe!!

ST. MARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

St. Mary Parish expresses its sincere gratitude for your continuous pledges and contributions to our Capital Campaign. Out of our parish, we have had 145 contributors so far and there is still time to contribute. Remember, 100% of all Contributions to St. Mary's Capital Campaign will REMAIN at St. Mary's!

TOTAL CAMPAIGN GOAL	\$450,000.00
Pledged	\$270,647.16
Received	\$215,673.66

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY NEWS

As you are aware due to the pandemic, we put our quilt-of-the-month fundraiser on hold in 2020. We are now ready to resume the fundraiser and need your help making this a success. The first drawing will be held the end of April. Many parishioners picked up tickets in the church vestibule in Feb-Mar 2020, so if you haven't turned in your tickets now is the time to do so. Tickets can be turned in to the parish office mail slot. If you need additional tickets to sell to family or friends please contact Deb Arentsen (618-910-9870) or Bonnie Toennies (618-980-0763) and they will ensure you receive them. Your support is greatly appreciated!

PARISH NEWS

Interested in becoming a Lector? St. Mary Parish is in need of more lectors for weekend masses. If interested, please contact Holly at the Parish office.

(stmary@stmarytrenton.com or 224-9335)

There is also a need for Greeters/Ushers for Saturday masses and a disinfectant team for after Saturday mass.

A Lector Schedule is being prepared for the months of April, May, and June. Please contact Holly at the Parish Office by March 21st with dates you are unavailable.

New Living Faith booklets are available at the front entrance and south vestibule of church. Please take one!

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING originally scheduled for March 17th has been rescheduled. The meeting will now be on March 20th at 7:15 pm. Thank you council members for all you do and for your patience.

LOCAL EVENTS

COVID Vaccination Day: The date for the first round of the COVID vaccine will be **March 18th from 10:00 am –3:00 pm.** To be eligible you must reside in the 62293 Zip Code and be 65 or older. If you are interested, please call Trenton City Hall at 224-7323. If you wish to volunteer please contact Andy Weh at 204-6583.

GOLDEN EGG RAFFLE: Get your tickets to the 22nd annual St. Dominic Church **Golden Egg Raffle for a chance to win the grand prize of \$20,000!!!!** We are offering five \$1,000 prizes and there will be 2 consolation prizes of \$500 each. Only 2,000 tickets will be sold for \$50 each. Drawing on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021. To get your name entered in the raffle, send your name, address and phone number along with \$50 to St. Dominic Church, 493 North Second St., Breese, IL 62230. For more information, call St. Dominic Parish office, 526-7746, M-F, 9am-3pm."

DRIVE-THRU FISH DINNER: St. George and St. Mary Life Teen (the high school youth ministry for St. George and St. Mary) will be having a **drive-thru Fish Dinner on Friday, March 19th** from 4:00 pm—7:00 pm. Dinners include Home Battered Cod, Fried Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Mac-n-Cheese, Green Beans, Slaw, & Cake. Price per carryout—\$10.00

SPRING PORK SAUSAGE & ROAST BEEF DINNER: Sunday, March 21, 10:30am-6:00am at the Aviston American Legion. **Carryouts only.**

DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN DINNER: Sunday, March 21 at St. Teresa Church in Marydale from 11:00 am until sold out. \$11/meal includes 1/2 fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans & slaw.



Fathers & Friends Palm Sunday Breakfast

Mark your calendar and plan to treat your family to breakfast on Palm Sunday, March 28, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mater Dei Fathers & Friends members will provide drive-thru service in the circle drive. The meals (\$10 each) will include eggs, sausage, pancakes, hash browns, and biscuits and gravy. (This year, meals are one size, and children's meals are not available.)

Registration for Mater Dei Class of 2025

Registration for the Mater Dei Class of 2025 continues! Families of 8th grade students may contact Director of Enrollment Mrs. Maria Zurliene to schedule an individual appointment or to receive additional information (526-7216 or mzurliene@materdeiknights.org).



FOUNDER'S DAY DEGREE: Monday, March 29, 2021 at 7:30 pm at St. Mary Parish Center. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Degree Exemplification. Wives and Lady Friends Invited. Interested Catholic males 18 and above are invited to join. For more information call Jeremy Spaeth at 792-5833 or Pete Schumacher at 224-9347. Candidates should arrive to complete paper work by 7:00 pm.

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