

Cluster Parishes

Riverside, Richmond, Wellman

Mar 17th. 2019



2nd Sunday O F L E N T

While he was praying his face changed in appearance
and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

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Mass Intentions
 Mar 18th - Mar 24th

Wed 8:30am (SJ) Mary Fladung
Thu 11:00 am (PV) Opal TeBockhorst
Fri 8:00 am (SM) Michael Rowland
Sat 5:00 pm (SJ) Steve Slaubaugh
Sun 8:00 am (HT) Raymond & Diane Spicher
Sun 10:00 am (SM) The Cluster Parish

SJ=St. Joseph's, HT=Holy Trinity, SM=St. Mary's, PV=Pleasantview

Faith Formation

Holy Trinity
 - Mar 20 Class
 - Mar 27 Class
 - Apr 3 Class

St. Joseph's
 - Mar 20 Class
 - Mar 27 Class

St. Mary's
 - Mar 20 Class
 - Mar 27 Class
 - Apr 3 Class

Confirmation Class

Mar 30
 Mini Retreat
 2:00pm to 6:00pm
 At St. St. Joseph's

Apr 7
 After 8:00am Mass
 At Holy Trinity



Automatic Monthly Church Donations

Electronic giving is convenient for you, and provides a consistent cash flow for our church. If interested contact:

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Holy Trinity Heather Stumpf ph# 319-325-4940 or email:
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St Joseph's Karen Sojka ph# 319-461-7274 or email:
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St. Mary's Collections - Mar 10th

Weekly Collection Goal	\$1,892
Actual Collection	\$ 2,333
YTD Collection	\$11,471
YTD Goal	\$18,922
Under/Over Goal	- \$7,451

Holy Trinity Collections - Mar 10th

Weekly Collection Goal	\$1,388
Actual Collection	\$ 1,501
YTD Collection	\$11,526
YTD Goal	\$13,880
Under/Over Goal	- \$2,354

St Joseph's Collections - Mar 9th

Weekly Collection Goal	\$596
Actual Collection	\$984
YTD Collection	\$6,813
YTD Goal	\$5,960
Under/Over Goal	+\$853

YTD=Year to Date

Parish Staff	Mar 23rd & 24th	Sat (SJ)	Sun (HT)	Sun (SM)
St. Mary's Joel Baumgartner Secretary 319-648-2331	Lector	Pam Ockenfels	Mary Capper	Chad Mellinger
	EMHC	Tom Sieren Kathy Sieren	Sandy Marner Jane Duwa	Beth Mellinger Julie Adam Volunteer
Holy Trinity Jane Duwa, Secretary 319-656-2366 (after 5:00pm)	Servers	Emma & Jack Baker Bridget Fisher	Olivia Quinby Auna Haman	Carson Mellinger Kadin Jepson Landon Jepson Jackson Schneider Jacob Schneider
	Greeters	Shirley A. Bohr	Dave & Susie Murphy	Marj Schnoebelen, Sue Hall, Dee Knebel, Jean Hospodarsky
St. Joseph's Karen Sojka Secretary 319-653-4274	Ushers	Jeff & Amy Horesowsky	Ryan Harland Family	Jerry Becker Terry Becker Dave Schott Jeff Reschly
	Gifts	Jeff & Amy Horesowsky	Ed & Linda Fischer	John Kurt Family
	Rosary	Leslie Slaubaugh	Mike TeBockhorst	Melvin Dvorsky

Fr. Bill's Weekly Reflection

Bizarre and mysterious things are happening in our Sunday readings. In our Gospel reading Jesus takes Peter, James, and John with him up to the mountain-top. While Jesus is praying his face changes in appearance, and his clothes become dazzlingly white. Moses and Elijah appear beside him, and a cloud overshadows Peter, James, and John. They become frightened and a voice from the cloud booms, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

I have also become frightened in my life and felt as if a dark cloud was hovering overhead about to envelope me. These incidents include when I was told I had a brain tumor, was in a car accident that almost killed me, and when I was told the love of my life was terminally ill. It was times like this that my world was turned upside down.

During these times in my life, I was definitely frightened. But the fear and pain motivated me to pray, and I acquired a new strength. I remember very clearly when I prayed, I felt that God was closer to me than ever, and in the days that followed I experienced a calm consoling presence. God was there and His presence was, and is, profoundly reassuring.

We cannot fully understand what Peter, James and John went through. But it is fair to say they went through an ordeal that they found very difficult to understand and to relate to others. Nonetheless, their faith in God was strengthened and they experienced a reality that was beyond the ordinary world they saw every day.

Our experience with pain, fear, and traumatic life experiences are not unique to us, but is something many of us go through. Some of you could be going through one of these experiences right now. These experiences are bad, but we survive and can grow closer to God.

God's love and mercy can make all things possible. If you are going through a painful ordeal or a fearful time in your life, lean on God and let this Lent be a life changing experience for you.

May God Bless You Always!
- Fr Bill

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Kyle Schneider and Katrina Weber who were united in Holy Matrimony last Sun March 9th at St. Mary's!

Upcoming Sacraments

Bentley James Marek and Braley Ellen Marek will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on March 24th at Holy Trinity. Bentley and Braley are the son and daughter of Cody and Tammy Marek. The Baptism will be done during Mass

Upcoming Sacraments

Lennox Jennings Herzberger will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on March 31st at St. Mary's. Lennox is the child of Michael and Jennifer Herzberger

Upcoming Sacraments

Lainey Jo Vazquez will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on April 7th at St. Mary's. Lainey is the child of Henry and Amy Vazquez

Fast Days and Abstinence During Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting. Fasting means one full meal and two lesser meals are allowed. Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence from eating any meat. This applies to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59

Joy of the Gospel Book Groups

Below is a list of group leaders you may contact if you would like to join a Joy of the Gospel group

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General Calendar for March

- Mar 17th KC Breakfast Holy Trinity
- Mar 17th St. Mary's Youth Mass
- Mar 20th Stations of the Cross (SJ)
- Mar 20th Stations of the Cross (SM)
- Mar 22nd Stations of the Cross (HT)
- Mar 23rd 1st Communion - St. Joseph's
- Mar 30th Confirmation Retreat
- Mar 31st Lennox Herzberger Baptism

General Calendar for April

- Apr 3rd Stations of the Cross (SM)
- Apr 3rd Stations of the Cross (SJ)
- Apr 4th KC Meeting
- Apr 5th Stations of the Cross (HT)
- Apr 7th St. Mary's Youth Mass
- Apr 7th Rice Bowl Collection
- Apr 7th Lainey Jo Vazquez Baptism
- Apr 9th Cluster Council Meeting
- Apr 10th Stations of the Cross (SM)
- Apr 10th Stations of the Cross (SJ)
- Apr 12th Coffee Club
- Apr 12th Stations of the Cross (HT)
- Apr 14th Rice Bowl Collection
- Apr 14th Palm Sunday
- Apr 17th Stations of the Cross (SM)
- Apr 17th Stations of the Cross (SJ)
- Apr 18th Holy Thursday
- Apr 19th Good Friday
- Apr 20th Easter Vigil
- Apr 21st Easter Sunday
- Apr 28th 1st Communion - Holy Trinity
- Apr 28th KC Trapshoot Tournament

Life Line Health Screening

On Mar 18th Life Line Screening will be providing health screenings at Holy Trinity. You may register by calling 888-653-6441



Encounter Annet

This week we encounter Annet from Uganda. Since her parents' deaths four years ago, 16-year-old Annet has been caring for her three siblings Gladys, 6, Irene, 8 and Emmanuel, 10. They live in a refugee camp which is hard - especially for a young 16-year-old trying to raise her brothers and sisters.

This week our youth challenge you to give 50 cents to the CRS collection for every piece of furniture in your home. Many people do not have a house to live in, and furniture is a luxury. You can read more about Annet's story by going to www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope

Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

Jesus tells us to give special care to those who are most in need. He reminds us of our Christian duty to listen closely to those who often go unheard and to help those most vulnerable. We call this the Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

Confirmation Class

Packages 3,672 Meals!

Thank You to our Confirmation Class, parents, and friends who helped package 3,672 meals for Take Away Hunger, a food relief organization that specializes in rice based soy casserole mixture to feed hungry people both locally and overseas.



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