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# MARCH 27, 2022 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT / LAETARE

"He said to him, "My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours."" - Luke 15: 31

#### OUR CCCC LENTEN PROJECT A PLACE OF HOPE

Each year we select one charity for our Lenten almsgiving. This year's recipient is a **Place of Hope** in Saint Cloud.

Place of Hope is a multifaceted outreach program serving the Central Minnesota community.

Many people in our community are in great need for support and services because of homelessness, poverty, drug addiction, alcoholism and other crisis.

You can support a Place of Hope by almsgiving (donating money), volunteering to serve meals again and praying for the success of the ministry provided locally. FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION + SAINT BONIFACE + SAINTS PETER AND PAUL + SAINT JAMES

# **OUR JOURNEY WITH CHRIST**

#### Dear folks:

Happy Lent! Rejoice!

Thanks for your understanding last weekend as I was away all week for a tough week filled with family and emotions. But I was also happy my dad, my sisters and one of the brothers were able to be together, even for such a short time.

This week we celebrate Laetare Sunday, the mid-point of our Lenten journey. We hear in the Gospel reading the famous story of the Extravagant Father and his wandering sons. It is a powerful story of the Father's love for His children, but it is also a parable of forgiveness and reconciliation. We are called to see how we can receive love and forgiveness as well as give it. There are way too many of us who act like the older brother of the parable and hold on to hurts, whether recent or in the past.

Two weeks ago I proposed from my own prayer and discernment that we might be called to begin a journey of reconciliation. Let me be clearas I have searched the internet for reconciliation, two prominent themes come up. One focused solely on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and while important, that is not the goal of this process. Our goal is to fulfill the mission of making disciples. The other theme focused on a secular view of reconciliation that is highly politicized; I am not suggesting that either. What I am suggesting we do is focus on the Christian notion of the Father reconciling the world to Himself through His Son and how we are called to be ambassadors of reconciliation. Turn on your computer, tablet, phone, or radio; open a newspaper or magazine. You will see the need for models of Christian forgiveness today. I am proposing that to make disciples we need to learn how to forgive others, ask for forgiveness even if the other is unable to offer it, and to receive forgiveness. At our Pastoral Council in April, we will be discussing this proposal and any other proposals so that we can start acting on our mission—it is not enough to pray and talk about it, we also need to put it into action.

I also shared two weeks ago that I will be on sabbatical from August 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023. At the Council meetings in the parishes, members asked me to share with you what a sabbatical is and the general plan. First, if you search for "sabbatical" on the internet, you most often find that for parish priests it is a time between assignments or because someone is thinking about leaving. This is NOT the purpose of my time. I love being a priest, and I love this Area Catholic Community. My experiences these past nine years have stretched me, challenged me and affirmed me. I am keenly aware of my limitations, and I want to better serve Christ and His Church by better serving you.

So, let me reframe this for you: I am going to be participating in a Pastoral Study Program from August 1 to January 31. This program has two major components: (1) I am going to be walking the "Camino to Santiago" in Spain in late August through early October. This is for spiritual renewal. The best explanation for this experience is the movie, "The Way" with Martin Sheen—a very secular movie about the pilgrimage experience, it does show the reality of the 600+ mile walk through Spain to the tomb of Saint James the Apostle. (2) I am going to be doing a research project conducting interviews of pastors of multiple parishes in the four dioceses in Iowa (Archdiocese of Dubuque, Dioceses of Des Moines, Davenport and Sioux City) to learn from these pastors, staff members and community members what works when one pastors multiple parishes and what does not work. At the end of the project I am asked to submit an article for publication on my findings. I am happy to answer any questions you might havejust be warned, I have a HUGE smile when I do so.

This coming week we begin our Lenten opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Cletus and I will be available from 7:00 PM until we are finished on Wednesday evenings through Lent. This week we will be in Jacobs Prairie, next week in Richmond and the last week in Cold Spring. There is no service planned—we will have an examination of conscience available in church and you come and celebrate individually as you are ready. Please join us.

—Father Matthew



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#### **TEEN & YOUNG ADULT** DISCIPLESHIP

**Confirmation:** Please keep our Confirmation students in prayer as they prepare to receive the Sacrament this Sunday, March 27 at 2:00 PM at Saint Boniface.

**Mission Trip:** Please consider "adopting" one of our mission trip participants. In the coming weeks, you Boni Ball: Volunteers are needed! will; be able to select a random student to pray for during their preparation and trip as well as make a financial contribution towards their trip. Watch for more details soon!

#### -Chad



#### **MOVIE & LIGHT MEAL**

The film 'Unplanned' will be shown in the Saint Anthony Parish Center, Saint Cloud, following the 4: 30 PM Saturday Mass on April 2.

Light meal served prior to showing.

#### SAINT BONIFACE SCHOOL

Check out our website for updates and newsletters! stboniface.com

**Open Enrollment** for the 2022-2023 school year! Contact the school office for more info and to register!

Stay tuned for more volunteer information in the April newsletter. We are in need of donations for Boni Ball. Donations of wine for the wall of wine and silent auction items or baskets can be dropped off to the School Office. We appreciate your help!

Boni Ball Tickets: If you woud like to sell more raffle tickets, more are available in the School Office. Sell & turn in your raffle tickets by 4/08/22 for a chance to win a hotel and water park stay!

Buy your Early Bird Dinner Tickets today for \$50.00 at stboniface.com. After 4/08/22 the ticket price will increase to \$60.00.

**Teal's Receipts:** We are looking for a volunteer to staple, calculate and tally Teal's receipts. We receive a rebate for each receipt. The money we receive helps support various student activities throughout the school vear. Contact the School Office for more information.



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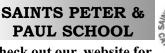
The Shroud of Turin: Learn more about this miraculous shroud, believed to be the burial shroud of Jesus Christ.

**The Search, Episode 4:** A fantastic new series from FORMED dealing with life's big questions. Who is God? Why are we here? What's SEARCH our purpose? What do you want from your life? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.

Messiah is an exploration of the messianic prophecies of the Bible and how MESSIAH | they were fulfilled by Jesus – both during his earthly life, and after it. Filmed at nearly 30 locations in the US, Holy Land, and Rome, Messiah takes viewers on an unforgettable journey thru the ancient world

Lent with Brother Francis: Check out these very short (2 minutes) kid's videos on making the most of Lent.





Check out our website for updates and newsletters! ssppr.com

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Kindergarten Round-Up: SAVE THE DATE! Friday, May 6. CURRENT KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS WILL NOT HAVE SCHOOL THIS DAY.

The upcoming Kindergarten students will get to experience part of a day in the Kindergarten classroom. Watch for more info!

**Summer Camp** will be changing a bit this year. There will not be the traditional summer camp as in years past.

The SSPP Child Care will now have school-aged summer care 5 days a week, all summer! This is great news!

Summer care hours will be 6: 30 AM -6:00 PM Monday through Friday. Full-time care is \$130 per week. Part-time care is \$110 (30 hours or less per week).

Please let Becky know by April 1 if you plan on using summer care. There are 45 spots available. On April 3, it will be advertised to other students in other schools.

Side by Side Raffle WIN A 2022 **BLUE POLARIS RANGER 1000** PREMIUM! Tickets go home with K-5 students today!

The drawing for the winners will be on Wednesday, May 4 following school Mass. CONTACT A SCHOOL FAMILY OR THE SCHOOL TO BUY YOUR TICKETS!

#### Looking to watch Mass on the Internet?

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# **MIC NEWS**

Church Closed until renovation projects are complete. The painting project is nearly complete. We move next to the flooring project. We also will be upgrading our speakers in an AV project. If supplies are available, we hope to be back for Holy Week in church.

500 Cards third Monday of the month at 1:00 PM in Parish Center. Call Mary Bruder. 11:45 AM lunch at Granite Edge Café. Everyone 60 + is welcome. KC's meet third Mondav of the month at 7:00 PM.

SB NEWS

Make an Easter floral centerpiece with Cold Spring Floral on Tues, April 12 at 6: 30 PM in the Parish Center. Baskets cost \$15 for each person and you can pay the night of. Please sign up with Andrea at ajoyrieland@gmail.com by Tues, April 5.

There will not be a Christian Women meeting on Tues, April 19.

#### **April Church Cleaners:** John & Joan Wenner Carol Sell Cheri Eickhoff Donna Weidner

Knights of Columbus: Your decision to become a Knight could define your year. Join Catholic men just like you striving to strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities by becoming a member of KofC. Check out our website: KofC.org/JoinUs

**Rockville Firefighters Relief Fish** Fry Fri, Apr 1, 4:00 - 8:00 PM, Rockville Parish Center. Drive thru only (2 lanes).

Farming Lions 17th Annual Fish Fry Fri, Apr 1 serving 4: 30 - 8: 30 PM, Trappers Pub & Grub, Farming.

The Daughters of Isabella will meet Tues, Apr 5 at St. Louis Parish in Paynesville. Rosary at 7:10 PM and meeting at 7: 30 PM with social and lunch.

# **SSPP** News

A volunteer will be available Wed mornings from 9:00 AM - noon beginning Mar 30 at the SSPP Office.

Volunteer needed to pick up food donations from Church & Richmond Food Pride and deliver to Rocori Food Shelf on the first Monday of the month from April - November. Please contact Deb.

SSPP Ouilters meet Mon & Tues. Mar 28-29 from 8: 30 AM - 4: 00 PM in the Quilting Room.

First Saturday Rosary at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8: 30 AM. Call Ron Leither.

**KC's** meet second Monday of the month in Gathering Space, 7:00 PM.

# S.I.IP NEWS

Stations of the Cross: 7:00 PM followed by Benediction on Thursdays of Lent Save the date for our Corn Feed &

Bazaar—August 6!



Volunteers:

Thank you for your ministry to the Church. We need you! If you are available to minister at one or more of the Holy Week liturgies, please sign up in the Ministry Scheduler program.

If you would prefer to call the Community Office, you may reach Deb. Thank you!

# **LENT IS HERE!**

Lent is a time when we strive to come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ: it is a time to reflect.

Check our our "Lenten Resources" website on our ChristCatholic.com homepage. If online isn't your thing, contact Deacon Dan for help.

Book study by Fr. Jacques Philippe (Interior Freedom), see our website.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at SSPP this year. We could use help planning and the day of. If you want to get involved please contact Deacon Dan.

# SPANISH NEWS

**Contact:** Sandy Garcia Secondary contact: Maria Dominguez



Condolences to the family & friends of Robert Rothstein. May his entry into

Heaven be greeted by the hosts of angels guiding him to our Lord and Savior. Jesus Christ.

# LITURGICAL LIFE **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK:**

#### **First Reading**

After the Israelites settled into the land of Canaan, no longer was there any need for the "Manna" from heaven. As the season of Lent continues, what have you been able to let go of?

#### Second Reading

Paul emphasized to the Corinthians the importance of reconciliation with God. Why do you think reconciliation is so key to our relationship with God?

## **Gospel Reading**

In Jesus' parable of the lost son, which character do you most resonate with & why?

# LENTEN PARISH MISSION

by Walking On Water presenter Deacon Ralph Poyo

March 27-30, 7:00 PM Holy Hour with confessions one hour before each talk.

Sun, Mar 27 - Assumption Church. Eden Valley "God's Savings Plan"

Mon, Mar 28 - Saint Anthony, Watkins "Spiritual Warfare"

Tues, Mar 29 - Saint Louis Church, Paynesville "Living in the Holy Spirit"

Wed, Mar 30 - Assumption Church, Eden Valley "Grounded in Discipleship"

# MASS SCHEDULE

Mon, Mar 28 Weekday in Lent Is 65: 17-21/Ps 30: 2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4: 43-54 8:00 AM - SJJP *†Laura* Leither 8: 30 AM - SB *†*Jennifer Erkens Alice Schreifels Lector: EMHC: Sheila Pulju Tues, Mar 29 Weekday in Lent Ez 47: 1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5: 1-16 8:00 AM - MIC (AT SJJP) *†*Richard Dingmann 8: 30 AM - SB <sup>†</sup>Celestine, Marie & Gerald Pierskalla Lector: *Tudie Hermanutz* EMHC: Jan Nevssen Wed. Mar 30 Weekday in Lent Is 49: 8-15/Ps 145: 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5: 17-30 *†*Christine Hemmesch 8: 30 AM - SB 8: 30 AM - SSPP **†**Ruth Worm Weekday in Lent Thurs. Mar 31 Ex 32: 7-14/Ps 106: 19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5: 31-47 8: 30 AM - SB *†*Christine Hemmesch Weekday in Lent Fri, Apr 1 Wis 2: 1a, 12-22/Ps 34: 17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30 8: 30 AM - SB *†*Vienna Backes "You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't know how to pray!' you can be sure you've already begun." -Saint Josemaria Escriva

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#### CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION every Saturday at 3:15 PM SB 4:15 PM SSPP 7:00 PM Mar 30, SJJP 7:00 PM Apr 6, SSPP 7:00 PM Apr 13, SB

#### **ADORATION SCHEDULE**

Tues after Mass to 1: 30 PM at SB Wed after Mass to 6: 00 PM SSPP Thurs 8: 00 AM - 7: 30 PM SJJP with Stations of the Cross at 7: 00 PM followed by Benediction



10:00 ÅM Saint Boniface

## Sat, Apr 2 5th Sunday of Lent

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Is 43: 16-21	/Ps 126: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3: 8-14/Jn 8: 1-11	
4:00 PM -	SB †Joerg Koltes	
Presider:	Father Matthew	
Lector:	Louise Mehr	
EMHC:	Needed, Ruth Kremer, Tim Nierenhausen,	
	Betty Powers (Sacristan)	
Ushers:	Needed, John Decker, Tim Kiffmeyer	
	Jerry Haus, George Kremer	
AV Tech:	Janet Stang	
Rosary:	Nathan & Angela Moscho	
5: 00 PM - SSPP †Manny Ressemann		
	Father Cletus	

Presider:	Father Cletus
Lector:	Bill Trout
EMHC:	Greg Hensrud, Chuck Schoenberg,
	Teresa Trout
Ushers:	Troy Hennen, Kim Jahnke, Eric Reitmeier,
	Jerry Voit

## Sun, Apr 3 5th Sunday of Lent

Rosary:	Thomas Zimmerman
Presider:	Father Cletus
Lector:	Julia Ortiz
EMHC:	Teri Dullinger
Sacristan:	Janet Neu
Ushers:	Frank Neu, Nathan Reitmeier

#### 8:00 AM - SJJP †Anna Theisen Presider: Father Nickolas Lector: Janis Minnerath EMHC: Mike Willenbring

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Ushers:	Dave Heinen, Mike Zimmer

## 9: 30 AM - SB <sup>†</sup>Joan Moser

Presider:	Father Cletus
Lector:	Ann Toren
EHMC:	Patty Dietman, Bev Klein, Jeff Miller,
	Kelly Refsland, Gary Stang, Stephen Wander
	(Sacristan)
Ushers:	Needed, Charles Kinzer, Steve Orth,
	Tyler Peternell, Richard Schoenberg
AV Tech:	Sam Craft
Rosary:	John & Jane Willenbring

# 10:00 AM - SSPP †Lorraine Rausch

Presider:	Father Matthew
Lector:	Steve Nies
EMHC:	Don Calhoun, Kathleen Loehlein,
	Marlene Statz
Ushers:	Kevin Ruegemer, Allen Schaefer,
	Roger Schlangen, Ron Statz

1:00 PM - SJ en español †Louie Gross Presider: Father Matthew

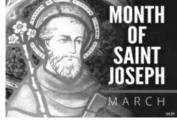


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Submit names for Prayer Resquests: christine@christcatholic.com, deb@christcatholic.com; or call Deb at 320-204-1111.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Ron & Betty Backes, Roger Bell, Nancy Chirhart, Mary Danielson, Don Doeden, Mary Kay Dolan, Tanner Gertken, Julianna Hansen, Theresa Hettwer, Jackie Holthaus Mueller, Sharon Janssen, David Johannes, Patty Klang, Chris Kneip, J. J. Laverne, Elaine Lindell, Susan Lucas, Lisa Peine, Michael Phillips, Dale Rausch, Josephine Rausch, Dot Ruegemer, Larry Ruegemer, Nathan Ruhland, Peter Sand, John Schelonka, Stanley Schelonka, Ralph Schramel, Clara Schueller, Norb Silvers, Roman Stans, Bill Steil, Adeline Svihel, Don & Eileen Thomes, Margaret Torborg, Ralph Vogt, Belinda Walsh, Marilyn Zenner and others who are in need of our prayers.

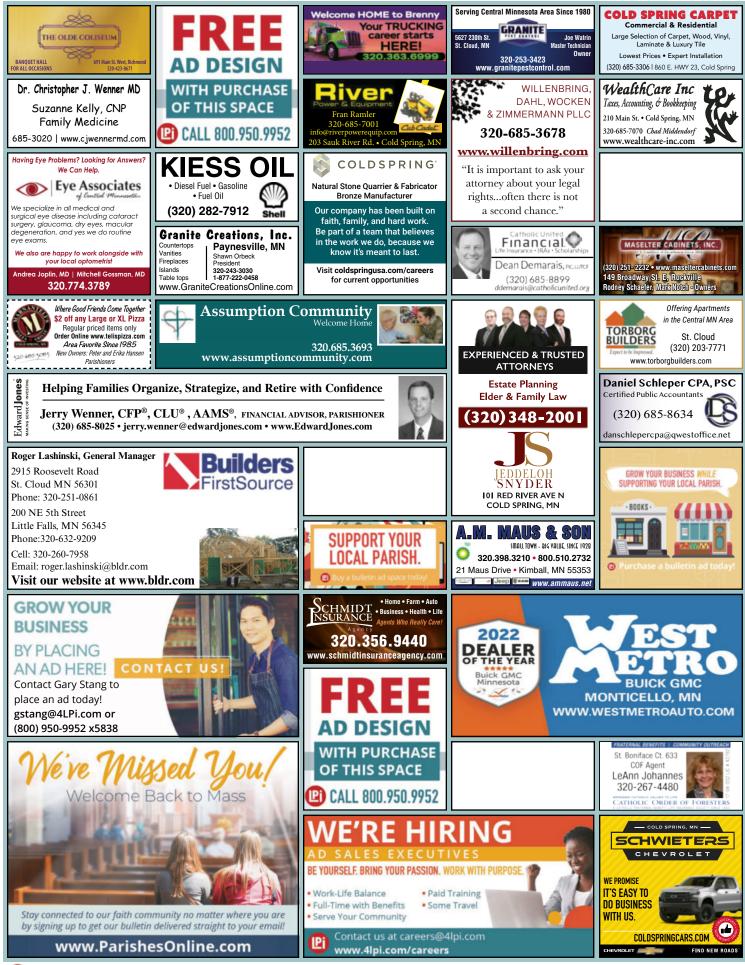


Contacts for prayer request: Fran Delozier, Lemay Bechtold, or Renee Theis.



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