

# SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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**ST. JOSEPH BULLETIN ONLINE:** Log on [www.StJosephEarling.parishesonline.com](http://www.StJosephEarling.parishesonline.com) Click on St. Joseph Church Earling  
**Bulletin items need to be to the office by Wednesday morning for both St. Joseph and St. Peter’s & St. Michael’s**

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday, March 7th—** 9:30 AM— In Memory of Diane Koesters, & Ty & Helen Frederick Family, & Vince Stinn

**Tuesday, March 9th—**9:00 AM—St. Peters —Special Intentions of Paul & Arlene Zimmerman

**Wednesday March 10th—**8:00 AM—In Memory of Jack & Kathy Stessman, & Elva Graeve

**Thursday March 11th—** 9:00 AM—St. Peter’s —In Memory of Thelma Nelson

**Friday, March 12th—** 8:00 AM—In Memory of Rusty Buckley, & Barb & Daniel Gaul

**Saturday, March 13th—** 4:00 PM—St. Peter’s— In Memory of Marilyn Henning

**Sunday, March 14th—** 9:30 AM— In Memory of Joe & Irene Tremel, Keith Irlmeier, & For Larry Gaul

**Pastor Fr. Dan Gehler—Associate Pastor Fr. Clement Owusu**

*Confessions will be heard by Fr. Dan or Fr. Clement by appointment*

### LITURGY PARTICIPANTS

	<u>SUNDAY MARCH 7 9:30 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY MARCH 14 9:30 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY MARCH 21 9:30 AM</u>
LECTOR/PETITIONS.....	Joanne Erlbacher	Cathy Assman	Joanie Erlbacher
EUCARISTIC MINISTER	Joanie Erlbacher	Judy Thraen	Maggie Bissen
MUSIC MINISTERS	Curt, Karen & Ted	Katie, Michelle, & Lauren	Katie, Michelle, & Lauren

**REMEMBER THE SICK & RECOVERING IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Jane Bissen, Declan Gross, Neal Gaul, Ralph Wingert, Alf Wingert, Tyler Bruck (Husband of Allison (Gross) Bruck, Leslie Evans (Cousin of Kimberly Graeve), Kaitlin Taylor (friend of Shiela Sonderman), Leo Hahn, Vernon Bruck, Marv Enger (Brother of Elaine Kramer), Gay Burgod, Madonna Kramer, Sharon Gross, Faye Patten, Gail Schmitz, Angela Turner, Brian Olerich, Mary Tepe, Patty Kucera (Mary Carroll’s daughter), Charlotte Fountain (Niece of Steve & Betty Klein), & Jerry Michels. Please contact the Parish Office at 747-2091 to add or remove a name.

**Easter Flower Donations in Memory of:** Alfred & Mildred Bruck, Leroy Grote, Alfons & Maxine Gross, & Joe & Vera Mahlberg, & Jack & Mary Slaven, & Johnny Slaven, Frank Finken, Kenny Schafer, Mike & Phyllis Langenfeld, Ruth Koch, Joy Finken, Anthony Schiltz, Bob Schiltz, Linda Schiltz, Mel Book, Gerry Gaul, John Bruck, Darrell Blum, Mark & Helen Langenfeld, Diane Koesters, Fr. Richard Gubbels, & Melanie Scheuring.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:** Our 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal begins **NEXT WEEKEND, March 14**, at St. Joseph’s. Bishop Joensen looks to us and all the parishes to support the educational, spiritual and outreach service offered by our Diocese. These programs and ministries serve people in many ways that we as an individual parish could never do. St. Joseph’s goal is \$26,781.00 this year (about \$3,600 up from last year). The pledge card has been mailed to each family. Please complete your pledge card and mail it along with your check to St. Joseph’s Parish, or to the Des Moines Diocese, put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office weekdays between 7:00 AM and 1:00 PM. **There will be someone in the back of church on March 14th to accept donations.** Everything above the goal is returned to the parish. Everything short of that, we have to pay from our parish general fund.

**SCCS has been able to obtain a “Legacy of Healing” gift from the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration.** They are using part of this money towards reducing our total assessment for the remainder of this year. We would like to thank Sr. Joyce Blum and Ann Andersen who were instrumental in making this happen as it greatly reduces our monthly assessment bill.

**Monday, March 8th. 7:00 PM Biblical View of the Mass. Zoom Meeting.**

**Stations of the Cross on Friday’s** during Lent at **St. Joseph @ 5:30 PM** & St. Michaels @ 5:30 PM. Stations at St. Peter’s Wed.

March 10, @ 7:00 PM & Saturday, March 13th @ 4:45.

**Individual Reconciliation:** Saturday’s – 3 PM at St. Peter’s and 4 PM at St. Michaels’s.

Sunday’s -**8:30 AM** at both **St. Joseph’s** and St. Michael’s

**St. Michael’s Fish Fry:** Friday’s—5:30—7:00 PM

**RE NEWS: K-6 Grades:** March 10th: Class @ 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross.

**CCD parents grades 9 and 10 only:** Freshmen and Sophomore students from St. Joseph and St. Peter Parishes will be attending preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Michael Parish in Harlan. If you have any questions please contact Fr. Dan or Susie Fah. Thank you!

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**THIS WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: Tithes: \$4,830.00 Plate: \$121.00 Easter Flowers: \$240.00 Building Fund: \$25.00**

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**A donation of 14.8 pounds of food was donated to West Central in Harlan. Thank you to all who donated to this cause.**

**Shelby County Catholic Schools is again having their "Go for the Green," raffle.** To purchase a ticket, stop at the school or call them at 755-5634 or, Shelli Schaben also has tickets for sale and you can call her at 747-9290. Tickets are \$10.00 each and the winner will be drawn on March 17<sup>th</sup> live on the SCCS Facebook page. The winner gets ½ of the money collected.

**We will still be livestreaming our masses, Including weekday masses until further notice for those who do not want to attend mass in person at this time.** Thanks to Brian Dotzler, FMCTC and Fr. Dan for making this possible.

**During the pandemic, there will be** a daily Mass when there is a funeral. This way our daily Mass parishioners can still attend daily Mass without having to attend the funeral since we are limiting capacity.

**The Community Kitchen is in Earling on Thursday's. Serving from 4—6 PM.**

**Sunday, March 7 from 7:30 – 11am -- Portsmouth Fire Department Annual Breakfast, drive thru style. Free Will Donation.** The breakfast includes Biscuits and gravy / pancakes / scrambled eggs / sausage. No drinks or silverware will be provided. We are trying to raise money for the remaining 8 turn-out gear uniforms. Each one cost about \$3,400. **Please follow directions:** Drive up 4th Ave, turn right on 4th St and go in front of the church and follow the road around the church, then between the hall and the fire trucks. There will be firemen outside in turn out gear taking the money and giving out breakfasts.

**Mass -weather cancellation notices:** When the weather causes our mass to be cancelled please check the following for announcement... KDSN radio station in Denison, KNOD radio facebook page (you have to read comments of their weather posts possibly, no one is in until late morning so won't be announced on air in time), St. Joseph's facebook page, and KETV channel 7 Omaha station. If you hear that Defiance and Harlan are cancelled, then St. Joseph is cancelled as well.

**Weekday masses** will be cancelled if Harlan School has a 2 hour late start or cancellation.

**Right to Life News:** *40 Days for Life* runs from Feb. 17- March 28, 2021. Help save lives by praying to end abortion in our community, country, and world. Since 2007 *40 Days for Life* has saved over 18,000 lives, 109 abortion centers have closed, and 211 abortion workers have quit. Keep praying, take a friend to pray outside an abortion center, and donate to pregnancy centers such as Gabriel's Corner, Birthright, in Council Bluffs, and LC Clinic in Atlantic.

**The Catholic Daughters Earling Court of St. Katherine #266** will resume monthly meetings at 6:45 pm on Thursday, March 11, 2020, in the Earling Parish Hall. Our court has continued to be active even without regular meetings during the Pandemic. We've sponsored the Education contest, completed Circle of Love Reports, and began work on a Year of St. Joseph project. We are collecting monetary donations for layettes. We want to tell you about all these activities. Please make an effort to attend!  
**Note:** *With our meetings on the same night as Iowa Community Kitchen, Daughters are invited to come to the meal served from 4 -6 pm and stay for the Daughters meeting beginning with the Rosary at 6:45 pm followed by a short business meeting .*

**Lenten Layette Collection at St. Joseph's:** The annual Layette Drive for Birthright sponsored by the Catholic Daughters Court #266 of Earling will be different this year. Due to Covid restrictions and the difficulty of purchasing baby items locally, we are requesting monetary donations only. Please donate by cash or check. Make out checks to *Birthright of Council Bluffs*. Donations can be placed in an envelope labeled Layette Drive and put in the collection at Mass, dropped off at the Parish Office, or given to Joanie Erlbacher. The Collection will be held throughout Lent. Thank you for your generosity!

**St. Joseph's**  
Weekday Mass @ 8 AM  
Wednesday & Friday  
**No Saturday Mass**  
Sunday Mass @ 9:30 AM

**St. Peter's**  
Weekday Mass @ 8:30 AM  
Tuesday & Thursday  
Saturday @ 4:00 PM

**St. Michael's**  
Weekday Mass @8:15 AM Tues., Wed., & Friday  
12:00 PM on Thursday  
Saturday @5:00 PM  
Sunday @ 9:30 AM