St. Patrick Catholic Parish

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As a church community here at St Patrick's, we want to know, love, and serve Jesus in our efforts in: Christian formation/faith development; worship; social services; and stewardship of resources.

March 19, 2023 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Today, having reached the halfway point of Lent, we celebrate Laetare Sunday. This Latin word, pronounced lay-TAR-ray, means "rejoice." We rejoice in the knowledge that the cross does not end in death, that Jesus' story does not end in the tomb. The Church also celebrates the second scrutiny today, a significant step for catechumens but also an opportunity for all of us to look into our hearts for the sinful habits and tendencies we may not even see. In today's Gospel, Jesus heals a blind man. More significantly, he can heal our blindness to sin as well. Let us rejoice!

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions Sacrament of Reconciliation – Sundays 7:15 am

Feb 26 † Herb Mertz Family

Mar 15 † Jeff Turpin

Mar 19 † Loran Sebacher

Mar 5 † Michael Mohrmann

Mar 22 † The Frank Cobb Family

Mar 8 † Gerry Enger

Mar 12 † Roy Duenke

Mar 29 † Lawrence Hambach

Pray for those who are ill – Dottie Brauer, Rebecca Thompson, Kay Young, Noah Martin, William Peatross, Brian Barclay, Jesse Hartes, Norman Bullerdick, Henry Hamill, Antoinette Hoing, Nick Schneider, and Les Bakameyer.

Liturgical Ministries	March 19	March 26	March 26	April 2
Hospitality/Usher	Ellis Family	Johnson Family	John Cobb Jr Family	John & Nancy Cobb
Altar Clean Up Only	Nancy Cobb	Jan Milzark	Debbie Enger	Bridgett Cobb
Lector	Bridget Cobb	Michael Mohrmann	Jan Milzark	Matt Politsch
Servers	Emma Cobb	Luke Farrar	Emma Cobb	Anna Johnson
	Anna Johnson	Carl Johnson	Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar
Eucharistic Minister	Terri Lenzenhuber	Sara Johnson	John Cobb	Barb Turpin
Money Counters	Jan Milzark	Katherine Stroot	Nancy Cobb	Jan Milzark
	Bridget Cobb	Laurie Dothage	Derrick Cobb	Laurie Dothage

^{*}Denotes change in schedule. If you find you are unable to make your assigned time please find a replacement, if you need further assistance, please call the office.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD

Budget Goal FY: \$68,000 Total Collected YTD: \$48,989 Weekly Goal: \$1,308

Mar 5 - \$1,091 / Mar 12 - \$1,568 / Mar 19 - / Mar 26 - Thank you for your generosity!

EVENTS

Mar 19 Sunday Mass–Confessions-7:15am–Rosary-7:40am–Mass-8:00am–Coffee-Donuts

Mar 21 Tuesday Evening at I.C. –Adoration closes at 5:00pm with The Divine Mercy, Benediction and Mass

Mar 22 Wednesday Mass at 8:30am – Stations of the Cross immediately following Mass

Mar 24 Fish Fry - 3:30 pm - 7:00 pm

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<u>Parish Pictorial Directory</u> <u>– Help Needed</u> – We need several parishioners to help in setting up the new parish pictorial directory. If you are interested, please contact Shirley Rose. (636) 359-0671

Lenten Penance Service will be held on the following days:

Wednesday, March 29th at 6:30 PM – Jonesburg

Thursday, March 30th at 6:30 PM – Montgomery City.

<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> - immediately following the Wednesday 8:30am Mass.

<u>Lenten Fish Fries</u> Thank you everyone that helped make our first Fish Fry a success. Week 1-\$7204, Week 2-\$6260, Week 3-\$6230 before expenses. We still need helpers and of course we need baked goods or store bought if you don't have time to bake.

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u> – Women's Retreat is May 25-27 – Please see Jan Milzark if interested. We have 12 registered at this time. If you are interested, have questions or want to take a leap of faith and go on retreat please reach out to Jan Milzark.

<u>Grateful Living: The Joy of Stewardship</u> – Groups meetings week of March 19th

Tuesday 21th at Church House at 7:00 PM

Wednesday March 22nd at Parish Hall after Mass/Stations/breakfast

Thursday March 23rd at Church House at 7:00 PM

GRATEFUL LIVING - THE JOY OF STEWARDSHIP

Week 5

Members of our parish meeting in small groups are experiencing Grateful Living: The Joy of Stewardship from Renew International. This week's session, which reflects on the unique vocation each of us receives from God, includes this passage:

"Recognizing the things we do well naturally is a way of seeing the grace of God within us; seeing the gifts and talents of the people with whom we interact helps us to know and to value each person as a gift from God. It takes each of us doing what we can to make God's love known, to bear the fruit of God's grace in the world."

What talent, skill, interest, experience, or body of knowledge equips you in particular to make God's love known in your part of the world?

Grateful Living Prayer

God our Father, you have formed us in your image and you have filled our lives with abundant blessings. You ask us to nurture the gifts we have been given -- all we have, are, and will be; our lives, talents, faith, and resources – and you call us to use them wisely and well.

Jesus, Savior and Brother, you most perfectly show us the steward's way, committed to seek and to follow God's will, ready to give generously, to show mercy and share compassion, to sacrifice in order to bring your love into our world.

Holy Spirit, Fire of Love, inspire us now, strengthen us as we resolve to live more fully as disciples and to grow as good and faithful stewards.

May we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

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