

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
9:00 AM—Mass (People of Immaculate Conception)

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020

Lenten Weekday (3);

Tuesday, MARCH 17, 2020

Lenten Weekday (3) *Saint Patrick, Bishop*

- 9:00 AM—Mass (Katheryn McLain)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2020

Lenten Weekday (3); *Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

9:00 AM—Mass (Tom Phelan)
Followed by Coffee

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020

SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

- 9:00 AM—Mass (Viola Becker)



A woman of Samaria came to draw water. John 4:7

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK

Monday
2Kgs 5:1-15b
Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday
Dn 3:25, 34-43
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday
Dt 4:1, 5-9
Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Ps 89:2-5, 27,29
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or
Lk 2:41-51a



Friday
Hos 14:2-10
Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday
Hos 6:1-6
Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b
Lk 18:9-14

Sunday
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Ps 23:1-6
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Some Dates to Remember

- Mar. 17—Social Action Committee at 6:30 PM
- Mar. 19—Finance Council Meeting at 7:00 PM
- Mar. 20—Adoration at 12:00 PM until 7:00 PM
- Mar. 20—Individual Reconciliation 12:00 PM to 6:45 PM
- Mar. 20—Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM
- Mar. 21—Individual Reconciliation at 10:00 am

Faith Formation News



No Class on Wednesday, March 18 due to spring break.
Wednesday, March 25 class at 6:30 followed by Communal Reconciliation at 7:00 pm.



His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" John 9:2

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020

Lenten Weekday (3)

- 9:00 AM—Mass (Arthur Becker)
- 12:00 PM—Adoration
- 12:00 PM-6:45-Individual Reconciliation
- 7:00 PM—Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020

Lenten Weekday (3)

- 10:00 AM-Individual Reconciliation

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

- 9:00 AM—Mass (People of Immaculate Conception)



Coffee and Donuts

Thank you to Knights of Columbus for hosting donuts a few weeks ago. If you would like to host in the future, please let Dc. Joe know.

A Huge Thank You to the following:

A thank you to Ed and Mary Dell Flattery for cleaning and polishing the tabernacle, patens, incense boats, and a myriad of other vessels and objects.

Thanks to Phil Webb and the Knights of Columbus for building, staining, and installing the new handrails leading to the sanctuary.

Thanks to Mary Dell Flattery, Karen Van Dusseldorf, and Deacon Joe for helping clean up the sacristy.

Spend some extra time with the Lord!

What: Adoration and Confessions
When: Friday, March 20, 2020

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 12 Noon and will conclude with Benediction at 7:00 PM. Stations of the Cross will begin immediately after Benediction. Individual confessions will be heard from 12 Noon to 6:45 PM

Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over...Thank you for your gifts.



- Offertory.....\$122.87
- Envelopes\$790.00
(\$65.00in auto tithing)
- Catholic Relief.....\$150.00
- Catholic Messenger.....\$29.00

Grinnell Deanery Communal Penance Schedule



Wednesday, March 18, 2020 Sacred Heart, Newton 7:00PM
Saturday, March 21, 2020 St. Mary, Oskaloosa 10:30AM
Sunday, March 22, 2020 St. Mary, Pella 2:00PM
Wednesday, March 25, 2020 Immaculate Conception, Colfax 7:00PM
Wednesday, April 1, 2020 St. Bridget, Victor 7:00PM

Saint of the Week

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary First
Century Solemnity—March 19



The spouse of Mary the mother of Jesus and the legal father of Jesus according to Jewish law, Joseph is a model of humility and obedience to God's will. He followed God's instructions, given by angels in dreams, and took the pregnant Mary into his home as his wife, protected her and Jesus at the child's birth in Bethlehem through the family's sojourn in Egypt, and provided for them as a carpenter in Nazareth. This feast, which was celebrated locally as

early as the ninth century, became a uni-

versal feast in the fifteenth century, when it was placed on the liturgical

calendar. Pope Pius IX named St. Joseph Patron of the Universal Church in 1870; he is also the patron saint of carpenters, the dying, and workers.

Being a guardian is the distinctive trait of Joseph: Being the guardian is his great mission . . . We look to Joseph as the model educator, who watches over and accompanies Jesus as he grows 'in wisdom, age and grace,' as the Gospel says. He was not Jesus' father: the father of Jesus was God, but he was a father to Jesus, he was a father to Jesus in order to help him grow. And how did he help him grow? In wisdom, age and grace. —Pope Francis, March 19, 2014

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Homebound Members

Thank you to everyone who has provided us with members that is unable to be with us at church. Here is a list of the names that has been provided. If you don't see a name that should be on this list please let Lisa, Dc Joe, or Fr Ron know so we can get them added.

Claire Gillan
Shirley Williams
Bill Brown

Joyce & Bob Brown
Jeannette Baldwin

Area Fish Fry's

SS. John and Paul Church

Altoona

Friday, March 13, 4:30 –7:00 PM

Fish fried or baked, potatoes, beans; or pizza or Macaroni n cheese for kids. Also drive thru available \$10 for teens 16 and older and for adults , kids 6-13 \$5, children 5 and younger free.

All other area fish fries have been canceled.

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Catholic Messenger Assessment \$1,944.00
Subscriptions Paid to Date \$609.00
Outstanding Balance \$1,335.00



Lenten Opportunities

Adoration: Fridays during lent we will have a half hour of adoration beginning at 6:30 PM.

Stations of the Cross. Fridays during lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM and closing with evening prayer. (You may come for adoration, for the stations, or for both.)

Mass: We will have daily mass on Tuesday thru Friday at 9:00 AM

Communal Reconciliation: Communal reconciliation service will be held on Wednesday, March 25, at 7:00 PM. (Other opportunities in the area are listed in the bulletin)

Anointing of the Sick: Anointing of the sick will take place on Sunday, March 29 during the 9:00 am mass.

Five Minutes with the Word, The Word Among Us, and The Little Black Book.: These daily meditation books are in the gathering space for you to take. They each offer a different daily meditation.

Rice Bowl: Rice bowls are in the gathering space. Please make sure your name is on the bowls and we will collect them on Sunday, April 19 during mass.

March 15, 2020—9:00AM

Lectors: Mary Dell Flattery & Rita Krueger

Eucharist Minsters:

Servers: Dane Owens; Ryan Braun; Oliva Bell; Mitch Holmes

Greeters: Irma Bell & Sharon Jones

March 22, 2020— 9:00 AM

Lectors: John Heggen & Brad Hagarty

Eucharist Minsters:

Servers: Irma Bell & Oliva Bell

Greeters: Ed & Mary Dell Flattery



Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Diane Wood

Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood, nephew of Diane Wood

For all who have died.

For vocations, our parish, and our faith formation program.



MEET YVONE

Meet Yvone from Kenya. She learned proper nutrition and hygiene practices to help keep her healthy and in school. Yvone now has a chance to dream and the strength to follow those dreams. How can you ensure that young people in your community receive proper nutrition?

Visit crsricebowl.org for more information

A Stewardship Moment

Jesus' longest-recorded conversation with anyone is the one he has with the Samaritan woman at the well. She discovers she can be honest with Jesus and goes and tells others about him. She gives witness. She's not the most certain, thorough or even convincing witness. But her witness is enough. It is inviting, humble, non-judgmental and sincere. What is the quality of our witness? How do our words and actions give daily testimony on behalf of Christ? During this season of Lent, how might we do a better job at proclaiming the risen Lord in word and deed?

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

"The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing."

Psalm 2:4

Four men of the cloth, taking a short breather from their heavy schedules, were on a park bench, chatting and enjoying an early spring day. "You know, since all of us are such good friends," said one, "this might be a good time to discuss the problems that are disturbing us." They all nodded in agreement.

"Well, I would like to share with you the fact that I drink to excess," said one. There was a gasp from the other three.

Then another spoke up. "Since you were so honest, I'd like to say that my big problem is gambling. It's terrible, I know, but I can't quit. I've even been tempted to take money from the collection plate."

Another gasp was heard, and the third clergyman spoke. "I'm really troubled, brothers, because I'm growing fond of a woman in my church—a married woman." More gasps. But the fourth man remained silent. After a few minutes the others coaxed him to open up. "The fact is," he said, "I just don't know how to tell you about my problem."

"It's all right, brother. Your secret is safe with us."

"Well, it's this way," he said. "You see, I'm an incurable gossip."

Need Donations of Plastic Eggs and Candy for Easter Egg Hunt

There will be a big Easter Egg Hunt again this year following the Easter Sunday morning mass. If you can help by donating plastic eggs or candy that would be great. Donations can be placed in the big basket that will be in the gathering space. We'll be putting the eggs together on Saturday, April 4th so need all donations by then. Thanks for your help with this event for the kids.



EASTER LILY MEMORIAL

If you would like to donate an Easter lily in memory of a loved-one, envelopes are available in the gathering space. No particular amount, just what you would like to give. Donations must be returned by Sunday, April 5.

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