



8th Sunday of Ordinary Time February 26, 2017

The next prayers that are said in silence by the priest at Mass take place at the time of the reception of Holy Communion. There are a few prayers that take place during this part of the Mass, so let me touch of them briefly.

As the Sign of Peace is taking place, the priest takes the celebrant's host (the one that he holds and elevates during the Consecration) and breaks it in half. From one of those two pieces, he breaks off a little particle and places it in the chalice saying the prayer: "May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it." This prayer signifies the unity of Christ's Body and Blood in the Resurrection and the fact that by our reception of this great gift, we too already begin to share in that Resurrection through the life of grace.

The priest then bows down and says the following prayer, which happens to be one of my favorites. He has two options, but I'll list the one I always use: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world, free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood, from all my sins and from every evil; keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you."

There is a real sense of entering into an intimate conversation with the Lord with this prayer as the priest begs Him for the grace to remain in communion with Him through his reception of Holy Communion. I encourage all of you to foster that same attitude of preparing to enter into intimate contact with the Lord, asking Him to help you stay close to Him and His teachings which will enable you to receive the many blessings He desires to give to His beloved children

Finally, as the priest consumes the Precious Body, he says: "May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life". The prayer while receiving the Precious Blood is identical, with the replacement of the 'Blood of Christ'. These prayers remind all of us of the great importance of the Eucharist in giving us the spiritual nourishment to keep moving forward on this pilgrim journey of faith toward the Promised Land of Heaven.

-Father Alford

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is someone who is deceased.

Saturday, February 25th

3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Jim Waters†)

Sunday, February 26th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: CPL. Jacob Palmateri†)
9:10 a PSR
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Fr. Manny Cuizon
9:45 a Confessions
9:45 a Choir rehearsal
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
4:00 p Confirmation Formation Session

Monday, February 27th

9:00 a Counting Team #4
5:00 p Confessions/Reconciliation
5:30 p Mass (Int: John & Lee Hamilton†)
Tuesday, February 28th
7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling families)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
5:30 p **Mardi Gras**

Ash Wednesday, March 1st

7:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
12:00 p Mass (Int: Jennifer Ryan†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:30 p Mass (Int: Martin McCormick†)
NO PSR/RCIA

Thursday, March 2nd

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: All Souls†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:30 p **Alternate Confirmation Formation Session**

Friday, March 3rd

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: John Blasko†)
8:00 a Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 4th

10-11:30 a Confessions
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Cesare Chiaradonna†)

Sunday, March 5th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Grover† & Ben Smith†)
9:10 a PSR
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Fr. Manny Cuizon
9:45 a Confessions
9:45 a Choir rehearsal
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)



Parish Sacrificial Giving
Fiscal Year 7/1/16-6/30/17

	Last Week	Year to Date
Collection (102)	\$ 4,674.00	\$189,033.47
Electronic funds (1)	\$ 200.00	\$ 35,366.70
Bldg. Dev. Fund (4)	\$ 100.00	\$ 9,298.00
EFT – Dev. Fund(0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,489.00
Poor Fund	\$ 43.00	\$ 2,628.45
Children’s Stewardship (0)	0.00	\$ 19.30
Catholic Times (1)	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,730.00
Number of collection envelopes used:	107	
Number of electronic contributions:	1	

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Feb. 26th – March 5th

Sunday:	IS 49:14-15	1COR 4:1-5 MT 6:24-34
Monday:	SIR 17:20-24	MK 10:17-27
Tuesday:	SIR 35:1-12	MK 10:28-31
Wednesday:	ASH WEDNESDAY	
	JL 2:12-18	2COR 5:20-6:2 MT 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	DT 30:15-20	LK 9:22-25
Friday:	IS 58:1-9A	MT 9:14-15
Saturday:	IS 58:9B-14	LK 5:27-32
Sunday:	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
	GN 2:7-9; 3:1-7	ROM 5:12-19 MT 4:1-11

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, March 4th - 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Biesiada, Deacon Tom, Williams
Lectors: Mayernich, V Walker
Servers: H, M, M Weier
Hospitality: Dambacher Family

Sunday, March 5th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Manny, J Calvert, Godar, Rayhill
Lectors: Deimel, Nelson
Servers: C & M Faribanks, McClintock
Hospitality: D & M Anderson, M & R McClintock

Sunday, March 5th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Fjelstul, Van Dyke
 Deacon Ray
Lectors: Kohlrus, A Toliver
Servers: Farris, Marinelli, Martyn
Minister of Care: J. Calvert
Hospitality: Brewer Family
CLOW: M, R, S Martyn

Volunteer for this week: Feb. 27th – March 5th
Church Dusters: Suzann Segatto & Mary & John Fox
Recycling Vol. March: Greg Park
March Food Volunteer: Teri Dambacher
Coffee & Donuts: Sun, March 5th :
 Lenna DeGroot & Leanne Collings

Upcoming Parish Meeting/Events:

Sun., Feb. 26, 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Formation Session
 Tues., Feb. 28, 5:30 p.m. Mardi Gras
 Wed., March 1, Ash Wednesday Mass with ashes
 At 7:00 a.m., Noon and 6:30 p.m.
 Thurs., March 2, 6:30 p.m. Alternate Confirmation Formation Session
 Fri., March 3, K of C Fish Fry serving 5:00-7:30 pm
 Mon., March 6, 7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting
 Mon., March 6 6:00 pm Fishes & Loaves - Team 1

Anointing of the Sick:

If you are going into the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

Alfred Limper, parishioner
Rachel Copp, parishioner
Jim Hundley, husband of Elaine Hundley
Tracy Medler, sister of Chuck Kuntzman
Tony Magro, Sr., father of Tony Magro Jr.
Jack Zucco, son of Marc & Carrie Zucco
Jim Kates, husband of Mary Kates, father of Mary Beth McClintock & Rachel Copp
Gavin Fox, grandson of John & Mary Fox
Len Howard, parishioner
Harold Sheppard, parishioner
David Laub, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
Mary Ann Midden, mother of Kathleen Quinn
Carole Smith, sister of John Fox
Phil Wiese, son-in-law of Evelyn Conboy
Mark Conboy, son of Evelyn Conboy
Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
Ray Roth Sr., father of Deacon Ray Roth
Jim Reiser, father of Kevin Reiser
Maureen Sphar, mother of Susan Shea
Joanne O’Connor, sister of Ginger Rentschler
F. Ray Camille, brother-in-law of JoAnn Camille
Cathy Scott, niece of John Fox
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
Jim Thean, cousin of Mary Fox
Fr. John Sohm, Retired Priest
Rosalie Jones, friend of Barb Scoggins

**In case of an emergency,
call 217-498-9197, choose option 2.**



LENTEN REGULATIONS:

Abstinence- 1) Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

FAST – 2) Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal.

Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed. 3) To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

First Friday Visits for March will be on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. This will allow the distribution of Ashes to the homebound. If you or someone you know is homebound and unable to come to Mass for Ashes, please contact the parish office (498-9197) to arrange ashes and Holy Communion to be brought to you.

THE SEASON OF LENT IS COMING SOON!!

Ash Wednesday is March 1, 2017. The Distribution of Ashes will be available at the following times:
Mass at 7:00 a.m., Mass at Noon, and Mass at 6:30 p.m.



Loving Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Drive

This Lent we have the opportunity to help the Taylorville Loving Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center raise funds to help women experiencing a crisis pregnancy.

Empty Baby Bottles will be available for St. Jude families to "adopt" at the February 28th Mardi Gras celebration. There will also be bottles available at the back of the Church.

We are asked to take our adopted bottles home and fill them with our loose change. Once the bottle is full it can be returned to the Church or to the parish center. All bottles should be returned during Easter week.

This is a great opportunity for families to practice the Lenten practice of almsgiving.



15th Annual Mardi Gras Celebration February 28, 2017

Carnival . . . Mardi Gras . . . Shrove Tuesday. Whatever we call it, it's the last blast before the solemn season of Lent begins. Everyone is invited to share an evening of FUN, FOOD and FELLOWSHIP

5:30 pm World Famous Nancy's Jambalaya dinner complete with Mac & Cheese and King Cupcakes

6:00 pm Bouya Parade kicks off GAMES

7:00 pm Join us in the Church for the burying of the Alleluia and the burning of Palms

Lots of help is needed to make our celebration a success. There are sign-up sheets on the Mardi Gras table in the back of the Church.

The party won't be the same without YOU!



HB 40: State Funding of Abortion!



The new Illinois legislature has introduced House Bill 40, which does the following:

Authorizes state taxpayer money to be used to pay for elective abortions for recipients in the state Medicaid program – this is currently prohibited.

Authorizes state workers' health insurance to be used to pay for elective abortions – this is currently prohibited.

Authorizes taxpayer money to fund grants to organizations that refer, counsel for and perform abortions – this is currently prohibited.

Call your state representative to urge him/her to vote "No" on HB 40!

To find your state representative, go to www.ilcatholic.org, or call the Catholic Conference of Illinois at 312-368-1066 or 217-528-9200.



Support the St. Jude Parish Knights of Columbus FISH FRY each Friday from March 3rd to April 7th. **Attention Knights – the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Church.** We welcome any parishioner who would like to assist. Your help is important for the success of our lonely fundraising event. Funds from our Fish Frys benefit our Parish and community.



From March 1st through April 9th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood, 601 N. Bruns Lane, Springfield, IL, and also help to spread the word about this important community outreach. **This year, we're giving parishes the opportunity to 'adopt' a local pregnancy care center and collect items for them. Please visit our website below for more information. If you'd like more information or to sign up for a vigil time or volunteer to help, please contact: Claudia Connelly at c.connelly01@gmail.com or call Springfield Right to Life at 217-523-2700 or contact Donna Moore at 217-321-1161 or dmoore@dio.org or visit www.40daysforlife.com/Springfield.**

Please join the Parish of St. Jude as we pray from 1:00-2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 16th.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Michael Gleason Nancy Hagerman Grace McCall	2 Teri Anderson Lauren Oldfield Kaitlyn Sutker Tristan Sutker	3 Dalton Siddens	4 Tara Krech Alicia Messmore Giovanni Randazzo Joseph Ryan Eric Staley Edie Toliver Aspen Williams
5 David Barrett Kelly Capriotti Amy King Katherine Kondelis Cheryl McKnelly Steven Sandvoss Gabiella Winkler <i>Terry & Diane Arthur Jeph & Carrie Bassett</i>	6 Lenna DeGroot	7 Christian Blough Stacey Carlson Aaron Clare Jon Clarke Grace Settles <i>George & Marie Ginter</i>	8 Christopher Winkler	9 Fr. Brian Alford Laryn Dapetti <i>Lloyd & Susan Hovey</i>	10 Julie Colantino Kelsey Schwab	11 Charles Beeman Marley Lou Hutchinson Michael Lindstrom Emily Prather Stephen Prather Jacob Spurlock Roberta Vanover <i>Chris & Susan Lindstrom Ken & Michele Oldfield</i>
12 Christine Cornett Christine Leinum Eric Miller Raleigh Schnepf <i>Stanley & Peggy Gunter David & Kelly Lacy</i>	13 Cora Ferrill Rebecca Phillips Jo Ann Price	14 John Bartolozzi Sue Bozarth Lauren Clare Mark Cordes Kenneth Yoggerst	15 Brian Eairheart Helen Morrow Amy Sommer	16 Alyx Barkus Jack Kerley	17 Macy Culbertson Megan Culbertson Julia Trello Patty Williams <i>Dennis & Molly Godar</i>	18 Gina Frawley Heidi Weitekamp
19 Aaron Oldfield Alexander Vollmer	20 Richard King Samuel Lindstrom Elizabeth Marx Grace Reynolds Penelope Weitekamp	21 Jack Lohmar Anita Schwab	22 Ann Carel Megan Eifert Annie Gegen Carter Leach Lauren Mantei Makenna Sutker Renee Vose <i>Joe & Cheryl Biesiada Jim & Darlene Kratz</i>	23 Regan Ernst George Ginter Madeline Lafferty Frank Stefano	24 Tom Maloney Jack Merkley	25 Donna Day Bob Jemison Roger McClintock Jace Oldfield Elizabeth Rowden Tristan Schmitz
26 Jordyn Crouch Sara Garcia <i>Elizabeth & Justin Siders</i>	27 Randy Bruso Peter Gegen	28 Jim Lauwerens	29 Shannon Loveless Carly Jo Ross Ian Wilson	30 Craig Berberet Kip Reiss Haley Thompson	31 Beth Yong	

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