



April 15, 2018
3rd Sunday of
Easter



Last Sunday, we began a series of reflections on the baptismal promises that we all renewed on Easter Sunday. We first considered how our renunciation of sin opens us to the freedom that comes from living as God's children. Saying no to those things which are sinful is not a restriction of our freedom, as it sometimes seems. Rather, it gives us a freedom for doing the things we should be doing, namely loving God and one another in the appropriate ways that are life giving instead of life draining.

The next baptismal promise we were asked to renew was this: "Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?" When I hear the word 'lure', I think back to the many hours I spent fishing on the lake close to where my parents lived in Central Wisconsin. I had a couple of fishing lures that seemed like magic – they could catch just about anything! Once the hook was set, all I needed to do was wear the fish out and bring him into the boat (after which I always released him).

Think about that analogy. Sometimes evil or sinful things are presented to us as appealing and attractive, like a nice shiny fishing lure. We fall for the trap and go for it, only to find ourselves getting hooked! Initially, we might put up a good fight, trying to break free. Then, after a period of struggle, we resign ourselves to the fact that there's little or nothing that we can do, so we give up the fight and continue to get pulled further in.

Therefore, we need to renew our resolve to do everything that we cannot just to avoid sin, but also the near occasions of sin. For example, if you know that using social media on your phone causes you to procrastinate, delete the app from your phone! And if you find yourself getting hooked by something, don't trust in your strength to fight the battle with the hopes that you will 'spit the hook out' with enough effort. By all means, bring it to confession, which cuts the line and gives you your freedom back. The sooner you go, the less drained you will be from the battle and better able to resist the lure of evil and sin when it tries to present itself as an attraction again.

-Father Alford

Anointing of the Sick:

If you are going into the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament 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:

- Danny Tinsley**, parishioner
 - Lynn F. Leach**, parishioner
 - Kathy Smith**, parishioner
 - Evelyn Conboy**, parishioner
 - Jim & Mary Kates**, parishioners
 - JoAnn Camille**, parishioner
 - Harold Sheppard**, parishioner
 - Betty & Ray Rowden**, parishioners
 - Jean Seward**, sister of Mary Jo Duesterhaus
 - Rita Spannagel**, mother of Jill Whitney
 - Tommy Martin**, nephew of Debbie Decker
 - Margie Lammert**, mother of Sarah Clare
 - Nick Riordan**, cousin of Amy Zack
 - Steven Butts**, brother of Michelle Bullock
 - Mary Ann Midden**, mother of Kathleen Quinn
 - Reba Cloyd**, mother of Anita Schwab
 - Jennifer Harbeck**, cousin of Brad Zack
 - Joanna Laabs**, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
 - Mary Alice Tuxhorn**, friend of JoAnn Camille
 - John Vercautern**, cousin of Laurie White
 - Logan Flotkoetter**, friend of Mary Bruno
 - Cherie Peterson**, niece of Peggy Parnell
 - Sara Graue**, sister of Barb Sinkus
 - Fr. Barry Harmon**, Diocesan Priest
- In Memory:**
JoAnne O'Connor, sister of Ginger Rentschler



Help Wanted! – We are looking for more help with maintaining the pots and flower beds on the Church grounds. If you would like to help with this, please contact the parish office (498-9197). Thank you to those who have helped in the past, especially Kathleen Quinn.

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

- Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.
- Saturday – 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.
- Sunday – 7:30 a.m.- 7:50 a.m.
- Sunday – 9:45 a.m.- 10:15 a.m.

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217/498-7111

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Saturday, April 14th

3:30 p **Confessions**
 4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Raymond Roth, Sr.†)
 First Reception of Holy Communion:
 Carson Myers, Tanner Offer,
 Kelsey Amerson

Sunday, April 15th

7:30 a **Confessions**
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
 9:10 a **PSR**
 Wyndcrest: Roth
 9:30 a **Confessions**
 9:45 a **Choir Rehearsal**
 10:00 a **Rosary**
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: Angela Sendejas†)
 First Reception of Holy Communion:
 Vincent Powell, Macy Culbertson,
 Morgan Culbertson

Monday, April 16th

9:00 a **Counting Team #3**
 5:00 p **Confessions**
 5:30 p **Mass** (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
 6:00 p **Eucharistic Adoration**
 6:00 p *The Bible Timeline*

Tuesday, April 17th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int.:Limper/Engeling Families)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 6:00 p **K of C Meeting**

Wednesday, April 18th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: All Souls†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 6:30 p **PSR**
 7:00 p **Choir rehearsal**

Thursday, April 19th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Raymond Ruppel†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Friday, April 20th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: John Blasko†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, April 21st

1:00 p **Sew-n-Sews**
 3:30 p **Confessions**
 4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Marilyn Bertrand†)
 First Reception of Holy Communion:
 Molly Maynerich, Emma Earheart,
 Kal Reiss

Sunday, April 22nd

7:30 a **Confessions**
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
 9:10 a **PSR**
 Wyndcrest: Wrincik
 9:45 a **Confessions**
 9:45 a **Choir Rehearsal**
 10:00 a **Rosary**
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: Leonard Howard†)
 First Reception of Holy Communion:
 Brinley Torres, Marlee Trame

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/17-6/30/18

	Last Week	Year to Date
Collection (107)	\$ 5,411.03	\$212,875.20
Electronic funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 51,633.80
Bldg. Dev. Fund (8)	\$ 196.00	\$ 11,985.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,557.00
Poor Fund	\$ 73.00	\$ 2,404.35
Children's Stewardship (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 19.00
Easter Collection (6)	\$ 206.00	\$ 4,860.00
Catholic Relief (1)	\$ 1.00	\$ 1,621.00
Holy Land (1)	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,153.00
EFT- Holy Land (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 122.00
Seminarians (4)	\$ 450.00	\$ 2,389.30
Rice Bowl (1)	\$ 2.06	\$ 552.42
Number of collection envelopes used: 128		
Number of electronic contributions: 0		

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, April 21st – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Krug, Tomashavich,
 White

Lectors: Bertrand, Day

Servers: Heiple, Sommer, Zack

Hospitality: Auxier, Egizio, J & S Thull

Sunday, April 22nd – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, C & G Leach, Rayhill

Lectors: Dowding, Helling

Servers: Deen, Lauwerens

Hospitality: Brandis, A & Z Dahlkamp, Parnell

Sunday, April 22nd – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Deacon Ray, Crusen,
 Guerretaz

Lectors: Kohlrus, A. Toliver

Servers: Delgado, Martyn

Minister of Care: Wrincik

Hospitality:

CLOW: Martyn Family

Volunteer for this week –April 15th - April 22nd

Church Duster: Michelle Bertrand

April Recycling Vol.: Jerry Calvert

April Food Volunteer: Jeannette Waters

Coffee & Donuts: Sun. April 22nd:

Roger & Mary Beth McClintock



Rice Bowls – Many thanks to those who have turned in their Rice Bowls. Through your generosity we have collected \$552.42. If you have not turned yours in yet, please do so as soon as possible.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Apr. 15th – Apr. 22nd

Sunday:	ACTS 3:13-15, 17-19	1JN 2:1-5A
		LK 24:35-48
Monday:	ACTS 6:8-15	JN 6:22-29
Tuesday:	ACTS 7:51-8:1A	JN 6:30-35
Wednesday:	ACTS 8:1B-8	JN 6:35-40
Thursday:	ACTS 8:26-40	JN 6:44-51
Friday:	ACTS 9:1-20	JN 6:52-59
Saturday:	ACTS 9:31-42	JN 6:60-69
Sunday:	ACTS 4:8-12	1JN 3:1-2
		JN 10:11-18

The sharing of new life through our Catholic faith continues in the sacraments of initiation as we celebrate infant Baptisms and the First Reception of Holy Communion throughout the next 7 weeks of Easter as we approach the great feast of Pentecost.

Schedule of First Communions:

- April 14: Carson Myers, Tanner Offer, Kelsey Amerson
- April 15: Vincent Powell, Macy Culbertson, Morgan Culbertson
- April 21: Molly Maynerich, Emma Earheart, Kal Reiss
- April 22: Brinley Torres, Marlee Trame
- April 28: Hanna Vanderhoof, Rylee Henry, Paityn Henry
- April 29: Carter Nieders, Levi Toliver, Walker Hanna
- May 6: Adam Anderson, Josephine Hendricks
- May 19: Gianna Capriotti, Ehren Woehrmann
- May 20: Lydia Megginson

PSR NEWS –

April is when we collect boxes of **Hamburger Helper** to donate to the Food Pantry. Remember to bring in your donation to PSR!

It's that time of year when we will be going early **PSR Registration (pre-registration) for the 2018-2019 PSR year**. PSR registration forms have been sent out and the pre-registration dates are April 25th, April 29th, May 2nd, and May 6th. By registering early, you will help us have a good start in figuring out next year's classes. We will still have Wednesday evening classes just like this year. How many Sunday classes will depend on the number of children pre-registered for each class. We will make the determination about the number of Sunday classes after Sunday, May 13th.

Please help us to prepare by registering early!



Upcoming Parish Meeting/Events:

- Mon. April 16 – Adoration
- Tue. April 17 - K of C mtg.
- Sat. April 21 – Sew n Sews (date change, 3rd Saturday)
- Thu. April 26 – RCIA
- Sat. April 28 – Mission Trip Garage Sale

Mission Trip News

The youth going on this year's mission trip will be selling raffle tickets after all masses on April 14-15. The tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Only 600 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be on Mother's Day. The winner will receive their choice of either 1) \$650 cash, 2) \$650 shopping spree at Scheels, or 3) whole hog, processed by Magros. In addition to the chosen prize, the winner will also receive a new Weber charcoal grill. If you would like to purchase raffle tickets and won't be at St. Jude's on those dates, contact Kay Foster at yakyakf@comcast.net or 217-494-2984.



We will be holding our **annual garage sale** to benefit the youth mission trip on Saturday, April 28 from 8-12. If you wish to donate items, they can be dropped off at the parish center April 26-27.

Fr. Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship

Each year since 2004, the Knights of Columbus Council #9640 has awarded the Fr. Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship to a graduating high school senior. Scholarship information and application are available on the website (stjude.dio.org) or at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Scholarship applications must be submitted, completed, by **April 15, 2018**. The Scholarship will be awarded at the annual Knights of Columbus appreciation Dinner in May.



All are welcome to join the **St. Jude's sew-n-sews** group! Saturday, April 21st at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Bring a project, enjoy some snacks and good company! Hope to see you and bring a friend!

RECYCLING CANS FOR ST. PATRICK SCHOOL



Don't forget to save your aluminum cans, bag them and bring them to the brown wooden box at the front of the Parish Center. Volunteers take them in to the Recycling Center and all monies are

donated to St. Patrick School!



Food Collection

FOR ST. MARTIN De PORRES

Each Sunday you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to mass and place them in the baskets as you enter the Church. All food is taken to St. Martin de Porres Center in Springfield to help their great mission to feed the poor and hungry.

Volunteers take the food in weekly to the Center.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Are you looking for a way to let your spouse know that you love them? In the middle of carpools, work, household chores and sports, share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend TOGETHER as a way of giving an important gist to your spouse. Every marriage needs, and deserves, that kind of attention. The next weekends are April 20-22 or August 3-5, 2018 in St. Peters, MO. You can find out more by clicking on www.stl-wvme.org or calling 1-314-649-7317.

SHG PRESENTS THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE

SHG is excited to present their 2018 Spring Musical, Thoroughly Modern Millie. Show times are April 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st at 7:30 p.m., and April 15th and 22nd at 5:00 p.m. the Children's Event will be Sunday, April 15th at 3:00 p.m. in the Commons. For tickets and children's event reservations, call the ticket office at 217-787-1595 ext. 153.



– SHG Cheerleading will be holding tryouts for the 2018-2019 school year April 30th – May 4th, 4:40 – 6:30 p.m. each day in the East Campus Gym. There will be a mandatory parent/cheerleader tryout meeting on Sunday, April 29th at 2:00 in the East Campus Commons. Please email shgcheerleading@gmail.com with any questions you may have. Go Cyclones!

Raise your voice!



With happy voices ringing,
thy children, Lord, appear,
their joyous praises bringing
in anthems sweet and clear.
For skies of golden splendor,
for azure rolling sea,
for blossoms sweet and tender,
O Lord, we worship thee.

—William Tarrant