



March 3, 2019
8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

March 2019

In just a few days, we will be entering the holy season of Lent, the 40 days during which we prepare for the celebration of Easter. The Church requires very little of us during Lent (see the regulations later in the bulletin), but she encourages us to adopt a voluntary program of self-denial, more intense prayer, and acts of charity.

Last Lent, I received a daily e-mail with a short reflection for the day. I remember well the very first reflection that landed in my inbox on Ash Wednesday. The reflection drew from the following line in Luke's Gospel: "When the days for His being taken up were fulfilled, He resolutely *determined* to journey to Jerusalem." (Lk 9:51) The reflection went on with the following words, which I would like to share with you:

Just as Jesus is starting a sacred journey, we too are starting the journey of Lent - and a journey with Jesus. For many of us, Lent is a time when we adopt Lenten penances, special commitments to God, so that we may grow in holiness. However, too often our Lenten penances take the shape of our New Year's resolutions; we mean well at the beginning, however, when life gets busy our determination atrophies and we give up. As Jesus is **determined** to fulfill His journey, are you **determined** to follow Him? Are you "**resolutely determined**" to follow Him? Jesus is looking at you . . . right now. He is asking . . . right now. Are you **determined** to go all the way to Jerusalem?

In these days leading up to Ash Wednesday, I would invite you to pray for the desire to be **resolutely determined** to follow Jesus more faithfully during this Lenten season. Don't just focus on the *what* of Lent, but the *why*, which is growing in our awareness of God's profound love for us, an awareness that, when fully appreciated, cannot leave us unchanged in how we live our lives as His beloved disciples. So let's begin Lent well, and believe that by staying determined throughout this season, this Lent could be the Lent that changes our lives!

- Father Alford

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to 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:

- Robert Eifert, parishioner
- Shirley Crawford, parishioner
- Rene Runions, parishioner
- Ray Roland, parishioner
- Lynn F. Leach, parishioner
- Kathy Smith, parishioner
- Evelyn Conboy, parishioner
- JoAnn Camille, parishioner
- Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
- JoAnn Barber, parishioner
- Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
- Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
- Terese Hurst, sister of Diane Bortmess
- Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
- Julie Sinkus, daughter of Barb Sinkus
- Tom Helling, brother of Gary Helling
- Jim Felts, husband of Dianne Felts
- Tim Dunbar, nephew of Ginger Rentschler
- Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
- Jean Seward, sister of Mary Jo Duesterhaus
- Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
- Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
- Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
- Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
- Joanna Laabs, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
- John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
- Logan Flotkoetter, friend of Mary Bruno
- Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
- Mike Geist, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
- Henry Torres, father of Brian Torres



SCRIPTURE READINGS—Mar. 3rd – Mar. 10th

Sunday:	SIR 27:4-7	
	1 COR 15:54-58	LK 6:39-45
Monday:	SIR 17:20-24	MK 10:17-27
Tuesday:	SIR 35:1-12	MK 10:28.31
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:	DT 26:4-10	
	ROM 10:8-13	LK 4:1-13

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!

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

Saturday, March 2nd

8:30 a Confessions
9:00 a Mass(Int: Kathy Blasko†)
9:30 a Eucharistic Adoration
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass(Int: Patricia Leach†)

Sunday, March 3rd

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: "Les Mis" Crew)
12:00 p RCIA

Monday, March 4th

9:00 a Counting Team #1
5:00 p Confessions
5:30 p Mass (Int: Hope Power)
6:00 p Fishes & Loaves
7:00 p Pastoral Council meeting

Tuesday, March 5th

No Women's Bible Study today
7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
5:30 p **Mardi Gras**

Wednesday, March 6th - Ash Wednesday

7:00 a Mass (Int: All Souls†)
6:30 p NO PSR
6:30 p Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Thursday, March 7th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Betty Edgart†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
7:00 p Men's Prayer Group

Friday, March 8th

No Mass
8:00 a Stations of the Cross
5:00 p K of C Fish Fry

Saturday, March 9th

1:00 p Sew-n-Sews
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass(Int: Barbara Reid†)

Sunday, March 10th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Joyce Hogan†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Calverts
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
12:00 p NO RCIA
3:00 p Confirmation Formation

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/18-6/30/19

	Last Week	Year-to-date
Collection (100)	\$ 5,169.11	\$186,945.31
Electronic Funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 34,646.50
Bldg. Dev. Fund (2)	\$ 30.00	\$ 8,672.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,719.00
Poor Fund	\$ 50.61	\$ 1,710.40
Children's Stewardship (3)	\$ 4.00	\$ 11.00
Eastern Europe (1)	\$ 5.00	\$ 97.00
Catholic Charities (2)	\$ 40.00	\$ 212.00
Easter Flowers (40)	\$ 826.00	\$ 986.00
Number of collection envelopes used:	139	
Number of electronic contributions:	9	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, March 9th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Biesiada, Reidle,
Deacon Walker
Lectors: Auxier, Maynerich
Servers: Heiple, Rollins, Trello
Hospitality: Egizio, Foster, J & S Thull

Sunday, March 10th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Calvert, Dowding
Deacon Roth
Lectors: Blumhorst, Deimel
Servers: Deen, Delgado, Lauwerens
Hospitality: McWard, Parnell, R & B Yong

Sunday, March 10th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Fjelstul,
Kuntzman
Lectors: Guerrettaz, Kerley
Servers: Martyn, E & T Schudel
Minister of Care: J & N Calvert
Hospitality: Decker Family
CLOW: Martyn Family

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.

Volunteer for this week – March 4 – March 10

Church Duster: Laurie McWard
Mar. Recycling Volunteer: Greg Park
Mar. Food Volunteer: Horstman Family
Coffee & Donuts – Sun., Mar. 10th:
Don & Roberta Vanover

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Mar. 3, 17, 24, 21 Noon - RCIA
Mar. 4 – 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting
Mar. 5 – 5:30 p.m. Mardi Gras
Mar. 6 – NO PSR Ash Wednesday
Mar. 7, 21 – 7:00 p.m. Men’s Prayer Group
Mar. 8, 15, 22, 29 – 5:00 p.m. K of C Fish Fry
Mar. 9 – 1:00 Sew-N-Sews
Mar. 10, 31 – 3:00 p.m. Confirmation Formation
Mar. 11 – 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Formation
Mar. 12 – 6:30 p.m. – PreJordan Session
Mar. 13 – 1:00 Ladies Tea/Bunco
Mar. 13, 20 – 6:30 p.m. PSR
Mar. 19 – 6:45 p.m. Women’s Bible Study
Mar. 19 – 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting
Mar. 27 – NO PSR

LENTEN REGULATIONS:

Prayer & Fasting 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 allowed.

(3) To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.



Mark your calendars now!

The K of C, St. Jude Council 9640 annual Lenten Fish Fries are scheduled for March

8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, April 5th and 12th. **If you would like to help with the Fish Fries, please contact Deacon Tom Walker or Jerry Calvert for more information. All are welcome!**



→PSR NEWS←

During March, the PSR classes will be collecting Canned Fruit to benefit the Food Pantry. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

**Fr. Patrick Cahill
Memorial Scholarship Announcement**

Attention Graduating High School Seniors:

If you are a graduating H.S. Senior in 2019 and are interested in some extra money for college, please apply for the **Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship**. Paid annually for four years, the 2019 winner will receive \$750 toward educational expenses. To apply, contact the Saint Jude Parish Office or go online to stjude.dio.org to apply. **Please submit applications by Monday April 1, 2019.**



Mardi Gras Celebration

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

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.

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!

**Bortmess Concrete Contractor
18 Woodland Trail, Rochester, IL
217-652-7402**

rbortmess@yahoo.com



BRING YOUR PALMS TO BURN!

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, March 6th. On the weekends prior to Ash Wednesday we will be collecting the palms that that were blessed and distributed last year. There will be a basket in the entrance of the Church for you to put your palms in.



All are welcome to join the **St. Jude sew-n-sews group**, Saturday, March 9th in the Parish Center from 1:00-3:00 p.m.! Bring a project, enjoy some snacks and good company! Hope to see you and bring a friend!



Women's
Tea

St. Jude Women's Tea/Bunco

St. Jude Women's Tea/Bunco Group will meet on Wednesday, March 13th at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. All women of the parish are invited! Bring a friend!

Pre-Jordan Class



Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on Tuesday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you plan to attend, please call or email Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@stjude.dio.org.

Loving Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Drive



This Lent, we have an 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". We are asked to take our adopted baby bottles home and fill them with our donations. Once the bottle is full it can be returned to the Church or parish office. All bottles should be returned during Easter week.

Empty bottles will be available for adoption at the Tuesday, March 5th Mardi Gras celebration. There will also be bottles available at the back of the Church. This is a great opportunity to practice Alms giving.

Adult Formation at the Cathedral

Cathedral First Friday Concert Series

This month's concert features Cathedral oboist, Brad Cardella and Cathedral soprano, Kara Mernaugh. Free and open to the public! Cathedral, Friday, March 1st, 7:00 p.m.

An Historical, Theological, and Liturgical Look at Lent

Ashes. Fasting. Veiled Images. Join Father House for a look at the Why's behind the Do's and Don'ts of the Lenten Season. Cathedral Atrium, Monday, March 11th 7:00 p.m.

Humanae Vitae

Pope Paul VI published his landmark encyclical fifty years ago in 1968 and many in the world have been debating it ever since. Father House will explore the major themes of this encyclical and the predictions made in it by Pope Paul VI. Cathedral Atrium, Tuesday, March 19th, 7:00 p.m.

Catholicism: The New Evangelization

This series, hosted by Bishop Robert Barron, explores the Church's mission within the challenges of contemporary culture. Cathedral School basement, Tuesdays, March 5-April 9, 10:00 a.m.

AREA EVENTS

St. Patrick's Catholic School is hosting its **6th Annual Blarney Bash Party & Auction** on Friday, March 15, 2019. The "best pre-party for St. Patrick's Day in town" will be held at the LRS Hangar at Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30/person and \$55/couple. Reservations can be made online at www.st-patrick.org or by calling (217) 523-7670.

SHG PRESENTS CATS! – SHG is excited to present their 2019 Spring Musical, CATS. Show times are March 22, 29, and 30 at 7:30 p.m., March 24 and 31 at 5:00 p.m., and March 30 at 2:00 p.m. The Children's Event will be Sunday, March 24th at 3:00 p.m., the cost is \$15.00 and includes a ticket to the show. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students/senior citizens. To order, email ticketoffice@shg.org or call (217) 787-1595 ext. 153.

Celebrate National Catholic Sisters Week with the Dominican Sisters!

Moms and their pre-teen daughters can enjoy a Mother-Daughter Tea & Tour, 2:00-3:30 p.m., Sunday, March 24th at Sacred Heart Convent, 1237 W. Monroe St., Springfield 62704. This includes an interactive, kid-friendly tour of Sacred Heart Convent Chapel followed by some tea (or lemonade) and the sisters' secret-recipe sweets. Daughters will go home with a goody bag and one of the sisters' secret recipes to try at home. This is offered at no cost to you; **pre-registration is required** at www.springfieldop.org/nscsw. For more information, call 217-787-0481.

In celebration of 40 years of service, **the Pregnancy Care Center** will hold its Annual Spring Luncheon on Monday, April 8th from 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Northfield Center. This fun spring event includes lunch, a silent auction, a bake sale, a raffle, and musical entertainment by "On Occasion", a Quartet from sound Celebration Chorus. Lunch will be served at noon. Seats are \$30 and reservations are required. To reserve a seat, you can call the Center at 217-525-5630.



Lent is a good time to decide to deepen your faith, and your relationship with your spouse. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** offer you new tools to improve your communication and open a whole new world of closeness. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on April 12-14, 2019 in St. Peters, MO; and June 21-23, 2019 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wme.org/schedule.php> or call 1-314-649-7317.

Sacristan 30 hours a week / Negotiable work schedule

The Hospital Sisters of St. Francis are seeking a Sacristan who will work under the direction of the Coordinator of Music and Liturgy preparing for liturgical rites and celebrations Applicants should have prior experience supporting a parish or community church. **Excellent benefits and salary.**

Interested candidates may send their resume to:

jsprague@hsosf-usa.org
Joyce Sprague, Director HR
P.O. Box 19431
Springfield, IL 62794-9431
217 522-3387, ext. 684 or 686



EXTREME Abortion Bills Introduced in IL Legislature

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act

Current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. Includes a waiver for children physically or sexually abused. Passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013 by a ***unanimous*** Illinois Supreme Court ruling.

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942:

- ***Repeals*** current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- ***Defines*** abortion as a fundamental right.
- ***Removes*** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- ***Removes*** the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.
- ***We are studying the bill for further impact.***



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and via emails sent through our
Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network (I-CAN).

Sign up for I-CAN at:
www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers
and urge them to vote "no" on
HB 2467, SB 1594, HB 2495 & SB 1942.
Go to www.ilcatholic.org for more info.