



March 17, 2019 2nd Sunday of Lent

Last Sunday, we heard the account of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. With each temptation, Jesus shut down the devil by quoting the Word of God. This is a vivid demonstration of what is said about the power of

Sacred Scripture in the Letter to the Hebrews, which reads: "Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword." (Hebrews 4:12)

Jesus shows us how important it is for us to be familiar with the Scriptures as we face the temptations in our lives. With that in mind, I want to invite you to accept this week's Lenten challenge of **reading the Bible for at least five minutes a day**. This is one of the habits of being a disciple that I cannot stress enough! In a quote that you may have heard before, St. Jerome reminds us that: "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." In fact, when the Catechism of the Catholic Church references this quote, it is preceded by the following words: "The Church forcefully and specifically exhorts all the Christian faithful. . . to learn the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, by frequent reading of the divine Scriptures." (CCC 133)

Maybe I can anticipate your next question – where should I start? A great place to start would be with the readings of the day. You can find them listed later in the bulletin, or you can find them at the following website:

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>. Another option would be to read through one of the four Gospels. Reading through the Gospel of St. Luke would be a good idea, given that we are hearing from that Gospel throughout this liturgical year. Choosing one of the letters from St. Paul can make for good spiritual reading as well. There is also a nifty smartphone app from YouVersion called **Bible** which has a variety of reading plans, etc.

It is my prayer that by undertaking this challenge for one week, your love for the Scriptures, and thus your love for Christ, will grow, to the point that it becomes a daily habit for your daily battle against temptations, resulting in a life of greater holiness.

As a reminder, to receive a daily reflection and challenge in your inbox, text the word **STJUDEL to **84576**.**

- Fr. 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:

Allan Dahlkamp, parishioner
Cece Foltz, parishioner
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
Craig Martin, nephew of Debbie Decker



In Memory:

Agnes Galligan, mother of Patricia Jones
Veronica Paprocki, mother of
Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

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

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!

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

Saturday, March 16th

3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Christopher Weier†)

Sunday, March 17th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
9:30 a Wyndcrest:
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: Helen Morrow†)
12:00 p RCIA

Monday, March 18th

9:00 a Counting Team #3
5:00 p Confessions
5:30 p Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)

Tuesday, March 19th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Kathy Smith)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:45 a Women's Bible Study
7:00 p K of C meeting

Wednesday, March 20th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Harold Sheppard†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:30 p Servers Training
6:30 p PSR
7:00 p Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 21st

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

Friday, March 22nd

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Hope Power)
8:00 a Stations of the Cross
5:00 p K of C Fish Fry

Saturday, March 23rd

9:00-4:30 Adoration
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Jim & Darlene Kratz – 50th Anniversary)

Sunday, March 24th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Joyce Hogan†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:00 a Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
12:00 p RCIA

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

	Last Week	Year-to-date
Collections (114)	\$ 7,882.00	\$201,104.31
Electronic Funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 36,386.50
Bldg. Dev. Fund (8)	\$ 351.00	\$ 9,961.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,904.00
Poor Fund	\$ 89.10	\$ 1,814.50
Children's Stewardship (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 11.00
Easter Flowers (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,021.00
Central/East. Europe(39)	\$ 1,143.00	\$ 1,275.00
Catholic Charities (2)	\$ 25.00	\$ 262.00
Cath. Relief Services(1)	\$ 15.00	\$ 45.00
Number of collection envelopes used :	165	
Number of Electronic contributions:	0	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, March 23rd - 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Egizio, Tomashavich,
Deacon Walker
Lectors: Bertrand, Day
Servers: Heiple, Myers, Torres
Hospitality: Foster, J & S Thull

Sunday, March 24th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Dowding, Vogt
Lectors: Deimel, Nelson
Servers: Zeidler
Hospitality: Eichholz Family

Sunday, March 24th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Guerretaz, Kerley,
Warren
Lectors: Schudel, Warren
Servers: T & E Schudel
Minister of Care: Nelson
Hospitality: Decker Family
CLOW: A & B Toliver

Volunteer for this week – March 18- 24

Church Duster: Michelle Bertrand
March Recycling Volunteer: Greg Park
March Food Volunteer: Horstman Family
Coffee & Donuts – Sun., March 24th:
Roger & Mary Beth McClintock

SCRIPTURE READINGS – Mar. 17th – Mar. 24th

Sunday: GN 15:5-12, 17-18 PHIL 3:17-4:1
LK 9:28B-36

Monday: DN 9:4b-10 LK 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2SM 7:4-5A, 12-14A, 16
ROM 4:13, 16-18, 22 MT 1:16, 18-21, 24A

Wednesday: JER 18:18-20 MT 20:17-28

Thursday: JER 17:5-10 LK 16:19-31

Friday: GN 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A
MT 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: MI 17:14-15, 18-20 LK 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: EX 3:1-8A, 13-15
1COR 10:1-6, 10-12 LK 13:1-9

Additional Confession Times during Lent

Mar. 23 – 9:00-11 a.m.; 12:30-2:30 p.m.
Mar. 27 – 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Mar. 30 – 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Apr. 6 – 9:45-11:30; 1:00-2:30 p.m.
Apr. 7 – 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Apr. 14 – 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Apr. 19 – 5:00-6:45 p.m.

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Mar. 15, 22, 29 – 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross
Mar. 17, 24, 31 – Noon – RCIA
Mar. 19 – 6:45 p.m. Women’s Bible Study
Mar. 19 – 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting
Mar 20 – 6:30 p.m. PSR
Mar 20 – 6:30 p.m. Servers Training
Mar. 21 – 7:00 p.m. Men’s Prayer Group
Mar. 22, 29 – 5:00 p.m. K of C Fish Fry
Mar. 23 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Adoration
Mar. 26 – 10:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Study
Mar. 27 – NO PSR
Mar. 31 – 3:00 p.m. Confirmation Formation

LENTEN REGULATIONS:

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

Fasting **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 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.

**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 \$750.00 toward educational expenses. To apply, contact the St. Jude Parish Office or go online to www.stjude.dio.org to apply. **Please submit applications by Monday, April 1, 2019.**

→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.

Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the Collection for the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe**. As a parish we collected \$1,275.00 to help restore the church and build the future in more than 20 countries. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give.

Feeling the call to become more active within the Parish?

A **Protecting God’s Children** session has been scheduled at St. Jude Parish Center, **Tuesday, March 26th, 6:30 p.m.** Please contact the Parish Office (498-9197) to register for this session. Please assist the parish in providing various services for our youth and children by fulfilling the requirement for all parish volunteers. **The Protecting God’s Children Adult Training Session is a requirement for anyone age 18 or older who is volunteering within the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.**



Mark your calendars now!

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

Lifetouch Portrait packets – If you had your picture taken for the Parish Directory and have not picked up your packet, please look in the box at the back of the Church. There are still about two dozen packets there. Thank you.

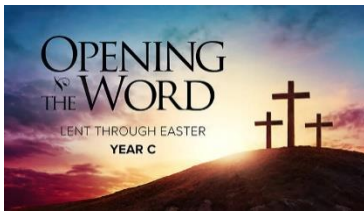
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“Therefore, in the liturgy, you are much more than simple "helpers of the parish priest". Above all, you are servers of Jesus Christ, of the eternal High Priest. Thus, you, altar servers, are called in particular to be young friends of Jesus. Be determined to go deeper and to cultivate this friendship with Him. You will discover that in Jesus you have found a true friend for life.”

- Pope St. John Paul II

Would you like to serve the parish by being an Altar Server? It's not too late!! There will a server training session on Wednesday, March 20th at 6:30 (during PSR) Training will be for ALL old and new Servers. Training will be held in the Church.



Looking for a way to grow this Lent? Join our parish wide, Lenten Study Group on FORMED.org! The Pastoral Council

invites all of you to join us in Opening the Word, a program offering prayer and insights for the Sunday Readings. We'll have an online discussion board with reflections questions to promote community discussion and get to know one another, all while working with our busy schedules!

To join us, go to <https://stjuderochester.formed.org>. Once registered on FORMED.org, the St. Jude Lenten Study Group will be the top item of the **Community** section (top left menu between On Demand and Library). If you need help getting set up, call the Parish Office at 217-498-9197 and speak with Teresa.



Adoration on Saturday, March 23rd

Come spend time with Jesus this Lent during the Pastoral Council sponsored Saturday Adoration. Members of

the council have signed up to adore and welcome all parishioners to join them anytime Saturday, March 23rd from 9am-4:30pm before Saturday vigil mass. Some slots are available, but no commitment is necessary to attend.

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 back of the Church. This is a great opportunity to practice Alms giving.

During the 40 days of Lent, there is a special prayer campaign that takes place throughout our country called **40 Days for Life**. This will be taking place locally outside of Planned Parenthood in Springfield. Our parish is planning to pray there on **Thursdays from 1:00-2:00 pm**, Please consider coming to join us and to stand up for Life. The address is 601 Bruns Lane. NOTE: Please DO NOT park in the parking lot at Planned Parenthood as it is illegal to do so. There is parking available directly across the street.

The Springfield Right to Life – **Pro-life Rally and Lobby Day is Wednesday, March 20, 2019**, in the Lobby Noon-1:30 p.m., Rally in the Rotunda 1:30-2:30 p.m., and in the Lobby 2:30-4:00 p.m. Please join us to show our support for Life. Attendees are asked to pray & lobby their lawmakers to oppose anti-life bills HB 2495 and HB 2467.

Novena for Life – Come to the Cathedral March 17-25 at 7:00 p.m. to pray for an increase in respect for life and for an end to abortion. Prayer is one of the most powerful tools to combat evil. All are welcome!