

March 3, 2019 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR:

Next week is a full one. Ash Wednesday. The beginning of a new season and the chance once again for us to renew ourselves. It is a day of focused prayer. We can all grow in that. It is also a day of fasting. Fasting from food on that day. Yet as we look at this new season, are there other things that we need to fast from? Fasting points out that there are many things we can not do or eat that reminds us they are not so important.

As we begin this new season let us begin in prayer and I offer you the following as a means of preparing for the upcoming season. God our Father, in this Lenten season may we not betray your love by trying to deserve it. Help us to fast from all that distracts us from your love. Help us to recognize you as the origin and goal of all of the desires you place in our hearts. Help us to be true to ourselves and true to you by continuing to beg for your love. Through Christ our Lord.

Then Tuesday I have a Dean's meeting in La Crosse with the Bishop. So that part of the day I will be out. From there, on Thursday I have a deanery meeting in Lyndon Station with all the priests of the deanery. One of the topics of our meeting will be the communal penance services in the deanery. But I encourage you not to wait till then, but allow God's mercy to embrace you in the sacrament of reconciliation any time.

Then on Saturday we are hosting the deanery marriage preparation program. I believe we have 17 couples coming in from all over the diocese. I would ask that you keep them and our team in your prayers. For myself personally I will be heading to Eau Claire on Friday for spiritual direction, so I would be happy to have a few prayers for that also.

On a fun note, March 16th is Trivia night. A fun event our Home and School puts on. So put together a team and dust off all of that 'useless' knowledge that we so easily collect. For Lent perhaps one of the things you are thinking of doing in the season is trying to attend Mass during the week. Wednesday is our usual day for Mass with all the school children. If mornings are not your thing, Tuesday evening's Mass is at 5:30 pm.

For Lent we are having our parish Stations of the Cross following Mass on Tuesday evenings. The Stations seem so tied to the Lenten season. Perhaps you remember them growing up or parents and grandparents going to them. Well perhaps it is now your turn to pass on this manner of prayer in the Lenten season to a new generation.

Before we get too serious in the season of Lent, I share with you some of the puns & funnys from my daily calendar.

What did the stamp say to the envelope? Stick with me and we'll go places.

Where is the pogo stick convention going to take place? IHOP

What does an alpaca put in its salad? Llama beans

What did Cinderella say when her photos didn't show up? Someday my prints will come!

What kind of bird is usually out of breath? A puffin

How does Bono spell the word "color"? With or without U

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

HOLY HOUR

Mondays at 2:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of March 3, 2019

| Sat. Mar. 2 | 5:00 PM | For the repose of the soul of Hermann Klingemann |
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| Sun. Mar. 3 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Jeri Delgado |
| | 10:00 AM | For our Parishioners |
| Tue. Mar. 5 | 5:30 PM | For the repose of the soul of Susan Allen Kayser |
| Wed. Mar. 6 | 8:00 AM | ASH WEDNESDAY For the repose of the soul of Vivian Moore |
| | 2:00 PM | FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME |
| | 7:00 PM | For the repose of the soul of Eugene Hersil |
| Thu. Mar. 7 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Brian Kastner |
| Fri. Mar. 8 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Betty Spaulding |
| Sat. Mar. 9 | 5:00 PM | For the repose of the soul of Mary Jane Pfaff |
| Sun. Mar. 10 | 8:00 AM | For our Parishioners |
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Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Bonnie Norton, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, Shirley Mills, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Mary Ann Witcraft, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Jon Waalk, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Bill Eisch, Sid Mead, Steve, Art Randall, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Dale Dolata, Therese, Sandy Sarazin, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Margaret Gabay, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, Jim Czajka, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, John Sustar, Eric Erskine, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Kelly Kellaher, Mary Taylor, Paulette Wells, Tillie Schumacher, Bill Loescher, Fran Watry, Fran Skalak, Sandy Wilke, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family and Freddie Dziewior.

10:00 AM For the repose of the souls of

Leo & Natalie Steiner

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, John Miller, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe and Zachary Bader.

Ash Wednesday Masses ~ March 6, 2019

8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Stewardship Corner ~ February 23rd & 24th, 2019 (538 Registered Families)

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| WKLY | BUDGETED | Α | CTUAL |
| Adult Envelopes | \$ 9,090.82 | \$ 3 | ,648.00 |
| On-Line Giving | | \$ | 937.00 |
| Children's Envelopes | 28.84 | \$ | 20.00 |
| Loose Offering | 596.15 | \$ | 320.58 |
| Total Weekly Offering: | \$ 9,715.81 | \$ 4, | 925.58 |
| Budget Contingency Fur | \$ | 15.00 | |
| Year-to-date* budget red Year-to-date amount cor | \$ 337,053.35 \$ 317,886.93 | | |
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^{*}Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to current date

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

| Monday | Mar. | 4 | 2:00 PM | Holy Hour |
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| Tuesday | Mar. | 5 | 6:00 PM | AFF |
| Wednesday | Mar. | 6 | | ASH WEDNESDAY |
| Thursday | Mar. | 7 | 10:30—1 | Rosary Makers - RH |
| | | | 7:30 PM | Catholic Ed. Committee |
| Friday | Mar. | 8 | 8:45 AM | Friday Folders |
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St. Mary's Parish ~ Lyndon Station Annual Ham Dinner—Sunday, March 10th. Serving from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Adults: \$9.00 and Children: \$5.00. Carry-outs available. Raffle tickets—\$1.00 each.

Home and School Trivia Night ~ Join us for the annual Home & School Trivia Night on Saturday, March 16th at the school. We are looking forward to the rousing competition and fun at this event. Register yourself or your team of 8 by contacting the school office or by using a registration form (on the table in the gathering area).

St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Pot Luck Dinner in Reardon Hall~ Following the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, March 17th. The PCCW ladies will provide the corned beef, drinks and desserts. Please bring a side dish. All are invited!

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call Cassandra at the church office. To be included on the prayer line or to be listed in the bulletin prayer list, you may also call the church office at 847-6054.

Safe Haven Sunday ~ Did you know that viewing porn desensitizes you to pleasure, makes you hypersensitive to lust and cripples your willpower? None of this is a good for you or your family. Learn more about the harms of pornography and how to protect your family on Safe Haven Sunday – March 10. Learn more about ending porn exposure at diolc.org/shs

Diocesan Annual Appeal - Endurance in Hope

Our parish goal for this year is \$37,390.00 Pledged to date: \$29,595.00 98 families have pledged

We ask each and every family to prayerfully consider supporting the appeal. Your support is needed. Please return your pledge card as soon as you are able.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 2nd & 3rd

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lectors: Jaime Pouillie

Extraordinary Minister: Carrol Kaiser

Servers: Makenna & Ellie Pouillie, Nolan Powers Greeters: Monica Niles, Donna Bollig, Dustin Ryberg

Musicians: Ann Benz, Cassie Thayer Gift Bearers: Irene Klingemann Scrip Seller: Donna Miller

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Paul Schaller, Bridget Gunther

Servers: Noah Fry, Carson Demaske, Martin Wolf

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey Musicians: Tiffany Schumer_

Gift Bearers: Molly & Brent Demaske

Scrip Seller: Melissa Fry

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Olivia Lulich, Howard Boppart Extraordinary Minister: Gina Boppart

Servers: Eli Boppart, Ethan Lulich, Weston Pouillie

Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Gift Bearers: Dave & Lori Lulich

Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,

Greg Cowan

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Marie Leipart

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 9th & 10th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: David Hoffmann

Extraordinary Minister: Rita Hamm Servers: Zach, Annah, Logan Lund

Greeters: Joan Potter, Marge Tremain, Donna Bollig

Musicians: Peg Schmitz

Gift Bearers: Our Marriage Prep Couples

Scrip Seller: Erin Lund

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Veronica Sustar, Mary Ann Strack

Servers: Christopher Fry, Emma Eilers, Cody Komiskey Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross, Bridget Gunther

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Gift Bearers: Matt & Michelle Komiskey

Scrip Seller: Molly Demaske

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Paul Curran, Olivia Lulich Extraordinary Minister: Sue Hollenbeck

Servers: Justina Jakacki, Jasper and Dylan Walsh Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray

Musicians: Anna Boppart Gift Bearers: The Steiner Family Scrip Seller: Amy Goodman

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,

Greg Cowan

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary:

Larry & Tina Moore

Are you looking for a way to grow your faith this Lenten season? Please join us for a Book Study on the book *Vesper Time: The Spiritual Practice of Growing Older* By Frank Cunningham. Frank Cunningham is a noted Catholic editor and publisher, and shows how growing old -- all by itself -- can be a spiritual exercise that brings joy, insight, gratitude, acceptance and love. This Book Study will meet on Thursdays 1-2:15 pm in Reardon Hall starting March 7th. If you would like to have the Parish order you a copy of this book please contact Cassandra 608-847-6054 along with \$16.00 by MARCH 4th. All ages are welcome!

200 Envelopes—Once again this year, we will be having the "200 Envelopes" fundraiser during Lent. Please help out by taking one (or two) of the purple envelopes hanging on the board in the gathering area and returning them with your donation before Easter. Thank you for supporting our parish.

Marriage Prep Day—Next Saturday we will have here with us 18 couples from around the diocese who are preparing for their upcoming marriages. Please pray for them as they prepare for and begin their married lives this year.

The South Central Shamrock Club's Annual Banquet honoring Irish Rose Trudy Horkan Judd and Irishman Jerry Griffin will be held March 9th at the Wintergreen Resort in Lake Delton. Social hour at 5:30 PM, dinner at 6:30 PM. Call Jolene Crowley at 608-356-5959 to make reservations. All Irish and Non-Irish are welcome.

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

Lent begins this week, and I encourage you to prepare to enter this season with the right disposition by listening to this week's FORMED Pick of the Week. In his audio talk, My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent, Bishop Robert Barron reflects on the spiritual discipline needed for Lent and provides practical tips for growing in your spiritual life throughout these 40 days.

This week, go to formed.org and listen to *My Beloved* Son: Meditations for Lent.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6th.

Lenten regulations are as follows:

- 1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
- 2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR SCRIP TODAY AFTER MASS!

Scrip is available during the week at the rectory office.