



March 5, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM OUR PASTOR

We are going deeper into Lent and the Old Testament, so we continue our look into the Mass with the help of the article, "Sacrifice: Path to Communion" from the Catechetical Review (October-December 2022) edition. The author is Andre Villeneuve the Associate Professor of Old Testament and Biblical Languages at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit Michigan.

"There, Moses mediated the ordinances of the Torah; the people solemnly vowed their obedience; burnt-offerings and peace-offerings were offered; the covenant was sealed by the sprinkling of blood on the altar and on the people; and Moses, Aaron, Nabad, Abihu, and the seventy elders went up the mountain where 'they beheld God, and ate and drank' (Ex 24:1-11). This ceremony was immediately followed by the coming of the glory of the Lord in the cloud (Ex 24:15-18). The close intimacy between God and Israel at Sinai was thus enacted by the sacrifice of olot, signifying complete dedication between the two parties, and the offering and eating of shelamim, signifying intimate communion between them. This was an experience where 'man, literally, and God figuratively, partake of the same feast.' Significantly, the peace offerings included the presentation of loaves and wine (Nm 15:1-10). This idea of a shared sacrificial meal attests to the idea that communion with God is attained by 'eating with him,' and that eating is the most hallowed form of worship.

In short, the korbanot were sanctified and dedicated gifts to God established for the sake of drawing man close to him. Some (the sin and guilt offerings) were expiatory symbols representing punishment, providing atonement and forgiveness, purifying sin and making reparation for it, and calling to conversion. Others (the whole-burnt and peace offerings) were symbols of covenantal feasting whose purpose was to bring the human into the presence of the divine and into intimate communion with him. It is interesting to note that the Midrash--the ancient Jewish commentary on Leviticus--announces that all sacrifices will one day come to an end--except for one: 'In the age to come all sacrifices will be annulled, but that of thanksgiving [Todah] will not be annulled, and all prayers will be annulled, but [that of] thanksgiving will not be annulled.'"

This portion of the article should shed light on the gifts that we bring up to the altar at Mass. Bread and wine have been offered to God for centuries before Jesus took them at the last supper to transform them into His Body and Blood. It adds another layer of meaning to the sacrificial meal that we have at Mass. Yes we can pray anywhere but nowhere else can we offer this powerful sacrifice that offers **worship** to God by our sharing in and being transformed by the very Body and Blood of God we have only at Mass.

The last part concerning prayer as thanksgiving should also touch us more deeply in this season of Lent. That "Thanksgiving" is always appropriate and will not be annulled. It is always good to say thanks. How simple and yet in our day how important. I think it fits well with the season of Lent, for us to look again at all that we do have. That we should cultivate the attitude of gratefulness. To truly see what we have and who we have in our lives. As life moves so very fast, many things can become a blur and so many daily blessings can be missed or taken for granted. Thank you to God, our parents, our children, neighbors, co-workers and the list can go on and on is something we need to do daily. May your Lenten journey so far be one of prayerful gratefulness, even if and perhaps especially if, you have given something up for God's glory.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM
Sundays ~ 8 AM & 10 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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM
& Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass
Benediction at 4:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of March 5, 2023

Sat. Mar. 4	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Helen Siegler</i>
Sun. Mar. 5	8:00 AM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Hermann Klingemann</i>
Tues. Mar. 7	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Edna (O'Brien) Buretta</i>
Wed. Mar. 8	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Andrew & Marie Lobenstein</i>
	6:15 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Mary Buttner</i>
Thu. Mar. 9	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Helen Siegler & Don Vinopal</i>
Fri. Mar. 10	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John E. Walsh</i>
Sat. Mar. 11	5:00 PM	For <i>our Parishioners</i>
Sun. Mar. 12	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Frank & Agnes LaBudda</i>
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Don Cafferty</i>

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gilen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplowski, Anna Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, Bev Jurkowski, Catherine Murray and Sidney G. Mead Jr.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Her, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Jean Steiner who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon her.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays during Lent at 5:30 PM. A soup supper and discussion on the "True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist" will follow. All are invited and welcome to join.

St. Paul's Catholic Church (New Lisbon) Friday Fish Fry! March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Baked or Fried cod, baked or fried potato, coleslaw, dessert and beverage—\$13 for adults. Children (6-12) \$6. Serving from 5 PM to 7 PM. For To-Go orders, call 608-562-3125 before 3 PM.

For those who would like it, here is Catherine Murray's new address: 840 Mill Street, Apt # 26, West Salem, WI 54669

The PCCW will be meeting this Thursday, March 9th at 8:45 AM in Reardon Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

**Stewardship Corner ~ February 25th & 26th
(506 Registered Families)**

	**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 3,204.00
On-Line Giving		\$ 1,410.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	\$ 12.00
Loose Offering	385.00	\$ 412.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$ 5,038.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$ 316,696.10
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$ 297,055.93

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to current date

** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 42,539.00 for this fiscal year.

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

Tuesday	Mar. 7	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
		6:30 PM	Building & Grounds Mtg.
Wednesday	Mar. 8		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Mar. 9	8:45 AM	PCCW Mtg.
		10:00 AM	Rosary Makers—RH
Friday	Mar. 10	8:45 AM	Friday Folders
		5:30 PM	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	Mar. 11	6:30 PM	Trivia Night

Eucharistic Revival:

A Minute with Jesus for March 5th

As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. We humbly give our assent to what has been handed on to us for the last 2,000 years through the one Church that Jesus founded. This assent (giving our "yes, I choose to believe") involves our commitment to persistence in prayer and study of Scripture in asking the Jesus for deeper understanding. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: "*Lord Jesus, "I believe; please help my unbelief."*" This week, read how a father gives his assent to believing that Jesus can heal his son in Mark 9:20-27.

Formed.org ~ Looking for ways to enter more deeply in to Lent? Check out: Second Sunday of Lent | FORMED in the Word. Dr. Jim Prothro and Dr. Israel McGrew invite you to join them and reflect upon the Sunday Mass readings this Lent. Readings discussed in this episode:

- Genesis 12: 1-4
- Psalm 33
- 2 Timothy 1:8-10
- Matthew 17: 1-9

Later this spring we will be replacing one of the air conditioning units in Reardon Hall that stopped working last fall. The cost of the unit is \$7,150.00. If you would like to donate to this project, please mark your gift "A/C Reardon Hall" and drop it in one of the collection boxes or mail it to the rectory. Thank you for your support!

Blest Art will be visiting St. Patrick's on March 18th & 19th on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Please read about their upcoming visit in this weekend's bulletin insert.

Good News from Scrip—\$25 and \$100 Walgreen's are back in the box. AND, we have \$25 McDonald's.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 4th & 5th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie

Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser

Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller

Musicians: Sharon Kelly

Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski

Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski

Gift Bearer: Jim & Ann Vinopal

Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Mark Becker

Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke

Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke

Musicians:

Greeters: Barb Cowan, Kevin Stillson, Carol Gross

Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby

Gift Bearers: Chris & Bonnie Clark

Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Eli Boppart

Eucharistic Minister: Julie Whitney

Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir

Greeters: Kris Mazur, Nancy Horabik

Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

Gift Bearers: Irene Klingemann

Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 11th & 12th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Kevin Quist

Eucharistic Minister: Carrol Kaiser

Servers: Owen & Aedyn Lubinski, Jack Vinopal

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling, John & Nancy Noga

Greeters: Kevin Quist

Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski

Gift Bearer: Wayne & Chris MacArdy

Scrip Seller: Jodi Field

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: David Hoffmann

Eucharistic Minister: Vicki Boehm

Servers: Cody Komiskey, Carson Demaske, Spencer Turpin

Musicians:

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey

Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby

Gift Bearers: Matt & Michelle Komiskey

Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Howard Boppart

Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart

Servers: Weston & Garrett Pouillie, Corbyn Sullivan

Musicians:

Greeters: Bill Thill, Jane Powers

Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

Gift Bearers: Jack & Eva Cafferty

Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

200 ENVELOPES.....On the bulletin board in the Gathering Area, there are 200 envelopes numbered 1 through 200. If each family or individual would take an envelope and place the corresponding dollar amount in the envelope (Envelope #1 = \$1, Envelope #50 = \$50, Envelope #179 = \$179, etc.) and return it in the collection basket, we could raise \$20,000! Let's, as a parish, set our goal to take and return ALL of the envelopes before Easter ~ April 9th. This year's donations will be used toward our Church Interior Restoration Project (which begins MAY 1st) You are welcome to take more than one envelope. You do not need to limit your donation to the amount that matched the number on the envelope. Your support is needed and appreciated! Please check each week's bulletin for our progress! Thank you! (P.S. Please put your name on the envelope(s) so we can record your donations.)

Parish Mission ~ St. Mary Parish, Lyndon Station:
"Glorifying in the Cross: A Lenten Journey in the Footsteps of St. Francis" Tuesday, March 7 & Wednesday, March 8 from 6—8 pm each evening. Fr. Zoy Garibay, OFM Cap, Rector at St. Lawrence Seminary High School, will explore the life of St. Francis of Assisi. Mass will be celebrated each evening. Please plan to attend this special Lenten reflection. You can find more information on the bulletin board in the gathering area.

St. Patrick's 2023 Trivia Night—Saturday, March 11th (6:30 PM—10 PM). Hosted by St. Patrick's Home & School Committee. 8 adults per team (\$160 per team). Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the gathering area. Come out and have some fun (and maybe learn a few trivial things too!). It's sure to be lots of fun!

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. Please take a "rice bowl" from the table in the gathering area for your family to use during Lent.

Knights of Columbus Sportsmen's Raffle ~ Tickets now available! You can purchase tickets from any KC member, at the rectory office or at local businesses. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Prizes: Matthews Mission Crossbow; Pointer Acrius 12 ga. Over Under Shotgun; and Savage 110 Apex .243 Rifle OR \$500 cash. Drawing will be Tuesday, April 18th. Please support this very worthy project of the KC's.

200 Envelopes

6 Envelopes Returned ~ \$401.00

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

March 28	8 years	Jon & Heather Taylor
March 4	34 years	Greg & Mary Gruber
March 23	49 years	Daniel & Caroline Jurkowski
March 25	57 years	Larry & Carol Purvis

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 4	Sidney Mead	March 14	Tillie Schumacher
March 5	Irene Klingemann	March 21	Bill Lane
March 6	Susanne Kolek	March 22	Marie Sarazin
March 6	Rich Makowan	March 22	Fred Hollenbeck
March 7	Jim Kolba	March 24	Toni Crivello-Caliguri
March 7	Sally Kolba	March 25	Tom Brounacker
March 9	Albert Kobylski	March 26	Frank Bollig
March 12	Ray Moriarty	March 31	Marie Boehm
March 12	Marv Mullenberg	March 31	Evelyn Lumby

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays from 3 PM to 4 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

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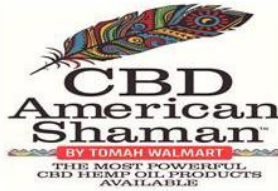
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