

March 8, 2020 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM OUR PASTOR

Lent or life in general can be difficult or filled with trials. Jeannie Ewing, a writer and inspirational speaker shared the following in <u>Shalom Tidings</u> magazine.

"I began praying daily to Our Lady of Sorrows. I asked her to help me see what my primary defect was and how to root it out in my life. Then I asked her to help me see truth and live it, dispelling the lies and darkness from my life. Shortly thereafter, she answered my prayer. I saw who I was--a beloved daughter of God--and noticed the lies creeping in my psyche were coming from the enemy.

I began praying the 'Prayer against Oppression' and 'Prayer against Generational Spirits' every day. About three weeks after I incorporated this into my daily devotions, I literally felt something lift. It was as if this burden I had been carrying, this heaviness, was just gone. It broke, and it was palpable.

I looked at patterns in my life, and I noticed for the first time that I had always lived under this black cloud of fear. Fear had been the guiding force in my life. It dictated to me from a young age what I would do, could not do, and was unworthy of doing. It held me back from experiencing true inner freedom and peace in the Lord.

Not only that, but nearly all of my relationships, both personal and professional, had been severely affected by misunderstanding, betrayal, slander, and lies. I began writing down every person in my life, from childhood to the present day, on a sheet of paper and prayed to forgive each one of them by name. Once again, it was as if the floodgates of God's mercy opened up, and I saw more and more areas of my life that needed healing.

Much of this was what prompted me to study the virtue of fortitude. In order to combat our primary defect (and mine is fear), we have to also foster its opposite virtue (in my case, fortitude). There is so much deep work involved in this, but it is worth every intense moment. I say this as a woman who is able to tackle the ordinary obstacles of family life, as well as the truly troubling times, with greater hope and strength.

In the past, I would always buckle under fear. I would succumb to discouragement and fall into a dark depressive state for a brief period of time. Now, the discouragement is not as intense, and I know how to do battle with it in the mind. As a result, I am better equipped to cooperate with God's grace in getting through the struggles and trials with greater hope and trust in Him. I share this with you, because I want you to know that you are not alone."

Many of us may never know what the person next to us is suffering or going through. The cross is a reality. Prayer (intense and life changing) and the sacraments can be part of the healing process we need. There are others out there in the larger community that can help us also. Lent is a great season to seek healing or help in our personal growth. But we are reminded that we are body and soul. Don't neglect either. We need both parts of who we are to be healthy so that we can be fully the person that God created us to be. Then we can proclaim the Good News in word and deed drawing others to the Divine Physician, Jesus Christ.

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

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 8, 2020

Sat. Mar. 7	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Hermann Klingemann
Sun. Mar. 8	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jason Schluter
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue. Mar. 10	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Dennis Schmocker
Wed. Mar. 11	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jeri Delgado
	6:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Jon Waalk
Thu. Mar. 12	8:00 AM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
Fri. Mar. 13	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Albert Zukauskis
Sat. Mar. 14	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Don Cafferty
Sun. Mar. 15	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Mike, Marie & Michael Bader
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Mary Ann Witcraft, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, 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, Eric Erskine, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Fran Watry, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary Lechleiter, Bernadine Seitz, Dave Lewis and Marie Boehm.

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, Zachary Bader, Will Post and Adam Field.

ATTENTION LADIES—The March PCCW Meeting will be on Thursday, March 12th following the 8 AM Mass. Please plan to attend.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, March 17th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

A huge thank you goes out for the prayers and many acts of kindness shown us at the passing of Bill Loescher. Also to the Lady of Fatima and Queen of Angels Circles for providing the luncheon. It meant so much!

~ Carol Gross and the Loescher Families

Stewardship Corner ~ Feb. 29th & Mar. 1st, 2020 (534 Registered Families)

WKLY	BUDGETED	AC	CTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$10,776.27	\$ 5	,682.00
Lenten Envelopes			359.00
On-Line Giving		1	,397.00
Children's Envelopes	19.23		27.00
Loose Offering	596.15		648.90
Total Weekly Offering:	\$11,391.65	\$8	,113.90
Budget Contingency Fun	\$	10.00	
Year-to-date* budget requirement Year-to-date amount contributed			0,099.40 7,318.51

^{*}Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 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

Tuesday Wednesday		6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross RE Classes
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Mar. 12	8:45 AM	PCCW Meeting—RH
		10:30—1	Rosary Makers—RH
Friday	Mar. 13	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

200 Envelopes Fundraiser: Total Collected—\$2,093

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. The money raised this year will be used toward the Gym Roof Replacement Project at the school this summer. Thank you for supporting our parish.

Blest Art will be visiting our parish on March 14th & 15th on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Their mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits our parish, they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art for sale. Please stop and visit their display. They gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards.

Home and School Trivia Night ~ March 14th. Join us for the annual Home & School Trivia Night. We are looking forward to the rousing competition and fun at this event. Registration information is available in the gathering area.

Lector, Greeter, and Communion Minister schedules for March and April are available in the rack in the gathering area.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Working Together, Sharing Joy, Standing Firm in the Faith" Our 2019—2020 target is \$37,940.00.

105 families have pledged \$27,500 to date. Thank you!

Pledge forms are available in the gathering area and at the rectory office.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 7th & 8th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jerilynn Kolba

Extraordinary Minister: Rita Hamm

Servers: Landynn Miller, Channing Sonnenberg,

Nolan Powers

Greeters: Marge Tremain, Joan Potter, Claire Fischbach

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Gift Bearers: Irene Klingemann Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Bridget Gunther, Mary Ann Strack

Servers: Christopher & Noah Fry

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey, Amelia Gunther

Musicians:

Gift Bearers: Dan & Patty Schluter Scrip Seller: Connie Walhovd

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Gail Boehm, Sue Hollenbeck Extraordinary Minister: Joelle Curran

Servers: Christian Brow, Brayden Housworth,

Naome Pouillie

Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill, Devan Minard

Musicians: Bill Ryan

Gift Bearers: Jon & Jodi Field Scrip Seller: Diane Kocyan

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson, Bill Thill

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Jan Mullenberg

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 14th & 15th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jaime Pouillie

Extraordinary Minister: David Hoffmann

Servers: Aedyn & Owen Lubinski, Hudson Randall Greeters: Jerry & Monica Niles, Donna Bollig Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling Gift Bearers: Dave & Jenny Randall

Scrip Seller: Laura Schwab

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Paul Schaller, Veronica Sustar

Servers: Jacob Barnes, Seth Schwedrsky, Eli Schanke

Greeters: Larry & Tina Moore

Musicians:

Gift Bearers: Betty Kryka Scrip Seller: Molly Demaske

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Paul Curran

Extraordinary Minister: Mary Beth Crowley

Servers: Jackson Whitney, Eli Boppart, Caroline Marien Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray

Musicians: Carla & Jacob Brunner Gift Bearers: Katie & Kevin Marien

Scrip Seller: Julie Whitney

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson, Bill Thill

10:00 AM Nursing Home Service:

Deacon Juan Delgado

Our TRADITIONAL Saint Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner (with potatoes and carrots) is this Sunday, March 8. Serving from 11 AM to 1 PM. The cost is \$10 per person or \$30 per family. Children under five are free. Please join our celebration!

St. Mary's Parish ~ Lyndon Station Annual Ham Dinner—Sunday, March 15th. Serving from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Adults \$9; children \$5. Carry-outs available. Raffle tickets—\$1 each.

St. Paul's Parish ~ New Lisbon Fish Fry! Friday, March 13th, 20th, 27th and April 3rd. Serving 5—7 PM. Baked or fried cod, potatoes, coleslaw and dessert. Adults—\$12.00; 11 and under—\$6.00.

ON LINE GIVNG—If you have not tried on-line giving, please check it out! It's safe, secure and simple! You can find the link on our website: <u>stpatricksmauston.com</u>

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

The Catholic teaching on penance is often rejected because others think it implies Jesus' death on the cross was not enough. Learn why that is not actually the case with an episode from "Catholic Answers Ready Reasons" on FORMED. Sign up for your free subscription by simply selecting our parish's name at formed.org/signup.

Lenten Prayer Card ~ A prayer that is most appropriate before retiring for the night is the Act of Contrition. A daily examination of conscience before praying the Act of Contrition is also helpful. The purpose of this examination is to gratefully recognize the hand of God in all aspects of daily life, and to ask for the grace to become aware of the ways we have responded to the Lord's grace today, where we have fallen short, to ask His forgiveness and to cooperate more fully with His grace as we receive His strength to resist sinful habits and avoid the possible occasions of sin in the future. To download this Prayer Card, go to **diolc.org/deeper**.

Parenting Ebook~ In conjunction with Safe Haven Sunday, Covenant Eyes is proud to announce <u>Connected:</u> How Strong Family Relationships Lead to Internet-Safe <u>Kids.</u> This brand-new ebook looks at the ways in which building strong family connections help remove the desire for kids to ever look at porn. Download an ebook copy at: learn.covenanteyes.com/connected/

Sign up for free Daily Lenten Reflections: Go to one of the links below and fill in your email address to receive the reflections:

Bishop Robert Barron: wordonfire.org/resources/video/ Matthew Kelly: dynamiccatholic.ocm/best-lent-ever? Scott Hahn at the St. Paul Center reflects on the Sunday

Readings of Lent: stpaulcenter.com/

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