



# March 17, 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## **FROM OUR PASTOR**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, Praise be to the Lord. As we are getting closer to Easter, some more thoughts on Lent. In a letter to the Agape Community from jail, Philip Berrigan (an American peace activist and a Catholic priest: 1923-2002) wrote, "Expose nonviolently the respectable murderers." Then he acknowledged the need for "someone, whether God or God's prophet," to tear the veil from what he called "a thunderous national silence" around "the BOMB and war-making." Phil saw the bomb as "the taproot of violence, which kills us in every conceivable way," and he offered his "remedy" to "this curse of killing." Phil's solution: "An unequivocal stand against killing in war, killing on death row, killing in the womb, killing the elderly, killing in the home or on the street, killing by economics or dictatorship."

In his cherished, distinctive handwriting in letters written over two decades, Phil succinctly and bluntly calls us to nonviolent faith and action. "I'm writing to Christians — say your prayers, do your homework and take every opportunity to expose nonviolently the respectable murderers. John says it all — lying always accompanies murder. And both are Satanism."

It is time again for deep reflection and prayer as we prepare ourselves for the agony of Good Friday and the joy of Easter. Our prayers continue for a conversion of hearts and minds to nonviolence. We pray for all who live in war: for all those in Gaza, the West Bank, Israel, and across the Middle East; for everyone affected by the war in Ukraine; for the people of Yemen, who have been bombarded for years; for the people of the Great Lakes region of Africa; for those around the world who endure constant threat from state or paramilitary actors. We lament the continued loss of life and health caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, from the continued threats of white nationalism and racial injustice to the intractable issues of poverty and unequal access to healthcare. The season of Lent allows us to root ourselves ever more deeply in discipleship to the nonviolent Jesus, to demonstrate the unbreakable bond that exists between an authentic spirituality and our commitment to social justice, between the proclamation of the gospel and the call to practice peacemaking, fortifying us to address injustice, violence, and oppression.

God bless, Fr. Jey

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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 17th, 2024**

Sat. Mar. 16	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Mar. 17	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i>
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Pat &amp; Elaine Garrigan</i>
Tues. Mar. 19	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Don Cafferty</i>
Wed. Mar. 20	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Rosemary Wier</i>
	6:15 PM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Jerry &amp; Monica Niles</i>
Thu. Mar. 21	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Bill Rhyner</i>
Fri. Mar. 22	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Larry &amp; JoAnn Wright</i>
Sat. Mar. 23	5:00 PM	For the Living & Deceased <i>Members of the John &amp; Mary Vinopal Family</i>
Sun. Mar. 24	8:00 AM	For the Living & Deceased <i>Members of the Joe &amp; Odessa Buttner Family</i>
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

**Pray for the health of** Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Helen Eucolono, Sid Mead, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Bill Eisch, Lori P., Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Anna Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S., Randy Mullenberg, Janel, Sidney G. Mead Jr., Mary Mead, Mike Miller, Jon B, Joe Slowinski, Bob and Lisa Konitzer, Joy Kelley, Mary Jo Link, Connor Laridaen, Fran Schroeder, Kevin, Jordan P., John Hersil, Marge Bailey, Larry Purvis, Ron & Lisa M., Nick & Megan Pope Family, Diane & Bill Brinkley, Shanleigh, Jo, Nancy Albreck, and Eymard Krupa.

**Pray for those in the military serving our country:** Janie Asberry, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

**Making a good confession is the best way to prepare ourselves for the proper celebration of Easter. Our Lenten Communal Penance Service will be Thursday, March 21st at 7 PM.**

**Easter Flower Memorials in memory of your loved ones** who have passed away can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the rectory. Please have them in by March 25th in time for the names to be published for Easter.

**Prayer Witness Mauston** Tuesday March 19, 3:30-5:00 PM. Near Health First. Prayer Witness on the public sidewalk near Health First, 414 E. State St., Unit 6. Please park on the nearby streets, not in the parking lot. Also stay off the private property and use the public sidewalk along the street.

**POWER OF FAITH Documentary:** On Sunday, March 24th at 3:30 PM at the Adams Theater, the documentary, POWER OF FAITH will be shown. This documentary is written and produced by one of our parishioners, Agnes Topolska. Please come and experience this powerful video. Cost is \$12.00 per person.

**Stewardship Corner ~ March 9th & 10th, 2024**

**(492 Registered Families)**

	<b>**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 6,681.00
Lenten Envelopes		\$ 175.00
On-Line Giving		\$ 1,876.00
Children's Envelopes	14.42	\$ 6.00
Loose Offering	480.75	\$ 392.00
<b>Total Weekly Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 9,149.02</b>	<b>\$ 9,130.00</b>

Year-to-date\* budget requirement \$347,646.76  
 Year-to-date amount contributed \$300,956.38

\*Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to current date

\*\* Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 91,454.00 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. 19	3—4 PM	Divine Mercy / Holy Face to Jesus Devotions
		7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
Wednesday	Mar. 20		Religious Ed Classes
		6:45 PM	Choir Rehearsal
		6:45 PM	Lenten Bible Study—RH
Thursday	Mar. 21	10:00 AM	Rosary Makers—RH
		5:30 PM	Parish Council Mtg.—RH
		7:00 PM	Communal Penance
Friday	Mar. 22	8:45 AM	Friday Folders

**Stations of the Cross**

- Following 5:30PM Mass on Tuesday
- Following the 8AM Mass on Friday

**Friday Fish Fry!** St. Paul's Catholic Church—New Lisbon. Last one is March 22! Cost is \$13.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children; free for pre-school age children. Carry-Outs available—call 608-562-3125 after 3 PM on Fridays to place your order.

**We are looking for a CRE/DRE as well as Religious Education teachers** for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested or know someone that is, please contact Fr. Jay. Thank you!

**Annual Diocesan Appeal Update**

Goal: \$40,685.00  
 To date our parish has pledged \$ 22,685.00  
 Our shortfall is \$ 18,000.00  
 Number of Families Pledging: 71

**200 Envelopes Update**

63 Envelopes Returned—Total Donated \$ 5,553.00  
 137 Envelopes to go!

**Queen of the Apostles Parish in Tomah** is hosting a Brewers Bus Trip on Wednesday, June 26 for the Brewers vs. Rangers game! Tickets are \$150 and include a coach bus ride, general seating ticket in an all-inclusive area with flat screen HD TVs, full buffet including 3 meats, sides, cookies, and unlimited soft drinks, 2 complimentary beer tickets, and a private credit card bar. A fun Brewers excursion with no work on your part! A limited number of tickets are available! Call Colleen Grovesteen at 608-387-0178 to secure your spot!

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 16th & 17th**

**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Steve Hesprich  
Eucharistic Minister: Carrol Kaiser  
Servers: Ryleigh Vinopal, & Gracey Kobylski  
Musicians: John & Nancy Noga, Terri Walling  
Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski  
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski  
Gift Bearer: Brad & Lisa Vinopal  
Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Melissa Schanke  
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke  
Musicians: Cristina Becker  
Greeters: The Becker Family  
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby  
Gift Bearers: Veronica Sustar  
Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Howard Boppart  
Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart  
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: Mike & Chitra Garrigan  
Scrip Seller: Julie Whitney

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 23rd & 24th**

**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Steve Hesprich, Dave Hoffmann, Bridget Gunther  
Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser  
Servers: Landynn and Theron Miller  
Musicians:  
Greeters: Kevin Quist  
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike, Matt & Owen Lubinski  
Gift Bearer: The Vinopal Family  
Scrip Seller: Laura Schwab

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Melissa Schanke, Gail Boehm, Adrienne Baumgart  
Servers: Cody Komiskey, Carson Demaske, Spencer Turpin  
Musicians:  
Greeters: Barb Cowan, Kevin Stillson, Pam Zolondek  
Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby  
Gift Bearers: Harry & Shirley Buttner  
Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Connie Walhovd, Julie Whitney, Paul Curran  
Eucharistic Minister:  
Servers: Weston & Garrett Pouillie & Corbin Sullivan  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir  
Greeters: Bill Thill  
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill  
Gift Bearers: Clint & Lisa Pouillie  
Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh

**Join Pro-Life Wisconsin for a night out with fellow pro-lifers** at our Spring Social on April 18, 2024 from 6pm-8pm at the Lodge at Mauston (104 Lodge Lane Mauston, WI 53948). Enjoy dinner, drinks, fantastic company, and hear powerful real-life testimony from one of our faithful sidewalk counselors, Mr. Don Hudzinski. Tickets are \$40 each available through Monday, March 25. For more information and to register go to [ProLifeWI.org/spring-social](http://ProLifeWI.org/spring-social).

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**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!**

Join us for a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner! We will be serving from 11 am until 1 pm in Reardon Hall at St. Patrick's Church. Cost \$10.00 per person/ \$30.00 per family. Carry-outs also available.



**Holy Week**

- Palm Sunday - March 23rd and 24th - 5PM, 8AM and 10AM Masses
- Chrism Mass - Tuesday, March 26th at 10:30AM at St. Joseph's Cathedral, LaCrosse
- Holy Thursday Service - March 28th at 7PM followed by Adoration until 11 PM (No morning Mass)
- Good Friday Service - March 29th - 1PM Stations of the Cross - 1:30PM Service (No morning Mass or Stations)  
Cross will remain on front church steps for veneration until 6PM (weather permitting)
- Holy Saturday - March 30th - 8:30PM
- Easter Sunday, March 31st - Masses at 8AM and 10AM
- Divine Mercy Sunday - April 6th and 7th - 5PM, 8AM and 10AM Masses  
Adoration and Confessions will follow 10AM Mass  
The Chaplet will be prayed at 11:45 followed by Benediction at noon.

**LENTEN PRAYER FOR SUNDAYS...**

Heavenly Father, As I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and peace as I strive to become the-best-version-of-myself, honestly admitting my shortcomings and sins. As I renew my resolve each day to become a better person, let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in you. Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment. Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom, or guidance, I can always turn to you. Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come closer to you through prayer this Lent. In your name I pray,

- Amen.

**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

We are so glad that you have chosen this place of worship to honor the Lord's name with us. If you are new to this church or just visiting, we would like to thank you for worshiping with us and we warmly welcome you to St. Patrick's as our brothers and our sisters. If you would like more information about St. Patrick's in general or would like to join our parish, please check out our website: [stpatrickσμαuston.com](http://stpatrickσμαuston.com) or give our rectory office a call. Welcome!



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