



# March 20, 2022

## THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

### FROM OUR PASTOR

We are about halfway through Lent. How is it going? Has your heart come closer to the heart of Jesus? There are many things in the season that can help us to grow in the faith, service and love of neighbor.

One of the things that is more unique to the season of Lent is praying the Stations of the Cross. At St. Mary's parish we are offering them each Friday morning following Mass. What a great way to start your day. At St. Patrick's parish we are offering them at 6 pm on Fridays. They are followed by a light soup supper. A discussion on St. Francis de Sales book "Introduction to a Devout Life" is open to everyone even if you couldn't make the stations.

Thinking of our neighbor to the north, St. Paul parish in New Lisbon; they are offering their Lenten Fish Fry on Fridays March 18th and 25th along with April 1st and 8th. They do such a good job, please support them if you can.

On March 19th we had the solemnity of St. Joseph. A solemnity is the highest ranked feast we have in the Church, a reminder and encouragement to truly celebrate such a feast and saint. Last year we celebrated the Year of St. Joseph. He really does give us a great deal to think about even though he did not say a word that is recorded in the scriptures. Pope Francis wrote "Patris Corde" on St. Joseph to help us reflect more deeply on his presence in the Holy Family and in the Church. In this way we may see his importance for our own time and how to follow the example of action he left us.

An action that many take during the season of Lent is going to confession. For many that is such a hard thing to do. We may have many excuses for not going to confession. Our feelings may be mixed or we could be filled with shame for what we have done. The bottom line is God is merciful and wants to forgive us. We only need to give Him that opportunity. The Communal Penance Service at St. Patrick's parish is on April 7th at 7 pm. There will be time for reflection, readings, and other priests from the area to assist you in receiving God's abundant mercy.

At St. Mary's parish we will have extra time for God's mercy on April 3rd. After the 9 am Mass confessions will be heard for an hour and after the 1pm Mass until 2:30 pm.

Don't forget the Mission held at St. Patrick's on March 28-30. There are flyers with more information posted along with information on Facebook. If you can make it all three days that would be a great way to really get into Lent and the healing that our prayer can offer us.

Healing is so needed in our world at this time. Ukraine and Russia need our prayers and sacrifices to convert hearts from war, hatred and division. Yet there are many other places in the world that face conflict too. Suffering is very much a part of our fallen world's experience. We need to do our part, as small as it may seem, but be open to God's grace at all times. Trials can also be right in our homes, lifting those difficulties up to our heavenly Father also for the strength needed to bear with issues that can overwhelm us. We are reminded that with God all things are possible. As we gather for Mass let us hear and live the words "my peace I give you."

*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

Thursdays at 2:00 PM

### **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 20, 2022**

Sat.	Mar. 19	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Art Vinopal</i>
Sun.	Mar. 20	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>James Smart</i>
Tue.	Mar. 22	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Jack Koca</i>
Wed.	Mar. 23	8:00 AM	For the <i>Quinn Family</i>
Thu.	Mar. 24	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>Albert Zukauskis</i>
Fri.	Mar. 25	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>John &amp; Shirley Walsh</i>
Sat.	Mar. 26	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Sustar</i>
Sun.	Mar. 27	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of <i>Rose &amp; LaVerne Schaller</i>
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

**Pray for the health of** Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, 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 Czaplewski, Emma Boehm, Anna Madden and Irene Klingemann.

**Pray for those in the military serving our country:** Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, 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, April 7th at 7 PM.**

**Why do Catholics Give Up Something for Lent?** During Lent, we want to make sacrifices by giving up something, such as a type of food like chocolate or dessert, or a habit that we want to quit, such as spending too much time on social media. Or we can make the choice to do something for others. Why do we do this? Lent is a time to accompany Jesus into the desert, imitating His example of prayer and fasting. By making such sacrifices of giving up something or doing something for others, we have more room in our heart to refocus our attention on God. Further, we may offer these sacrifices for the people of Ukraine, as so many are living away from home with the possibility that their home and city have been destroyed. We can also pray for the conversion of Russia, most especially the leaders of the country.

**FLOWERS FOR MARY**

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart"* Jeremiah 1:5 ~ In remembrance of Anonymous

**Stewardship Corner ~ March 12th & 13th, 2022**  
**(524 Registered Families)**

	<b>**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62	\$ 4,284.00
On-Line Giving		1,587.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	20.00
Loose Offering	385.00	440.03
<b>Total Weekly Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 8,779.23</b>	<b>\$ 6,331.03</b>
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$324,831.48
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$332,314.49

\*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date

**\*\* Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 145,603 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. 22	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
Wednesday	Mar. 23	8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church
Thursday	Mar. 24	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		2:00 PM	Rosary in Church
Friday	Mar. 25	6:30 AM	"That Man is You"
		9:00 AM	Companions for the Journey
		6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross

**St. Paul Parish—New Lisbon ~ Friday Fish Fry ~** March 25th and April 1st and 8th. \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children 11 and under. Serving 5 PM—7 PM. Baked or fried cod, baked or American fried potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, dessert and beverage.

**Join us for Social Sunday on March 27th** following the 8 am and 10 am Masses. Brother MJ from the Parish Mission will be there to enjoy a cup of coffee and doughnut as well! Hope to see you there!

**Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you** to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. **We currently have 86 families who have pledged \$33,131.** If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

**200 ENVELOPES FUNDRAISER ~** This week, 19 envelopes were returned bringing our total to 27 envelopes for a total of \$2,459.00. Thank you!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

This Via Crucis is one of the most popular Lenten devotions, promoted heavily by Saints and Popes, for a spiritual pilgrimage by contemplation of the Passion of Christ.



**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH**  
**6PM FRIDAYS IN LENT**  
**MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25 & APRIL 1, 8**

- \* FREE SUPPER
- \* CRAFTS FOR KIDS
- \* DISCUSSION ON THE INTRO TO DEVOUT LIFE

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 19th & 20th**  
**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Steve Hesprich  
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm  
Servers: Owen & Aedyn Lubinski  
Musicians:

Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski  
Ushers: Matt Schwab, Bill Powers

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Gail Boehm  
Eucharistic Minister:  
Servers: Seth Schwedrsky, Carson Demaske, Canaan Becker  
Musicians:

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey, Kevin Quist  
Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim Allaby, Mary Ann Allaby

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Sue Hollenbeck  
Eucharistic Minister:  
Servers: Carter Field, Beau Barreau, Leia Kocyan  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir  
Greeters: Kris Mazur  
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of March 26th & 27th**  
**Saturday, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Steve Hesprich  
Eucharistic Minister: Corrine Kaiser  
Servers: : Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, Gracey Kobylski  
Musicians: Peg Schmitz  
Greeters:

Ushers: Matt Schwab, Bill Powers

**Sunday, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Bridget Gunther  
Eucharistic Minister: Father MJ  
Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke  
Musicians: Joe Clary, Cristina Becker  
Greeters: Donna Miller, Joe Buttner, Vicki Boehm  
Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim Allaby, Mary Ann Allaby

**Sunday, 10:00 AM**

Lector: Paul Curran  
Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran  
Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley  
Musicians:  
Greeters: Kris Mazur & Jane Powers  
Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

**LENTEN PARISH MISSION ~** St. Patrick Parish, Mauston will be hosting Brothers Michael Joseph and Javier from the Capuchin Order in Chicago for a Lenten Parish Mission, **“Replying to God’s Love: Answering the Incarnation’s Call to Personal Conversion.”** This three-night event will be held from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, March 28, 29, and 30, 2022 at our church 401 Mansion St, Mauston, WI. Each evening will include powerful talks on a different theme, blessings, and music for reflection, so even if your schedule allows you to attend only one of those nights you will be sure to get something out of it! There will be a light supper provided on Monday and Wednesday night starting at 5 pm in Reardon Hall. This event is open to all and tickets are not required. Child-care will be provided free of charge (in the school gym). For more information contact Cassandra Thayer at 608-747-2681 or by email at [re@stpatrickismauston.com](mailto:re@stpatrickismauston.com). A free-will offering will be taken.

**Just a Reminder—Scrip is sold during the week at the SCHOOL office.** You can stop by to purchase it during our office hours or call or e-mail ahead and we will have your order ready for you to pick up. Please support our school by using Scrip.

# FORMED

## St Patrick: Pilgrimage to Peace

St. Patrick may be the most popular, yet least-known, figure in Christian history. Each year revelers hold parties and parades to celebrate his day, yet the average person likely has no idea who Patrick of Ireland truly was. **St. Patrick: Pilgrimage to Peace** unearths the true story of this fifth-century Christian who was brought to Ireland as a slave, where he labored six long years before finally escaping. But after returning home, Patrick shocked his contemporaries by voluntarily returning to the place of his enslavement in order to bring the gospel message to the Irish people. Go beyond the legends and clichés to discover the real St. Patrick, a man whose life continues to call us to the peace of Christ.

**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.

**Wednesday Evening Prayer Time:** The church will be open on Wednesday evenings at 8 PM for a time of prayer. Please feel free to join as / when you are able.

**Praying the Rosary:** Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. Our intention is for “peace in Eastern Europe and throughout the world.” The rosary is live-streamed on our parish Facebook page.

**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.

**Companions for the Journey ~** Just as food is required for human life, so are companions. Companions nourish our heart, mind, soul, and body. Friday’s Companion for the Journey is: Praying with Hildegard of Bingen. **Join us on Fridays from 9 am—9:30 am in Reardon Hall.** We’ll learn about a different saint each week and discover ways to practically live out our faith. Hope to see you there!

**Stations of the Cross ~** 6PM Fridays in Lent followed by a free supper and discussion on the Devout Life. This week’s topic is “Spiritual Exercises”.

**SOLEMNITY of the ANNUNCIATION of the LORD**

*“Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.”*

The Gospel of St. Luke 1:38

Friday, March 25th

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