

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM OUR PASTOR:

Lent is a season that begins with Jesus telling us, "When you pray....when you give alms,....when you fast." When you give alms highlights the generous heart we are to have as disciples of Jesus. It would show that we are attentive to the needs of those around us. Please allow me to spotlight two areas for your prayer and consideration of support.

This is taken from a letter from Matt Knott, president of Feeding America. "40 million people in America still face hunger. That's one in eight people who may wonder where their next meal will come from. Sometimes, a family's life can change in a moment. A parent gets laid off...a child is diagnosed with a life-threatening illness....a flood destroys a family home. And just like that, they go from having enough to get by to urgently needing help to make it through each day."

Feeding America assists food pantries all over the country including here in Mauston. So consider helping our local food pantry or going to <u>FeedingAmerica.org</u> to find ways of helping across the country.

Currently, there is a crisis in farming: historic low margins and high rates of suicide. There is help and hope. The Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection's Wisconsin Farm Center offers a hotline for farmers looking for advice – everything from financial to succession planning for the future. The hotline is available weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 1-800-942-2474.

Do keep our farmers in your prayers. With spring finally here and flooding as a real possibility planting could be a long ways off. So with all the stress, let us be a shoulder that they can lean on and know of our support.

This Sunday is Laetare / Rejoice Sunday with the use of the rose vestments. We recall that there are blessings from God that should cause us to rejoice having received them. Lent can be an austere season, having given things up or taken on extra penances can cause us to forget why we are doing that. Also with April 1 tomorrow, let's end with a lighter note. From my joke a day calendar----

--What has one horn and produces milk? A milk truck.

- --Where would an alien park his spaceship? A parking meteor.
- --A ghost walks into a bar and orders a shot of vodka. The bartender says, "Sorry, we don't serve spirits here."
- --Why did the boy cover himself in gift wrap? His mother told him to live in the present.
- --Why was the gossipy waiter such a bad server? Because he was always spilling the beans.

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 31, 2019

Sat. Mar. 30	5:00 PM For the repose of the soul of Susan Allen Kayser
Sun. Mar. 31	8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of Dorothy & Arnold Neve
	10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of Dr. C.J. Laridaen
Tue. April 2	5:30 PM COMMUNION SERVICE
Wed. April 3	8:00 AM For the repose of the souls of Bernard & Darlene Perz
	2:00 PM FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the repose of the soul of <i>Gerald Hersil</i>
Thu. April 4	8:00 AM For the Living & Deceased Members of the Quinn Family
Fri. April 5	8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of <i>Richard Pfeifer</i>
Sat. April 6	8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of Evelyn Schmocker
	5:00 PM For the Pajak & Schroeder Families
Sun. April 7	8:00 AM For our Parishioners
	10:00 AM For the repose of the soul of <i>Dr. C.J. Laridaen</i>

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, Sandy Wilke, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family, Freddie Dziewior, Leo Hamm, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, and Mary Lechleiter.

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.

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.

This Friday is First Friday. Please sign up in the Gathering Area for a time of Eucharistic adoration.

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 April 16th in time for the names to be published for Easter.

Stewardship Corner ~ March 23rd & 24th, 2019 (536 Registered Families)

WKLY	BUDGETED		ACTUAL	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 9,090.82		5,217.00	
Lenten Envelopes		\$	253.00	
On-Line Giving		\$	922.00	
Children's Envelopes	28.84	\$	16.00	
Loose Offering	596.15	\$	<u>637.91</u>	
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,715.81	\$7	7,045.91	
Budget Contingency Fund			202.00	
Year-to-date* budget requirement			375,916.59	
Year-to-date amount contributed \$ 353,849.59			353,849.59	
*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	April 1	2:00 PM	Holy Hour
Tuesday	April 2	6:00 PM	Adult Faith Formation
Wednesda	y April 3		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	April 4	10:30—1	Rosary Makers - RH
		1:00 PM	Lenten Book Study—RH
		7:30 PM	Catholic Ed. Committee
Friday	April 5	8:45 AM	Friday Folders
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Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Him, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of John Modrich who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon him.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent, stations will be prayed on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass. Please join us.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Sunday, April 7th from 9 AM—12 noon in Reardon Hall. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the St. Patrick's School 5th grade class. Free will offering. Join us for some great food and fellowship!

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 11th at 7 PM.

The April PCCW meeting will be Thursday, April 11th in Reardon Hall following the 8 AM Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

Diocesan Annual Appeal – Endurance in Hope

Our parish goal for this year is \$37,390.00 Pledged to date: \$29,925.00 99 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 30th & 31st

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lectors: Jerilynn Kolba Extraordinary Minister: Rita Hamm Servers: Makenna & Ellie Pouillie, Nolan Powers Greeters: Joan Potter, Ernie & Audrey Schmocker Musicians: Ann Benz, Heidi Randall Gift Bearers: Chuck & Jeanne Allen Scrip Seller: Mary Walsh Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner, Fran Lunenschloss Sunday, 8:00 AM Lectors: Larry Moore, Mary Ann Strack Servers: Christopher Fry, Emma Eilers, Cody Komiskey Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Carol Gross, Bridget Gunther Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Gift Bearers: George & Ruth Treml Scrip Seller: Michelle Komiskey Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml, Arnie Penzkover, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Bill Curran, Millie Hovde Extraordinary Minister: Joelle Curran Servers: Alexis Brow, Ali Roose, Myra Hancock Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling Gift Bearers: The Laridaen Family Scrip Seller: Diane Kocyan Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson, Greg Cowan

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Harry & Shirley Buttner

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of April 6th & 7th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Roxanne Shragal Extraordinary Minister: Corinne Kaiser Servers: Zach, Annah & Logan Lund Greeters: Monica Niles, Donna Bollig Musicians: Gift Bearers: Fran Schroeder Scrip Seller: Donna Miller Ushers: Carrol Kaiser, Greg Gruber, Mark Heitman, Dustin Ryberg Sunday, 8:00 AM Lectors: Veronica Sustar, Bridget Gunther Servers: Eli Schanke, Matthew Gunther, Jacob Barnes Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey Musicians: Gift Bearers: Ron & Marge Bailey Scrip Seller: Connie Walhovd Ushers: Larry Lubinski, Chuck Kraemer, Jim Bires, Arris Sullivan Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Sue Hollenbeck, Howard Boppart Extraordinary Minister: Gina Boppart Servers: Jackson Whitney, Brayden Housworth, Johann Wolf Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer, Catherine Murray Musicians: Gift Bearers: The Laridaen Family Scrip Seller: Gina Boppart Ushers: John Walsh Jr., Jeanne Walsh, Mary Allaby, Jim Allaby 10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Marcia Jakubik & Bonnie Duffy

200 Envelopes Lenten Fundraiser 47 envelopes have already been returned and \$4,000.00 collected! Thank you!

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.

On April 11th at 10:00 a.m. (following the PCCW meeting) the church cleaning for Easter will be done. Anyone and everyone is welcome! Bring rags and a bucket and any other cleaning supplies. A couple of hours should do it. There will be a list in the greeting area of things to be done if you want to start before 10 a.m.

St. Paul Parish ~ New Lisbon—Friday Fish Fry—Friday, April 5th & 12th. Serving 5—7 PM. \$12 for adults; \$6.00 for 11 and under. Baked or fried cod, potatoes, coleslaw and dessert.

April Birthdays

April 11	Mary Ann Witcraft
April 12	Nancy Schweiger
April 13	Sharon Randall
April 19	John Buttner
April 20	Bernice Petrowitz
April 25	Violet McGinley
April 25	John Walsh

April Anniversaries

7 years	April 14	Keith & Amanda O'Connor
11 years	April 19	Troy & Jolene Anderson
23 years	April 20	Howard & Gina Boppart
25 years	April 30	Roger & Leah Herried
26 years	April 17	Martin & Betty Hagan
28 years	April 20	Ron & Carla Brunner
30 years	April 2	Bob & Jackie McGlew
38 years	April 11	Randy & Shari Sarazin
39 years	April 26	Rob & Sandi Brandli
53 years	April 16	Tom & Fran Watry
56 years	April 20	Marv & Jan Mullenberg
58 years	April 21	Frank & Donna Bollig
67 years	April 16	Leo & Genevieve Hamm

Every two years, the Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) joins several Catholic organizations in hosting Catholics at the Capitol. Hundreds of Wisconsin Catholics come to Madison for this day of formation and legislative advocacy. Catholics at the Capitol 2019 will take place at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, celebrating both the Wisconsin Catholic Conference's 50th Anniversary and 20 years of hosting Catholics at the Capitol. If you plan to attend, please let Chris Ruff know at 608-791-0161 so participants from the Diocese of La Crosse can connect.

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

Praying with the Stations of the Cross is a long held tradition in the Church and a personally moving practice during Lent. This week's FORMED Pick of the Week allows you to walk with Jesus during his Passion anywhere you are. Take some time this week on your commute, while you're doing housework, or during some silent time to go to <u>formed.org</u> and listen to *Stations of the Cross*.

