

April 7, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM OUR PASTOR:

I finally got the Red Cross off of my back this week. They have sent a great number of emails the last few weeks. So I went and gave blood. You always get the note of thanks of the impact you have by giving blood. The weather and dates in the past few months have not been helpful. So I know the demand and need is high. As the note says, you impact the lives of three people per donation of blood. So saving three lives in one day, not so bad. That changes the world of those three people.

Getting out and voting also changes the world. The Second Vatican Council spoke of being involved citizens, building up the Body of Christ here on earth. Holding public office and acting with integrity is what the Council encouraged the laity to do.

The movie "Unplanned" is out in theaters. It reveals the confusion that is out in society. It is a movie about Abby Johnson, who once worked at Planned Parenthood and her conversion based on her experience there. Society says that a 15 yearold can have an abortion but it also says that someone who is 15 can't go to a movie about an abortion because that has violent content. Some of the social media that allows pretty much everything to appear on their platforms, has had some problems maintaining sites or ads for movie. Hmmm. I just add that Marcus Theaters (La Crosse and Madison) have a number of times to see the movie. Feedback from others so far, is that it is very powerful and worth your time to see it.

Since I am advertising things, don't forget the local fish fries at neighboring parishes like St. Paul in New Lisbon. No discount if you say I sent you!! Plus stop in for the pancake breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus and our school this Sunday in Reardon hall.

Reminder about our communal penance service held on April 11 (Thursday) at 7 pm.

"Trusting in God's power", a thought by Fr. Cajetan Cuddy, "Fear arises when things happen to or around us that exceed our control or expectations. Understandably, our natural response is often to try to regain control of the complications of life. The Annunciation reminds us of an essential truth: God's power is the true power. Mary illustrates the proper response of those who truly understand this: I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word. Those who trust in the power of God rather than in the power of men have no lasting fears." As Jesus always said, Be not afraid.

Perhaps in these remaining weeks of Lent we can turn to Mary, the mother of God, and ask for her help. She is known as the Help of Christians and Mother of Perpetual Help. She shows us the way to Jesus. The saints are there too for us to implore for needed grace in difficult situations or the simple daily desire to convert our hearts all the more to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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 April 7, 2019

Sat. April 6	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>
Tue. April 9	5:30 PM For the repose of the souls of LaVerne & Rose Schaller
Wed. April 10	8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of <i>Pat Garrigan</i>
Thu. April 11	8:00 AM For Mary Ella Bires
Fri. April 12	8:00 AM Special Intention
Sat. April 13	5:00 PM For the repose of the souls of Leo & Natalie Steiner
Sun. April 14	8:00 AM For the repose of the soul of <i>Jeri Delgado</i>
	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, 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, 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.

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.

Our school students will be presenting the Shadow Stations at 9 am on Thursday, April 18th in the school gym. If you are free at that time, please join them in this prayerful enactment of the Stations of the Cross.

Stewardship Corner ~ March 30th & 31st, 2019 (536 Registered Families)

	WKLY	BUDGETED		ACTUAL		
	Adult Envelopes	\$ 9,090.82	\$ (6,959.00		
	Lenten Envelopes		\$	215.00		
	On-Line Giving		\$	965.00		
	Children's Envelopes	28.84	\$	16.00		
	Loose Offering	596.15	\$	<u>683.83</u>		
	Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,715.81	\$8	3,838.83		
	Budget Contingency Fund			45.00		
Year-to-date* budget requirement				385,632.40		
	Year-to-date amount con		362,688.42			
	*Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to current date					
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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 8	2:00 PM	Holy Hour				
Tuesday	April 9	6:00 PM	Adult Faith Formation				
Wednesday April 10			RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES				
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal				
Thursday	April 11	10:30—1	Rosary Makers - RH				
		1:00 PM	Lenten Book Study—RH				
		7:00 PM	Communal Penance				
Friday	April 12	8:45 AM	Friday Folders				

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.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, April 16th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

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 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: Peg Schmitz, Choir 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: Ann Benz, Joe Clary 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: Ann Benz, Heidi Randall 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 MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of April 13th & 14th Saturday, 5:00 PM Lectors: Extraordinary Minister: Roxanne Shragal Servers: Elliot Thayer, Landynn Miller, Šena Vinopal Greeters: Ernie & Audrey Schmocker Musicians: Bill Ryan Gift Bearers: The Steiner Family Scrip Seller: Erin Lund Ushers: Carrol Kaiser, Greg Gruber, Mark Heitman, Dustin Ryberg Sunday, 8:00 AM Lectors: Servers: Noah Frv. Carson Demaske. Brie Eckerman Greeters: Kathleen Quinn, Bridget Gunther Musicians: Ann Benz, Sadie Eckerman Gift Bearers: Chuck & Kathy Kraemer Scrip Seller: Nancy Schaller Ushers: Larry Lubinski, Chuck Kraemer, Jim Bires, Arris Sullivan Sunday, 10:00 AM Lectors: Extraordinary Minister: Mary Beth Crowley Servers: Nathan Field, Eli Boppart, Hudson Randall Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Gift Bearers: John & Jeanne Walsh Scrip Seller: Kim Walsh Ushers: John Walsh Jr., Jeanne Walsh, Mary Allaby, Jim Allaby 10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Marie Leipart

200 Envelopes Lenten Fundraiser 61 envelopes have already been returned and \$5,576.00 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.

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**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 12th. Serving 5—7 PM. \$12 for adults; \$6.00 for 11 and under. Baked or fried cod, potatoes, coleslaw and dessert.

**Pro-Life Movie "Unplanned" Changing Hearts and Minds** ~ "Unplanned," a powerful movie about the pro-life conversion of former Planned Parenthood clinic director Abby Johnson, ranked 5<sup>th</sup> among all movies its opening weekend. To learn where it is showing In the diocese, visit <u>www.diolc.org/respectlife</u>. A few scenes are a bit graphic in glimpsing the reality of abortion, so it is important to discuss ahead of time with young people. Yet the movie shows deep compassion toward those whose lives have been sadly wounded by abortion, closing with a message about how healing can be found. This movie is changing hearts and minds!

The Chrism Mass is one of the diocesan highlights at which the bishop blesses the oils for the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Anointing of the Sick, and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Orders. Priests also renew their priestly promises at this Mass, and the faithful pray for them. The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse. Please consider attending! The Mass will also be live streamed at <u>diolc.org/live</u>.

Coming up in your monthly "Envelope Giving Packets", you will find an envelope for donations to our St. Patrick's Congregation Trust. In 1987, our parish looked to the future by creating an "endowment" Trust Fund which carefully preserves and invests all contributions, while distributing annual earnings to the parish and school. The St. Patrick's Trust Fund consists of two separate funds: one fund supports the parish and its work, the other fund supports St. Patrick's Grade School. Through contributions and the gradual growth of the principal amount in the Trust, the parish and school have improved their financial stability and can provide for future needs. Any donation you can make to the trust is always appreciated. Please consider giving.

# Formed ~ Pick of the Week

Why would intelligent, successful people give up careers, alienate friends, and cause havoc in their families . . . to become Catholic? As he was considering his own move into the Church, Donald Johnson traveled around the country to get answers from some of today's most prolific Catholic converts. Hear their stories and be reminded of the treasures we are given in our Church. This week, go to <u>formed.org</u> and watch "**Convinced**".

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR <u>SCRIP</u> TODAY AFTER MASS! Scrip is available during the week at the rectory office.