

St. Joseph Catholic Church *Farmington, Missouri*

March 20, 2016 • Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

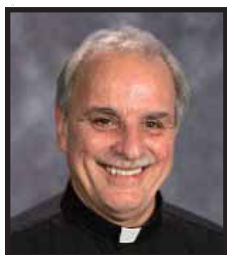


Join us for
Our Father's Table
TODAY
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm



Please join us for
Spanish Mass
TODAY
3:00 pm





From the Pastor's Pen

Palm Sunday The Holiest Week of the Year Begins Today. . .

Our Holy Week begins today with the Blessing of the Palms. All four Gospels describe a "grand entrance" of Jesus into Jerusalem on his final visit there, but only John has the detail of the palm branches - the symbol from which this Sunday has received this popular name.

As far back as the fourth century, Christians in Jerusalem reenacted this event. They gathered on the Mount of Olives in the late afternoon and carrying palm branches, they went in procession through the gates of the city to the Church of the Resurrection.

The custom of reenacting Christ's entry into Jerusalem gradually spread to churches around the world. The palm branches were blessed and carried home by the faithful as a symbol of Christ's presence in the place where they lived.

It has been a tradition for Christians to place blessed palms in their homes as a sacramental reminder of Christ's presence. **Where will you place your blessed palms today to remind you of Christ's presence in your homes?**

The Easter Triduum

Latin word meaning Three days. . .

Christ redeemed us and gave perfect glory to God principally through the Paschal Mystery: *dying He destroyed our death and rising He restored our life.* Therefore, the Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

Thus, the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of preeminence in our liturgical year that Sunday has in each week. The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point at the Easter Vigil and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday.

Holy Thursday Morning Blessings of the Oils at the Chrism Mass

On **Holy Thursday morning at 10:00 am** at the New Cathedral Basilica, **Archbishop Robert Carlson** will celebrate the **Chrism Mass** with all of the priests of our Archdiocese. This Mass is a sign of unity and communion of the priests with our Archbishop. At this Mass, Archbishop Carlson will bless the three Holy Oils that express the tenderness of God in the use of our Sacraments. It is also at the Chrism Mass that I, along with all of the priests of our Archdiocese, renew our priestly promises that were made on our ordination day.

All of our Catechumens and Candidates have been invited to board a charter bus to attend the Mass. We will leave at 7:15 am and return by approximately 2:30 pm. This will be an awesome opportunity for them to enter the "holiness" of our Holy Week even more. **We have 12 seats open to all parishioners, please RSVP to Lisa in the office if you would like to attend.**

Congratulations to **Phyllis LaPlant** who has been chosen as the lector for the second reading and to **Ana Hendrixson, Tyler Wolff & Katlyn Hubbard**, from our RCIA class, who will have the honor of presenting the gifts at this Holy Mass!

The 3 Holy Oils that Archbishop Carlson will bless:

Oil of the Catechumenate: in ancient times, athletes used oils to limber and strengthen their bodies for athletic contests. The Oil of the Catechumens draws on this symbolism, and its symbolism is best seen when an adult is approaching Baptism. During their time of preparation, they have to wrestle with temptations to say "no" to Christ's call.

Oil of the Sick: Oil was used for healing and is its primary significance when used in the Sacrament of the Sick. When anointing the sick, the priest says: *through this holy anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit.*

Holy Chrism: Chrism is the Church's most Sacred Oil. When it is consecrated, perfume is mixed in. When it is used, it signifies that the recipient is enveloped by the Holy Spirit. This oil draws upon the imagery of Kings and Queens being anointed as part of their coronation. Used at Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders, it symbolizes that the person is part of heaven's "royal family" - a daughter or son of God. It is also used to consecrate an altar.

Holy Thursday Evening. . . Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

On Holy Thursday evening we are drawn into the whole event of Christ's dying and rising. It is at this Mass that we remember the celebration of the first Eucharist that Jesus celebrated with his apostles. We are reminded that we are called to be servants of the mysteries we celebrate. **One of the most powerful moments of this part of our Holy Week service is the washing of the feet.**

After the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper, we will walk in procession with the Eucharist to an Altar of Repose set up in the Parish Center for adoration.

You are then encouraged to continue adoration or come back for a visit before the Blessed Sacrament until midnight. I would encourage each of us to take some time this evening to spend with our Lord, just as Jesus spent time with his Father in the Garden.

Will you take the time to make this evening "Holy" by sharing in the Mass of the Lord's supper and taking the time to spend in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament? The opportunities to enter into the "holiness" of the week are there for us throughout this day!

Ending of the Lenten Fast. . . Beginning of the Paschal Fast. . .

I am often asked, "**When does our Lenten fast end?**" If one would count the days on a calendar, there are 48 days from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday. Why then, does the Church say we have 40 days of Lent? We do not count the Sundays as days of fast for we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus every Sunday of the year.

The Lenten Fast ends on Holy Thursday after the evening Mass celebrating the Lord's Supper.

On Holy Thursday evening we begin the Paschal Fast. The Constitution of the Sacred Liturgy states: "**The Paschal Fast must be kept Sacred. It should be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and where possible should be prolonged throughout Holy Saturday so that the faithful may attain the joys of the Sunday of Resurrection with uplifted and responsive minds.**"

Good Friday The Veneration of the Cross

According to the Church's ancient tradition, the Sacraments are not celebrated during the Triduum. **On Good Friday at 1:00 pm we will have the traditional Stations of the Cross.**

At 7:00 pm we will have the celebration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. At this service we will listen to the Passion, have the opportunity of venerating The Cross and to receive communion that was consecrated the evening before. There is no Mass celebrated this day anywhere in the world. This is the time to remember just what the wood of the cross did for our salvation and humanity.

The Easter Vigil. . .

This is the holiest night of our Church year. Holy Saturday is the only time when the Church's liturgical calendar uses the Jewish reckoning of days whereby, at nightfall, one day ends and the next day begins. Thus, Sunday begins at nightfall tonight. This is the night we welcome into our faith community our catechumen and candidates who will be received into full communion of our faith. This night is arranged in four parts:

1) A brief service of light; when the blessing of the fire takes place and we ask God to inflame us with new hope, to purify our minds by this Easter celebration, and to bring us one day to the feast of Eternal Light. We proclaim by the marking of the numbers on the Easter candle the **2016th** year of our Lord and that all time belongs to Him. **2) The Liturgy of the Word** proclaims our salvation history and when we, the Church, meditate on all the wonderful things God has done for his people from the beginning. **3) The Liturgy of Baptism,** when new members of the Church are reborn as the day of Resurrection approaches and **4) The Liturgy of the Eucharist,** when the whole Church is called to the table which the Lord has prepared for His people through His death and resurrection.

It would be awesome if every member of our faith community could be present this night. This would be the ultimate way of celebrating Holy Week by attending the holiest night of our Church's liturgical calendar. PLEASE consider coming to the Easter Vigil this year. On Sunday, the Church continues to celebrate Easter and its Octave for the next seven days.

Welcome New Members!

On Sunday, February 21, the **Catechumens**, those who have never been baptized and the **Candidates**, those who have been validly baptized in another Christian denomination, were blessed and received the Rite of Election by our community.

The Catechumens are now called **The Elect**. Together with their Godparents, the Candidates and their sponsors, they have been involved in an intense preparation during the Lenten Season. On Saturday at the Easter Vigil it will be a great joy to welcome them into our Catholic faith. **Please see pages 6 - 8 and welcome these new members!**

Please Return Your Lenten Rice Bowls at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday

On Holy Thursday we ask that you bring your Lenten Rice bowls to the Mass of **The Lord's Supper** at **7:00 pm**. You will be asked at the offertory to place your boxes or your offertory gifts in the basket at the altar. This long time tradition has been the center of many Catholic kitchen tables during the Lenten season as we remember our brothers and sisters who hunger throughout the world. Our sacrificial offering will go directly to help the hungry of the missions.

Keep our Stars Shining Bright Our 12th Annual Raffle Directly Benefits our Parish School!

Our school will be hosting our 12th Annual "**Keep Our Stars Shining Bright**" Sweepstakes. For the past eleven years the funds from this raffle have gone directly to the school's budget and have also been a source of funding to supply our students with many needed items to enhance their learning. Selling of the tickets will begin **THIS Friday, March 18**.

There will again be an Early Bird drawing for \$1,000 on **Wednesday, March 30** and the grand prize of **\$10,000** will be drawn on **Friday, April 15**.

Imagine what you could do with an extra **\$10,000!!!** Please help support our mission of Catholic education. Tickets are available from any student or in the parish and school offices.

And Finally. . .

A very special thank you to the twenty-two women who provided the parish with an exceptional opportunity of prayer by leading us in the special Stations of the Cross through the eyes and heart of Mary.


Our sincere thanks to our 7th and 8th graders for the very prayerful Stations of the Cross that they presented this past Friday, March 18.

On Thursday evening, after the Mass of the Lord's Supper, please take the time to come and visit our Lord at our **Altar of Repose** which will be set up in our Parish Center until midnight.

"Always remember that as long as we keep the Eucharist the center of our lives, everything else will fall in place...of that I am confident"!!!

Blessings during This Holy Week...Fr. Rickey

Please note that we will not have ANY morning masses this Thursday or Friday. Also, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday.



Easter Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper.....7:00 pm
Altar of Repose
(Adoration in the parish center) until 12 midnight

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 1:00 pm
The Lord's Passion.....7:00 pm

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil8:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Mass.....7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

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Sacramental Life

Daily Mass Monday thru Friday 7:00 am

Friday (All School Mass Aug-May) 8:05 am

Sunday Mass Observance

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation 7 am, 8 am and 7 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4 pm, Sundays 7 am or by appointment

The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am Mass. Baptismal preparation class required. Contact Abe AuBuchon.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Celebrated after meeting the bride and groom and beginning preparation six months before the wedding, in accordance with Archdiocesan Wedding Policy.



Happy Birthday



March 20

**Lisa Arnold
Jon Bone
John McNamara**

March 22

**Miriam Colligan
Mary Kay
Obenauer**

March 24 cont.

**Elle Lappe
Faith Watson
Nicholas Westrich**

March 21

**Dwayne Damba
Gene Eddleman
Khanh Le**

March 23

**John England
Maddie Williams**

March 25

**Mark Halter
Harrison Jaycox
Helen Mell**

**Patrick Rudroff
Sydney Zaricor**

March 24

**Ethan Anderson
Emily Barnhouse**

March 26

Tom Karl



Happy Anniversary



March 20, 1968

Jack & Kathy Neiner

March 23

John & Sandra Smith

March 21, 1993

Gary & Missy Mitchell

March 25, 1966

John & Rita Stam

50 Years!



How can we help you?

- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I would like to return to full participation in the sacraments.
- I am interested in joining your parish community.
- I am in need of sacramental support.
- I would appreciate a call by the pastor.

Name: _____

Number: _____

Email: _____

Come join us for our weekly Parish Rosary to be offered this Wednesday at 7:15 pm

Our petition for this week will be:

"For a blessed and life changing Holy Week"



Welcome Catechumens



Ana Hendrixson

Ana is the daughter of Steve and Cassi Hendrixson and is the seventh grade. Ana's dad, Steve (the good Catholic boy) was born and raised Catholic. Ana and her family would all like to join the faith and have it in their lives.



Cassi Hendrixson

Cassi is married to Steve and they have two daughters. Cassi enjoys raising her girls here in Farmington and works in Arnold at Arsenal Credit Union. She would like to join the church with her family after witnessing the peace her husband has in his Catholic faith.



Katlyn Hubbard

Katlyn is an eighth grade student at Farmington middle school and enjoys being involved in volleyball and track. She is the daughter of Bryan and Mandy Hubbard and sister of Addison and Kannedy. Her mom joined last year and she is looking forward to joining with her dad, Bryan this year.



Jack Parmley

Jack is married to Renee and has two grown sons. After his wife fell in love with the faith at St. Catherine's, he began to attend mass as well. Jack was not brought up with any religion but after meeting the warm and faithful members of St. Catherine's and St. Joe, he wanted what they had. He has felt so welcomed and loved in this RCIA journey.

Children of the Elect who will be Baptized at the Easter Vigil



Parker is five years old and is the daughter of Cassi and Steve and sister of Ana. She is very excited to start this journey, get baptized and begin first grade at St. Joseph Catholic School!



Welcome Candidates



Joe Arnold

Joe is the husband of Lisa and has three children and one grandson. He was raised in Rolla, MO and came to Farmington in 82' to teach for 29 years and has coached for 35 years. Joe married his wife, Lisa in the Catholic Church 32 years ago and decided it's time to join the faith. "Plus - the food is pretty good"



Shelly Ellis

Shelly is the wife of Jay and has 4 children and 3 grandchildren. Shelly has attended St. Joe for 12 years and has been active in Our Father's Table and SVDP food pantry. She has met the most faithful, thoughtful, caring people here and decided to become a part of this family.



Bobby Gawf

Bobby grew up in Bonne Terre and was baptized and raised in the Catholic faith. He has already received First Communion and is continuing his faith journey by receiving Confirmation. Bobby is joining the Catholic Church to continue his faith journey. He will be married to his fiancée, Hannah in June.



Steve Hendrixson

Steve is joining the faith with his wife, Cassi and his two daughters. He has been Catholic his whole life but when his family relocated, he never received Confirmation. Steve is joining the faith to receive eternal life through Confirmation and living in full communion with the Catholic Church.



Bryan Hubbard

Bryan is the husband of Mandy and dad to 3 daughters. His wife joined the Church last year and his daughter, Katlyn, is joining with him this year. He was raised and baptized Baptist. Bryan works for Piralal Glass Co. in Park Hills. He looks forward to being in full communion with the Catholic faith.



Ronnie Jones

Ronnie has 3 children and recently lost his wife, Mary. It was Mary's faith and peace that inspired him to join the Catholic Church. Ronnie worked as a pipe fitter and welder for over 40 years. He has found healing and enjoyment in his RCIA journey.

"Come as You Are"

Welcome Candidates



Tim Kingdon

Tim grew up in the Christian faith and was born and raised in St. Louis. He would like to grow deeper in his faith in Christ and has found peace and love at St. Joseph Parish. He is engaged to Melinda Allen.



Mary Ann Sullivan

Mary is the wife of Weldon, they have 2 children and 3 grandsons. Her son joined the faith after college and she noticed this beautiful faith that was so cherished by her son and his wife. She was overjoyed when she shared with her husband that she felt something was missing and he felt the same way!



Weldon Sullivan

Weldon is the husband of Mary and is a retired machinist from McDonnell Douglas. During a trip to Rome, he was inspired as he visited the Vatican and listened to Pope Francis. He was touched by the tremendous faith of his children and, along with Mary, was led to join the Catholic Church.



Janice Tedder

Janice is the mom of Christy (Scott) Watson and grandmother of 3. She was raised in a Baptist church but stopped attending. She felt she was meant to be at St. Joe with her family. She was inspired by the change and growth in their faith and wanted what they had.



Tyler Wolff

Tyler is the son of Cory and Sherri. He was raised and baptized in the Catholic Church until the age of 10. Tyler's dad is Catholic and walking with him on this journey. Tyler feels the need to become closer to God and make Him a bigger part of his life. His best friend is Mary.

Welcome Home



Becky Blake

Becky was raised in the Catholic faith but stepped away for several years. She promised her mom on her death bed that she would get back to the church. She now learned that she came back to the church more for herself than her mom.



Donna Young

Donna is the sister of Jerry Hulseley and coming home to join St. Joseph parish. She is the wife of Dr. Daniel Young. Donna has enjoyed this journey and her sponsor is her "sweet sister - in - law" Debbie Hulseley.



Archbishop's Easter Letter

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

TO THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE
OF ST. LOUIS

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On Good Friday, March 25, 2016, the annual collection for the Holy Land will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis. I am requesting all parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis take up this collection on Good Friday in support of the Holy Land.

The Gospel message of compassion confirms the need for the Good Friday collection in support of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We must recognize how much the generous concern of Catholics around the world has already accomplished in this tumultuous area of the world. Our financial assistance supports the Holy Sites, but also those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works, which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

More specifically, these resources come to the aid of families, often enhancing or saving the lives of the old, the sick, and the disabled. In addition, aid is provided to the unemployed and to youth that seek a brighter future.

I want to ask you for your generous support of the collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday, March 25, 2016.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson Archbishop
of St. Louis



Archbishop's Easter Letter

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

TO THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE
OF ST. LOUIS

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The annual Easter collection for Regina Cleri will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis on Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016. Financial support for Regina Cleri primarily comes from this annual Easter collection and the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Under the guidance of Cardinal Joseph Ritter, Regina Cleri opened as a home for retired archdiocesan priests in 1959. Cardinal Ritter was considered ahead of his time for opening Regina Cleri. Regina Cleri offers our priests the opportunity to retire from service and continue to live in an active faith community.

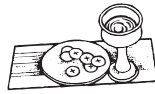
Although retired, many of the priests residing at Regina Cleri continue to assist in archdiocesan parishes, schools, Catholic organizations, nursing homes, and hospitals. They celebrate Mass, assist with Reconciliation, visit the sick, attend parish events, and serve as spiritual leaders/counselors.

Please consider supporting the retired priests of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. These priests have served our archdiocese well and deserve both our prayers and financial support. We are very fortunate that the Archdiocese of St. Louis is able to provide excellent and proper care for our priests at Regina Cleri.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis

Ministers of the Liturgy



Holy Thursday, March 24

7:00 pm Mass

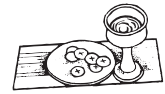
Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy
 Lector: Phyllis LaPlant, Helen Thurman
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Charles Boyd, Rita Boyd, Ronald Brooks,
 Sandi Brooks, Jill Patton
 Ushers: Ed Brown, Mark Kellogg, George Kracke,
 Jack Neiner
 Servers: K. Ramos, K. Ramos, K. Ramos
 Cantor: Michelle Podolak
 Those having the honor of having their feet washed
 during the Institution of the Lord's Supper on Holy
 Thursday: Brayden Armes, Addie AuBuchon, Maggie
 Carr, Marge Dill, Rich Dore, Linda Gillespie,
 Cassi Hendrixson, Mark Kellogg, Mary Ann
 Sullivan, Gracie Trokey, Brian Wade, Dave
 Werner

Friday of the Passion of the Lord March 25

7:00 pm Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy
 Lector: Chuck Hayden, Helen Thurman
 Servers: P. Borrego, L. Colligan
 Cantor: Judy Colligan

Ministers of the Liturgy



Saturday, March 26

The Easter Vigil of the Holy Night

8:00 pm Vigil Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy
 Lector: **1st-** Phyllis LaPlant, **2nd-** Chuck Hayden,
3rd- Helen Thurman, **4th-** Mitch Fuemmeler,
Epistle- John Crouch
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Sandi Brooks, Rob Grindel, Cindy Kelso,
 Jill Patton, John Thurman
 Ushers: John Hughes, John Jones, Dylan Kelso,
 Don Trokey
 Servers: B. Armes, N. Berkbigler, C. Harness,
 J. Hulsey
 Cantor: Tom Berkbigler, Dawn Fuemmeler, Terry
 Guiley, Michelle Podolak

Sunday, March 27

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer
 Lector: Jim Eaton
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Dotty Bach, Jerry Bach, Steve Forsythe,
 Jack Neiner, Kathy Neiner
 Ushers: Ed Brown, Bill Jokerst, Dale Jones,
 Phil Roth
 Servers: K. Busenbark, S. Heberlie

9:00 am Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer
 Lector: Charlotte Vander Bol
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Risha Gaines, Margaret Greif, Jennifer
 Rhodus, Joe Rhodus, Jayne Wooldridge
 Ushers: George Kracke, Jerry Morris, Mike Ward,
 Ed Wooldridge
 Servers: E. Barnhouse, K. Gerwitz, J. Pikey
 Cantor: Susan McMann

10:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. John Schneider
 Lector: Chad Speakar
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Shirley Bieser, Charles Boyd, Deanna
 Dickerson, Jana Dore, Katie Rhodes
 Ushers: Bob Bone, James Cissell, Roy Henson,
 Chuck Koppeis
 Servers: C. Cassimatis, O. Rastorfer, A. Roney
 Cantor: Rita Boyd



**"I tell you, Peter,
 before the cock crows
 this day, you will deny
 three times that you know me.**

“ (Luke 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone
 make a disparaging comment about Jesus
 or the Catholic faith? How do you react? Do
 you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance
 or worst yet, because you don't want your
 friends or family to think negatively about
 you? Pray for the courage to speak up and
 enter into a respectful dialogue.

Monday, March 21, 2016

Sacristans

Pat Beussink, Jana Dore',
 Marie Hermann, Jo Rustemeyer, Sandi Brooks

Money Counters

Beulah Carrow, Jackie Maloney,
 Nancy Ott, Carolyn Rigdon



Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

Week of March 21 - 27

- Monday: Monday of Holy Week**
Readings: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
7:00 am: **Cecelia & Mike Ott**
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week**
Readings: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
7:00 am: **Ruth Dyer**
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week**
Readings: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25
7:00 am: **James Spengler**
- Thursday: Holy Thursday**
Readings: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc,
17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
7:00 am: **Peggy Weber & Stephen Weber**
- Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**
Readings: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13,
15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

- Saturday: Easter Vigil**
Readings: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]
b) Gn 22:1-18
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1
d) Is 55:1-11
e) Rom 6:3-11
8:00 pm: **Pat Wade**
- Sunday:**
Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17,
22-23; Col 3:1-4
7:30 am: **Vel Schnurbusch**
9:00 am: **Parishioners**
10:30 am: **Mary Lou Lodholz**

Your Gifts to God and Parish Sunday, March 13, 2016

Due to the holiday printing deadline we could not include the offerings for March 13 in this issue. They will be published in next week's bulletin.

Thank You For Your Faithfulness!!!

Let us pray for those who share weekly in our Eucharistic Celebration and who are carrying the gift of life. . .

Mandy (Jake) Whitener
Jami (Abe) AuBuchon
Nikki (James) Sheets

Basket for Life

The Respect Life Committee has placed a basket in the rear of church filled with plastic eggs. Inside each egg is listed a baby item. Please take an egg during Lent and buy the item listed inside the egg. **After** Easter we will have a collection box in church to drop off your baby item. These will be given to our Parkland Hospital and the Pregnancy Resource Center for families needing baby items.



We appreciate your help!

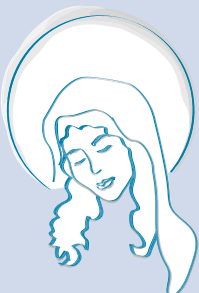


Together we pray for those who are sick. (Parishioners names are in bold.)

Please pray for: Richard Holmes, Mike, **Floyd McFarland**, Robert McKee, **Warren Lodholz**, **Retta Forsythe**, Brandon Huels, Kim Allen, Barb Vollmar, Amy Brenneke, Brad, Chelsey, Bentley, Stephanie Melton, Nile Myer, Jeremy, Vicki Forsythe, **Frank Burcham**, **Seery Saurage**, Carter Kupec, Mark Huels, **Paula Russell**, **Cathy Barron**, Josh Lehman, **Charles Baumgartner**, Sheila Long, Vicky, Jade, Fern Hughes, Larry Pritchett, James Macklin, Ed Hampton, **Rita Wofford**, Anna Murro, Richard Gebhardt Jr, David Calbreath, Robert Calbreath, Mary Truman, Gary Huitt, Brenda, **Frances Zolman**, **Deacon Al and Jeanie Gegg**, **Joe Sansoucie** and **Sandi Kracke**.

To add someone to the prayer list contact Pat Boatright at boat.pab75@gmail.com or 756-4169.

A Retreat Day for ALL Women of St. Joseph's & St. Catherine's



We warmly welcome



Elizabeth Westhoff

Director of Marketing &
Mission Awareness
of the Archdiocese of St. Louis

Elizabeth will give us a reflection on
"Mercy and the Role of Women
in Salvation History"

Sponsored by the Women of Mary
Wednesday, May 4



Apple Creek Church & Shrine

Cost: \$10.00

We will board the bus and leave the
Lober Parking Lot at 8:00 am
and return by 3:00 pm

Please RSVP to Lisa in the Parish Office
at 573-756-4250

or email her at secretary@stjosephfarmington.com

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Palms and Glory


Here we stand, once again, holding high our palm branches to be blessed. With the crowd in the Gospel story, we proclaim, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." Unlike those people in the Gospel who greeted Jesus, we know where this is going. We know that we are included in the crowds who greeted Jesus with joy, and in the same crowds who one week later would shout, "Crucify him!" We live into the story of Christ's glory and his suffering.

Suffering and Redemption

The reading of the Passion is long and hard to hear. Beginning with the Last Supper, the Passover meal in which Jesus gives himself to us in the bread and wine, through the agonizing prayer in the garden, to the trial, condemnation, and finally the crucifixion, we stand, patiently listening and wondering how we fit into this story. Although told in the past tense, we hear this story in the present tense, knowing that this is our story, one in which we suffer with our crucified Lord. We know also that this will lead to the Resurrection, but for now, we experience the grief and sadness that will be repeated in the rituals later this week: the Mass of Holy Thursday, the service of Good Friday with the veneration of the cross, and the quiet and thoughtful time of Holy Saturday leading to the glorious Easter Vigil. We view Jesus' suffering through the eyes of the women of Galilee as well as the guards and other disciples who watch from a distance. We have a glimpse of our redemption in the conversation of Jesus with "the good thief." Our hearts are broken. We finally recognize the effects of our sinfulness and the great gift that Jesus has given us in the Eucharist and in his death. That recognition can lead us truly to redemption as we contemplate its implication in our lives. We look forward to the Resurrection with eager anticipation of our salvation.

Today's Readings: Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7;
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11;
Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

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**Friendship
in Jesus**

Fr. Ron will focus on the relational aspect of our faith with Jesus and how to live our lives more completely for the Lord.

Mark your Calendars...


**3 Day Mission Retreat
with
Fr. Ron Hoye, C.M.**

May 8 - 10

Please Join Us...

**Lectio - Prayer
Finding Intimacy
with God**



**6 week program
Thursdays • 9:00 - 10:30 am**

It's not too late to sign up! Join us as **Dr. Tim Gray** masterfully uses the discipline of **Lectio Divina** to show you how to make prayer an effective effort of love and intimacy. This program will be led by **Abe AuBuchon** in the **Parish Center** began Thursday, **March 3** with completion on Thursday **April 14**. Included in this session is a comprehensive study guide to deepen your journey into prayer. Cost of the program is \$5.00.

To assist in the preparation, please RSVP to Abe AuBuchon at aaubuchon@stjosephfarmington.com or call 756-4250 x 317.

A Message From Our Pastoral Associate, Abe AuBuchon...



A Year as Disciple Makers

As we complete a year of training with the Catholic Leadership Institute, I would like to reflect on the past year and touch on the key components of what we have learned in becoming disciple makers.

How is St. Joseph parish at making disciples?

Very early on we were asked a simple but profound question, "**How is St. Joseph parish at making disciples?**". In order to do this we must have some standards in place to determine how we are doing in this mission. You will remember from our parish survey (from a year ago) we were asked to identify where we were at on our faith journey by choosing one of the following four stages:

- I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life.
- I practice my Catholic faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend.
- I have personally encountered Jesus Christ and am growing as a disciple.
- My relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important relationship in my life.

32% of the respondents from our survey responded that faith is not significant or they practice their faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend. **What are we doing to reach out to family and friends...our brothers and sisters in Christ?**

As Pope Francis stated in *The Joy of the Gospel*, "**In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples. All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization.**" (120) We are all called to become missionary disciples.



**Parish Missionary
Disciples**

Coming up in our Parish...



March 25-27
The Sacred Triduum



April 2
First Communion



April 12
Confirmation



St. Joseph's St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks.

Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

Open Tuesday and Friday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

For assistance call 756-0997

Our food pantry serves people in the St. Francois county regardless of race, sex, national origin, religion, or age.



A Note from our Pastoral Health Care Minister,

Agnes Hinkebein, RN

If you are currently homebound or are hospitalized or know of a parishioner who is, please contact me at 756-4250 or email me at: healthminister@stjosephfarmington.com

Surprising Things That Happen When You Go To Adoration...



You Fall in Love

Ultimately, you can't help this one! When you spend more time with an open heart in Adoration and just let Christ love you, then you'll fall in love too. That love will define you and allow you to be yourself. **"I came that they may have life, life in all its fullness."** (John 10:10)

Eucharistic Adoration
Thursdays • 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
First Friday of the month
9:00 am - 2:15 pm

For more information contact
Charlie and Rita Boyd at
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**There will be No Adoration
Holy Thursday, March 24**

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This Week in Our Parish...

Tuesday • March 22

Paul VI Class
7:00 pm • Parish Center

Wednesday • March 23

No PSR
Rosary
7:15 pm • Church

Thursday • March 24

Holy Thursday
No Eucharistic Adoration
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 pm • Church
Alter of Repose
after Mass-12:00 am • Parish Center

Friday • March 25

Good Friday
Stations of the Cross
1:00 pm • Church
The Lord's Passion
7:00 pm • Church

Saturday • March 26

Easter Vigil
8:00 pm • Church

Sunday • March 27

Easter Sunday
Masses • 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am

The Parish Office will
be Closed
**Good Friday,
March 25**
*Have a
Blessed Easter!*



St. Catherine of Alexandria

Celebrant

Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lector

Rosie Eck

Extraordinary Ministers

Jimmy & Susie Herzog

Offertory Bearers

Tom & Linda Smith

Mass Intentions

March 19 - James Herzog

March 27 - Susie Calvin



Saturday 7:30 pm Mass

Coffman, Missouri
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Jimmy Herzog

Your Gifts to God and Parish

Due to the holiday printing deadline we could not include the offerings for March 12 in this issue. They will be published in next week's bulletin.

Just a Reminder. . .

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross,

Friday, March 25 at 1:00 pm.



Easter Sunday Mass,

March 27 at 11:00 am

Blessings During this Holy Week...Fr. Rickey

Blessings of Lenten Peace...Fr. Rickey