

Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville

Third Sunday of Lent March 22, 2014 Volume 33 Number 12

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 25: 8:30 a.m. +Gerald Ahles (*Fr. Klaers' brother-in-law*)
Friday, March 28: 8:30 p.m. Father's Intentions
Saturday, March 29: 5:00 p.m. +Don Edwards, +Phyllis DeGroot
Sunday, March 30: 8:00 a.m. + Bill Stransky

The flag flying over our church is in memory of James Carroll & Jim Rysavy.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, March 23: Vocal Choir practice after Mass (*9:00 a.m.*)
Tuesday, March 25: Fatima Prayer Group, 7:45 a.m.
Wednesday, March 26: Faith Formation for Grades 1-9, 6:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross @ 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 27: Bell Choir @ 6:30 p.m.
Hall booked in evening

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 29, 2014 5:00 p.m.

AS: Chase Silkey

EM: Darrell Stoltz*

Kathleen Cap, Marsha DeGroot

GR: Gary & Patti Angelow, Kathleen Cap,
Marge & Ray Duchene

L: Kathy Thom

U: Marge & Ray Duchene,
Bill Harn, Dan Pumper

Sunday, March 30, 2014 8:00 a.m.

AS: Dawson Drentlaw, Grace Peach

EM: Gina Palan*

Laura Drentlaw, Madeline Drentlaw

GR: Dale Drentlaw Family, Mike & Gina Palan
Family, Elaine & Steve Trnka

L: Shari Gruber

U: Mark Mulcahy, Tom Murphy,
Randy Rezac, Tom Trnka

Remember in your prayers ...

Jeff Brown, **Bill Harn, Nancy Dienst, Marilyn Richter**, Landyn Wrolson, Thomas Klevin, **Skip Aaker, Francis Herda**, Joe & Kari (Franek) Wiita, Anne Naas; Don Jensen; Nick Grambart; all on the prayer chain; **Servicemen: Jaime Allison, Lester Caron, Chris Chappuis, Mark Gehling, John McDonough, Eric Spehn, Luke Ward.**

Next Baptism Class is Saturday, April 5th

at Most Holy Redeemer Church in Montgomery at 9:30 a.m. Classes are required IF this is your first child or it has been more than 2 years since your last class. Call 507.364.7981 to register.



Office Hours March 23 – 29

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Financial Stewardship March 15 & 16, 2014

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,107.00
Open Plate	70.28
Visitor	210.00
<u>EFTs</u>	<u>665.00</u>
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 2,052.28

St. Patrick's Day Mass Collection \$265.00

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 30, 2014

First Reading 1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13
Psalm 23 "The Lord is my shepherd,
there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel: John 9:1-41

The dominant metaphors in these readings are sight and blindness, light and darkness. In the first reading, even the great judge Samuel needed time to learn to see as God does. Our Gospel is the familiar story of the healing of the man born blind, who gains more and more sight as the Pharisees grow more and more blind. Saint Paul tells us to live as children of the light. Let us pray to God to light the way of our own lives.



Mary

All women of the parish are invited to attend the St. Patrick Council of Catholic Women meeting on MONDAY, March 24th at 1:00 p.m. in our social hall. Please come to see what the ladies do.

A Note From The Pastor



The Old Testament reading today pictures the children of Israel wandering in the wilderness of Sinai. God delivered them from the forces of Pharaoh, from slavery in Egypt. They saw God's power in the Red Sea. They heard God's concern for them through the words of Moses. Yet, they are grumbling against Moses. And worse, they are so fearful that God will abandon them in the wilderness that some of them are longing to return to Egypt. Egypt, the place of slave labor, the place of an angry Pharaoh and the place of death. It only took God a few weeks to get Israel out of Egypt. But it took him forty years to get Egypt out of Israel. Let us see what we can learn from this sad chapter in Israel's story. First, Israel remembered the past better than it was. Memory edits and magnifies. Most of us remember the past in a glorified way. School days were brighter, early marriage was easier, our kids were better behaved, society was gentler. We simply edit out of our memory the difficult and painful parts of the past. Israel remembered Egypt better than it was. They had forgotten the hardships, the slavery and the brutality of the Pharaoh. How tempting it is to return to the place of the past, even if it represents torment, just because the known is safer than the unknown.

Second, Israel considered the present worse than it was. Sure, they were thirsty. But Israel overestimated their difficulty. They forgot about the God who brought them out of Egypt. A God who could part the sea, could provide water for them too. But their momentary discomfort made them forgetful and cranky. Things haven't changed that much. Just let the temperature vary 10 degrees from the perfect in the sanctuary, we would all lose a bit of our piety too. The present does not speak for the future. And the present does not exhaust the possibilities of God or future. Are you lonely, sick or poor today? Maybe this present moment is setting the stage for God's greatest work in your life. Try not to repeat Israel's mistake.

Father George Kallumkalkudy, CMI



Parish Pastoral Council News

We are looking for two people to come on the Council as the terms of Randy Archambault and Sharon Kaisershot are up. We thank Randy for serving two terms of 3-years each and Sharon for serving one term of 3-years so far. Please contact the office or Randy Archambault to apply or to nominate someone. (Note: That person must accept the nomination before being considered.)

Remember In Your Prayers ...

Father Klaers' brother-in-law, Gerald Ahles, passed away last Sunday in Arizona. Father Klaers leaves on Sunday, March 23rd to attend his funeral and visit with family. We are not sure when he will return. Father George will cover the Tuesday, March 25th 8:30 a.m. Mass. Father Roach will cover the Friday, March 28th, 8:30 a.m. and Saturday, March 29th, 5:00 p.m. Masses. After that we will see.



2014 Catholic Services Appeal

"Seek first the Kingdom of God." Matthew 6:24-34;

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response. When we reach our goal, \$2500.00 is returned for use at St. Pats. As of March 20th we are only at \$5,579.00 – our goal is \$10,042.00.

If you have not made your contribution to the 2014 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA), **please consider doing so by April 20th**. Envelopes are available in the pews to allow all an opportunity to participate. One pledge can make a difference, especially when combined with all of the other pledges made throughout our local Church. And, when our parish reaches its goal, 25% of *all* funds received will be returned for use to support ministries in our parish. Please prayerfully consider providing your financial support to the Catholic Services Appeal You can and will make a difference.

It is important to know that contributions to the CSA will be used for the benefit of designated ministries of the Appeal and for *no other purposes*. Please visit the new CSA Foundation website at csafspm.org for more information.

Knights of Columbus 889 Korner



(17 Third 2 Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)

The KC Hall is available for weddings, anniversaries, fundraisers, dinners, graduation parties and family gatherings. Call Rick Scheil at 507.334.4918 for information.

Friday Night Fish Fry Dinners – Every Friday through April 18th, 5 – 7:30 p.m. \$10, Deep Fried or Broiled Cod, Salad Bar, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Milk & Coffee.

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Do you have trouble hearing Father during his homily, or are you just hard of hearing? The hearing assistance radio is available. From a store purchase a personal radio with headphones. At church, tune them to 106.1 and hear everything crystal clear. Feel free to adjust the volume.

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault
507.334.3948 www.bacards.org

Coming up at B.A. ...

BABS night is Saturday April 5th Say goodbye to winter and travel to the tropics! Live & Silent Auctions, Marketplace, Island Food (pulled pork sandwiches), Beverages. Costume Contest & other fun games! Have an item to donate? Call Sue Erpenbach at BA. Must be 21.d, \$5.00 entry fee.

B.A. Heroes for HOPE 5k/10k & Kids Fun Run Saturday, April 12th in Faribault. Race Fee: \$35 - 5k/10k, FunRun-Free www.heroes4HOPErun.com



Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(PreK through 8th Grade)

205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery

(507) 364-7383 (mosthrs.org)

It's been an exciting week at HRS! Not only has it been "Peek Week" with new students coming to visit, but HRS Middle School students have participated in mini classes all week. They: *cooked, decorated, sewed, explored, bowled, filmed, made jam, acted, learned blacksmith, did woodworking, and even learned chess.*



THANK YOU TO OUR MINI CLASS TEACHERS:

Pam Choudek; Lisa Berdan; Anne Tuma; Chad Washa*; Joe Reeder; Rick Skluzacek*; Jake Reeder*; Roger Heyda; Play Mor Lanes; Adam Sery*; Andy Velishek*; and Maureen Franek*.* (*star denotes alumni coming back to share their skills!)

Americanism - American Legion - Essay Contest Winners (Grades 3-8)

- Grades 3 & 4: Elizabeth Odenthal, 1st; Nate Leonard, 2nd; **Arthur Devine, 3rd**
- Grades 5 & 6: Darien Schoenbauer, 1st; Ana Rynda, 2nd; Ethan Houn, 3rd
- Grades 7 & 8: Shawna Berdan, 1st; Michael Fischer, 2nd and Joey Mladek, 3rd

REGISTRATIONS DUE NOW! WE NEED YOUR FORMS BY APRIL 1 (No fooling!)

HRS registration forms due for the 2014-15. Looking for a school that will make a difference for your child? Stop in for a visit! We can't wait to meet you. 507.364.7383

- **ALL EARLY REGISTRATIONS BY APRIL 1 - GO IN FOR A SCRIP DRAWING!** Scholarships available to all families in K-8th grade. Please

call and let us know what you can pay in tuition, we will help you make HRS an easy choice!

- **LITTLE LAMBS REGISTRATION FOR 2014-15:** Looking for a great preschool program for your child? HRS offers a full day program for 3, 4 and 5 year olds. We also have extended day care. BUT CLASSES FILL QUICKLY! The 3 day class is full, with a waiting list started. The 2 day class only has 4 openings. CALL SOON TO GET YOUR CHILD IN FOR THE 2014 - 15 YEAR!

SCHOLARSHIP GIFTS: Please consider a scholarship gift to our "Pohlad Scholarship Replacement Fund. This helps to support families who need scholarships at HRS. Our goal is \$6,500. We appreciate your commitment to Catholic education.

Blessings, Mindy Reeder - Principal



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Are you hurting in Your Marriage? Do you have trouble communicating, frequent arguments or fights? Retrouvaille is a relationship-building Catholic program; consisting of a weekend followed by 6 weekly four hour presentations. Twin Cities Retrouvaille schedules programs several times a year. Please call (651) 464-5855, or visit www.helpourmarriage.com.

Please let us know:

**If anything has changed in your family or
If you would like more information.**

Name: _____

Phone: _____ home / cell

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

I/We:

_____ would like to register at St. Patrick.

_____ have a new address.

_____ have a new phone number.

_____ want to be removed from parish roster

_____ would like information on:

Drop in the collection basket or mail to the office.

Archdiocesan Information

Chrism Mass – Thursday, April 10

All the Faithful are invited to the annual Chrism Mass which will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Paul on Thursday, April 10 at 7 p.m. Join with others from throughout our local Church in this tradition that dates back to the early Church.

At this Mass the bishop blesses three oils — the oil of catechumens (oleum catechumenorum or oleum sanctorum), the oil of the infirm (oleum infirmorum) and holy chrism (sacrum chrisma) — which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese during the year. In addition, all priests present will publically renew their priestly promises.

“ALL IN GOD’S PLAN”

Daughters and Sons for Life Program

April 5, 2014

This program, for teens age 13-16 and their parent(s), is intended to present to teens a Christian understanding of human sexuality by taking a hard look at what underlies the modern cultural approach and demonstrating the goodness of God’s ways in the Scriptures and teachings of the Church. Teens will be given practical help in choosing and living the virtue of chastity. In separate sessions the parent(s) will be given encouragement and practical counsel through presentation and discussion for assisting their children in this area. Outcomes of this program include:

- Parents & teens learn about the gift of human sexuality and the challenge of chastity in today’s society
- Presentations focus on dating, parenting teens, values, faith in God, family purity and God’s plan for our sexuality
- Designed to encourage discussion between parent and teen, establishing a foundation for continued communication
- Emphasizes respect, understanding, and appreciation for God’s gifts

Come learn about the gift of human sexuality and the challenge of chastity at **St. Michael Church in St. Michael, Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Mass at 8 am)**, free will offering. Refreshments will be served. Reservations required. For more information or to register call Carol Freeman at 763-497-2745.

Travel to Guatemala! June 23 – July 2

Immerse yourself in the indigenous Mayan culture! Be touched by their stories of struggle and hope. Experience their joy and spirit in the midst of a persecuted Church. Travel with Center for Mission on this life-changing journey that you won’t forget! Hurry, space is limited. Contact Mike Haasl, 651.291.4504. haaslm@archspm.org

Rediscover:

Make plans to deepen your prayer life this Lent...and

invite a friend or family member to join you!

The Rediscover: prayer evenings are a unique opportunity to experience *Cor Jesu*, meaning "Heart of Jesus", as we worship Christ in community with the Church through Eucharistic adoration, confession, praise, benediction and fellowship. Attendees are invited to participate in whatever manner is most comfortable for them.

March 25 – St. Hubert, Chanhassen

April 8 – All Saints, Lakeville

All Rediscover: prayer evenings begin at 7 p.m. and end around 9 p.m. No registration required. For more information, please visit Rediscover-faith.org.

Check our Rediscover Kiosk for information on the Archdiocesan Rediscover Program; Matthew Kelly’s books on CD; and a copy of the book *Rediscover Catholicism* also by Matthew Kelly.

Like Rediscover: on Facebook “like” us at <http://Facebook.com/Rediscoverfaith> and click “like” to connect with others excited about exploring our Catholic faith.



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Are you struggling with an abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel’s Vineyard weekend retreat in the Twin Cities area. The retreat combines discussions, spiritual exercises, reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God’s love, forgiveness and compassion. For more info contact Nancy @ 763-250-9313 or rwr-nancy@usfamily.net The cost is \$160.00 for meals, room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available.

TAKE IT TO THE BOX INFO

WHAT: Our community is serious about preventing medication misuse/ abuse and about environmentally safe disposal of medication.



WHEN: Take It To THE BOX medication disposal boxes available 7 Days a week, 24 hours a day.

HOW: Leave medication in the original container,

- Remove name and personal information
- Leave name of medication on container
- Drop medication into disposal box.

WHERE: Faribault Police Dept Lobby 25–4th Street NW or the Northfield Police Dept Lobby 300 5th Street W. Questions call 507.664.3524, 507.332.5911 or visit www.ricecountyhc.com