

Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2013 Volume 32 Number 10

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 12: 8:30 a.m. Father's Intentions
Friday, March 15: 8:30 a.m. Father's Intentions
Saturday, March 16: 6:00 p.m. +Paul, +Pat B. & +Pat S. Gaughan, +John Dudley
Sunday, March 17: 10:30 a.m. + Richard "Sam" Brown

"During the flu season we will refrain from the Handshake of Peace and offering the Precious Blood until further notice."

This Week in Our Parish

This Weekend: **2nd Collection for the Archdiocesan Retired Religious**
Monday, March 11: **Bell Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.**
Tuesday, March 12: **Fatima Prayer Group, 7:45 a.m.**
Vocal Choir Practice @ 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!
Wednesday, March 13: **Faith Formation @ 6:30 p.m.** Grades 1-9.
Faith Formation Reconciliation @ 6:30 p.m.
Palm Braiding in the social hall 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 14: **Parish Reconciliation, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**
Saturday, March 16: **Confessions @ 5:30 p.m.** in the Chapel
Sunday, March 17: **St. Patrick's Day Celebration** after Mass (*see insert*)

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 16, 2013 6:00 p.m.

AS: Emily & Rose Chmelik
EM: Joyce Brazil *
GR: Bill Harn, Mark & Tammy Lessman,
Larry & Shelly Vosejpka
L: Marsha DeGroot
U: Ken Brazi, Bill Harn,
Dan Pumper, Larry Vosejpka,

Sunday, March 17, 2013 10:30 a.m.

AS: Anna Aaker, Emma Louis, Grace Peach
EM: George Sticha *
GR: Mary Kay Reynolds, Larry & Noreen
Tousignant, Sue & Tom Trnka
L: Kathy Archambault
U: Randy ARchambault, Paul Froman,
Tom Murphy, Mary Kay Reynolds

Financial Stewardship **March 2 & 3, 2013**

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,638.00
Open Plate	105.42
Visitor	250.00
EFTs	332.00
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 2,325.42

Office Hours **March 17-23, 2013**

Monday & Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Remember in your prayers ...

Denise Haaland, Ray Duchene, Nancy Dienst, Noreen Tousignant, Skip Aaker, Francis Herda, Fr. Dave Barrett, Joe & Kari (Franek) Wiita, Anne Naas; Don Jensen; Nicholas Grambart; Bill Stransky; Terry Caron; all on the prayer chain; Servicemen: Jaime Allison, Charlie Cain, Lester Caron, Chris Chappuis, Mark Gehling, John Madden, John McDonough, Ryan Snorek, Eric Spehn, Nate Wallace, Luke Ward.

Fifth Sunday of Lent **March 17, 2013**

First Reading Isaiah 43:16-21
Psalm 126 "The Lord has done great things for us,
we are filled with joy."
Second Reading Philippians 3:8-14
Gospel: John 8:1-11

In the first reading, the Lord opens a way in the sea, and a way in the desert. In the Gospel, Jesus finds a way out of a seemingly impossible situation for the woman caught in adultery. God is doing something new, and Saint Paul, in his letter to the Philippians, can see what it is as he strains toward what lies ahead. What new paths is God opening up for you today.

Rediscover:

Check out the Rediscover Kiosk to: see information about the next speaker series; pick up a CD of Matthew Kelly's books; pick up a copy of the Rediscover Catholicism book by Matthew Kelly.

From the Desk of the Pastor....



The three readings of today deal with homecoming. The Gospel of Luke celebrates the homecoming of a wayward son. The second reading from St. Paul rejoices in the homecoming or reconciliation of a sinner with God. The 1st reading from the book of Joshua remembers the triumphant homecoming of the people of Israel to Canaan, the Promised Land. The imagery in the Gospel is a powerful one. There is that road running stretching out from the wayward son to the loving father. The road may be straight or curved, paved or gravel covered. Whatever may be the nature, it is a long road and there is a figure at each end. One is walking slowly not sure about what to expect when his destination is reached. But just enough hope keeps him moving. At the other end there is one who is waiting looking hard to see if someone might be coming off in the distance. This is the image presented to us by Luke in his Gospel.

Our life is a long road stretched before us and we are on one end and God on the other end. The great reconciler is always there ready to throw His arms around us and to receive us. For reconciliation, some must be willing to, not counting faults, but start running down the road at the first glimpse of the wayward one. Reconciliation requires asking forgiveness and granting it. Neither of them is an easy task. Being at either end of the road is quite a humbling thing. In the parable we see a father who lucked out with neither of his sons. This poor man loved both his sons, though the younger one was too wild and ungrateful and the older one too inflexible and mean spirited. Each in his own way exploited the father. But the father's response to them was not holding anything against his sons and extending to them unlimited patience and unconditional love. The message is: no matter what we have done or not done, God waits for us to come as the father waited for his wayward son. It means that having sinned you need not flee from God's presence. We can be reconciled and receive God's unconditional love. Jesus never intended His church to be a refrigerator in which to preserve the perishable piety. Rather, He intended His church to be an incubator in which to hatch converts.

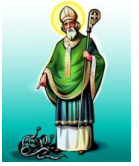
Fr. George, CMI



If you wish to remember a loved one with a flower at Easter, you will find envelopes in your contribution books or on the tables behind the pews. Suggested donation is \$10 per plant.

Feel A Little Irish???

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day next Sunday, March 17th, at our 10:30 a.m. Mass. Come shoot the Blarney! Beer & Spirits available.



Check out the worker sign-up by the office. Please find a job you think you would like and sign-up soon. The sheets list the various areas, and a brief job description for each. Bingo prizes are also needed. Drop them off at the office by Saturday, March 16th. Thank you.

2013 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

"All the earth is filled with his glory".

We would like to thank everyone who pledged or made a payment to our 2013 Catholic Services Appeal. Please turn in the Pledge form you received by mail or fill out one of the blue CSA envelopes that can be found on the tables behind the pews by March 15th. **To date**

41% of our registered families have returned a pledge form. Our participation goal is 60%. We still need \$1,080.00 to meet our financial goal.



Knights of Columbus 889 Korner

(17 Third 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.

Fish Fry - KC Hall All Fridays in Lent, 5-8 p.m

Butter Braids Are Available Again!!

Holy Redeemer School is selling Butter Braids to raise money for their Environmental Field Trip. You will find a sign-up by the office. **Call in our order to the St. Patrick office by Monday, March 11th** and delivery will be around the 25th. Please help the school! Orders MUST be paid for when you pick them up.

Lenten Fish Frys

* **Knights of Columbus Hall in Faribault,**

All Fridays in Lent serving 5 - 8 p.m.

***American Legion Le Center, MN**

Fridays in March 22, 29 5 - 8 p.m.

Stop in and enjoy All You Can Eat Alaskan Pollock with some great trimmings for only \$9.00 per person. We will serve 5 to 8pm or until GONE!

***The Immaculate Conception of Marysburg Friday, March 22nd.** Enjoy Fried Fish, Au gratin potatoes, veggies, coleslaw, bread, dessert and beverages. Adults \$10; Kids 6-12 only \$3; Tots 5 and under are free. Marysburg is located 2.5 miles north of Madison Lake near the 4-way junction of County roads 26, 15 and 16



PANCAKE BREAKFASTS ...

Montgomery Lions Pancake Breakfast
Palm Sunday – March 24, 2013

Serving from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at Holy Redeemer School Cafeteria.

Menu: Pancakes, Ham, Sausage, Beverage Cost:
Adults - \$7, Children (6-10) - \$4, Under 6 Free.
Proceeds fund community projects and to support
Lions International. **Bring used eye glasses and
drop them in the box.**



Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

(www.bacards.org)

Upcoming events at BA:

Pancake Breakfast – Sunday March 10th!

Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and children, pre-school eat free. Tickets can be purchased from any BA family, or in the BA Office. Come and join us for great food and great fellowship!

BABs Night 2013 – BABS night is April 13! Now accepting donations of homemade crafts, baked goods, treats, etc for Live & Silent auctions, Five 'n Dime Store etc. Give us a call! New this year; the Cardinal Nest Soda Fountain and Drive In, Carnival Games, put your friends in Detention for a spell. Back by popular demand, the Sinsinawa Bakery! Weather permitting we're having a vintage car show too! For more info call 507.334.3948.

Cardinal Cruise 10K, 5K, Kids K Sat. April 13th! Registration is now open! Register on-line at www.finalstretch.com, or pick up forms in the BA office. **NEW this year:** collect \$100 in pledges and we will waive your race fee! Register by March 31st and you will be entered into a drawing for a **Kindle Fire!** Lots of door prizes given post-race!



Holy Redeemer School

(PreK through 8th Grade)

205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507) 364-7383 mosthrs.org

HRS continues in Lenten prayers. We ask families to pray together at home. Please pray especially for our 2nd grade students preparing for the Sacrament of Communion. On Monday we gathered for the Rosary, Stations on Wednesday, Adoration on Thursday and all-school Mass on Friday. Students have been "caught showing the love of God" and celebrated their love.

REGISTRATION –PreKindergarten TO 8th Grade:

Are you looking for a school with small, classroom settings? Would you like your child to be in the top 70-90% of their class? Call to visit Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School, now accepting registrations in prekindergarten, kindergarten, and 1st through 8th grade. Early registration ensures that you can receive tuition assistance. Call the office to arrange a visit or go online.

Congratulations to our 6th Grade! All 6th grade students complete DARE training under the direction of Office David Struckman this week. On Friday, March 8 at 2 p.m. HRS hosted a special DARE graduation. We pray for these students as they build their strength in making the right choices now, and in the years ahead.

MINI SESSIONS: March 18-22, 2013 – WE NEED

YOU! Do you do a craft well? Do you like to share your talents? We need crafters, builders, and creative minds to come and teach a mini class to our middle school students. Last year students could choose between sewing, crocheting, building, video creation, and even welding! Please call or email us if you are able to offer a class for one hour for at least two days during this time frame, 507-364-7383, or mreeder@mosthrs.org

REMINDERS:

- Tuition Assistance Gifts - Please consider making a gift to support families needing tuition assistance. Growing scholarship dollars helps ensure the growth of our enrollment at HRS.
- March 13 – 2nd Grade Workshop Parent Session – First Holy Communion parent and student session at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

KUDOS:

- Happy Birthday to our own Mrs. Sladek this week.
- Thanks to Amy Bulger for helping HRS receive a \$1,000 grant from Cargill!
- Students for collecting for "Juvenile Diabets" - \$97.50 was raised
- Bruce Skluzacek for installing a new buzzer system onto our front door!

Blessings, Mindy Reeder – Principal



Do you have trouble hearing Father during his homily, or are you just hard of hearing? The hearing assistance radio is

now working perfectly. Go to your favorite store and purchase a personal radio with the headphones. When you get to church tune them to 106.1 and hear everything crystal clear. Feel free to adjust the volume to your liking while listening to the Mass. We only ask that you don't cheer when your favorite sports team scores.

We Just received confirmation that Archbishop Harry J. Flynn will be celebrating our Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil Masses with us. Please join us for these beautiful celebrations.

Children's Library

We decided to expand our Lender Library to include children's books. We will accept GENTLY USED children's books. Please drop them off in the coat room. Thank you.



Welcome to St. Patrick!

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.
- _____ please remove us from the parish roster
- _____ would like information on: _____

Drop in the collection basket or mail to the Parish office.

Men,

Only 1 week left until the Archdiocesan Men's Conference with Archbishop Nienstedt! March 16th, 8-noon! Anderson Fieldhouse, University of St Thomas. Only \$20 Adults \$10 Students

- Your leadership is urgently needed in our culture! Join other men from across the Archdiocese and be re-energized to live with conviction your Catholic faith.
- You can expect to hear motivating talks from speakers like Fr Bill Baer, **and St Thomas Head football Coach Glenn Caruso.**
- **Raymond Desouza**, international speaker and director of evangelization for the diocese of Winona, will challenge you to exercise your principles and faith in your daily decision making.
- **Archbishop Nienstedt** will lead you to a vision of clarity for living your Catholic leadership.
- **Free Parking** is available in the new Parking ramp across from the student center. Watch for signs.

Take 2 minutes to register online today. Men's Conference Registration www.archspm.org
Keyword Search: Men's Conference



Community Fellowship Meal at

Cathedral Café (101 Sixth Street NW)
Every Tuesday 5 – 6:30 p.m. Cathedral of our Merciful Savior, – across from Parker-Kohl Funeral Home). No Charge! All Ages Welcome! Well-balanced, simple meals.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion. 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 a Mass of Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For more information or registration contact Nancy at 763-250-9313 or rvm-nancy@usfamily.net. The cost is \$160.00 for meals, room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. If you would like additional information go to the Rachel's Vineyard website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

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Thinking about Separation or Divorce?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Or are experiencing conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped over 6,500 couples in the Twin Cities area experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the program call (651) 464-5855, or see www.helpourmarriage.com

A Little Irish Humor ...

The wise old Mother Superior was dying. The nuns tried to make her comfortable – they gave her warm milk, but she refused it.

Then one nun took the glass and found some Irish whiskey from the previous Christmas. She poured a generous amount into the warm milk.

She held the glass to Mother Superior's lips. She drank a little, then a little more, until she had drunk the whole glass.

The other nuns asked, “Please give us some wisdom before you die.”

She raised herself up in bed with a pious look on her face and said, “Don't sell that cow.”

Thank you for your ever-present humor, Doug!