

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 18, 2018

Masses This Week:

Monday	March 19
8:05 a.m. -- +Charles Mauer	
12:10 p.m. – Personal Intention	
Tuesday	March 20
12:10 p.m. – Personal Intention	
5:15 p.m. -- +Stephen Konzem	
Wednesday	March 21
8:05 a.m. -- +Margaret Saucier	
12:10 p.m. – Personal Intention	
Thursday	March 22
12:10 p.m. – No Mass	
5:15 p.m. -- +Cac Linh Hon	
Friday	March 23
8:05 a.m. -- +Elizabeth Miller	
12:10 p.m. – Personal Intention	
Saturday	March 24
5:00 p.m. -- +Martha Peschka	
6:30 p.m. – Clara & Patrick Hilger	
Sunday	March 25
8:00 a.m. – People of St. Mary's Parish	
9:30 a.m. – Mark & Jeanette Mikinski	
11:00 a.m. – Lewis & Mary McMillan family	

CONFESSIONS

Monday, March 19th at 8:30 am
 Thursday, March 22nd at 5:45 pm
 Saturday, March 24th at 4:00 pm
Communal Penance Services:
 Sunday, March 25th – 3:30 pm at S H Cathedral
 Monday, March 26th – 7:00 pm at St. Elizabeth's
 Wednesday, March 28th – 7:00 pm at St. Mary's

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Sunday, March 11 th :	\$16,041.00
March to date:	\$38,225.00
Needed weekly:	\$17,500.00
Needed for month:	\$78,833.00

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

PLEASE PRAY for Clara Finan, Gerri Greene, Mary Ann Sahlfeld, John Zimmerman, all those who are disabled, in rest homes and hospitals, and service personnel serving overseas. (Names will be on this list for 1 month and then removed unless notified otherwise.)

Events Happening This Week:

Sunday	March 18
Lenten Parish Mission/3 pm/Sacred Heart Cathedral	
No CYO meeting	
Monday	March 19
Liturgy Commission/7 pm/Meeting Room #2	
Tuesday	March 20
Health Ministry Committee/7 pm/Meeting Room #2	
Wednesday	March 21
Lenten Apologetics Brown-bag Lunch/12 noon/Mtg. Room 1	
No P.R.E.	
Parish Choir Practice/7:45 pm/Church	
Thursday	March 22
Bible Study/9 am/Meeting Room #1	
Red Cross Blood Drive/10:30-5:30/SMGS All Purpose Room	
Chrism Mass/11:30 am/Sacred Heart Cathedral	
Finance Council/7 pm/Meeting Room #1	
Friday	March 23
Fish Fry/4:30-7:00 pm/S H Cathedral Hall of Bishops	
Sunday	March 25
Lenten Parish Mission/3 pm/Sacred Heart Cathedral	
C.Y.O./6:00-7:30 pm/Youth Center	

Notes from the Pastor:

I would like to share with you something that Martin Luther King Jr. once said.
 "Jesus gave us a new norm of greatness. If you want to be important – wonderful, if you want to be recognized – wonderful, if you want to be great - wonderful. But recognize that he who is greatest among you shall be your servant. That's your new definition of greatness. And the thing that I like about that is...by giving that definition of greatness, it means everybody can be great. Because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Plato and Aristotle to serve. You don't have to know Einstein's theory of relativity to serve. You don't have to know the second theory of thermo-dynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love. And you can be that servant."
 It seems to me that serving others is another way of connecting with God which translates into prayer. When we serve one another we put aside our ego, our power, our hunger and we put others first. God put himself aside when he created the universe and us in it, when he humbled himself to be born in our nature and again when he suffered and died on the cross for our salvation. So when we willingly put ourselves aside for others we connect with the almighty and that is a moment of grace, a moment of prayer.

Peace and Prayers, Fr. Kevin

PARISH NEWS



EASTER FLOWERS: When using the envelope in your packet to donate for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please be sure to PRINT the name(s) clearly in the space provided on the outside of the envelope. The deadline for donations is Monday, March 26th.

The next ST. MARY'S RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be Thursday, March 22nd from 10 am until 5:30 pm. Please contact Pat Jacobs at 826-3212 to schedule an appointment.

LECTORS & EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: A sign-up sheet is in the Ministries Room for the Holy Week Services. **USHERS** are also needed for the Good Friday services. Servers, Cross Bearers, and Musicians will all be assigned. Thanks!



FOOTWASHING ON HOLY THURSDAY: One part of the Holy Thursday Mass is the washing of feet reminding us of what Jesus did for his disciples as a model of humility and service. If any

parishioner would like to participate by having their feet washed, please contact the parish office via email or phone. The foot washing takes place immediately after the homily.



PALM SUNDAY is next week. Palms, as well as small crosses will be available. There will be a procession at the 9:30 am Sunday Mass. You are reminded to gather in the parish hall for the blessing of the palms and then we will process into the church, recalling Jesus' procession into Jerusalem which marked the beginning of His Passion.

REMINDER: The parish nursery will not be open on Easter Sunday. **Adult and youth volunteers are always needed** to help with the nursery on Sunday mornings during the 9:30 am Mass. Contact Melissa Goetz at 825-5685 if interested in volunteering.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION:

THE CITY-WIDE PARISH MISSION this year will be the parish priests of Salina giving talks on Sunday afternoons 3:00-4:00pm in the Cathedral. The dates, speakers and topics are as follows:
March 18 – Fr. Keith Weber - Sacrament of Eucharist
March 25 – Fr. Justin Palmer - Sacrament of Confession (this talk will be for 30 minutes. The Communal Confession Service will begin at 3:30pm.)

SCHOOL NEWS

FAST CASH CALENDAR WINNERS:

Sunday, March 11 – Jim & Diane Carrigan
Tuesday, March 13 – Pronto Print
Thursday, March 15 – Peg Colborn

KINDERGARTEN PARENT MEETING for incoming kindergarten students for 2018-19 will be held on Tuesday, March 27th at 7:00 pm at the school. This meeting is for parents only.

AROUND THE CITY & THE DIOCESE

THE CHRISM MASS will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Thursday, March 22 beginning at 11:30 am. The priests of the diocese will gather to bless the Holy Oils, which are then returned to the parishes at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday for use in the Sacraments of the Sick, Baptism, and Confirmation. Everyone welcome. *****There will not be a 12:10 Mass here at St. Mary's that day.****

The CREIGHTON MODEL SYSTEM is a natural, safe, effective and Church-approved method of achieving or avoiding pregnancy, overcoming infertility, and monitoring reproductive health. Intro sessions will be offered monthly by Dr. Maria Rapp, FCPI. The next class will be held at Chiropractic Wellness Center on Monday, March 19th at 7:00 pm. The session is free and lasts approximately one hour. For more info please call 827-7779 or email back2000@aol.com.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL FISH-FRY FUNDRAISER will be Friday, March 23rd from 4:30-7:00 pm in the SH Cathedral Hall of Bishops. Menu includes: fried fish, potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans, bread, dessert, drinks. \$10/person over age 8 and \$5/children 8 & under.

The PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL has several

Eucharistic Adoration openings they need help to fill. Current openings are Mondays from 12-1 am, 3-4 am; Tuesdays from 12 -1 am, 2-3 am, 3-4 am; Wednesdays from 12-1 am, 2-3 am, 3-4 am, 6-7 am; Thursdays from 12-1 am, 1-2 am, 1-2 pm. If you are interested and would be willing to help out with any of these times, please contact Stephanie Bellerive at 823-3401 or email her at stephbellerive@cox.net