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EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



JESUS SAID:

“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.
For every tree is known by its own fruit.”

~ Luke 6:43 - 44

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays: 8:30 am;

Wednesdays: 6:30 pm

Saturdays: 4:30 pm; Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree #203

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday.....9:00 am-11:00 am

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat., March 2 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time James Zimmerman
Sun, March 3 8:30 am 10:30 am	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time James Searcy For the Parishioners
Mon., March 4 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Henry Gonterman (L)
Tues., March 5 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Kathe Schneider
Wed., March 6 8:30 am 6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Dorothy Stutz Tom Connoyer
Thurs., March 7 8:30 am	Weekday in Lent Dale Johnson
Fri., March 8 8:30 am	Weekday in Lent Jerry Flowers
Sat., March 9 4:30 pm	Weekday in Lent Kody Osborne
Sun., March 10 8:30 am 10:30 am	First Sunday in Lent Jerry Durbin For the Parishioners

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Jim Friedrich, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Janet Yates, Bob Schley, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Darlene Huebener, Randall Oldham, Nelson Gregory, Kayden Spurgeon, Bob Zakrzewski, Terry Tellefson, Dan McRae, Mary Overton, Don Laird, Dan Kitzmann, Linda Anderson, Mike Byers, Lee Burnt, Maxine Calhoun, John and Jeanette Medlock, Dan Connoyer, Gloria Matthews, Dorothy Wittig, Dave Gibbons, Bill Jones, Dianne Morin, Brian Scheffel, Jim Rogers, Herb Boswell, Willie Wappelhorst, Mary Terry, John Terry. **Parish E-Mail Prayer Chain: Send requests to Marie at rejoy128@gmail.com**



Attention Men of the Parish

Mark Your calendar—The ACTS Retreat for the men of our parish will be May 30-June 2. More info to follow!

OLQP Youth Group Trivia

Saturday, March 16, OLQP School Gym, doors open 5:45 pm, Trivia starts, 6:30 pm. \$200/table of 8, beer, wine and soda available (donations appreciated). Cash prizes and attendance prizes will be given, along with Silent/Raffle Auction items and a wine pull. Bring your own food/snacks/beverages and have a great time! Proceeds from this fundraiser supports 2019 Belize Mission Trip. For more information, contact Amy, 618-444-7715 (call or text) or amykfrisch@gmail.com.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Richard Simonds**, father of **Jim Simonds**. May God grant him eternal rest.

POST Class

Next Class: March 13th, Enrichment Center, 3:00 pm, (no class on March 6th) We have had to change our meeting time, due to schedule conflicts in gym. Once volleyball season is over, we will figure out a new meeting time. Info, call Paula 972-1522.

Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the start of our journey through the season of Lent. As with any journey the end point is also very important, and our end point is naturally Easter. However, the journey is also very important. I hope that this year's journey of Lent will be a time for all of us to grow spiritually in our faith. Take more time to pray. Take more time to unite yourself with the suffering of Christ by your acts of penance and fasting. Take more time to participate in the time honored practices of our Catholic faith. Let this journey be a time of personal growth for all of us here at Our Lady Queen of Peace.



(What More Can We Do For Jesus)
Father Tom

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule
8:30 am & 6:30 pm

Stations of the Cross
Fridays: 2:25 pm, 6:30 pm

Lenten Fast/Abstinence Regulations

Everyone age 14 & older is required to abstain from meat on **Ash Wednesday** and **all Fridays of Lent**.

Fasting

Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 required to fast **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**. On these 2 days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the obligation of the regulations is modified.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Week—35	2/23/19—2/24/19	Total to Date
Loose	\$398.45	\$25,944.38
Envelopes	\$8,381.00	\$360,223.37
On Line Giving	\$1,508.00	\$66,282.00
Young People	\$17.00	\$408.07
Total	\$10,304.45	\$452,857.82
Operating Budget	\$13,233.55	\$463,174.25
ACSA Budget	\$788.15	\$27,585.25
Difference	(\$3,717.25)	(\$37,901.68)

Weekly envelopes received: 184 of 829
Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$155.00
Other Charitable Donations: \$160.00

*A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*
Proverbs 11:25

March 3, 2019

Pre School Registration

Preschool Registration continues for the 2019/2020 school year. If you are a current school family or parishioner and did not call in yet to add your child's name to the list, we ask that you do so as soon as possible. Registration is now open to the public. More info, call school office (377-6401).

Ladies Retreat Coming!!

Recently, you have been hearing about the upcoming Women's ACTS Retreat, **March 28-31**. You may be wondering just what EXACTLY happens on this retreat. What activities? Is it a silent retreat? If not, am I required to participate? This is not a silent retreat. While the retreats are planned around the same format, they all happen a little differently and part of the blessing (and enjoyment) is discovering what it means to you as it happens. There is prayer, reflection, liturgy and discussion. You can choose to participate in the discussion as much or as little as you like. People are different, so their experience and reaction to the retreat differs, but if you talk to other women who have been on the retreat, you will see that responses are typically very positive. Registration forms can be found at the church entrances. Questions/further information, contact retreat director: Monica Milholland, 314-229-2116.



KC Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, March 3, 11:30—2:00 pm, church basement. Menu includes Spaghetti & Meatballs, salad, garlic bread, drink and dessert. Adults \$8.00, children \$4.00 (5-10 years old). Carryouts available. Please come! Proceeds go to OLQP Belize Mission Trip.

More Thoughts on Lent

Lent is more than just a season before Easter during which we give things up. Lent is a 40-day journey for our mind, body, and soul. On that journey, we take time to think about how we've turned away from God. We think of our sins and how we've hurt others. And we repent. But the journey isn't only about repenting; it's also about forgiveness and healing and receiving God's unstoppable mercy. We're not alone on that Lenten journey, Deacon Keith points out—God is with us every step of the way.



Repenting is an action. It's deciding to go 180 degrees in the other direction. It's like a spiritual U-turn. One of the prayers you might hear on Ash Wednesday as the ashes are placed on your forehead is "Turn away from sin, and return to the gospel". (see Mark 1:15). The first action of repentance, the "turning away from sin," is a ninety-degree movement to the right. We're no longer trapped by sin. But turning ninety degrees only leaves us better off, not free. It's in the next ninety degrees—when we "return to the gospel" - that we go for the win. It's in this movement that we forsake the lies and the false securities of sin and find the healing love of God—the Father welcoming back his prodigal child, the Savior who wants to unbind us and set us free. It's in that return to the gospel that we find the heart of Lent and God's magnificent love that lights up our whole existence.

So, what are you waiting for? This Lent, prepare to receive the freedom and the new life Jesus died to give you. Say a prayer, now, asking the Holy Spirit for the grace you need to make the most out of this season of Lent, giving the Spirit permission to lead you even more deeply into the heart of God and the life of Christ's Church on earth. God bless you on this journey!

Mark Hart, Series Editor
Getting More Out of Lent

LITURGICAL ROLES

Weekend of March 9-10, 2019

USHERS/GREETERS:

- 4:30 pm Rich & Sue Hayes
Bob & Dee Zakrzeski
- 8:30 am Jeff & Ann Payne
Dan & Johnny Stutz
- 10:30am Don & Terri Militello
John & Peggy Dugger

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- 4:30 pm Joe Gulash, Pat Beierman, Linda Bugg
Bob Sulsberger, Maryjo Flaherty, Dick Rogers
Marcella Dipaolo, Rosemary Dorsey
- 8:30 am Joe Grabowski, Sharon Pritchett, Blake Marth
Marce & Brenda Tebbe, Paula Mattix-Wand
Jim Menke, Brenda Zacha
- 10:30 am Deana McDonough, Lee Friedel, Tim Mayfield
Darlene Rowe, Jackie Braatz, Tammy Sasek
Loren & Raeann Summers

SERVERS:

- 4:30 pm Jackson Garman
Claire Dorsey
Mason Meyer
- 8:30 am Kaylee Herbstreit
Shane Maher
Samuel Maher
- 10:30 am Gabby Krieb
Somona Acheson
Josie Keykendall

MUSIC:

- 4:30 pm Adult Choir
- 8:30 am Folk Group
- 10:30 am Praise Team

LECTORS:

- 4:30 pm Teresa Toner
- 8:30 am Ann Payne
- 10:30 am Ed Love

SCRIP Sales—Weekend of March 9-10, 2019

- 4:30 Marilee Webb
- 8:30 Mary Cain
- 10:30 Kathy Murphy, Carrie Albarado

DCCW Retreat for Women

All women of the parish are invited to this annual event to be held **Tuesday, April 2, 9:00 am** until **Wednesday, April 3, concluding after lunch**, at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Center, Springfield. To sign up, forms in the church entrances or call the parish office.

OLQP Germany Pilgrimage

9/22/2020 - 10/1/2020

Cost: \$4198 - \$300 deposit due now w/registration (payment plan available) We will spend 10 days visiting monasteries, churches, visit a Eucharistic miracle site, castles, concentration camp and the black forest. We will enjoy German cuisine, wine and beer. We will end with an Oktoberfest celebration before returning home. Contact Amy Frisch 618-444-7715 for details. Brochures/registration forms available in back of church, church and school offices.

VBS—Save the Date!

June 16-20th— Registration in March!

Attention Ladies

Catholic Women's Breakfast, **Saturday, March 30**, St. Mary's, Alton, 8 am—12 Noon, featuring *Immaculee Ilibagiza*, Rwandan Genocide Survivor and Best-Selling Author of *Left To Tell*. Immaculee has an amazing story to share. Don't miss it! Register early (\$25)—space is limited. Forms at entrances.

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