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LENT

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March 12, 2023
Third Sunday of Lent

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 18th, 5:00 p.m. – For The Parish

Sunday, March 19th, 9:00 a.m. – Cletus Mueth

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 20 minutes before Mass

STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$1,930.75; Loose \$236.23; Candles \$28; Mtce \$150.00; Quilt Raffle \$20 – Thank You

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Saturday, March 18th, 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Pat Vogel
Minister: Pat Tinoco & Rosemary Yaekel

Sunday, March 19th, 9:00 a.m.

Judy Mueth
Brian Lester & David Mueth



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Today and for the next two Sundays we will meet three fascinating Gospel characters: the Samaritan woman, the man born blind and Lazarus. They will show us – those of us already baptized and those preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil – how Jesus is constantly transforming us. All the Scriptures on these days’ present images of baptism and conversion.

How could the people in the first reading be so ungrateful as to grumble about their thirst? God had already delivered them from slavery, and Moses had led them to safety. But the people cave in to their fears and rebel. God responds like a patient, compassionate parent by giving them water from the rock—yet another expression of God’s love for his people. Refreshed, they move forward into the new life God had promised.

As if in response to that very situation, the psalmist exhorts the people to “sing joyfully” to the Lord who is “the Rock” of their salvation. The invitation is repeated three times using the present tense in contrast to the reminder that there was time “in the desert” when their hearts were hardened. But God’s voice is like a shepherd; they bow down and worship.

Paul’s theology of baptism runs throughout his Letter to the Romans. Today we hear him say: “The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit” – like the waters in which we were baptized. Our salvation, he reminds us, comes from God’s grace, not our own efforts. We must live according to that grace.

In today’s Gospel Jesus converses with the Samaritan woman. Although the story begins with Jesus’ thirst, it is the woman who is refreshed. She enters the story as a catechumen and becomes and evangelist, bearer of Good News!

St. Michael’s Prayer Chain – To request that someone be added to the Prayer Chain contact Karen Mueller at 473-3401. The person will be on the “prayer chain” for one (1) month, unless the person that requested the prayers asks for longer.

2023 QUILT RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was Jim & Jodi Probst, February – Gloria Sollee. You have 10 more chances to win.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

The Day Jesus Died: The Passion Narratives – Saturdays March 11, 18, 25 & April 1 - 10 am – Noon. Cost is \$40 for the series or \$10 per session. For more information, call 618-394-6281. You may register online at <https://snows.org/ministries/spiritual-programs/>.
Outdoor Stations of the Cross – Every Friday during Lent at 4:00 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in the Shrine Church.

Glorifying Christ: The Life of Cardinal Frances George, OMI
Author Presentation and Book Signing – Friday, April 14th 2-4 p.m.
No Charge – For more information, call 618-394-6281

GIBAULT NEWS

Shadow Visits – available to all 7th-8th graders or current high school students. For information go to <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

Taste of the Region – Gibault Women’s Club Taste of the Region – Saturday, March 18, 2023, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. \$30 per person. To purchase tickets please visit <https://ghs-womensclub.square.site>

Junior High Mixer – All 6th – 8th graders are invited to play or watch our Glow Crazy Junior High Glow Volleyball on March 31st from 6-8 pm at the Gibault gym. RSVP at <https://bit.ly/gchsglow>

Post Prom Fundraiser – Pick up a treat at Scooter’s Waterloo location on Wednesday, March 15 from 5:30 am – 8 pm and 10% of total sales will be donated to Gibault Post Prom.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Want to Make a Difference in the Life of a child? Retired too soon and still want to teach and/or lead? Why not collect your retirement and work in a Catholic School? We want you and our student need you! Contact officeofeducation@diobelle.org for more information.

St. Vincent DePaul Needs Your Help

SVDP’s Night-Time Drop-In Center continues to operate at full capacity every night, helping homeless men, women, and children. We humbly ask for your prayers for the Center and its clients and, if you are able, to help us provide sack lunch items (**individually packaged**) for them: cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta cup, bottled water, luncheon meat/cheese for sandwiches is also appreciated.

St. John the Baptist – Smithton

Stations every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m.
Join St. John’s and surrounding parishes to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary outside of Planned Parenthood on Thursday, March 30th at 3 p.m.
Saturday March 18, 2023 8:30 am – 10:30 am – Breakfast with Father Stan – St. John the Baptist Church, Smithton – (Men and Women) One of the world’s favorite hymns, “Amazing Grace” is 250 years old and we would like to take some time to really study the beautiful song and its lyrics. Join Father Stan and Julie Weber to learn more about “Amazing Grace.” Call St. John’s parish office at 618-234-2068 to sign up so we know how many booklets to order. Continental breakfast will be included.

ST. JAMES CCW PRESENTS THE ROARING 20’S IN 2023

We are happy to announce the return of our annual Noon Luncheon! St. James CCW will be hosting The Roaring Twenties on Wednesday, April 19, 2023. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. with doors open at 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$15 per person. Menu: Charleston Fried Chicken, Jazzy California Blend, Capone’s Hash Brown Casserole, Model T Slaw, Speakeasy Jello Salad, Flapper Pies and Desserts. Two raffles featuring two beautiful handmade quilts and cash prizes. Our popular basket raffle and the Great Gatsby Sweet Shoppe. Paid reservations are required in advance and available by calling Jane Kuester 618-476-1395. (Raffle Tickets are in the entrance of church)

A PILGRIMAGE OF PEACE TO THE HOLY LAND

You are invited to join a Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land for 12 days from December 2-13, 2024. The pilgrimage includes visits to Nazareth, Cana, Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Mt. of Beatitudes, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, CRS Projects in the area, and much more! To get your name on a priority list for registration when it is available contact Cheryl Sommer, SCR Animator for the Belleville Diocese, at 618-624-2838 or send an email to crsdiobelle@gmail.com.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH LENTEN REGULATION

This year, at the direction of Bishop McGovern, since the memorial of Saint Patrick falls on Friday, March 17, the obligation to abstain from meat on that Friday is removed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael’s March collection; Toilet paper– Thank you!

St. Joseph – Freeburg – Quilt and Cash Bingo Sunday, March 19th Bingo begins at 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Sloppy Joes, Pork Sausage Sandwich, Chips, Fruit Cups & Desserts

St. Agatha, New Athens – Designer Purse Bingo, Sunday, March 26th. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Bingo begins at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$40 or \$50 at the door. For reservations call Debbie at 618-210-3318.

St. James – Millstadt – Quilt and Cash Social, Sunday, March 26th 1:00 pm. Doors open at 10:30. Fried Chicken dinners available.

