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LENT

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 February 26, 2023
 First Sunday of Lent

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 4th, 5:00 p.m. – For the Parish

Sunday, March 5th, 9:00 a.m. – Jackie Billings & Karlene Kunz

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 20 minutes before Mass

STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$1,747; Loose \$323.23; Candles \$25; Mtce. \$125; Memorials \$450; Mass Stipend \$65 – Thank You

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Saturday, March 4th, 5:00 p.m.

Lector:

Carol Reiter

Minister:

Pat Tinoco & Rosemary Yaekel

Sunday, March 5th, 9:00 a.m.

Sandi Gerdes

Margie Bahan & Jennifer Neff

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

The story of creation ends with the temptation and sin of Adam and Eve. This dramatic event sets the tone for the many more stores of God's intervention in human event – and intervention that is merciful despite human weakness.

Today we sing one of the familiar penitential psalms, a cry for God's mercy we have all voiced. The psalmist does not pray as one without hope. This prayer trusts in the compassion of God and it would be suitable for every day of Lent.

Paul compares the act of "one man"; who is Adam, mentioned in the longer reading, with that of another man, Jesus. The transgression of Adam has been overcome by the "gracious gift" of Jesus Christ. The inheritance of death has been conquered by the grade of redemption. In Scripture, the desert is a place of testing and isolation; there Jesus encounters the devil. Like all temptation, this one appeals to Jesus' self-identity. The devil begins with the phrase, "If you are...". He's inviting Jesus to flaunt his identity and his mission, perhaps even challenging its genuineness. Matthew places this event right after Jesus' baptism, when he was called "beloved" by the heavenly voice and from there began his ministry. Lent becomes for us a time to remember who we are: baptized in the Lord for the work of the Lord.

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. You have 11 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.

GIBAULT NEWS

Spring Open House – Sunday, March 5th from 1 pm – 3 pm
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>

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. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY

St. Luke's Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, March 7th at Noon, St. Luke's Parish Hall, 226 N. Church St., Belleville. Cost is \$10 for Salisbury Steak, Buttered Noodles & Gravy, Glazed Carrots, Cake, coffee, iced tea, and water. Please bring a canned item for the Community Interfaith Food Pantry.

St. John the Baptist – Smithton

Stations every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m.

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)

Lenten Regulations

The season of Lent extends from Ash Wednesday, February 22, to the Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday, April 6, inclusive.

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent. **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.**
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast & abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. The other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but altogether they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk & fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the obligation of the law is modified. Because Lent is a special season for all Christians, we should not lightly excuse ourselves from these penitential practices.
4. Excused from fasting and Abstinence. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant and nursing women.

CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

Thank you to the households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister, and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. So far \$525.00 of our \$7,779 goal has been pledged by our parish members. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

COVENANT NETWORK

Journey through Lent with Covenant Network Catholic radio as your daily companion. Excellence in broadcasting combined with the Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and other devotions will help keep you focused on a fruitful Lenten season. There will be special Lenten programming throughout the season to help you on your Lenten journey Tune in to WMSH 90.3 FM or listen anytime on our Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org.

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