

HOLY TRINITY

317 West Fifth Street, Haugen 715-234-2508

Masses

Wednesday 8:15AM Sunday 8:30AM



OUR LADY OF LOURDES-Dobie

2411 23rd Street, Rice Lake 715-234-2917 Parish Center: 715-234-6268

Masses

Friday 8:15AM Saturday 4:00PM Sunday 10:00AM



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST 408 South Main Street, Birchwood

715-354-3704

Masses

Thursday 8:30AM Sunday 11:30AM



ST. JOSEPH

111 West Marshall Street, Rice Lake 715-234-2032

Masses

Tuesday 5:30PM Wednesday 8:30AM-School Year

Wednesday 7:00AM-Summer Thursday & Friday 7:00AM

Saturday 4:30PM

Sunday 8:30AM, 10:30AM, & 5:30PM

Holy Trinicy Our Lady of Lourdes St. John the Evangelist St. Joseph

Reverend Ed Anderson, Pastor ext. 1

Reverend David Neuschwander, Associate Pastor ext. 8 Website: anchored in the Lord iTunes Podcasts: Anchored In The Lord Deacon: Dennis Geisler

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Mary Jo Bednarek, R.N. and Karen Novotny, R.N.

Principal: Jerry Van Dyke, ext. 4 St. Joseph School:

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Baptism: Parents/God-Parents must arrange to attend a preparation class. Contact the cluster office.

Reconciliation: Individual Reconciliation is available by appointment or as scheduled in the bulletin.

Matrimony: Arrangements must be made at least six months before a tentative date is set. Contact the cluster office.

Rite of Christian Initiation: This is a process of faith sharing and liturgical celebrations to become Catholic. Contact the cluster office.

Perpetual Adoration: You are invited to be an adorer at Our Lady of Lourdes 715-296-4279 and/or St. Joseph 715-736-3266.

Adorers pray 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Call for more information.

New "Parishioners" are welcome to register in our parish communities.

Registration packets available at the cluster office or at each church.

Bulletin Deadline: Announcements and information for the bulletin must be in the cluster office by 4:00 PM Monday.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 26, 2017

MASSES AND INTENTIONS MARCH 27TH. APRIL 2ND

Monday	7:00 AM	St. Joseph	Communion Service
Tuesday	5:30 PM	St. Joseph	Special Intention
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Holy Trinity	Alice Kaczmarek 🕈
	8:30 AM	St. Joseph	Margie Nelsen 🕈
Thursday	7:00 AM	St. Joseph	Frank & Betty Jacenko 🕈
	8:30 AM	St. John the Evangelist	All Souls 🕈
Friday	7:00 AM	St. Joseph	Deacon Ron Novotny 🕈
	8:15 AM	Our Lady of Lourdes	Marilyn Cherney 🕈
Saturday	4:00 PM	Our Lady of Lourdes	Elaine Berg 🕈
	4:30 PM	St. Joseph	Vivian Falkner 🕈
Sunday	8:30 AM	St. Joseph	JoAnn Buergi 🕈
	8:30 AM	Holy Trinity	Ed Kinnick 🕈
	10:00 AM	Our Lady of Lourdes	Peter Pintens 🕈
	10:30 AM	St. Joseph	Laura Schneider 🕈
	11:30 AM	St. John the Evangelist	Bud & Evelyn Hayes 🕈
	5:30 PM	St. Joseph	For the People of Our Cluster Parishes

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 1ST-APRIL 2ND

Holy Trinity

8:30 AM Sunday-

Altar Servers: Sarah Doyen, Anna Lipke

Reader: Deb Sirek

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Kay Wille, Jan

Slayton, Bob & Nancy Neuman, Nancy Bitney

Ushers: Tim Marshall, Jerry Kaczmarek, Tony & Benita

Kodesh

Our Lady of Lourdes

4:00 PM Saturday-

Altar Servers: Kendel Staut, Tom Gerber

Reader: Norb Pintens

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Betty Haughian,

Maxine Slayton, Vern Pottinger

Hospitality: Ambrose Unton, Maxine Slayton, Jacob

Tomesh, Gina Fisher

Scrip: OPEN

10:00 AM Sunday-

Altar Servers: Jackie Solum, Mitchell Klatt

Reader: Danielle Hendricks

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Mark Smith,

Mary Schnacky, Connie Severson, Clyde & Donna Drost

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Eileen Nimm

Hospitality: Harmon & Rebecca Robarge, Rob & Lynette

Buehler, Ethan Smith Scrip: Laura Smith

St. John the Evangelist

11:30 AM Sunday-

Altar Server: Abby Greisen Reader: Linda Herscher

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Donna Bothun,

Sue Rohlik, Jerry Van Zeeland

Sacristan: Bob Herscher

St. Joseph

4:30 PM Saturday—

Ushers for April: Hank Ackerson, Tom Shervey, Charles Brickner

Altar Servers: Tangerine Paradise, Zachary Malinovsky (any server present)

Reader: Ruth Rothstein

Gift Bearers: Diane Malinovsky and Lorraine Slack Greeters: Annette Eischen and Sandra Enderle

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Joannie Rado, Janet Knutson, Sue

Peterson, Sandra Steiner, Jim Stoll, Diane Wallock, Marge Willkom

Fellowship Bakers: Ann Barker, Julie Carlson, Rita Ranke

Fellowship Servers: Sue Peterson, Maggie Schleiss, Sharon Seraphine

Scrip Sales: Katie Hanvelt

8:30 AM Sunday-

Ushers for April: Alan Burmester, Wally Narins, Gary Schieffer, Larry Sinclair

Altar Servers: Emma & Andrew Nelson, Kendra Richter

Reader: Mark Drkula

Gift Bearers: Mike & Rhonda Anderson Family

Greeters: Chad & Jennifer Nelson

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Gene & Sarrah Sirianni, Francis &

Monika Audette, Jane Ullrich, Patti Willers, Mary Ann Wirsbinski Fellowship Bakers: Cis Crotteau, Olivia Hutera, Jacquie Swanson

Fellowship Servers: John Cragg, Olivia Hutera

Scrip Sales: Jane Fetting

10:30 AM Sunday-

Ushers for April: Jeff Pierce, Nate Swanson, Nathan Wirth, Paige Putz

Altar Servers: Addison, Kennedie & Parker Owens

Reader: Chris Rogers

Gift Bearers: Brent & Barb Burns

Greeters: Tracy & Sarah Larson

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Sandy Roux, Teresa Serafina, David &

Yvonne Swanson, Pat Western, Debra Wold, Bob Fox Children's Liturgy of the Word: Emma Crotteau

Fellowship Bakers: Cindy Broker, Patricia Heino, Jean Swanson

Fellowship Servers: Garrett Rogers Family

Scrip Sales: Rachael Richie

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS, DEACONS, SEMINARIANS AND PARISHIONERS

This week we pray for Rev. Donald Kania; Deacon Joseph Roe; Deacon Samuel Schneider; and for the Eugene & Belinda Effertz Family from Holy Trinity, Sarah Masloski Family from Our Lady of Lourdes, Gary & Beverly Widiker Family from St. John the Evangelist, and Darleen Cizek Family from St. Joseph.

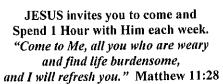
<u>IN NEED OF PRAYERS?</u>—St. Joseph Prayer Network: Contact Shannon Wahl at 715-234-2032 (Daytime) or 715-458-1648 (Evening). Holy Trinity, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. John the Evangelist Prayer Chain: Contact Donna Meinen at 715-234-6542. Holy Trinity, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. John the Evangelist Email Prayer Network: Contact: aydaigle@gmail.com.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS—If you or someone you know becomes sick or hospitalized and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the cluster parish office at 715-234-2032. Also, let us know if you or someone else would like to be added to our prayer list. Please pray for the following people: Mary Bilodeau, Marcus Uchytil, Samuel Uchytil, Mary Reed, Renee Watrud, Linda Stodola, Ardyth Opsdahl, Corinne Lewis, Joannie Denison, Jeffrey James Lewis, Mary Malinovsky, Rosemary Vinopal, Josephine Zahurance, Robert Stoker, Sr. Claudine Balio, Rita Angell, Rhoda Schnacky, Tom Birhanzel, Stella Blake, Gerhardt Groehler, Theresa Weinert, Tristian Vobornik, Tony & Gayle Stelter, Kathryn Heffner, Gil Daniel, Beverly Norelius, Nicole Stodola, Mike Johnston, Lanor Relford, Jim Richie, Tena Cunningham, Gary & Carol Fifarek, John Hanley, Melissa Howard, Kevin Mikyska, Mary Jo Krovoza, Fr. Eugene Hornung, Elizabeth Kriska, Gary Bauer, Gary Armstrong, Jerry Felten, Joe Malinovsky, Mary Scholbrock, Mike Cich, Pat Weseli, Laverne & Elizabeth Fossum, Jan Nichols, Chris Davis, Mary Ann Fox, Pat Finnegan, Taylor Willger, Arlene Harris, Joe Sirianni, Karen Ferguson, Carol Richter, Gorman Hayes, Rod Olson, Gloria O'Flanagan, Paula Running, Donald Skopec, Jr., George Blenker, Josie Romanowski, Barbara Mancl, Bob Felling, Lanny Quinn, Noah Isham, Nancy Emerson, Kathleen Roux, Joshua Anderson-West, Steven Krause, Katie Rogalla, Ty Herrman, Molly Fee, Kate Heffner, Jean Robarge, Don Schleiss, Joy Ranallo, Brittney Wellvang, Omar O'Connell, Mike Stoll, Lloyd & Adeline Meier, Kathy Arneberg, Jason Gabriel, Ben Konop, Dora Dollaway, Richard Dostal, Laura, Ava & Gabe Sierra, Louise Jilek, Dolores Miller and Steve Mackiewicz.

<u>REST IN PEACE</u>—Terry Dittloff died on Thursday, March 16. A Celebration of his Life was held at Appleyard's Home for Funerals on Wednesday, March 22, with burial in St. Joseph Church Cemetery. Please pray for Terry and his family.

Adoration Chapel

At Our Lady of Lourdes
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration



The available open hours are:

SUNDAY - 2:00pm

MONDAY - 3AM, 1:00 PM (until Spring)

TUESDAY - 4:30-6AM (until May), 7AM, Noon,

1:00pm (until May) 11:00pm

WEDNESDAY - Midnight

THURS.- 2AM, 11:00pm

FRIDAY - 11AM (2X each month), 11:00pm SATURDAY - Midnight, 11AM (2X each month) Noon, 1:00pm (2X each month) 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 10:00pm, 11:00pm

Adoration Phone: 715-296-4279
You are invited to take an hour for 4 weeks.
Call to talk to someone today!
God Bless You!

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ST. JOSEPH – COME SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS!

"Make reparation for the ingratitude of men. Spend an hour in prayer to appease divine justice, to implore mercy for sinners, to honor me, to console me for my bitter suffering when abandoned by my apostles, when they did not watch one hour with me."

Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

You are invited to spend an hour adoring Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Adorers pray 24 hours a day in our chapel and ALL are welcomed.

The following hours are still in need of a scheduled Adorer. If this hour does not work for you, please prayerfully consider any hour during the week to visit the chapel. Please call Kelly Orr (715-736-3266) with any questions.

Hourly Adorer	1:00-2:00 am Sundays
Hourly Adorer	7:00-8:00 am Sundays
Hourly Adorer	1:00-2:00 am Mondays
Hourly Adorer	2:00-3:00 am Tuesdays
Hourly Adorer	3:00-4:00 am Wednesdays
Hourly Adorer	1:00-2:00 am Thursdays
Hourly Adorer	11:00 pm-12:00 am Fridays
Hourly Adorer	12:00-1:00 pm Saturdays
Hourly Adorer	1:00-2:00 pm Saturdays
Hourly Adorer	3:00-4:00 pm Saturdays
Hourly Adorer	8:00-9:00 pm Saturdays

EVENTS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

27 Monday	28 Tuesday	29 Wee	dnesday		
No School	6:00 8:30 PM @ St. Joseph	9:00 AM @ Holy Trinity Lenten Study Group			
6:00 AM @ KC Hall That Man Is You	Cluster Family Adoration & Penitential Service	Religious Education Classes 3:45-5:00 PM @ St. Joseph Gr K thru 5			
6:00 PM @ OLOL		6:15-7:45 PM @ OLOL Gr. K 5			
Adoration Holy Hour For Vocations		6:15-7:45 PM @ St. Joseph Gr. 6 thru 11 Light Meal @ St. Joseph 5:45 – 6:15 PM			
6:30 PM @ St. Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry		6:15 PM @ OLOL Stations of the Cross			
Everyone invited!		"Fully Alive" Lenten Evening @ St. Joseph			
7:00 PM Confessions @ St. Joseph		6:00 PM Soup Supper in the school gym 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross and Nic Davidson talk			
30 Thursday	31 Friday	1 Saturday	2 Sunday		
9:00 AM @ St. John's Lenten Book Study 7:00 PM @ KC Hall	8:30 AM@ St. Joseph Quilting Class 5:30 PM @ Holy Trinity Potluck Supper	9:00 AM @ OLOL Confessions 9:00 AM-3:00 PM	2:00 PM @ St. Joseph Living Stations Practice 6:30 PM @ OLOL Scripture Study		
That Man Is You	6:30 PM @ Holy Trinity Stations of the Cross	@ St. Joseph Quilt Event			
	6:00 PM @ St. John's Stations of the Cross with Communion	10:00 AM and 3:00 PM Confessions @ St. Joseph			

STEWARDSHIP

Week of March 19, 2017	Holy Trinity	Our Lady of Lourdes	St. John the Evangelist	St. Joseph
Adult Envelopes	1,015.00	2,807.99	783.00	6,122.00
Youth Envelopes		2.00	1.00	2.00
Loose Collection	73.00	178.10	39.00	522.62
* Miscellaneous Envelopes	150.00	52.00	25.00	1,249.00
**Miscellaneous	298.00	6,607.25		386.00
Total	1,536.00	9,647.34	848.00	8,281.62
Building/Maintenance Fund	15.00			62.00
* This is Energy, Insurance, Holy I	Day, and other envel	opes in your contribution pa	ackets.	

^{**} This is fellowship, candles, etc.

VOCATION VIEW

Clear the mud from your eyes and see! The one who heals also calls us to follow. Live your life as a witness to God's healing, saving touch.

WORD OF LIFE-

"When God created each of us, He did so with precision and purpose, and He looks on each of us with love that cannot be outdone in intensity or tenderness."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Program Flyer: Masterpieces of God's Creation

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54 Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16 Tuesday Wednesday Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30 Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47 Thursday

Friday Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53 Saturday

Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 Sunday

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

Thank You!

Thanks to all who brought non-perishable items for the Sisters' Emergency Food Cupboard. You are making a difference for so many who have so little. We are most grateful. Your sisters, Claudine and Jeanne

Holy Trinity Church Dinner is THIS Sunday!

Holy Trinity Church Dinner will be held this Sunday, March 26 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. The menu includes pork, dumplings, sauerkraut, chicken, dressing, potatoes, gravy, corn, cranberries, roll, choice of pie and kolaches. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$4 for children and \$1 for preschoolers. Bake sale. Sponsored by Catholic Order of Foresters. Takeouts available. Handicapped accessible hall.

Cluster Family Adoration & Communal Penance Service

Our Young Adults Group is inviting you to a Communal Penance Service this Tuesday, March 28, beginning right after the 5:30 pm Mass. We will have Adoration, a Lenten Reflection, Examination of Conscience, individual confession, and uplifting worship music. All are welcome. Come experience a transformation of heart.

The Quilt Event is NEXT Weekend!!

Join us for our 10th Year Extravaganza Quilt Event on Saturday, April 1st from 9am-3pm in the St. Joseph School Gym! There will be many quilts on display, quality quilt shops and vendors, breakfast and lunch at the Quilter's Café, raffle door prizes, education and demos. PLUS, there will be a Wool Applique Class hosted by Rivers Edge Antiques and Quilt Loft on Friday, March 31st from 8:30am-3pm in the St. Joseph Church basement. For more information or to register for the class, visit www.shopriversedge.com. Admission for the Quilt Event is \$3 and all proceeds will go to students attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in November. To enter your own quilt, visit participating quilt shops or register online at: www.bit.ly/NCYCquilt

Attention musicians:

Our cluster is looking to add musicians to the schedule at all four parishes. If you have piano or guitar experience, or are a cantor who is willing to lead music for Mass, we need you! Training available for those who are capable musicians, but have never played or sung at Mass. Please contact Renee Rademaker at 715-790-6477.

Cluster Living Stations

Please join us for this year's Living Stations put on by our 11th grade cluster students on Sunday, April 9 at 4pm at St. Joseph Church. Following the Living Stations, a free soup and sandwich supper will be provided in the St. Joseph Church Hall. If you've never attended before, this is a very profound and moving way to experience our Lord's Passion as we begin Holy Week.

Living Faith Devotion Booklets

Now available in each of the cluster parishes: Living Faith devotion booklets for April through June. Please take advantage of this opportunity to reflect on the daily scripture readings.

Recognizing Our Ushers

In each church, we have a group of men and women who seem to thrive on service. They are there to greet and assist you when you arrive. They can direct you to your pew, or to the social events, or to coat racks, and even restrooms. They help you find things, sometimes lost children. And they know where the garbage baskets are. We ask our ushers to guide you from your pew when you come up for Communion. They can assist you when you need it or lift up your kneeler when you have to use a cane, a walker, or a young child. If you cannot come up for Communion tell the usher and they will let the priest or other Eucharistic ministers know. They will stand beside you so they know you will receive Communion. And then at the end of Mass they straighten up the church. Our ushers do a lot so when you see them please give them a word of thanks. *You are appreciated!* Fr Ed

CLUSTER PARISH DIRECTORIES:

For all of our parish families that participated in having their pictures taken last summer for the directory, YOUR complimentary copy is in the back of YOUR church! They are in alphabetic order with YOUR NAME ON IT! For those of you who were unable to participate we do have copies available for purchase at each church. COST IS \$10. \$5 OF THIS WILL GO TO Operation Rice Bowl and the other \$5 will go to our local food pantry. Each church will decide which food pantry they want their donations to benefit. These books have an envelope attached and you can put that envelope along with your donation in the collection basket at Mass.

St. John's to Host Italian Dinner

St. John's will be hosting their annual Italian Dinner on Saturday, April 8, from 4:30-7:00 pm. Dinner includes baked rigatoni, lasagna, meatballs, Italian sausage, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for ages 6-12, and Free for children under age 5. Take-out orders will be available. St. John's is lift accessible.

Chili Cook-Off

Enter your famous chili recipe at our first cluster chili cook off provided by the Knights of Columbus and the Warriors for Christ cluster youth group! The cook-off will be Saturday, April 22 at 5:30pm in the St. Joseph Church Hall. Pre-registration is necessary for all entries by Sunday, April 9. Free-will offerings will be graciously accepted and all proceeds will help teens in the youth group attend events like NCYC, Steubenville, and Extreme Faith Camp! For more information and/or to register online, please visit: www.bit.ly/W4C-chili

Scholarship Opportunity

Applications are being accepted for the 2017 Knights of Columbus, Rev. CF Schmitt Council 2137 scholarships. This year our Council will again be awarding two \$1000.00 scholarships to deserving Catholic high school seniors. To be eligible for one of these scholarships, an applicant must be a confirmed member of a Catholic parish, and be a current high school senior in either the Rice Lake High School, the Cameron High School, the Birchwood High School, or a recognized Catholic Home School program. A graduate of St. Joseph Catholic School who is currently a senior at any other high school is also eligible to apply. Applications are available in Student Services of the above listed high schools, at the parish/cluster office, or by contacting Bob Rogalla at 715-790-2899 or bob@rogallas.com. Applications are due by or before May 1, 2017.

You are invited to the Feast of Unleavened Bread *The Seder Meal*

Our 41st Seder Meal will take place on Wednesday,
April 12th at Our Lady of Lourdes at 7:00 PM

During this ceremonial meal, we will honor our Jewish
heritage by remembering the Passover.

Since seating is limited, reservations are required and
can be made by contacting the cluster office at 715234-2032, ext. 0 by noon Monday, April, 10th!
Cost: \$7.00 adults/\$4.00 children
Please join us in this wonderful celebration,
all are welcome!

Anyone wanting to help out in any way may contact
Cathy Solum at 715-234-6874 or
ctn94610@centurytel.net to volunteer.

Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl Fourth Sunday of Lent

This week through CRS Rice Bowl, we pray for Maria and her community in Mexico, that they may continue to find strength and joy in the time they spend planting and harvesting together.

We continue our Lenten Journeythat our community of faith will be deepen in our relationship with Christ by recognizing his face in the faces of our brothers and sisters in need.

Delbi Dil.

From Franciscan Mission Service (FMS): Our own Anna Klonowski left for South America in February. I have recently received an update from the Franciscan Mission Communications Manager Kim. Thought I (Debbi M.) would share it with all of you. Message:

Twenty-two year old Anna Klonowski arrived in South American in February knowing that she will discover many skills during the two years she will spend volunteering in Cochabamba, Bolivia. She did already find a new ability during her training period with FMS. "I am apparently very good at making a peanut butter and jelly bagel sandwich," she chuckled after her three-month formation period in Washington, DC. "I've been told so numerous times."

Sandwich making for those living on the streets is just one part of the program's focus on serving those on the margins and living out the Franciscan value of simplicity. FMS is a nonprofit that prepares and supports lay Catholics desiring to serve in solidarity with economically poor communities. The FMS version of mission is the ministry of presence, which involves accompanying people "in the joys and struggles of their daily lives." For instance, Anna perfected her touch with peanut butter and jelly during the direct service portion of her training, which she spent at The Father McKenna Center, which helps men escape the cycle of poverty and homelessness.

While on mission, Anna will immerse herself in the joys and challenges of her host community, living on a stipend \$265 a month, accompanying those who are in need, and sharing in cultural and religious celebrations – all while speaking another language. Anna is fluent in Spanish and hopes to learn some Quechua, an indigenous language common in the region. Anna looks for prayers in support of her mission, but asks that people not forget the community she will be joining. "The focus of simple living isn't about what I don't have, but rather the space I am creating for

relationships with my community and personal growth," she says.

A current member of St. Joseph's Parish, Anna recalls the spiritual impact of her schooling at St. Joseph Catholic School in Rice Lake. "I graduated from St. Joe's in 2008 but, the lessons I learned have stayed with me and have influenced the path of my life. One such lesson was to love as Jesus loved, which inspired me to say 'yes' to God's call in my life to join FMS and live in solidarity with people experiencing poverty in Bolivia." Growing up, she played several roles at her church, including member of the youth choir, altar server, and Eucharistic minister.

Anna's service with FMS is in line with her bachelor's degrees in majors in Hispanic Studies and Theology from the College of St. Benedict, where she graduated summa cum laude and received encouragement to pursue her hopes for a long-term overseas placement. She also developed as a volunteer during her college years, providing tutoring in English as a second language and acting as a counselor for faith-based ministries. Two previous overseas experiences, a two-week Spanish immersion experience with the college of Saint Benedict and her study abroad in Xela, Guatemala, inspired her to make a two-year commitment as an overseas volunteer.

End of Message.

Anna's ministry is based upon her values of respect, service, and faith. God bless not only her, but, her family, her friends and all the people of our parish faith community that touched and helped shape her life. She is so grateful for your prayers and those who were financially able to support her mission that came forward. Bolivia is blessed with her work and we are blessed with her presence as a member of our Christian Faith! We continue to pray for ANNA!

Debbi M.

DIVINE MERCY MINUTES



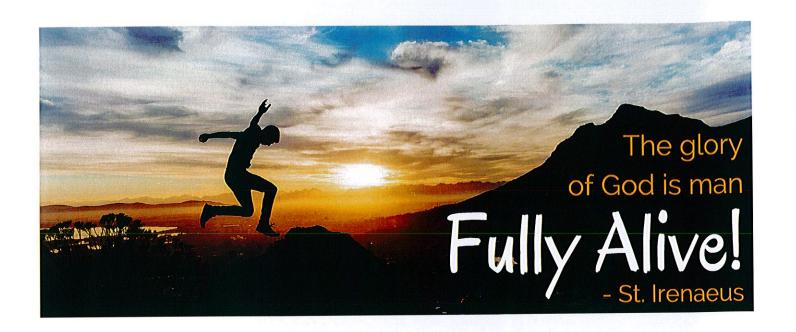
Pope John Paul II, motivated by a desire to foster devotion to the Divine Mercy, and to insure the faithful would observe this day with intense devotion, granted a Plenary Indulgence under the usual three conditions:

- -RECONCILIATION may be received any time during Lent through Divine Mercy Sunday.
- -EUCHARIST must be received on Divine Mercy Sunday.
- -PRAY Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be for the intentions of our Holy Father - must be prayed on Divine Mercy Sunday.
- *** In addition, according to the Diary of St. Faustina, Our Lord specifically asked that the Chaplet of Divine Mercy be recited as a NOVENA the nine days before Divine Mercy Sunday, beginning on Good Friday.

"By this NOVENA, I will grant every possible grace to souls."

Our Lord's words to St. Faustina

The Diary (796)



Attention Cluster Members! Please register for a FREE Lenten evening event at St. Joseph Church!

- Dinner in St. Joseph School Gym
- Talk given by Nic Davidson
- Stations of the Cross

"I don't know of anyone who can share the message of Jesus Christ and His Church with as much humor and depth as Nic Davidson."

- Father Mike Schmitz



THIS Wednesday, March 29 from 6:00pm - 8:30pm Please register at www.bit.ly/FullyAlive-Nic - For planning purposes -

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES (GR. PK ~ ADULT)

Gr 11 LIVING STATIONS practice dates: Sunday, March 26th and April 2nd 2-4pm and April 9th 1-4pm. Performance is April 9th at 4pm. Please make sure your 11th grader is at all of their assigned practices. Thank you!

Grade 9 Good Friday Service Project

In reflection of Jesus' walk on the Via Dolorosa (street in ancient Jerusalem - Way of Suffering), the grade 9 students will be walking and carrying a large cross to and from Heritage Manor or RLCC on April 14th, Good Friday from 9am - approx. 11am. They will be providing a very special Good Friday Service for the residents at Heritage Manor - with scripture, rosary, and veneration of the cross. PLEASE MAKE SURE your 9th grader is in the church entryway promptly at 9am on 4/14 and dressed accordingly for the weather. They should wear their Warriors for Christ royal blue T-shirt. Please drop off the DOS form in class, to the Religious Ed. of Rectory Office prior by 4/12/17. If you need another permission form or would like to see pictures, please go to www.bit.ly/W4CgoodFriday

WARRIORS FOR CHRIST YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES (GR. 8 – 12)

MASS & MUFFINS - Every Thursday 7am Mass at St. Joseph Church cluster teens come and celebrate Mass together and then gather in the church hall for muffins & juice! COME!!! ©

DIRT CAMP – (June 14-15) ages 14-18 as of June 14th. Cost \$20 + food donations. For more information and/or to register online, please visit: www.bit.ly/DIRT17

STEUBENVILLE 2017 ROCHESTER current students in grade 8-12 are invited to attend the conference on July 14-16, 2017. Cost \$275 We still have spots available! For more information and/or to register, please visit: www.bit.ly/W4Csc

COMMUNITY AND AREA OPPORTUNITIES

Hospice Volunteer Training

Hospice volunteers are men and women of all ages and backgrounds who give a few hours a week to assist the terminally ill and their loved ones within our program. Individuals interested in becoming a hospice volunteer must complete a 20-hour training program provided by the Lakeview Medical Center Hospice Team. Training is provided free of charge and will begin on April 3rd, continuing each Monday and Thursday evening through April 27. Registration is required; if interested, call 715-236-6255.

St. Peter Catholic Church, Cameron, WI Annual Spring Turkey Dinner

Sunday, April 2, 2017 at St. Peter Catholic Church, Hwy 8 and Creamery Road, Cameron, WI from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Menu includes grilled turkey breast, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade dressing, glazed baby carrots, coleslaw, cranberries, beverage and homemade pies! Takeout dinners are available starting at 11:15am. We will also be holding a bake sale and chance drawing.

Cost: Adults \$10.00, Children 5-12 \$5.00, under 5 yrs. Free. Everyone is invited.

SDCCW Mary Jane Morancyk Hennessy Scholarships

The Superior Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will award two (2) \$500 scholarships to women completing their second year of post high school education by the spring of 2018 or continuing their education for career advancement, or returning to the work field.

Applications may be obtained by going to our website www.sdccw.me/programs/scholarships.

Completed applications should be mailed to Gail Grassel, 10103 State Road 27, Hayward, WI 54843; postmarked by April 5th. The Committee will notify the winners by phone or mail. The recipients will be recognized at the Annual SDCCW Convention at St. Patrick Church in Hudson, WI on May 5th. Applications will be accepted starting Feb. 8th until April 5th

Fourth Sunday of Lent

In the entire Bible from Genesis in the Old Testament through the Gospel of John, the incident reported in John 9, the Gospel Reading on this Fourth Sunday of Lent, the restoration of sight to the blind man is the only instance of a blind person since birth being healed. No other prophet or apostle or priest ever performed such a miracle.

Isaiah the prophet had predicted "The eyes of blind will be opened" (Isaiah 35:5) in his prophecies of the Messiah. Of course, we need to understand that the "eyes of the blind will be opened" has a double meaning. Yes, the blind man can see, but he can also understand and comprehend what Jesus' saving grace means.

This time during Lent is a time for us to open our eyes as well. We need to see and to embrace the fact that Jesus is our Savior and Redeemer. To see we need light. In the Second Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, Paul says, "Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth."

Is that not what our whole purpose in Lent is? To seek the light; to find an understanding of the Lord's place in our lives; to open our eyes, and to become Disciples of the Lord? We often make reference to the fact that we are called to be disciples. What does that mean? According to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, it meant, "Do not keep Christ to yourselves. Share with others the joy of your faith. The world needs the witness of your faith; it surely needs God."

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



See into Our Hearts

Father Almighty,
you who have blessed our ancestors
and anointed them with the oil of
your Spirit;
who have given your grace and light to
those in need
and guided the hands of our leaders in faith.
See into our hearts today,

and find us ready to receive you, as you guided Samuel to recognize the Lord's chosen.

May we open our eyes to see you, and our hearts to accept you,

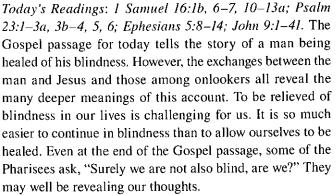
and may we find Christ in others as you guide us.

Teach us to know your ways, to follow your path, and to trust in your guidance.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

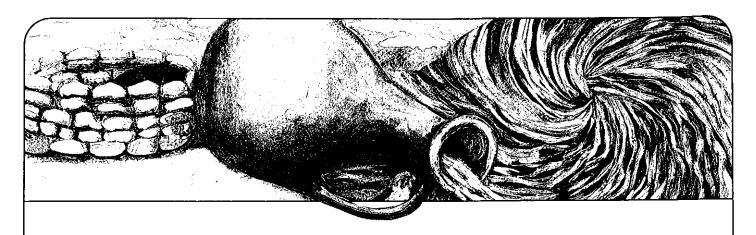
March 26, 2017 Healing Our Blindness



This is the day and the season to ask that question about our blindness, and to find a way to "see." Find where you are blind, and seek a way to wash away the blindness. Take some time to find where Jesus is pointing out the path to healing for you. Go to the same prayerful space each day,

as did the blind man, and pray and wait. Name your blindness, and in naming, perhaps find ways you can wash it clean. Find another person, as did the witnesses in the Gospel, to discuss this blind spot of yours and do not blame another for your loss of sight.

We are reminded that being blind leaves us in the dark, both literally and figuratively, but also that Jesus is our Light. Jesus tells the blind man to wash in the pool at that moment. It is Jesus who points out that his path is where our blindness might be washed away so that we may see. Often we are not completely healed in one moment, but the revealing light is gradually revealed to us. Lent provides an opportunity to focus more intently on healing our blindness, and seeing more of the Light. As we proceed through Lent, we should pray that our eyes are opened.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 27 Remember When

In today's Gospel passage, John reminds us that we often recognize the truth, the Christ, or God's grace, only after the fact. Jesus leaves Galilee only to return, and yet many are still skeptical. Today, spend time in prayer not only looking forward, but remembering when God's grace was given without notification. Learn to slow down and appreciate the presence of Christ in the things of beauty that you see daily. Today's Readings: Isaiah 65:17–21; Psalm 30:2 and 4, 5–6, 11–12a, 13b; John 4:43–54.

Tuesday, March 28 Life-Giving Water

Both readings today speak of an abundance of water that is both fruitful and healing. Such is our baptismal water, giving us life again and again, and cleansing us. Throughout Lent, we are reminded that our Baptism continues to be our source of life, health, faith, and spiritual nourishment. In your Lenten prayer space, include a small bowl of baptismal water as a reminder of what your Lenten practices are renewing within you. *Today's Readings: Ezekiel 47:1–9, 12; Psalm 46:2–3, 4–5, 8–9; John 5:1–16.*

Wednesday, March 29 Mercy to the Afflicted

Isaiah proclaims a day of salvation that is one of compassion, mercy, pity, and comfort. These are the signs of the Lord's favor. As we proceed through Lent, we should consider the place that compassion and mercy have in our lives. The Lord comforts his people and so must we. Perhaps today you might be more intentional about recognizing the needs of another and responding appropriately. *Today's Readings: Isaiah* 49:8–15; *Psalm* 145:8–9, 13cd–14, 17–18; John 5:17–30.

Thursday, March 30 The Faith of Moses

Today, in all three readings, Exodus, Psalm 106, and John, we hear about the faith and strong belief of Moses. His belief in God saved the people from destruction on more than one occasion. He pleads with the Lord to relent in punishing his stiff-necked people. If only our faith could be that firm, that secure. Today's Readings: Exodus 32:7–14; Psalm 106:19–20, 21–22, 23; John 5:31–47.

Friday, March 31

A Recompense of Holiness

In today's readings, we hear that the wicked not only are blinded by their evil ways but that they do not know how to recognize God's holiness in their midst. In our fast-paced world, we often miss holiness as well. Consider how holiness has been apparent in, perhaps, a kind word from a store clerk, a gentle hand holding you back from oncoming traffic, or a child putting away the dishes without being asked. How have you let your holiness shine forth to others? Today's Readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30.

Saturday, April 1 Opening Ourselves to Others

In today's Gospel, some are not open to Christ because they have a preconceived idea of who the Messiah will be. Lent is a time for penitence and introspection. We need to consider how often we jump to conclusions about someone without first discovering who they are. The readings today remind us to hear people's stories and consider their situations and experiences. Doing so will open us to their goodness. Today's Readings: Jeremiah 11:18–20; Psalm 7:2–3, 9bc–10, 11–12; John 7:40–53.





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