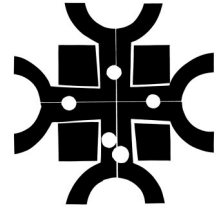


March 8, 2015

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent



*STRENGTH: God's foolishness and God's weakness, the Ten Commandments and the foolish wisdom of humans—all lead us to the crucified Jesus, the sanctuary destroyed and raised up in three days. Prejudgments are obstacles to standing by the cross of Jesus, who ties heaven and earth and all else together. Through Jesus, we are redeemed and our life has meaning. By his glorious cross we are saved. Jesus knows what each of us has inside. He offers strength for our weakness.*

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## Pastor's Note(s):

Third Sunday of Lent: In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels. The Gospel of John, however, places this event much earlier in Jesus' public ministry than do the Synoptic Gospels. In John's Gospel this event occurs at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry, after his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With greater frequency than the other Evangelists, John intersperses post-Resurrection reflections of this Christian community in his narrative.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer. © 2015 Loyola Press All Rights Reserved. Reprinted with Permission.

## Parish Councils (Pastoral and Finance):

Meeting Thursday March 12 at 5 pm in the Education Center. Agenda: Review Parish Proposal from Johnson Associates (continued).



## Lenten Events in our Parish: Mark your calendars!

March 13 - Fish Fry Dinner 5.00 pm Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm

March 20 - Fish Fry Dinner 5.00 pm in the Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm

March 27 - Soup Supper 5.30 pm in the Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm.

**Lenten Scripture Series:** Deacon Tim Egan will be providing a 5-part presentation on the Sunday Scripture selections for Lent. Presentations will be made on Thursday evenings at 7 PM and last one hour each. All parishioners are welcome as are any guests or friends they might like to bring. There is no charge.

## HOLY SPIRIT'S PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



**GROUP** is an informal group who crochets and knits tangible signs of their prayers for others. *New people are always welcome to join us.* We will meet on **Tuesday, March 10 at 9:00 AM** in the church hall.

**March Food Shelf Drive:** This lent our parish will have a special opportunity to donate to our local food shelf. During the month of March we will have a basket in the vestibule at all Masses with slips of paper printed with the items needed at our local food shelf. Please take one and bring the items to church the following week. Thank you!



**Friday, March 13th, 5:00 p.m.**

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<b>Saturday</b>	ST. PERPETUA AND ST. FELICITY	<b>03/07/15</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>Reconciliation</b>	
4:30 p.m.	<b>Mass—Intention † James Buske</b> Reader: Paulette Moreland Plate: Laura Lien Chalice: Carol Anderson & Jeannie Shaw Servers: Duke Gilbert	
<b>Sunday</b>	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT	<b>03/08/15</b>
9:45 a.m.	<b>Religious Education—Grades Pre,K-4</b>	
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass—Intention for All Parishioners</b> Reader: Mike Hoffman Plate: Joanne Button Chalice: Linda Hoffman & Gina Lemke Servers: Nathan Campbell & Anthony Lemke	
<b>Monday</b>	SAINT FRANCES OF ROME	<b>03/09/15</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	<b>03/10/15</b>
8:15 A.M.	<b>Mass—Intention † Marion Rodewald</b>	
5:45 P.M.	<b>Choir Practice</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	<b>03/11/15</b>
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass—Intention † Elaine Pulkrabek</b>	
8:45 a.m.	<b>Holy Hour with Exposition</b>	
6:45 p.m.	<b>Religious Education—Grades 5-11</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	<b>03/12/15</b>
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass at St. Mary's, Silver Bay</b>	
7:00 p.m.	<b>Lenten Scripture Series</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	<b>03/13/15</b>
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass—Intention † T, E &amp; T. Springer</b>	
5:00 p.m.	<b>Fish Fry</b>	
6:30 p.m.	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	<b>03/14/15</b>
3:30 p.m.	<b>Reconciliation</b>	
4:30 p.m.	<b>Mass—Intention † Theodore Wisniewski</b> Reader: Gloria Uremovich Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Carol Anderson & Liz Scheidt Servers: Spencer Ross	
<b>Sunday</b>	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT	<b>03/15/15</b>
9:45 a.m.	<b>Religious Education—Grades Pre,K-4</b>	
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass—Intention for All Parishioners</b> Reader: Shannah Groothausen Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Shari Hendren & Jeannie Shaw Servers: Livy & Sid Hendren	



**Easter Flowers:** So that we can choose the appropriate flowers and colors for the Easter Liturgies, we ask that you make an offering to the project. Donors will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. Thank you in advance for your gift!

† **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Toni Johnson, Ron Kor, Joann Ostendorf, and Ron Ostendorf.



† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Britt Bredow, Craig Fallgren, Jane Griesy, Vince Ojard, Bill Carlson, Patty Harrison-Isakson, and Ray Weeks.

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray and Christopher Uremovich.

*Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed by calling the church office 834-4659.*

### Youth Happenings

Check out our Youth Bulletin Board  
"Like" us on Facebook: Holy Spirit Youth Group

### Mark your Calendars!!!

**Rice Bowls:** There are Rice Bowls in the back of the Church. If you would like, take one, fill it and return by March 27. Thank you for your help.

**Cinnamon Roll Sale:** We will be selling cinnamon rolls again on April 4th & 5th. Only \$5.00! The proceeds will be going toward the purchase of new Bibles for Church School.

**We have some great opportunities coming soon for our youth!**

April—Jr. High Retreat

June—Vacation Bible School

July—D-Week

Steubenville Mission

August—Camp Survive

*Watch for further details.*

*THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...*

### Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection.....	\$1,819.67
Bldg. Fund.....	\$100.00
UCA.....	\$175.00
Black/Indian Missions.....	\$20.00
Latin America.....	\$2.00