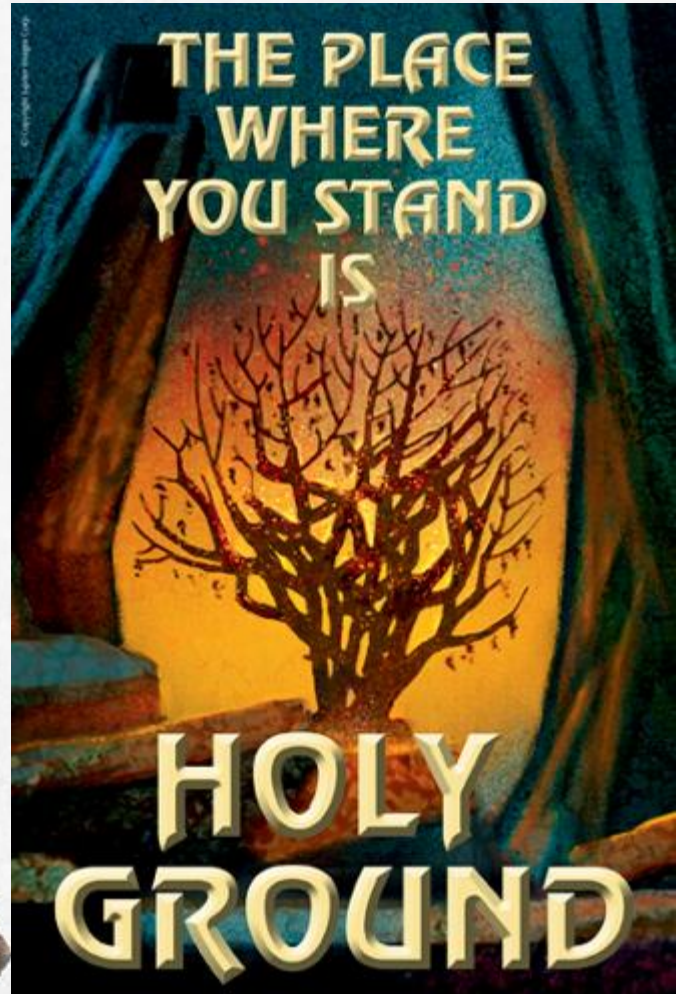


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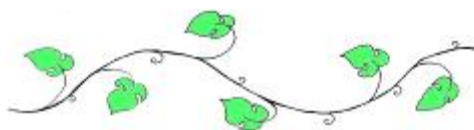
OUR PARISH ~ OUR SPIRITUAL HOME



Third Sunday of Lent
March 7, 2010

GIFT Thoughts for the Week

God called Moses to lead the Israelites to freedom from Egypt, which he did. Paul reminds the Corinthians that those Israelites who sinned against God in the desert did not “bear fruit” and were cut down. Jesus reminds us that, through acknowledging our sins and repenting of them, we are always given another chance.



Growing In Faith Together
Generations of Faith

What can I do to help others in my family and community recognize God’s mercy and love?

How do I react when I’m given another chance?



FROM BISHOP SARTAIN

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This important Collection not only provides for our impoverished and vulnerable brothers and sisters all over the world—it does much more. This Collection gives hope to Jesus in disguise.

Catholic Relief Services gives hope to the community that has lost its livelihood to crop failure and hope to the refugee child, separated from her mother. Catholic Relief Services gives hope to the immigrant, trying to keep faith alive in a foreign land. The Catholic Relief Services Collection helps to fund programs that give hope to refugees, the impoverished, and immigrants, including victims of war, natural disaster, and drought. These programs aid victims of natural disasters and armed conflict; provide agricultural assistance, water programs, and health care; resettle refugees and immigrants to the United States; help alleviate poverty in developing countries; provide legal support services for poor immigrants; and advocate for policies and programs that promote global justice and peace. Through these humanitarian, economic, pastoral, and advocacy efforts, The Catholic Relief Services Collection gives hope. I invite you, too, to give hope to Jesus in disguise.

In our diocese, The Catholic Relief Services Collection is scheduled for March 13/14. You can visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information about The Catholic Relief Services Collection. The Rice Bowls are also designated for Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generosity!

Sincerely in Christ,

+ *J. Peter Sartain*

Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain
Bishop of Joliet

Give Hope
to
Jesus
IN
disguise

Lectio Divina

Go to your quiet place.
(If you don't have ready access to a Bible, visit www.usccb.org and click on Bible, printing out a passage).
Maybe find today's gospel.
Maybe open the Bible randomly.
Maybe find a favorite passage.
Read the scripture.
As you read, linger over phrases that catch your attention.
Talk to God about each phrase and ask God to speak to you through that phrase.

Pray The Stations
of the Cross



Fridays at 7:00 pm

Mar. 12: Final Days of Jesus
(led by parish 6th grade students)
Mar. 19: Scriptural Way of the Cross
(led by Deacon Tom Fricke)
Mar. 26: Through the Eyes of Mary
Apr. 2 at 3:00 pm: Scriptural Way of the Cross



During these challenging economic times we have all suffered and the demands on the resources of Catholic Charities are greater than ever. Catholic Charities helped almost 60,000 last year, some of whom are our neighbors.

Catholic Charities is like a rubber band – it's stretched as far as it will go and it's just about ready to snap. We didn't know where to turn until an "angel" offered to rescue us. Our "angel" is an anonymous donor whose faith in the mission and works of Catholic Charities is an inspiration to us all. He is willing to help, and wants us all to do the same.

For every dollar that you donate to the Angel Fund at Catholic Charities during the Lenten Season and through April 30, our "angel" will match it – dollar for dollar – up to \$50,000. Please be generous. Be an angel to someone who will have no where else to turn if Catholic Charities doesn't answer their cries, and their prayers.

Donations can be made online at www.cc-doj.org or sent to: Catholic Charities Angel Fund, 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet IL 60432.

We will also have a box available in the narthex to receive donations for the Angel Fund. This replaces the Shepherd's Table collection we have done in recent years.

SEASONAL JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of Joliet is seeking to fill a few positions for seasonal cemetery workers. A seasonal cemetery worker will do general cleanup of cemeteries of leaves, broken



branches and other debris and assists with the placement and removal of seasonal grave decorations and maintenance of grass, bushes and trees. (See job description at www.dioceseofjoliet.org under employment) Qualifications: a valid Illinois Drivers license and

be physically able to do lawn maintenance work. This is a seasonal position only with no benefits, with a normal work-week of 40 hours. Qualified and interested applicants send resume to nsiemers@dioceseofjoliet.org, Office of Human Resources, Nancy Siemers, Director, St. Charles Pastoral Center, 402 S. Independence Blvd., Romeoville, IL 60446-2264.



Stations of the Cross

led by
6th grade students

**Please come and pray this beautiful prayer
of the final days of Jesus
presented by 6th grade students
on Friday, March 12th at 7:00 pm.**



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Lent is a time for each of us to remember our call. God calls us to help save His people once again. The lack of educational opportunities limits the ability of people to develop all the gifts and talents God gives us. The Church teaches that all are called to **community and participation**. Those that sacrifice to provide children in need with an education have heard this call and kept the faith necessary to help pull others out of oppression. CRS with our support helps thousands of children into a new life by blessing them with classroom space, teacher's salaries and forming parent-teacher associations to support the schools. Improved educational opportunities give children, both locally and globally, the chance for a brighter future.

ADULT FAITH SHARING COMMUNITY

Meeting St. Luke Today

March 7, 14, 21, 28– 11:15am – 1pm.

Each of us is called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our lives. Do we accept the responsibilities that the Gospel calls us to? Come share your thoughts and experiences of the living Gospel. *Contact Roberta Balsewicz, Director of Religious Formation for more information.*

roberta@ctswoodridge.org or 630-910-0770 ext 12

Fr. Tom McCarthy challenged us to focus on a saint each month for the next year. He gave us St. John Stone as our saint for March. Who would you like to focus on for April? Send an email to ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org (or call the office) and vote for **a) St Martin I**, pope & martyr, **b) St. Anselm**, bishop & doctor of the church, or **c) St. Louis Mary de Montfort**, priest. And remember to *flush!*

Religious Formation



Religious Formation Groups K - 7
Sessions meet on Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation Groups

Groups meet on March 21 and 24.

If you were unable to attend the
March 1st Reconciliation,
remember that Reconciliation is available
every Saturday at 4pm.

Theology on Tap

"Finding the Perfect Mate"

Discovering that Special Someone
Presented by Duanne & Chris Wozek

Monday, March 8th, 7-9pm

Ballydoyle Irish Pub, Downers Grove

The "Tap" Continues.....

Serving Young Adults, college age, 20's and 30's

Admission is FREE; dinner and drinks are on your own.



Catechist Get-Together

Sunday, March 14th, 1:30-3:00pm

Come together to talk about what we
will be doing for the year-end lessons
and share ideas with each other.



RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please keep our catechumen and candidates in your
prayers during this
up-coming Lenten season
as they begin the final
stages of preparing to be
received into Full Com-
munion in the Catholic
Church.



Serena O
Patrick O
Kate M
McKenzie M
Candice L

Christian Service Peace and Social Justice

**Welcoming the Stranger Among Us:
Putting a Human Face**

on Our Broken Immigration System
Wednesdays, March 10th & 17th, 7:30 pm
St. Margaret Mary Catholic Parish

1450 Green Trails Dr.,
Naperville, 60540
(corner of Green Trails Dr. &
Naper Blvd.)

*A community-wide event for
those who want a better under-
standing of the need for compre-
hensive immigration reform.*

In the debate over immigration
reform what often gets lost are
the human lives that are caught up in an immigration
system that most people see as broken. These are not
abstract issues nor are they talking points in service to
political ideologies. What is at stake are the lives of
immigrant families, children and communities that live in
our midst but are often invisible to us. This program is an
opportunity to put a human face on this important issue.
Come and hear our neighbor's stories.

**Sponsored by St. Margaret Mary Parish. For more
information, contact Tom Cordaro at 630-369-0777.**



Crossing Borders:

Migration, Theology, and the Human Journey

An 8-session Small Group Study & Faith Sharing
Program for those who want a better understanding of
issues related to immigration reform

Wednesdays 7:00—9:30 pm

March 24th - May 19th

St. Margaret Mary Parish, Room #17

1450 Green Trails Dr., Naperville
(corner of Green Trails Dr. & Naper Blvd.)

*Immigration is a complex issue. This eight session module
provides a chance to find common ground and to discover
more about our selves, our God and the millions of people
who are on the move in every part of the world.*

COSTS: Registration for the study group is \$10.00 The
books used in the class cost \$50.50. Payment can be paid
upon receipt of books at the start of the group.

REGISTRATION: To register, contact Steve and/or
Karen J or email sfjacksonsk@aol.com. Deadline for reg-
istration is March 10th. *This program is being co-
sponsored by: Diocese of Joliet Peace & Social Justice
Office, St. Margaret Mary
Parish, Christ the Servant Parish Peace & Justice Com-
mittee & the Diocese of Joliet JustFaith Committee.*

Community News

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.



Christians throughout the Downers Grove area are invited to take part in the national 40 Days for Life effort from February 17 through March 28. In addition to 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, please consider volunteering to pray outside of **Access Health Center, 1700 75th St., Downers Grove, IL 60516** during the 40 days, and spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. **Spring vigil hours are 5 A.M. to 5 P.M.** This season we are also adding scheduled prayer commitments at home or Eucharistic Adoration. To get more information, or to volunteer to help, www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC CITIZENS to host TOM PETERSON

Tom Peterson, founded *Catholics Come Home, Inc* and *Virtue Media, Inc.*, to inspire, educate and evangelize inactive Catholics to live a deeper faith. The dioceses of Chicago, Joliet, and Rockford recently sponsored a *Catholics Come Home* media campaign, inviting Catholics back to the Church. **Catholic Citizens luncheon is March 12 at 12:00 noon at the Union League Club, 65 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago. Tickets are \$30. Business attire. For reservation, call Maureen at 708-352-5834. The public is welcome.**

TALK ON ST. JOHN VIANNEY

Our new Bishop, Joseph Siegel, will give a free talk on St. John Vianney, patron saint of the parish priest, in this "Year of the Priest", on Monday, March 8 at 7:30 pm at St. Michael Church in Wheaton. This is the 150th anniversary of the death of this holy priest, whom thousands of pilgrims would seek out in his parish to receive the sacraments. Continue your Lenten season with a new perspective on how this humble saint can help you on your spiritual journey. All are welcome and free refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the St. Thomas More Society of DuPage County, the Knights of Columbus and the Holy Name Society. Please call John. P. Kelly at 630-690-9900 for more information.

Students Planning on Attending a Catholic High School or Accredited University, College or Trade School are Eligible to apply for the LEONARD M JARKA HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP



The scholarship application and full eligibility requirements can be obtained from the St. Joan of Arc, Christ the Servant or St. Scholastica parish offices, downloaded from our website www.kofc5918.org (Activities button) or by contacting our Scholarship Chairman Jim Schmidt at 630-728-4784. All applications must be submitted by APRIL 15, 2010. Applications can be submitted via email on our website, printed and mailed to our Post Office Box or given to any Council 5918 officer or our Scholarship Chairman. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May.

Mentors Needed for Transitional Housing Program in DuPage County

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a three session training course for persons interested in becoming volunteer mentors for families who were previously homeless and are now participating in Catholic Charities' Transitional Housing Programs in DuPage County. Mentors work directly with families, supporting them and helping them meet daily challenges. Volunteer mentors should be compassionate, non-judgmental, respectful and sensitive to the confidentiality required in order to preserve the dignity of the family.

Training sessions are free and will be held on three consecutive Wednesday evenings: April 14, 21, 28, 2010 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Catholic Charities office located at: 26 W. St. Charles Road, Lombard. To register for the training, or for more information on Catholic Charities Transitional Housing ministries, please call 630.495.8008. **Please register before April 9, 2010.**

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday.....9:00 AM—4:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday...8:30 AM
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.

Saturday.....4:45 PM

Sunday.....8:30 and 10:00 AM

Holy Days....consult bulletin or call

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday...4:00—4:30 PM or by appointment

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Colleen McCoy, Parish Life

Lori Zeman, Religious Formation

Ron Welton, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 7

11:15 am—Book Study

Monday, March 8

7:00 pm—Admin/Finance Comm.

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

7:00 pm—Stations/Mary Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 9

4:45 pm—RF K-4

6:30 pm—RF 2-3,5-7

Wednesday, March 10

4:45 pm—RF 1-4

6:30 pm—RF 4-7

Peace & Social Justice—offsite

Thursday, March 11

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise

7:00 pm—Baptism Prep Class

7:30 pm—Adult Choir

Friday, March 12

7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross
 led by parish 6th graders

Easter Ham Signups Begin

Saturday, March 13

4:00 pm—RCIA

Sunday, March 14

8:30 am—RCIA

11:15 am—Book Study

1:00 pm—Catechist Training

Upcoming Events

Mar 13, Easter Ham signups begin

Mar 26, 7:00 pm, Stations of the Cross
Through the Eyes of Mary



Sacramental Information

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, the celebration of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation are invited to contact the parish office.

BAPTISM OF INFANTS Baptisms are usually celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:30 AM and three times yearly at Mass. A Baptism Preparation Class must be attended if you are planning your first child's baptism or if three years have passed since your last child was baptized. Call the Parish Office to register.

MARRIAGE Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months in advance by contacting Father Danaher to set the date and reserve the church.

HOLY ORDERS: Are you thinking of becoming a priest or religious? Email Fr. Burke Masters at frburke23@aol.com, or talk with Fr. Danaher.

RECONCILIATION Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), at parish reconciliation services during Advent and Lent, or by appointment with Fr. Danaher.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK Please contact the parish office for a visit from a priest when sickness occurs or death is imminent for the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. To arrange for Communion to be brought to the sick/homebound members of the parish community, help driving to appointments, emergency meals, or anyone needing 2 hour respite care for a homebound family member call Deacon Tom F.

FUNERALS Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact Fr. Danaher for pre-planning of funerals.

Baptism Preparation Class: Thursday, March 11, 7:00-8:00PM

Parish Giving

“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” - Luke 13:7

Are we like the barren fig tree? What does God find when He searches for the fruits which we have given back?

NEEDED WEEKLY:

Parish Expenses	\$6,088.00
Mortgage Payment	3,350.00
Total Needed	\$9,438.00

CONTRIBUTED February 27/28:

Sunday	\$ 7,236.66
Debt Reduction	265.00
Total Contributed	\$ 7,501.66
This week's deficit	(\$ 1,936.34)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Home Missions	15.00
Catholic Relief	20.00

Did you know?

Stations of the Cross are a Catholic tradition. Take a little time on at least one Friday evening during Lent to pray the Stations of the Cross with us. Pray with young people of our parish this coming Friday night at 7:00 pm.

SEWER NEEDED: Our Art & Environment Committee needs a volunteer to sew straight seams. Please call Monica B for more information. Thanks!

Registered Households—728

Thank you for your generous support!



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Charitable Gift Annuities combine a gift with an income you can't outlive, an excellent rate of return, professional investment management and tax benefits. When you establish an annuity for the parish, a school or diocese, the insurance company invests the gift and agrees to pay you, your spouse or any other party a fixed amount every year for life. Contact the Diocese of Joliet Development Office at 815-838-8515 for more information.

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Rita Palao



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 6

4:45 PM John & Esther Michaelek & Shirley Stiglic, *r. family*

Sunday, March 7

8:30 AM Edna Wall, *r. family*

10:00 AM Walter Kozlowski & Virginia Kozlowski, *r. family*

Monday, March 8

8:30 AM Ashley Constantino,
r. Deacon Tom & Joanne Fricke

Tuesday, March 9

8:30 AM Joseph Kozerski, *r. Ted & LaVergne Kozerski*

Thursday, March 11

8:30 AM Eduarda Coching, *r. Elena Coching*

Friday, March 12

8:30 AM Anthony R. Coco, *for recovery of health*

Saturday, March 13

4:45 PM Irene Sudol, *r. Greg & Bev Peck*

Sunday, March 14

8:30 AM Jesse Concannon, *r. Lydell Grunwald*

10:00 AM Edward & Sophie Fialek, *r. Jerry & Faith Ann Fialek*

Bible Readings—Mar. 7—Mar. 14

SUNDAY: Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 / 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 / Lk 13:1-9

MONDAY: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b / Lk 4:24-30

TUESDAY: Dn 3:25,34-43 / Mt 18:21-35

WEDNESDAY: Dt 4:1,5-9 / Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY: Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23

FRIDAY: Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34

SATURDAY: Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14

SUNDAY: Jos 5:9a,10-12 / 2 Cor 5:17-21 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Please pray for the Sick

Diane Barbera
Art Becker
Gertrude Burns
Laura Dalton
Brandon Dreyer

Carla Kautz
Donna Meek
Marv Piasecki
Maureen Slanicky
Lisa Yario

Names remain on this list approximately three months. To update the list, call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770 or email corinne@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.

Please pray for Military Personnel

Andrew DeKruiff, nephew of Joe & Mary Testolin

If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask for God's blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return safely home, so that we may also rejoice with you.

Please pray for the Deceased



Catherine Stock
(mother of Frank Stock)

Fred Tuch



Time Changes
to
Daylight Savings Time
NEXT WEEKEND

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