

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Rosary - 30 minutes before weekend Masses.
Liturgy of the Hours - Morning Prayer begins at 7:50AM before daily Masses.
Confessions will be heard at 3PM before the 4PM Mass at St. Joseph's on Saturdays and 7:15AM before the 8AM Mass at St. Patrick's on Sundays

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat., Feb. 22nd

4:00PM- (St. J.)

- For Susan Compo by The Smith Family

Sun., Feb. 23rd

8AM - (St. P.)

- For Kenneth Wayne Staton by John & Patty Staton

9:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Our Parishioners and Their Intentions

Mon., Feb. 24th

8:30AM - (St. J)

- For William Daskiewicz by The Fey Family

Tues., Feb. 25th

10:30AM- (Sunset Nursing & Rehab. Ctr)

- For Kathryn Egnaczyk by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Borden

Feb. 26th Wednesday Mass w/Ashes

8:30AM - (St. P.)

- For Gail Scouten by Larry & Gerry Ritter

Noon - (St. J.)

- For Fr. George Coyne, SJ by The Parish

6:30PM - (St. J.)

- For Shirley Crocetti by Alan & Lisa Mills

Thurs., Feb. 27th

8:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Albert J. Proud by The Parish

Fri., Feb. 28th

8:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Olympia J. Carletta by Alan & Lisa Mills

First Sunday of Lent

Sat., Feb. 29th

4:00PM- (St. J.)

- For Our Parishioners and Their Intentions

Sun., Feb. 30th

8AM - (St. P.)

- For Tammy McDermott by Family

9:30AM - (St. J.)

- For John Sugar by Mark & Sally Devins

We remember in our prayers
Eileen Pruckno, Newcomb VanAtta
Charles Mooney, Frances Miller,
Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine King,
Walt Belewich, Sr., Ann Lash,
Paul Hartness, Jim White, Dick Bartelotte,
Roberta Wilson, John Bailey, Cretia Carpenter,
Mary Pruckno, Rylee Yauger,
Candace Schaffer, David Hoffman, Steven Stooks,
Rick Dano, Louis & Amelia Newman
Michael Stinebrickner & Ken Midura

<u>LEC UM & AS</u>		
<u>Schedule for Feb. 29th – Feb. 30th</u>		
<u>Lectors:</u>		
2/29-SJ K. Cady	3/01-SJ G. Fallon	3/01- SP A. Lyon
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>		
2/29-SJ L. Fey L. Czajka J. Satterly	3/01-SJ C. Doolittle L. Fallon J. Lee	3/01-SP M. Smith P. Bathrick S. Stephenson
<u>Altar Servers</u>		
2/29-SJ S. Scheve	3/01-SJ C. O'Brien K. Muller	3/01-SP M. Bathrick
Last Weekend's Reg. Collection \$2,268.00		

RCIA:

Mon., February 24th

6:30PM – Gill Hall

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Confirmation Class is Sunday, March 1st at the K of C following 9:30AM Mass til Noon.

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FAMILY FORMATION

Will meet on Sunday, Mar. 1st

after the 9:30AM Mass in St. Joseph's Church

All Parents, for all grade levels are strongly encouraged to join the Parent Sessions at the K of C.

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Upcoming Lenten Schedule & Activities.

February 26, 2020 - Ash Wednesday

8:30AM Mass w/Ashes - St. Patrick's, Forestport

Noon Mass w/Ashes - St. Joseph's, Boonville

6:30PM Mass w/Ashes - St. Joseph's, Boonville

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Ecumenical Lenten Luncheon

12:10 PM at the Baptist Church

Wednesday's During Lent

beginning March 4th

March 25th is our week for hospitality

Fr. Ward will be preaching.

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Holy Hour

Wednesday's During Lent

6:15PM - Adoration

6:30PM - 7:15PM -

Exposition & Confessions

7:20PM - Benediction

(The Rosary & Evening Prayer will be recited during the Holy Hour.)

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Friday's During Lent

February 28th, March 6th, March 13th,

March 20th, March 27th. & April 3rd

Confessions

5:30PM – 6:00PM - St. Joseph's, Boonville

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Weekly Lenten Dinner

5PM - 6PM at Gill Hall

Please join us! Bring the whole family right after

work, then join us for 6PM Stations of the Cross.

(about 1/2 hour)

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The Easter Triduum

Thursday, April 9th - Sunday April 12th.

Dear friends in Christ,

Our blessed Lord, in the Gospel exhorts us to...be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect. Perhaps the most important expression of the Father's perfection is His mercy. This absolute desire of the Father to forgive sins is the very reason why His Son was sent to endure the cross for each one of us. Pope Francis explains this further:

Mercy is always a gratuitous act of our heavenly Father, an unconditional and unmerited act of love. Consequently, we cannot risk opposing the full freedom of the love with which God enters into the life of every person. Mercy is this concrete action of love that, by forgiving, transforms and changes our lives. In this way, the divine mystery of mercy is made manifest. God is merciful (cf. Ex34:6); His mercy lasts for ever (cf. Ps 136). From generation to generation, it embraces all those who trust in Him and it changes them, by bestowing a share in his very life. (Misericordia et Misera, #2)

Receiving the gift of mercy requires that we be merciful in turn to others. We pray this in the Our Father when we say *Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.* In the beatitudes too, Jesus helps us understand that when we are merciful, we receive mercy: *Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*

A true encounter of God's mercy spurs us on to share this marvelous gift of God's love with others. Again, Pope Francis speaks of this great mystery of love:

Mercy renews and redeems because it is the meeting of two hearts: the heart of God who comes to meet the human heart. The latter is warmed and healed by the former. Our hearts of stone become hearts of flesh (cf. Ezek 36:26) capable of love despite our sinfulness. I come to realize that I am truly a "new creation" (Gal 6:15): I am loved, therefore I exist; I am forgiven, therefore I am reborn; I have been shown mercy, therefore I have become a vessel of Mercy. (Misericordia et Misera, #16)

Grace be with you all,

Rev. Thomas J. Ward

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Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
This weekend's readings begin on pg. 946- Year A
Feb. 23, 2020
Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
You should love your neighbor as yourself.
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
The Lord is kind and merciful.
1 Corinthians 3:16-23
All things belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.
Gospel Acclamation
Whoever keeps the word of Christ, the love of God is truly perfected in him.
Matthew 5:38-48
Love your enemies.

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