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**1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**FEBRUARY 26, 2023**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**\*\*SUNDAY, February 26<sup>th</sup> - 4:30p.m.**

~Phil, Nora, & Leland Blain by Eileen Ratliff  
~Gloria Boone by the Morris Family

**\*\*SUNDAY, March 5<sup>th</sup> - 4:30p.m.**

~Mary Kay Rabe by Angela Jones  
~Mary Claire by the Morris Family  
~Dean Anderson by Ronnie Neisenwander

**\*\*SUNDAY, March 12<sup>th</sup> - 4:30p.m.**

~Anita & Leland Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller  
~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey

**NEXT WEEK'S CO-MINISTERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, March 5th @ 4:30p.m.**

**READER:** Angie Clement  
**E.M.:** Jennifer & Leslie  
**Money Counters:** Sue & Joe  
**Ushers:** Drew & Tom  
**Servers:** Morris Kids

Please join us for our Soup & Sandwich supper after Mass in the parish hall.

**MASS SONGS AND READINGS**

- \*Processional-In These Days of Lenten Journey #271
- \*Readings-#808 1st Sunday Of Lent~Cycle A
- \*Presentation Hymn-Softly & Tenderly #414
- \*Communion Hymn-Eat This Bread #505
- \*Recessional-We Walk By Faith #594

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,385.00
<b>Offering for February 19th</b>	<b>-\$1,401.00</b>
<b>Surplus for the week:</b>	<b>+\$16.00</b>

**Times are tough, see what you can do**

**Restoration:** \$25 in restoration envelopes

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023 is \$72,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of February 19th- **\$51,041.84.**

**~STATIONS OF THE CROSS~**

**We will have Stations every Sunday at 4p.m. before Mass during Lent.**

**Blessing of the Seeds & Soil Mass**

Sunday, March 19th at our Mass.

Each Parish will have their own blessing of seeds & soil.

The Martinton Food Pantry wants to thank everyone that continues to contribute food to the pantry!

Kathy Webster has sent another \$50 from pop tabs that have been donated to the Ronald McDonald House for a total of \$340 in the past couple of years.

**Please Pray For:**

**Intentions:** Eugene Drummer, LouWanna Snodgrass, Tyler Shoven, Paisley Jackson, Sr. Linda Hatton, Jenna Jamnik, Ron Goyette, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Margo Reynolds, Beverly Maurer, Anna VanHolven, Tina Gooding, Joe Jamnik, Jerry Shortsleeve, Bob Arseneau, Crystal Martinez, Ray Arseneau, Don Martell, Kelly Schladenhauffen, Kim Cann, Janet Lambert, Mike Tiarks, Gene Tammen, Debbie Turner, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, Roger Rabe, Shirley Arseneau, & Special Intentions

**Our Departed:**

**Our Service Men & Women:**

\*PV 2 Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;  
\*Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son of Angela Jones

\*Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would



# St. Mary's Message



## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is now underway. As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith. This year St. Mary's goal is \$7,500, with 70% of any amount we raise over the goal is returned to us for our use.

### Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

- ~That through Jesus, who transcends the Law, all who glory in his name may find themselves just before God
- ~That in Jesus, the fulfillment of the prophets, all the nations of the earth may find blessings
- ~That the Gospel of Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality, may be preached to all peoples
- ~That all who are in need of food, clothing, or other needs of life, may find a generous hand and an open heart in all who follow Christ
- ~That those preparing for baptism and reception into the Church may ready themselves for new life in Christ
- ~That all of our parishioners may, like Peter, James, and John know the care of the living God
- ~That the dead who acknowledged Jesus as the fullness of the Law and the Prophets may come to the glory of his dwelling

Let Us Pray to the Lord

## Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Donovan Ag 4-H Spaghetti Supper & Basket Raffle



Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-7p.m. at our parish hall for a delicious spaghetti supper. They will also have a themed basket raffle, which will be raffled off at the end of the supper. They will be serving spaghetti with Prego sauce, green beans, garlic bread, and desserts.

Tickets are \$7 each  
4 year olds and under are Free.

Please come out and support our local 4-H kids.  
Carry Outs are Available

### St. Anne Lenten Fish Fry Dinners

Dates: Fridays, March 10 & 24  
from 5-7p.m.

Where: St. Anne Parish Hall  
Serving fried or baked pollock and sides. \$14 per person or \$5 for kids.  
Pizza is also being served.

### Beaverville FD Pork Chop Supper

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 4-7p.m. at our parish hall for a delicious pork chop supper.



### Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Second Sunday Lent Time "A"

Matthew 17:1-9

"He was transfigured before them!"

Jesus is the fullness of revelation. How does this direct my daily living?

Jesus is the fullness of the First Covenant and the source of the New Covenant. How do the scriptures (the Torah, represented by Moses, and the Prophets, represented by Elijah) direct my daily living?

It is good to be with Jesus. How can I better make being with Jesus central to my life this Lent?

Prayer: Lord Jesus by the glory of your Transfiguration you strengthened your disciples for the scandal of the Cross. During my Lenten Journey keep me close to you in your suffering and in your glory. Amen!

### Piggy Banks for the Martinton Food Pantry Anyone can get piggy banks to give money for the Martinton Food Pantry in the back of church. This isn't just for the kids. We would also like to get food donations to give to the pantry. Please help by giving to others this Lenten season!!! There is a basket in the back of church to empty your banks & drop off money each week.

### Martinton Fire & EMS Annual Drive Thru Fish Fry Dinner

When: Friday, March 10 from 5-7pm

Cost: \$14 per dinner which includes 2 pieces of fish, fries, coleslaw, & a cookie



### Blood Drive at St. Mary's Hall

When: Thursday, March 16 Time: 2p.m. to 6p.m.

For an appointment, call Diane Arseneau at 815-435-2249 or redcrossblood.org.

### Martinton Community Food Pantry

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. Please continue to bring in food donations. They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

**New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours**

#### Items Needed at the Pantry:

Canned meats-tuna, chicken	Paper Towels
Canned Fruits	Toilet Paper
Personal Hygiene Products	Cleaning Supplies
Laundry Detergent	Individual Water Bottles