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*2nd Sunday of  
Lent*

*March 1, 2026*



**MASS SONGS AND READINGS**

- \*Processional-Led by the Spirit #272
- \*Readings-#811 2nd Sunday of Lent Cycle A
- \*Offertory-Hosea #411
- \*Communion-Taste and See #504
- \*Recessional-Again We Keep the Solemn Fast #266

**MASS Intentions**

**\*\*SUNDAY, March 1<sup>st</sup>-- 4:30p.m.**  
~Mary Kay Rabe by Angela Jones  
~Evelyn Weber by Angela Jones  
~Bryan Keen by Lamont & Noel Jeffries

**\*\*SUNDAY, March 8<sup>th</sup>-- 4:30p.m.**  
~Anita & Leland Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller  
~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey  
~Dale Richardson by Angela Jones

**\*\*SUNDAY, March 15<sup>th</sup>-- 4:30p.m.**  
~Jody & Chuck Wyatt by Angela Jones  
~Gloria Boone by the Morris Family  
~Michael Daniel by Angela Jones

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,443.00
Sunday Offering for February 22nd:	-\$2,309.25
Online Giving:	-\$250.00
<b>Surplus for the week:</b>	<b>+\$1,116.25</b>

Restoration: \$20  
Piggy Banks for the Pantry: \$45

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 is \$75,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of February 22nd- **\$53,810.92.**

**CO-MINISTERS FOR:**  
*Sunday, March 7th @ 4:30p.m.*

**READER:** Beth  
**E.M.:** Andrea & Chris B  
**Ushers:** Drew & Tom  
**Servers:** Hobergs  
**Money Counters:** Diane & Nancy

**SUPPER CLUB!!**

We will be going to the Barnyard Tap on Sunday, March 22 after Mass. If you can go, please contact Angela(815-471-6787), Cheryle(815-867-0518), or Ann(815-471-7886).

**CMAA 2026** The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun! The Diocese of Joliet invites all parishioners to support the 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). This year's theme is Beyond all Expectations: Faith that Elevates! St. Mary's goal is \$8,200. 70% of any amount we raise OVER our goals will be returned to us to use within our parishes. Please review your mailing from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully consider your gift.

~STATIONS OF THE CROSS~  
**3:45p.m. Each Sunday**  
**CONFESSION-on Palm Sunday**  
**March 29th at 3:30p.m.**

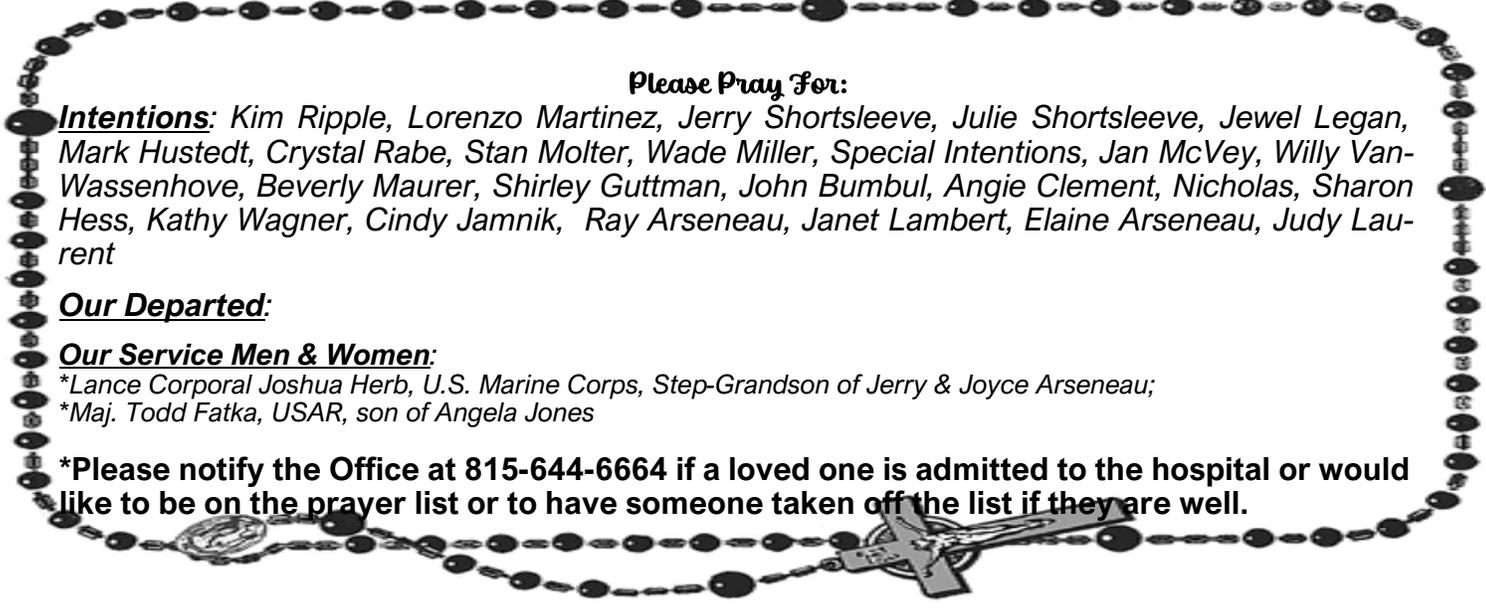
**Please Pray For:**

**Intentions:** Kim Ripple, Lorenzo Martinez, Jerry Shortsleeve, Julie Shortsleeve, Jewel Legan, Mark Hustedt, Crystal Rabe, Stan Molter, Wade Miller, Special Intentions, Jan McVey, Willy Van-Wassenhove, Beverly Maurer, Shirley Guttman, John Bumbul, Angie Clement, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Kathy Wagner, Cindy Jamnik, Ray Arseneau, Janet Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent

**Our Departed:**

**Our Service Men & Women:**  
\*Lance Corporal Joshua Herb, U.S. Marine Corps, Step-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 like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**





# St. Mary's News

## Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Third Sunday of Lent "A"

John 4:5-42

"Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst!"

The Samaritan woman bumped into Jesus at the well, have I ever encountered Jesus unexpectedly?

Do I thirst for the water that only Jesus can give?

How can I testify to Jesus before others as the Samaritan woman did?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, as I prepare to renew by baptismal promises on Easter, and as thousands throughout the world prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, may these Lenten days be a time of spiritual renewal and re-awakening for me as one of your authentic disciples. Amen!

Continue to pray for the Catechumens from your continent!

## Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

~That, like the woman of Samaria, God may lead us to examine our lives before Christ and acknowledge our sinfulness

~That all people, free from the spirit of doubt, may worship God in spirit and truth

~That God may stir in all of us a deep thirst for the living water he alone can give

~That, like the woman of Samaria, we may be strengthened to share with others what we have found in Jesus

~That all preparing for baptism and reception into the Church may hunger for the Word of God

~That all of our parishioners may know the love and concern of the Lord

~That the dead who were washed clean with the living water of baptism may worship God in eternity in his heavenly Temple

Let Us Pray to the Lord

## LET'S GET TOGETHER

### for Sr. Linda's Study Group....

We will be meeting on Thursday, March 12th at 6:30pm to discuss the history of the SSCM American province.

Hope to see you there for our discussion group! If you have questions, contact Sister Linda at 815-931-1425 or [lhatton@sscm-usa.org](mailto:lhatton@sscm-usa.org).

## 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.

# AREA EVENTS

## St. Anne Lenten Fish Fry Dinners

Dates: Fridays, March 6 & 20 from 5-7p.m.

Where: St. Anne Parish Hall

Cost: \$14 for baked or fried fish, green beans, baked potato, coleslaw, bread, drink, & dessert

Kids: \$7 for cheese pizza, chips, drink, dessert

## Beaverville FD Pork Chop Supper

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 4-7p.m. at our parish hall for a delicious pork chop supper. Serving pork chops, baked potatoes, green beans, applesauce, and dessert

Cost: \$15 for a 2 meat dinner, \$12 for a single meat dinner, Kids 9 and under-\$8

## Donovan Ag 4-H Spaghetti Supper & Silent Auction

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 5-7p.m. at our parish hall for a delicious spaghetti supper. They will also have a silent auction going on throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$7 each; 4 year olds and under are Free. Carry Outs are Available

## Martinton Fire & EMS Annual Fish Fry Dinner

When: Friday, March 13 from 5-7pm

Cost: \$15 per dinner which includes 2 pieces of fish, cheesy potatoes, coleslaw, & dessert

## Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

When: Saturday, March 14th from 7-10am

Where: St. Edmund's Church

Cost: \$10, Children 5 & Under are Free

The Easter Bunny will take pics from 8-10am

## Iroquois Memorial Hospice Volunteer Opportunity

Iroquois Memorial Hospice invites you to be part of their compassionate team serving local patients and families. Volunteering can include visiting, crafting, clerical support, and fundraising. Call 815-432-0185 and ask for Mallory. Check out the flier in the back of church for more info.

## 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 Fruit

Pasta

Pasta Sauce

Flavored Rice

Paper Towels

Scalloped Potatoes