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**4TH SUNDAY
OF LENT
MARCH 10, 2024**

MASS SONGS AND READINGS

- ***Processional**—Save Your People #276
- ***Readings**—#818 4th Sunday of Lent~Cycle B
- ***Offertory**—In These Days of Lenten Journey #271
- ***Communion**—Vine and Branches #514
- ***Recessional**—Prayer of St. Francis #679

Mass Intentions

****SUNDAY, March 10th— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Anita & Leland Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller
- ~Hazen & Madeline Arseneau by Marilyn Champagne
- ~Bob Arseneau by Karen & Bill Dowling
- ~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey
- ~Donald & Joyce Martell by Angie Clement

****SUNDAY, March 17th— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Bob Arseneau by Judy Taron & Family
- ~Gloria Boone by the Morris Family
- ~Virginia “Maggie” Ruda by the Bechely Family

****SUNDAY, March 24th— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Lloyd & Dorene Boone by the Morris Family
- ~Bob Arseneau by Sharon Carney & Mike

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,385.00
Offering for March 3rd	-\$4,348.25
Surplus for the week:	+\$(2,963.25)

Thank you to our anonymous donor who made a large grain donation. This is very much appreciated!

Restoration: \$261 in collection

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024 is \$72,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of March 3rd- **\$55,788.50.**

Easter Lilies

Today is the last day you can purchase lilies for \$15 each to be used for Easter decorations.

NEXT WEEK'S CO-MINISTERS FOR:

SUNDAY, March 17th @ 4:30p.m.

READER: Amanda
E.M.: Angela & Ryan
Ushers: Rick & Joe
Servers: Colbi
Money Counters: Rick & Beth

The CCW will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt & Potluck Dinner on Palm Sunday, March 24th. The CCW ladies will supply the meat. Please RSVP to Ryan so we can have a count.

**~STATIONS OF THE CROSS~
March 10th & 17th at 3:45p.m. during Lent up until Palm Sunday.**

CONFESSION-on Palm Sunday 3/24 at 3:45p.m.

Seed & Soil Blessing at Mass next Sunday, March 17. Please bring symbolic samples of soil and seeds that you will use this year and Fr. Mike will bless them at the time of the prayers of the faithful.

Please Pray For:

Intentions: Trace Patterson, Web Bohn, Regina Penny, Pete Arseneau, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Keith Arseneau, Adaline Royster, Cynthia Chadwick, Santiago Bay, Dale Blanchette, Gary Cahoe, Paisley Jackson, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Tina Gooding, Beverly & Ben Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Don Martell, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, Shirley Arseneau, Shirley Stelmasiak, & Special Intentions

Our Departed: Don Martell

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 like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**

*I SAID A
Prayer
FOR YOU
today*





St. Mary's Message



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2024 The 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is now underway. We are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith. This year's CMAA theme is For the Glory of God. Together, we help the poor and vulnerable, increase vocations and educate people of all ages, ethnicities, and abilities in the faith. This year St. Mary's goal is \$7,800, with 70% of any amount we raise over the goal is returned to us for our use.

ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP will be meeting again on Thursday, March 21st at the rectory from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00p.m. This year we are focusing on PRAYER. Remember—join us when you can, even if you can't make every gathering, we welcome you when you can.

Upcoming topics include:

March 21 Preparing for Holy Week
April 4 Journaling

If you are interested in joining us, contact Sr. Linda at 815-931-1425 or 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.

Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Fifth Sunday of Lent "B"

John "12:20-33"

"When I am lifted up I will draw everyone to myself!"

What would I do if someone asked me (as Philip was asked) to see Jesus?

Do I love my life in a holy manner or in a selfish manner?

How can I let Jesus, lifted up from the Earth, draw me to himself?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you taught me by your words, and even more by your actions, to love my life by losing it in serving and following you. Make these last weeks of Lent a sacred time for me to prepare for the Holy Week to come.
Amen!

Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

- ~That all who have entered the New Covenant that God has made with his people, may be strengthened to remain always faithful
- ~That in suffering and in trials we may learn obedience and be perfected in Christ
- ~That all those troubled in body, mind, and spirit, may be consoled by the Lord
- ~That disciples of Jesus, like Andrew & Philip, may always bring others to Christ
- ~That catechumens and candidates for confirmation may come to know the Lord and have his Law written on their hearts
- ~That the intentions of our parishioners may be joined to the prayers and supplications, cries, and tears of Jesus
- ~That all who have finished their earthly lives may be drawn to Christ, lifted up in glory

Let Us Pray to the Lord

Upcoming Events

St. Anne Lenten Fish Fry Dinners

Date: Friday, March 15 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.

Blood Drive at St. Mary's Hall

When: Thursday, March 21 **Time:** 2-6p.m.

For an appointment, text 815-370-9861, call and leave a message at 815-435-2249, see Diane, Judy, or Joyce at church, or go to redcrossblood.org.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Dinner

When: Friday, March 22nd from 5-7pm at St. Edmund's
Cost: Free Will Donation –includes fried or baked pollack, baked beans, coleslaw, baked potato or chips, & dessert

Eastern Illinois Food Bank Food Distribution

They will be distributing food in the hardware parking lot next to the post office the 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:30-1pm. Visit eifoodbank.org for more information.

Concord Fire Protection Carry Out Fish Fry Dinner

When: Friday, March 29 from 5-8pm
Cost: \$15 per dinner

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:

- Personal Hygiene Products-lotion, soap, wipes, Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, combs, brushes
- Cleaning Supplies
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Detergent
- Toilet Paper

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY PROGRAMS

♦ Gifts of Holy Spirit on April 11, 10am-Noon at One Heart One Soul
Presenter is Sr. Loretta Finn, SSCM Cost is \$15

Checks may be mailed to: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary
Attn: Susan Amann
2041 W. State Route
113 Kankakee IL 60901

Please make checks payable to Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary (sscm-usa.org)