

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S

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18 There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. **John 19:18**

APRIL 1, 2023

Sharing the Good News

Sunday, April 2 – **Palm Sunday**

Food Pantry Sunday

Anointing Sunday

Sunday, April 9 – **Easter Sunday**

Sunday, April 16 – **Easter II**

Sunday, April 23 – **Easter III**

Sunday, April 30 – **Easter IV (Good Shepherd Sunday)**

There will be no Stations on April 5 as it is the night before Maundy Thursday when we begin the Triduum.

Here is the Lector and coffee hour schedule for the coming month:

4/2 - Diane

4/9 – Elisabeth

4/16 – Kathy

4/23 – Kemps

4/30 – Sylvia

April 22 – Happy birthday to Diane McCoy!

Board Meeting: Due to illness and injury, the March meeting was cancelled. Our next meeting will be held at 10 am on Wed.,

April 12, in the Parish Center.

There will be no Bible Study after church on April 2 or 9 due to the length of services. However, there will be coffee hour. **I am still debating whether we will continue our study on the book of Jonah** on April 16. When we finish the book of Jonah, our next prophet will be Micah.

FR. TOM'S SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:30 AM – Mass

Wednesday - Office
hours 9 to 12 PM

2nd Wednesday – 10

AM. Church council mtg.

1 pm, Bingo @ Holly

Brook

2 pm Bible Study @

Holly Brook

Thursday

Reflections: Prayer

service @10 am; Bingo

follows

South Park; Prayer

service 1:30; Bingo @2

pm

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Join us at 122 W. Walnut in

Chatham, IL

Dates to keep in mind:

April 6 - Maundy Thursday Mass at 6 pm

April 7 – Good Friday Mass of the Presanctified at noon

April 8 – Holy Saturday Service at noon (If anyone should wish to attend Easter Vigil, Fr. Shawn has graciously invited us to St. Luke's at 7:30 pm for their service.)

April 9 – Easter Sunday Mass at 10:30

Thoughts from the Vicar:

This month, I wanted to share with you these thoughts that were sent to me by Kathy Hahn. We are truly blessed to have Kathy as part of our church family!

Ephesians 5:1-14

This is the second reading for Lent 4, the New Testament, almost always drawn from the letters of the Apostles. Each reading for today is crammed full of homiletic possibilities, but God chooses to put the meat where He wants it. He told me, this morning, that “it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light.” And “Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving.”

There is a ‘new’ Christian song out, probably for 20 or 30 years now. (If the composer isn't dead he's too young for me to be interested in his work.) This one fits, for children, anyway. “I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to walk with Jesus.” Of course it goes on and on. Children crave repetition. It's how they learn. Also, they want to be re-assured that the ending will be the same every time. That's why parents go bonkers hearing Pokemon adventures all day. For Charlie it was three or four little bears with high, squeaky voices wearing different pastel outfits. I used to think if I saw it one more time I would scream! As I approach the other end of life, I find myself reverting. How can you miss with “Gone with the Wind” or *anything* with John Wayne in it. I watched “The Passion of the Christ” yesterday. The date on it was 2004! I knew how that one would end. Such an awe-filled movie with such a perfect ending.

During Lent, we will continue to read the names from this prayer list. If you wish to add a name, please let Fr. Tom or the lector know before the service begins. You may still add names from the congregation after the list is read.

Parish Prayer List

For Foley our Archbishop, for Alberto, our Bishop, for Tom, our Priest, and for Deacon Tom

For those fighting cancer: Debbie, Cindy, Karen, Carol, Lisa, Malia, Richard

For those in need of uplifting prayer: Diane, Kathy, Dan, Susan, Sherry, Frank, Jon S., Luke, Jerry, Donna, Jonas, Kathy, Debbie, Carolyn, Gary, Sylvia, Fr. Jason, Judy, Stuart, Madeleine, Brenda

For those in long term care: Gabriel, Grace, Danielle, the residents at Holly Brook, Reflections and South Park

For the Church's ministry in Nepal: Purna, Mahendra, Dipendra, Reshma, Tirtha, their families and Churches; the Transformation Spiritual Church

For all the victims of the COVID pandemic worldwide

For the persecuted Christians in throughout the world

For the growth of St. Mary's Anglican Mission

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