

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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March 10, 2019 ~ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, March 17 (8:30 a.m.)

EM's: Anita Marty & Tony Ritter
Lector: Paul Daly
Ushers: Jacob Marty & Brian Marty
Servers: Caryn & Jade Marty, & Makarian Schott
Sacristan: Rachel Schott
Music: Choir

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, March 11 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

+ Deceased Christian Mothers & Women

Wednesday, Mar. 13 – 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

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Cup of Soup & Fellowship: 5:00-6:15 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: 6:30 p.m.

(Altar Servers: John & Jace Kleindl)

Mass on Thursday, Mar. 14 – 9:00 a.m. (Traverse Care Center)

Mass on Friday, Mar. 15 – 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

Saturday, Mar. 16 – 5:00 p.m. (Wheaton)

Sunday, March 17 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

+ James Schwebach

Sunday, Mar. 17 – 10:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

RECONCILIATION: Half an hour before Mass

Please remember in prayer: Lil Ritter, Harold Sivertson, Mary Marlow, Jeanne Hofland, Rita Schuster, DeLores Eul, and all who are ill. Please call when a name should be added or removed from the prayer list.

A Faith Formation Fellowship Sign-up Sheet is in the back of Church for you to sign up to bring a snack or serve.

Faith Formation Classes will meet next Sunday, March 17th.

Confirmation Class will meet on Wednesday, March 20th.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

--**Parish Council & Finance Council meeting:** Wednesday, March 13 @ 7 p.m.

--Come join us for a **Cup of Soup and Fellowship** at St. Mary's Hall on the following Wednesdays during Lent from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.: Wednesday, March 13 & 27, and April 10. There will be a sign-up sheet in back of Church for volunteer groups to serve several kinds of soup, along with crackers and/or bread. The Stations of the Cross will follow from 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. There will be a free-will offering for the flooring project.

--**Lenten Penance Service:** Wed., Mar. 27th @ 7 p.m., following the Cup of Soup & Fellowship and Stations of the Cross.

--We are looking at rescheduling the **Polka Mass** to Sunday, April 28th.

A Cross for Prayer Requests is in back of Church. During Lent, tack your prayer requests to the cross.

March Food Drive: We will be collecting money/food during the month of March. There will be envelopes and a box in back of Church for the Food Shelf. Please be generous!

Palm Collection: Please bring in your old palms for burning. A vase will be in back of Church for you to put them in this Lent.

Please support our Diocesan Mission to be Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice through your gift to the **Bishop's Annual Appeal.** www.stedio.org

Bridges of Hope, a support group for those grieving the death of a loved one, began February 18 and will meet through March 26. Sessions will be held Monday evenings 6:30-8:00 p.m., and Tuesday mornings 10:00-11:30 a.m. The content will be the same on Monday and Tuesday each week. The support group will meet at Pedersen Funeral Home. For questions or to register, call the funeral home at 589-3220. You are welcome to attend any or all sessions even if you did not register.

Gatherings for Widows and Widowers will meet for lunch at noon on Sunday, March 10th in the basement of Old #1, Morris. For questions, call Rose at Pedersen Funeral Home, 589-3220.

Upcoming speakers at Assumption Church, Morris: Mon., Mar. 11 @ 7 p.m.- Deb Hadley~"My Amazing Life-Finding God through the Midst of the Storm"; Mon., Mar. 25 @ 7 p.m.- Joan Honzay~"Small Deeds that Make a Difference". All are welcome to attend!

Habitat for Humanity Pork Chop Supper: Thursday, March 14th from 4:30 – 7 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, Morris. All proceeds from the free-will donations will be used to benefit local Habitat for Humanity projects.

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will conduct a spring Lenten Retreat, "Dignity of Women", Saturday, March 16th at Seven Dolores Catholic Church, Albany, starting at 8:30 a.m. with Rosary and Mass. Registration (\$15) is due by March 1st and should be mailed to Linda Borgerding, 33504 Shorewood Drive, Avon, MN 56310.

Operation Rice Bowl: In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit crricebowl.org for more.

Stewardship Report- March 1 & 3, 2019

Weekly budget expenses from 2018-2019

Budget: \$1,688.46. *Thank you for your sacrificial offering*

Adult:	\$1,530.00
Youth:	.00
Loose:	130.00
Utilities:	500.00
Flooring:	100.00
TOTAL:	\$2,260.00



THANK YOU to all who have helped with snow removal this winter – sidewalks, parking lots, and roof! It has been a huge job this winter!! Thanks for making it safe for all who worship here.