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March 1, 2020

**First Sunday of Lent**



Weekend Mass Schedule  
 Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.  
 Reconciliation:  
 Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
 See inside for times for daily Mass and Holy Day Masses

*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays.*  
 Thank you.

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We warmly welcome new parishioners and ask them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may see Fr. Pakula or call the Parish Office.

# MASS Intentions

**MONDAY, March 2**

8:00 am Eric Moore

**TUESDAY, March 3**

8:00 am Chuck Snyder

**WEDNESDAY, March 4**

7:00 am Janet Varga  
9:00 am JoAnn Emmendorfer

**THURSDAY, March 5**

8:00 am Cindy Redding

**FRIDAY, March 6**

8:00 am Bernard Francque

**SATURDAY, March 7**

8:00 am For Those Considering Priestly  
or Religious Vocation  
5:00 pm Gerry & Stoney VanderBeke

**SUNDAY, March 8**

8:15 am People of the Parish  
10:30 am Katherine Hartman

*Rosary recited after weekday Masses*

ALTAR SERVERS

**Monday March 2 and Tuesday, March 3**

8:00 am Aidan Bries & Eli Palmer

**Wednesday March 4**

9:00 am Aidan Bries & Eli Palmer

**Thursday March 5 and Friday, March 6**

8:00 am Lillian Brown & Kolby Causemaker

**Saturday, March 7**

5:00 pm Allison & Madison Reade

**Sunday, March 8**

8:15 am Daniel & Anna Pustejovsky  
10:30 am Jenna & Jonathan Freadhoff

Weekend Mass Schedules for Sacred Heart in Annawan and St. Anthony's in Atkinson

St. Anthony

4:00 pm Saturday  
9:30 am Sunday

Sacred Heart

8:00 am Sunday



**Sunday, March 1**

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Living Stations Practice  
5:00 pm Financial Peace Univ. Conf. Rm

**Monday, March 2**

8:00 am - 3:00 pm All School Project, Hall  
2:00 pm - 9:00 pm Exposition, Church  
5:30 pm Pietra, Youth Rm.

**Tuesday, March 3**

1:30 pm Circle 14, Youth Room  
4:00 pm Social Justice, Conf. Rm  
7:00 pm Faith Formation Team, Room C  
7:00 pm RCIA, Conference Rm

**Wednesday, March 4**

7:25 am 7/8th Prayer Group, Youth Rm.  
10:15 am Mom's Group, Youth Room  
6:00 pm Adoration, Church  
6:30 pm Women's Support Group, Rm C  
6:30 pm Oasis, Youth Room and Gym  
6:45 pm 6th/7th CCD, School/Rm. A  
7:00 pm Celebration Choir, Church

**Friday, March 6**

1:00 pm Stations of the Cross, Church  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross, Church

**WOMEN AT THE WELL**  
"Bread for Body & Soul"  
By Winnie Kane & Kathy Smith

**Thurs, March 12 at St. Malachy's Church**

Doors open @ 6:00 PM, dinner @ 6:30  
\$7.00 suggested donation/person at door.

**Reservations required by March 8th**

Contact Jill Vandemore to reserve your spot  
563-349-9652 or jillvandemore@gmail.com  
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February 23, 2020

|                  |                  |          |
|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Weekly Gifts     | (Goal: \$13,000) | \$10,705 |
| School Endow.    | (Goal: \$ 750)   | \$1,699  |
| Paraclete Fund   | (Goal: \$ 750)   | \$453    |
| Capital Improve. | (Goal: \$ 750)   | \$330    |

| Week 34     | Budget    | Actual    | Avg      | Variance  |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Weekly      | \$442,000 | \$437,663 | \$12,872 | (\$4,337) |
| School End. | \$25,500  | \$19,118  | \$5562   | (\$6,382) |
| Paraclete   | \$25,500  | \$30,406  | \$894    | \$4,906   |
| Cap Improv. | \$25,500  | \$33,954  | \$999    | \$8,454   |

**Parish Sacrificial Giving:**

1% will be donated to Catholic Near East Welfare Assoc

**ADA 2019**  
**Goal \$87,107**  
**Pledged \$89,436**  
**Contributed \$87,989**  
**Number of Pledges: 223**



There was a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 20th in the church given by Geneseo Police detective Mike Chavez on Active Shooter Response. His presentation discussed how to respond if there's an active threat at our church. This presentation was digitally recorded on DVD and several copies were made. If you were not able to attend this meeting, you can check out a copy of the DVD from the parish office to watch the presentation at home & learn about this topic and the types of responses detective Chavez reviewed in this meeting.

**RCIA** RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church, or do you have an interest in joining? Our 2019-2020 **RCIA** program meets on **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm** in the Conference Room. For more information, please call Fr. Mike Pakula or Gregg Swanson, leave your name in the parish office, or come to the meeting.

- March 3 Works of Mercy & Social Justice**  
By Vicky & John Bean
- March 10 Human Dignity & Sanctity of Life**  
By **Dr. Mike Sigwalt**

Our parish nurse was contacted about an almost brand new Hoveround power wheelchair. It is available for free, but it would have to be picked up. If you are interested, contact the church office at 944-5393 and leave a message for Cathie Stinson.



**FISH FRY - St. Ambrose/St. Catherine**

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT 4-7 pm**

(March 6th; 13th; 20th & 27th)

St. Ambrose Parish Hall  
435 Main St. Erie, Illinois



**ALL YOU CAN EAT DINNER**

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Women's Support Group: *Perfectly Yourself*

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 For information contact  
 Jen Ulam, 309-738-8065 or  
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**UNDIES SUNDAYS**



During the month of March, the Altar and Rosary Society, along with our Parish friends, will be collecting underwear as well as stockings, sweat-shirts, sweat-pants and pajamas for the needy. There will be a large box located in the Narthex where you can deposit your donations. The larger sizes (Large and XL) are the most frequently requested.

These donations will be distributed to local charities that serve the under privileged in our communities. Monetary donations can be made and should be placed in an envelope and placed in the Mass collection or dropped off at the parish office .

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR CHANGE, March 15th

Please note a change in the Confirmation calendar. Class will be from 4pm-6pm Sunday, March 15 for both 8th & 9th grade classes.

*We Need Your Help*



We are looking for adult help for the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat April 3-4, 2020 Needed: Overnight Chaperones; Table leaders; Kitchen Crew and Clean Up Please contact Debbie Mattan at [mattandebbie@saintmalachy.org](mailto:mattandebbie@saintmalachy.org) if you are able to help in any way.



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Every Monday 2-9 pm Daily Chapel

"The work that we well have to do will be impossible without His continual grace from the tabernacle.."  
 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

**CRS RICE BOWL** Rice Bowl 2020

Once again, during another Lent, we are invited to participate in the Rice Bowl experience which invites Funds to help families around the world to meet the challenges of hunger and poor nutrition. A long standing Rice Bowl tradition is to encourage families to have one sacrificial meal per week during Lent and to contribute the money not spent for that meal to Rice Bowl.

Contributions can be put into the Sunday collection basket or left at the Parish Office any time although we will make a specific request for Rice Bowl donations on Palm Sunday. Rice bowls can be picked up near the doors of the Narthex or from the table where Lenten devotional materials can be found.

**Eden Projects**



**Planting Trees for Haiti**

Lenten Alms-giving Opportunity:

Through the support of our donors and partners, including St. Malachy, the Eden Projects in Haiti has been able to produce tens of thousands of trees for famers in Haiti. Please consider donating to Eden Reforestation Projects this Lent. By doing so, we can improve lives in Haiti immediately (by providing jobs gathering seeds, planting and protecting the trees) and in the future (by increasing food supply and improving the quality of the soil, air and water).

EDEN PROJECTS is committed to alleviating extreme poverty and restoring healthy forests. For every FIFTEEN CENTS we donate, one tree will be planted in Haiti. For every \$5.00 we donate, 33 trees will be planted. You may place donations in the collection box by the tree displayed in the Narthex, at the parish office, or in the Sunday collection baskets. Make checks payable to St. Malachy Church with "Trees for Haiti" in the memo line. Each ribbon on the display tree will represent \$5.00, or THIRTY THREE TREES!

DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

O Mary, St. Therese ever turned to you in love, telling you her desires in simplicity and trust, and begging you to speak to Jesus. With her, we ask you to offer our prayers to your Son for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese. Place within the hearts of men and women a love which is strong enough to lead them to devote their lives to the service of the Church. Help them to respond to your Son's call with a love that will spend itself in service to their brothers and sisters.

St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, Pray for Us

Please Pray for these Seminarians:

Paul Rupert
Chase Stevens
Jack Swoik
Nick Wilson



Ben Shoonmaker
Francis Strong
Jack Watt

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for 40 days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? Are you considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life?

For more information, Call Fr. Timothy Hepner at 309-671-1550

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Please consider reviewing next Sunday's readings:

Genesis 12:1-4

"Abraham was called by God, and he said yes."

2 Timothy 1:8-10

"God is calling us to be holy."

Matthew 17:1-9

"This is My beloved Son. Listen to Him."



GENESE0 COMMUNITY CHOIR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR INVITATION



The Community Choir of Geneseo will celebrate their 12th anniversary this summer with the theme: "Vision 2020". Performance is Wednesday, July 8th at 7:00 pm in the Geneseo HS Concert Hall.

Community Choir of Geneseo includes those entering 8th grade and older adults.

Rehearsals will be on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8 pm beginning Wed, June 3rd - Wed, July 1 in the High School band room. If you are interested in singing, please call Pam Edwards, the director, at 309-944-6641 or email her at singplay53@gmail.com by May 15th.

The Children's Choir welcomes students entering grades 4-7. Rehearsals will be on July 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8. Children's Choir will perform with the Community Choir July 8th.

Registration forms are available on the Geneseo elementary and middle school choir instructor's website or contact Pam Edwards. The deadline to register is May 11th.

For more information, check out the Community Choir of Geneseo's FaceBook page.

Upcoming CURSILLO Weekends:

March 19-22 (Men) April 23-26 (Women)

TEC Weekend for boys: April 18 - 20, at the Believers Together Center, Moline.

MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFAST

The Geneseo Ministerial Association's Lenten Men's Breakfasts continue Saturdays 7 am - 8 am.

- March 7 - Grace United Methodist Church
March 14 - First United Methodist Church
March 21 - Geneseo Evangelical Free Church
March 28 - First Presbyterian Church
April 4 - First Lutheran Church.



Fathers, you are welcome to bring your sons, especially teens

Lent



My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter into this Lenten season, the Church once again invites us to use this opportunity to share more fully in the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. It is essential that we cultivate a deeper sense of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to better offer our lives to Our Lord.

As we make our way through the Triduum and to that glorious day of the Lord's Resurrection, I pray that all of us will be ever more attentive to our spiritual devotions and especially to the Word of God during these 40 days. May the guidance of the Holy Spirit assist us in our Lenten journey.

REGULATIONS FOR LENT AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. Priests, religious and laity are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, attentiveness to prayer, and especially to works of charity and mercy. Everyone of 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2020, and all the Fridays of Lent. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2020, and Good Friday, April 10, 2020.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meat-less meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is a serious matter.

May our Lenten journey bring us closer to the cross and our Resurrected Savior.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C

Handwritten signature of Daniel R. Jenky

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