

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of March 1 - \$TBD

MASS SCHEDULE (L=Living, † =Deceased)		
<i>THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</i>		
Sat. Mar. 7	5:00 PM	† John Jackson from Rita Jackson
Sun. Mar. 8	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish
Mon. Mar. 9	XXX	NO PUBLIC MASS
Tue. Mar. 10	8:00 AM	Roman Lee Ralston from Kevin Cooper
Wed. Mar. 11	8:00 AM	Pat Donahue from Bob Rottman
Thur. Mar. 12	8:00 AM	Edward and Genoa Scott from Linda Menefee
Fri. Mar. 13	8:00 AM	Vincent Fariello from Tony Fariello
<i>THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</i>		
Sat. Mar. 14	5:00 PM	John Jackson from Rita Jackson
Sun. Mar. 15	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish

PRAYER LIST—Eileen Ehlman, Kate & Colton Sherold, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Bill Schneider (at Gateway Rehab,), the friends and family of Ree Wagner on her passing, Wanda Bach, Maverick Orth (3yrs old), Daniel Cahill, Pax Minch, Todd Kloentrup, Gina Cooper, Tom and Connie Breeze, Valetta Proctor, Melba Hauser, Larry Cappel, Mary Beth Feldmann, Griffin Cornell, Jeff Piehl, Annamarie Schroeder, Elissa Baker, Doug Redman, Jody Rodriguez, Aiden Magee, Jeff Groneck, Rita and Carl Rebholz, Greg White, Eric Thomas Sr., Roman Lee Ralston, and Dennis McNay,

BIRTHDAYS—Feb. 28-Chloe Cooper, Mar. 2-Zachary Eten, Mar. 3-Andy Schroder, Mar. 4-Russel Neuspickel, Mar. 6-Rita Funke, Mar. 7-Mike Ruttle, Mar. 8-Kristen Bach, Mar. 9-Sarah Gripshover, Mar. 9-Caroline Rawe, Mar. 12-Michael Hensley, Mar. 16-Avery Bach, Mar. 16-Melinda Mills, Mar. 18-Elissa Baker, Mar. 21-Howard Kleusener, Mar. 25-Joe Schmiade, Mar. 27-Tim Schlachter, Mar. 29-Esther Cooper, Mar. 30-Callahan Mason, Mar. 31-Eileen Ehlman.

ANNIVERSARY—Mar. 14-Andy and Shelli Schroder, Mar. 17-Tim and Ella Dickerson , Mar. 31-Walt and Eden Haley.

LECTOR, - Mar. 8-Brad Cooper, Mar. 15-Linda Fryman **CLEANING** —Mar.-Patty and Penny

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If anyone’s birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda Fryman know. 859-240-2377.



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Mass Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays [Tue through Fri] – 8 AM

Holy Days– 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Lindsay Rawe (859) 250-7415

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Parish History/Cemetery Info – Patty Neuspickel (859) 472-2508

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 8, 2026

LENTEN FISH FRIES—We will have three fish fries this Lent. The dates are March 13, 20, and 27. Times are 5 PM-7:30 PM. Prices will be a bit higher this year due to the rising cost of food. Fish dinners will be \$12, Shrimp dinners will be \$13, Fish Sandwich is \$8, Mozzarella sticks \$3, Grilled cheese dinner will be \$5. Extra sides are \$2 each. Choices are macaroni and cheese, fries, or cole slaw. All meals include drink and dessert. Don't forget to sign up and if you didn't, you can just show up and ask who needs help.

DESSERTS FOR FISH FRY—Don't forget to make (or purchase) a dessert for the fish fries. We have always offered free dessert to those who buy our dinners so let's bring in some good ones if you are able. Thanks!

EXPANDING OUR HEARTS— This week we have the paper surveys available for those who prefer them. We also will have a i-pad type computer if you want to use it after Mass. So far, we have only had seven people complete the survey. Thank you to those seven, but we can do better! www.covdio.org/withoneheart/ (you may have to click on One Heart), then click the '**Click Here**' words on the blue Disciple Maker Index Portal. Scroll down to St. Matthew and click that. It will only take 15 minutes or so to complete. The chance to complete the survey online ends on March 23.

2026 DPAA KICKOFF—We will be showing the Bishop's appeal for the 2026 DPAA kickoff next weekend. Please watch the film and pray for a successful campaign this year. We went over our goal for 2025 and will be getting the extra back for our parish.

CCD STUDENTS WANT NAMES OF SICK OR SHUT INS— The CCD students would like to write letters/make cards for our parishioners who are not able to get to Mass due to illness or being shut-in as the kids are learning about the Corporal Works of Mercy during this Lenten season. (In addition to adding them to our prayers). Please submit any names to Lindsay Rawe. See Lindsay with any questions. Thank you!

CHURCH RULES FOR LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE

FASTING – ASH WEDNESDAY & GOOD FRIDAY

Must be done by all aged 18-59; only one main meal; two other lesser meals may be consumed which must not equal as much as one main meal; liquids permitted

ABSTINENCE – ASH WEDNESDAY & ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT

Must be done by all who are at least 14 years old; no consumption of flesh meat (beef, pork, chicken, etc.); seafood (fish, shrimp, shellfish, etc.) permitted

These rules presume the good health of the participant. If your health is precarious and will not allow you to engage these practices, put your health first.

From the Pastor

One of the many things about which I feel so blessed, regarding the people here at St. Matthew, is how many people go to confession – and all ages! Like many areas of our parish life, both spiritual and social, the level of involvement (and sincere devotion) here is at a height that would rival a parish 10 times our size! I'm telling you, it is so refreshing!

Being as you all are generally so interested in the Faith and how to be the best Catholics you can be, I thought I'd share a few thoughts about confession. Again, I feel very inspired by how well you all know "how to" properly go to confession. Here are just a few more things that, knowing you better and better, I think you'd be interested in.

Don't forget to start with "Bless me Father for I have sinned." I generally wait for you to do this. It is only when you don't that I'll say something first. I may greet you first, but then, you start off. Don't be shy!

After stating how long it's been (about) since your last confession, it's time to state your sins.

Regarding this, here are a couple pointers:

Remember to state the "number of times" you've committed the various sins you confess. Now, this can be a ballpark figure. There is nothing to worry about if you don't remember the exact number. But associating a quantity of times with a sin helps us as penitents to really take a good inventory with how much we're struggling with a sin. It is part of the penitential process.

Also, remember you don't have to "defend" yourself before God or the priest. This is an easy temptation for all of us to fall into. We want to explain the circumstances—the who's, what's, and why's that we have committed a sin, so that we don't seem "as bad". But this really isn't the point, though. Remember, this is about God wanting to give you mercy and healing. Defense might hinder your receptivity to God's mercy.

Anyway, it is so nice to be able to have parishioners with whom I can share these thoughts, because you are sophisticated enough in your faith to hunger for "pointers." I don't have to worry as much about basics with you all, but I can go a little deeper! Thanks for that! I know the Lord blesses you for it.

If you've not gone to confession this Lent yet, there are the usual weekend times from 4:00 to 4:45 Saturdays and 8:00 to 8:45 Sundays. But also I've been hearing confessions during the Wednesday Lenten Holy Hour from about 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm. By the way, thanks for the great turnouts of all ages at those too!

See you at our Fish Fry's starting next Friday!

Fr. Lange