



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

LIGHT

And he was transfigured
before them; his face
shone like the sun and
his clothes became
white as light. —Mt 17:2

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil6:30 p.m.
 Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon
 Weekdays..... 7:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday
 School Mass9:00 a.m. on Fridays

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: See Mass Intention Times Inside

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m.

Anytime by calling the parish office for an appointment.

BAPTISMS: Presenting a child for Baptism is a serious obligation and requires a faith commitment on the part of the parents and godparents. This commitment is exemplified by being a practicing, active Catholic. Parents are obligated to attend a preparation session before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the past five years. Sessions are held at 1:15 p.m. on second Sundays of January, March, May, July, September and November, in the Parish Activity Center. Baptisms are at 1:15 p.m. on the third Sunday of January, February, March, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December and on the fourth Sunday of April.

WEDDINGS: Please phone the parish office to set-up an appointment with a priest, in order to begin the sacramental preparation. Only after this initial meeting and assessment can a date be set for the wedding. The process requires at least 6 months.

COUNSELING SERVICES: Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein 1-937-299-9005.

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NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

Please come to the parish office to register. If you have a change of address, phone number or email, please inform the parish office.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 12, 2017

The Light Is On for You

Is there someone you love who has stopped coming to Mass or feels separated from the Church? Join the Lord in inviting him or her back to church. Catholic churches across the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be open for quiet prayer and confession on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Invite your friend to enjoy the quiet and peace of people gathered in silent prayer. If the time is right, also invite him or her to consider talking with a priest or receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Learn more at: www.lightison4u.com

I.C. will also have a Parish Penance Service Wednesday, March 15, 2017 1:00 p.m. and individual confessions Thursdays, March 23 and April 6 at 7:00 p.m. Individual confessions will be held Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. No Saturday Confessions April 15.



Archbishop Schnurr offers thanks to all parishioners who have made a gift to the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our parish has raised \$43,806.20 so far from 264 households, (reaching 125.77 percent of our parish goal of \$34,830.00. Thank you! We ask every Catholic household to participate. Please know that every pledge matters. You can pick up a pledge envelope in the main entrance of church, or for more information please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

The *Endowment Fund* received \$100.00 in memory of Betty McKirnan.

Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/
Mt 17:1-9

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/
Jn 4:5-42

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Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, March 13

7:30 a.m. Lucy Link

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Liv. & Dec. Hull & Beyke Family

Tuesday, March 14

7:30 a.m. Vera Winkeljohn

Wednesday, March 15

7:30 a.m. Don Uhlenhake

Thursday, March 16

7:30 a.m. Oscar Borgerding

Friday, March 17

Saint Patrick, Bishop

7:30 a.m. Larry Wendel (Anniversary)

9:00 a.m. Jack Gentry

Saturday, March 18

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 p.m. Homan & Goettemoeller Family

Sunday, March 19

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Red & Jerry Everman

12:00 noon Liv. & Dec. of Dominik & Richter Family

The St. Vincent de Paul Society reports that \$780.54 was collected the weekend of March 4 & 5. Thank you for helping support some of the needs of the people in our area.



Remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Dominic Reinhard.

✠ Vocation Cross ✠

March 19-25 -- John & Myra Hileman

March 26-April 1 -- Tom & Donna Hartke

Food For All

A generous 318 food items were donated during our March food collection. Your generosity helps local families have nutritious meals. Your contributions do make a difference! Our next food collection will take place on April 1 & 2.



Legacies and bequests help continue the faith. Please remember Immaculate Conception Parish in your will and expressions of sympathy.

Video Presentations

On two separate evenings in Lent, there will be offered the viewing of several different videos on topics of value for enlightening adult Catholics. On Tuesday, March 21 in the PAC, Room 103 at 7:00 p.m., the videos, *The Eucharist*, *"In Communion with Me"* (Miracles and deepening our love & respect for It) and *Tears from Heaven* (Mary's supernatural concern for Her children in our times) will be shown.

Toward the end of Lent, on Tuesday, April 11 in the PAC, Room 103 at 7:00 p.m., we'll view a video explanation of the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday. This powerful Feast on April 23, requested by Jesus for us through St. Faustina in the 20th Century, is an extraordinary gift to us from our Merciful God. Save the dates!

On both evenings, you are welcome to bring a Catholic friend/s from another Parish, your bottle of water, and padded seat cushion, if you like! For any questions, please call Janet Ramsey at 419-586-3881.

Thanks for Sharing Your Gifts!

Thank you to all who helped to make the Mardi Gras celebration a success! It takes a lot of people to make this happen! Thank you to all who prepared food, those who helped to serve it and those who helped clean up after the affair. Most of all, thank you to those who came to the party and enjoyed the evening. We hope you had as much fun as we did in planning and preparing this event. THANK YOU!

Parish Coffee

There will be a parish coffee on Sunday, March 19 after the 9:00 Mass, in the PAC. Please join us for coffee and breakfast pastries. Come and visit with those you see in Mass each week. There will be juice and milk for the youngsters.



Society Samaritans

A big thank you to all the wonderful people that baked pies for the first K of C Fish Fry. We had 32 pies donated. It is because of your generosity that we are able to have the funds to provide some of the needs of our beautiful church!

Altar Rosary

Mark your calendars ladies. The March Altar Rosary meeting will be on Monday, March 20 in the PAC. **PLEASE NOTE A TIME CHANGE.** The meeting will begin after Stations and Mass. All ladies of the parish 18 years and older are encouraged to come and be a part of this organization. If you have never come to a meeting, maybe now is the time to see what we are all about.

Formed

Formed.org has something for children, adolescents and adults with a variety of different topics. Use your computer, tablet or phone and login today, formed.org and use this free code **E4GMWJ**.

Keeping Our Light

A support group for survivors of suicide loss will be held in Coldwater on the 4th Thursday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. beginning March 23. This is an open support group for people who have lost someone they love to suicide. For more information please contact Carol Griesdorn at 937-416-2011 or CGriesie1@gmail.com. No cost to attend.

Strength Through Faith

A Men's conference will be held on Saturday, March 25 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in St. Michael's Hall, Fort Loramie. Josh Danis, from the National Associate Director of Alpha Catholic Context, will speak about "The Real Definition of Manliness" and Sean Ater, Director of the Archdiocese Office of New Evangelization, will speak about "Man's Role In Evangelization". Breakfast, lunch, speakers, reconciliation and adoration will be included. Register by email to FLMensConference@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.00.

Education Opportunity

The LPMP will offer the full 2 year Certificate Program from August, 2017 through May, 2019. Two classes will be offered each Saturday during the academic year, with one class meeting 9:30-12:10 and the second from 1:00-3:40. Students can take one or both, depending on their schedule. Courses include: Old and New Testament Scripture, Church History, Catechism, Basic Doctrine, Discipleship, Pastoral Communication, Using Scripture in Parish Ministry, Jesus the Christ of Faith, Evangelization and Social Media, Ecclesiology, Liturgy/Prayer and Morality and Justice in Catholic Life. Courses are taught at the undergraduate equivalency level and may be used for application to the permanent diaconate or for catechist training. Our faculty is outstanding, with teachers such as Dr. Kevin Schmiesing, Joan Dunn, Denise Warnecke, Deacon Hal Belcher and Sr. Joyce Ann Zimmerman. Classes are engaging, thought-provoking, faith-filled and fun. In addition to course work, students participate in mentoring, supervised Field Education and complete a final Project in Ministry.

We are so pleased to be back in McCartyville, and hope that many men and women in the region will take advantage of the shorter commute and participate either in the full program, or simply come to take a class or two as their schedule allows. People interested in learning more can call our Associate Director, Deacon Hal Belcher at 419-305-5486 or email him at hbelcher001@woh.rr.com.



Calendar of Events for the Week

Saturday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.

Servers: Adam Faber and Brecken Adams
 Commentator: Judie Braun
 Lector: Joshua Muhlenkamp
 Gifts: Michael Adams
 E. M.: Katey Wibbenmeyer, Rita Prenger, Joan Carr,
 Dan Siebert, Sue Siebert
 Ushers: Team H, Joe Bruns, Captain

Sunday, March 19, 7:30 a.m.

Servers: Reeves Black and Ashley Robinson
 Commentator: Cindy Shaffer
 Lector: Trish Baucher
 Gifts: Don Reinhart
 E. M.: Mike Shaffer, Mike Braun, Charlie Salway,
 Rita Snider, John Schmidt
 Ushers: Team I, Anna Garman, Captain

Sunday, March 19, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Emma Homan and Marcus Rable
 Commentator: Thomas Rable
 Lector: Janet Ramsey
 Gifts: Ray Feltz
 E. M.: X Denny Marbaugh, Tara Homan,
 Christine Carney, Shaun Olberding, Becky Lipp,
 Jim Miller
 Ushers: Team J, Charles Heckler, Captain

Sunday, March 19, 12:00 Noon

Servers: Ian Darras and Maddie Fleck
 Commentator: Nicole Schumm
 Lector: Ali Darras
 Gifts: Nancy Krugh
 E. M.: X Ann Hull, Ruth Knapke, Kelli Clausen,
 Eric Clausen, Margaret Flaute, Anne Knapke,
 Anita Muhlenkamp, Tom Muhlenkamp, Donna Hartke,
 Pat Hull, Kylie Johnson, Tom Drexler
 Ushers: Team K, Tony Grilliot, Captain

Nursery March 19, Shirley Cass, Cindy Miller &
 Alexis Hall

Sunday, March 12

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class
 1:15 p.m. Baptism Prep Session
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Tuesday, March 14

7:00 p.m. Reconciliation
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Wednesday, March 15

1:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service
 7:00 p.m. Religious Education Grades 1-9

Thursday, March 16

1:00 & 7:00 p.m. I.C. School Musical

Friday, March 17

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Prayer before the Tabernacle
 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. I.C. School Musical
 5:00-7:00 p.m. K of C Fish Fry

Saturday, March 18

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, March 19

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in the PAC
 10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class
 12:00 p.m. Children's Choir
 1:15 p.m. Baptism
 7:00 p.m. Bingo at the K of C Hall

Bingo

Chairperson March 19 & March 21: Joe Bruns

Crew Captain: March 19 Joe Hoying

Workers March 19: Lupe Hoying, Doug Thobe,
 Bill Siefker, Tim Knapke, Rob Luebke, Dale Albers

Crew Captain March 21: Tony Schindler

Workers March 21: Dave Frenzer, Don Springer,
 Rhett & Cindy Snyder, Jan Dues, Dorothy Springer,
 Dave Cron, Eric Sudhoff

Mercer County Right to Life is sponsoring a bus trip to the Kettering abortion clinic, Thursday, April 6, in conjunction with "40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN". This is an opportunity to stand up for the Sanctity of Human Life. You're invited to join us as we pray and give witness, by our presence, in behalf of God's Most Precious Gift of Human Life. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Marie Heitkamp 419-375-1044 or email m.heitkamp@hotmail.com.

Bulletin articles are due in writing by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday. You may email article to: ann@celina-ic.org.

Stewardship Offering March 5

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| Envelopes/online (308) | \$ 14,070.00 |
| Loose | <u>1,388.10</u> |
| Total Received | \$ 15,458.10 |
| Weekly Offering: | \$ 15,458.10 |
| Week Budgeted: | <u>14,304.00</u> |
| Over/Short: | \$ 1,154.10 |
| YTD Total Collection: | \$494,882.14 |
| YTD Total Budgeted: | <u>500,640.00</u> |
| Over/Short to date: | (\$ 5,757.86) |

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