

March 21, 2021 - 5th Sunday of Lent

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends

Saturday 7:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

Adoration

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:30 am

Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Saturday 6:35 pm

Sunday 8:35 am

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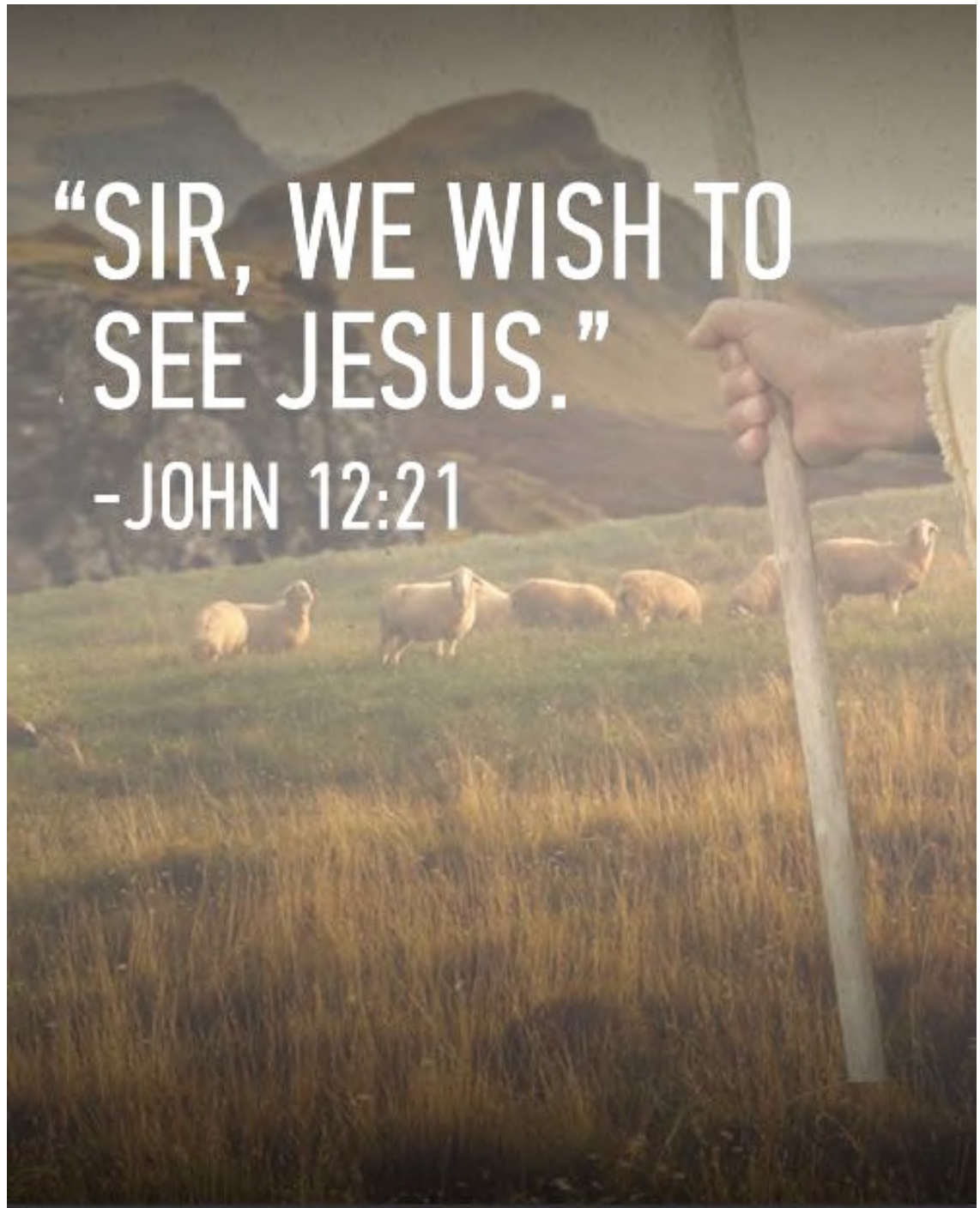
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*"The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
Amen, amen, I say to you,
unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,
it remains just a grain of wheat;
but if it dies, it produces much fruit."*

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 23

Private Special Intention
Mass By: Fr. Clayton

Wednesday, March 24

8:30 am Special Intention
By: Fr. Clayton

Thursday, March 25

8:30 am † Kathleen Kobylski
By: Rita Hall

Friday, March 26

8:30 am Jennifer Sparby
By: Sauter Sisters

Saturday, March 27

7:00 pm † Poor Souls in Purgatory
By: Angela Dziewior

Sunday, March 28

1:00 pm Parishioner Mass
9:00 am † Rowena Kimball
By: Senzig Family



Annunciation of the Lord
March 25th

Upcoming Events

Stations of the Cross

Fridays after 8:30 am Mass

Parish Finance Council

April 13th @ 6:30pm

Cemetery Committee

April 15th @ 6:30pm

Parish Pastoral Council

May 11th @ 6:30pm

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CAN YOU SCROLL BACK UP?

The Call to Die

“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” John 12:24

Death does not necessarily sound all that inviting to most people. So, how should we look at death?

First of all, death, literally speaking, is a passing from this world to the next. When our time comes in accord with the will of God, we should welcome it and anticipate our full immersion into the life of God.

But this Scripture passage speaks of death on another level. We should see ourselves represented by the grain of wheat that achieves its potential only by falling to the ground and dying. In that natural act, it is planted in the fertile soil and grows, producing an abundance of good fruit.

How should we see ourselves represented in this natural action? We do so by embracing death to self so that we can be planted in the fertile soil of the grace of God and produce an abundance of good fruit.

Dying to oneself means that we let go of all selfishness in life. First, all intentional acts of selfishness must be let go, but then even unintended selfishness must be let go. What is “unintended selfishness”?

Unintended selfishness is a way of referring to everything in life that you hold on to and cling to simply because you want it for yourself. This could include even good things such as a loving relationship. It's not that we should do away with good things in life, such as loving relationships; rather, we must not cling to anything, even good things, for selfish motives. Love, when it is authentic love inspired by God, always is detached and selfless, looking only toward the good of the other. This is the purest death to self that we can live. When this level of love is lived, that of complete selfless detachment, God enters into our lives and into each particular situation of our lives, bringing forth an abundance of good fruit. This is a gift that is more powerful than anything we can do on our own, because it is the fruit of a total death to self, transformed by God into new life.

Reflect, today, upon your calling to die. First, reflect upon the literal death from this world that you will one day experience. Do not fear that moment; rather, see it as a glorious transition into the fullness of life. Second, look for ways that you can die to yourself, here and now. Identify practical and concrete ways that God is calling you to this form of death. Know that in this act, glorious gifts of new life await.

Lord, I give myself to You and Your holy will in a total and sacrificial way. I choose to die to self so that You can bring forth new life from this act of selfless surrender. Take me, dear Lord, and do with me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

-Taken from *Catholic Daily Reflections - My Catholic Life!*

Upcoming Collections

Holy Thursday: Mary's Meals -- A nonprofit organization that partners with local growers for food to be distributed through the school system in impoverished areas of the world. Strives to nourish the mind and body at the same time. Learn more by going to www.marysmeals.org

Good Friday: Pope Francis asks us to help support the Christians living in the Holy Land and to preserve the sacred shrines. This collection also provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

Checks should be written to St. Mary's Parish

****Please note, these are the only collections on these days, they are not second collections.****

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Asking Your Prayers for Fr. Clayton:

As you know, the complications following Fr. Clayton Elmhurst's vehicle accident in October 2020 have grown into issues of long term healing. Following the details of his letter to parishioners and at his request I want to give you an update. Stress and a strong sense of personal responsibility seem to be aggravating his injuries and can tend to set his recovery back. In an attempt to reverse the trend and restart the healing process he was willingly admitted into a VA Hospital for a multiple-day stay with close observation. His specialists are working to determine the best course of action for his ongoing treatment and rehabilitation. We thank all those who are praying for him and those who have given their time and talent to support Fr. Clayton and his usual daily routine in this difficult time. The staff is working with diocesan offices to keep in place the pastoral activities of St. Mary Parish. The parish is clearly in good hands. May God's grace guide us all and help us build His Kingdom.

In Christ,
Fr. Woody Pace,
Vicar for Clergy

Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm

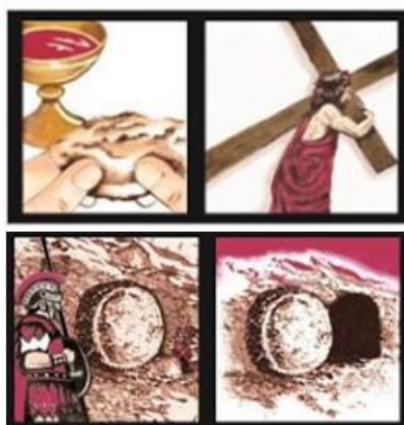
Good Friday: 3:00 pm

S'wieconke: Saturday 10:00 am

Easter Vigil: Saturday 8:30 pm

Easter Sunday: 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

****Please sign up in the back of church if you plan to attend the Easter Vigil and/or Easter Sunday Masses!****



ST. MARY'S PRAYER LIST

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Karen DeLange, Jamie Donnelly, Joan, Henry, Bill, William, Clayton & John Elmhurst, Jim & Adela Hagen, Elizabeth Hall, Casey Jakacki, Roseanne Kenneth, Gloria Kramer, Helena Kwit & Family, Mary Claire Marshall, Courtney Miller, Lizzie Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Lucille Ryczek, Charlotte Rybicki, Marjorie Senzig, Jeri Smith, Jane Torgerson, Rosalee Verette, William & Jackie Zenk, Nancy Zingsheim, Bob Walsh, those who are sick, unemployed, in need & all families who are suffering in any way; from illness, cancer, uncertainty, anxieties & for the end of the COVID-19 pandemic; Families & Friends please...PRAY THE ROSARY!!!



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

If you wish to donate money towards Easter flowers in memory of loved ones, please put the money in an envelope with your name on it, who you want remembered, and put the envelope in the Offertory collection or mail to the Parish at P.O. Box 303, Lyndon Station



Attention

For those of you who, in the past have parked in the Scully Lot or the Lot across Hwy 12/16 (Oasis), the new owners are requesting that you park elsewhere. Old habits are hard to break, but please make a conscious effort to find other parking. Thank you!

Financial Stewardship

March 14, 2021

Adult Envelopes.....\$2733.00

Student Envelopes.....\$7.40

Offertory.....\$362.00

Votive Candles.....\$54.60

Total \$3157.00

Weekly Budget \$2,548.07

(159 registered families)

Year-to-date*

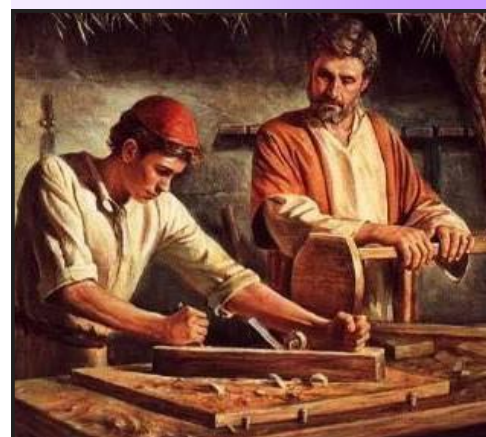
Budgeted \$94,278.59

Contributed \$107,073.52

Time to go to St. Joseph

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family & we can trust ourselves, to him at a time when fatherhood is so needed. We can ask him to help strengthen our families – as well as the bonds of our parish during this time of hardship.

-St. Joseph, Pray for us!



St. Mary's Floor Project

Parishioners' Goal: \$75,000

Total Received: \$72,650.00

Percent of Goal received: 96.87%

2020-21 Annual Appeal

Goal: \$15,810

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