



LENT

Second Sunday of Lent March 13, 2022

Wed.	Mar. 16 th	11:30am	St. John
Thur.	Mar. 17 th	5:30pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	Mar. 18 th	9:00am	St. John
Adoration following Mass until 10:30am			
Sat.	Mar. 19 th	4:00pm	St. John
Sun.	Mar. 20 th	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	Mar. 20 th	10:30am	St. Columbkille

Confessions for this Week

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John
 Thursdays Cancelled this week St Columbkille
 Saturday 3:15pm before Mass St. John's

Readings for the Week

Monday, March 14th

Daniel 9:4b-10 Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 15th

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 16th

Jeremiah 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday, March 17th

Jeremiah 17:5-10 Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 18th

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 19th

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22 Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Sunday, March 20th

Ezekiel 3:1-8a, 13-15 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Luke 13:1-9

RCIA Meetings

"Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings for children will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 11:30am-1:00 pm at St. Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please call Dana Irion at 9895530585 or Fr. Nate at 9896588145.

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Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$7344.00

Loose - \$419.00

Building Fund - \$165.00

650 Parish Families

(297 Family envelope holders)

125 Envelopes used

Mass Intentions for the Week of:

March 7-13, 2022

Thursday St. Columbkille: + Eugene Stewart Sr.

Friday St. John: ~ Gregory Guza

Saturday St. John: + Concetta Carlone

Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Delphine McEachin

Mass Intentions for the Week of:

March 14-20, 2022

Friday St. John: ~ Isaac Guza

Saturday St. John: + Mark Wojcik

Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Loreane Holz

In This Sunday's Readings:

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." --
 Genesis 15:7

In this part of the Book of Genesis, we hear about Abram making a sacrifice to God in gratitude for what the Lord had given to him. Do you recognize your gifts from God and make sacrificial gifts in return? If so, pray on how you can be an example to others. If not, pray on how you are called - and can - show gratitude to God for His gifts to you.

Scripture Study

Good Shepherd Scripture Study Group will be studying the book, "Believe," by the Evangelical Catholic from Word Among Us. New members are always welcome. We will be gathering at St. Columbkille Church at 6:30 PM on the following dates: March 15, 22, 29. The cost of the book is \$12. Please call to order a book or if you have any questions: Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski 989-375-4281

Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together on Tuesday,
Wednesdays and Sunday.

Kindergarten through 6th grade

Argyle: 6-7:30pm (March 15, 22)

Ubly: 6-7:30pm (March 16, 23)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (March 16, 23)

No Faith Formation classes on March 30, due to spring
break. Next classes will be on April 6th

Youth Group

Youth group will be meeting in 2022.

Mar. 20th, April 24th, & May 15th.

We meet from 5pm-8pm & start with a shared meal.

Youth group is for all 7-12th grades & there is no cost.

Good Shepherd Christian Mothers is offering their college textbook fund. Applications are available to all parish high school graduating seniors by stopping by the parish office or by calling 658-8824 and getting it emailed to you! They offer one award of \$400.00! Deadline to return application is April 29th 2022 at 3p.m. Recipients will be announced at mass.

Thank You

To all who donated and prayed for Sandy and her family. May the perpetual light shine upon her and May she rest in peace.

Help Wanted

Need someone to do the lawns at our St. Columbkille site. Includes church, cemetery and hall. Must have own equipment and liability insurance. Contact Jerry Sweeney @ 989-550-9664 if interested.

Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on April 13. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly.

This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

VOLUNTEERS' SCHEDULE:

Counters:

Mar. 14: Diana Briolat, Jeanene Schmidt, Shirley Piontkowski

Mar. 21: Luci Kubacki, Barb Roggenbuck, Rose Maikrzek

Mar. 28: Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski

4:00pm Saturday Mass March 19th St. John

Lector: Carol Beaudin

EMHC: Judy Messing

Altar Server: Utah Gusa

Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Mike Briolat, Allen Peruski, Whitey Pawlosky

8:30am Sunday Mass March 20th St. Joseph

Lector: Denise Kubacki

EMHC: Chuck Izydorek

Greeter: Jo Izydorek

Ushers: Bill Izydorek, Steve Briolat, Gordon Farrelly

10:30am Sunday Mass Mar. 20th St Columbkille

Lector: Youth Mass

EMHC: Jerry Sweeney & Kevin Romzek

Altar Servers: Youth Mass

Greeters: Youth Mass

Gift Bearers: Youth Mass

Ushers: Marvin Osentoski, Dan Cregeur, Camden Peruski

Listening Sessions

On behalf of Pope Francis, Fr. Nate urges every parishioner to participate in a Listening Session, and to invite others, especially those who don't attend Mass anymore. At these sessions, all will have a chance to be listened to without interruption, without judgment, without agendas. Questions will be asked to help us share our experiences of how the Church has journeyed with us. Summaries of comments will be forwarded on to the Bishops' Synod in 2023. For info, contact Kevin Romzek, our Parish Coordinator. All sessions will be held at Good Shepherd Parish Center, on these dates:

Monday March 14 at 6:30pm; Sunday March 20 at 12:15pm- brunch served (RSVP to office for meal count); Sunday March 20 for MS/HS Youth during their regular Youth Group at 5pm;
Saturday April 9 at 3:00pm

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Ruth K of C Euchre Party

Sunday March 13th 2022

Starts at 1:00 @ Ruth K of C Hall

Cash Prizes & Hot Lunch Included

Admission \$6:00 Come Join Us!

✕ RELIEF FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE -

The needs for the people of Ukraine are growing rapidly. Currently there are already more than 2.9 million people in need of assistance. There is great risk of additional suffering both within Ukraine and for those who may flee to neighboring countries for safety. CRS and their partners are in need of immediate support to meet both ongoing needs, as well as those related to families forced to flee their homes as the situation intensifies. We will have an emergency special collection be taken for Ukraine this weekend or please send donations to the attention of Maria Coss, Catholic Diocese of Saginaw. Checks are to be made payable to the Diocese of Saginaw, with Ukraine written in the memo. The funds will be sent to the CRS and its partners already in Ukraine and bordering countries, ready to provide safe shelter, hot meals, hygiene supplies, fuel to keep warm, transport to safe areas, counseling support and more. For more information or questions, you may contact Maria Coss at 989-797-6646 or mcoss@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

Bad Axe K of C Euchre Party on Sunday, March 20th at 1pm at the Bad Axe K of C hall. Doors open at noon.

There will be cash prizes and a lite lunch included in the \$6 admission. Sponsored by Bishop Babcock Assembly - 4th degree. Come join us!!



Raul and Lilian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. In what ways are you being challenged to serve others this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

2022 Lenten Season Schedule

Stations of the Cross during Lent

St John – 6:45pm Thursdays

St Columbkille – 7:30pm Wednesdays

Communal Penance Service with Individual Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 5th – 7:00pm – St John, Ubyly

April 14th – Holy Thursday

7:00pm – St John, Ubyly

April 15th – Good Friday

Noon – St John, Ubyly

April 16th – Holy Saturday

9:00pm Vigil – St John, Ubyly

April 12th – Easter Sunday

8:00am – St Joseph, Argyle

9:30am – St Ignatius, Freiburg

11:00am – St Columbkille, Sheridan Corners

CONVENTION

The Detroit Province Council of Catholic Women invites all Catholic women to join them for a statewide convention, with the theme of *Beacons of Light*, to be held on Friday afternoon and Saturday, April 29-30, in Frankenmuth at the Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference Center. The following speakers will be presenting to enrich our faith: Fr. Patrick Maher, Elizabeth Gengle, Sr. Janet Schaeffler, OP, Bill Richart, and Sheri Wohlfert. Three bishops will be presiding at the Eucharistic Liturgy at Blessed Trinity Church, Frankenmuth, with Bishop Gruss as the main celebrant. A banquet and entertainment will provide some fun "sister time." Emmaus House of Saginaw will be the featured charity effort. A poster is on display in the gathering space. For registration information, please email Rita Maher at rfmaher48453@yahoo.com or call her at 989-635-7072. Forms are also available at the parish office.

Bulletin Ads

If you are a business or an individual that would like to advertise in our bulletin, we have several openings. If interested please call the parish office for details.

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Second Sunday of Lent

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 | Phil 3:17-4:1 or Phil 3:20-4:1 |
Lk 9:28b-36

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus is transfigured before the disciples: They see a glorious vision of him wearing dazzling white, with a "face changed in appearance," and conversing with Moses and Elijah about the "exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem." This is in marked contrast to what Luke had recounted just prior to these verses: Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death, and the assertion that his disciples must take up their crosses daily in order to follow him. So it is no surprise that Peter, likely somewhat stunned after being a part of both moments, "did not know what he was saying." Then a cloud passes over and, while they are frightened, they hear God's voice affirm what they have just seen: "This my chosen Son; listen to him." We all experience these extremes - days where all seems lost; others where we feel as though we've had glimpses of heaven. Today's Gospel encourages us to look to Jesus, who has experienced the frailty of humanity and the glory of divinity. Through his suffering, death, and resurrection, we are redeemed, and ultimately - as the disciples glimpsed today - "he will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Life can bring unexpected joys and disappointments. One day we celebrate a birth; another we grieve the loss of a loved one. We fall in love; we experience broken relationships. Many of us may find ourselves in flux much of the time: Will this pandemic ever end? Will the cancer recur? What's next now that the kids are grown? Today's readings give me great hope in the knowledge that God is with us through all the twists and turns and ups and downs of our lives. Just as God fulfilled his promises to Abraham, God has given us a Savior in Jesus Christ and promises that we will someday share in his glory. To that end, we can strive to ensure that no darkness in our world prevents us from becoming a source of light to others. Jesus and the saints walk before us. We pray, then, for the grace to listen to God's chosen Son, and to "stand firm in the Lord."

PRAY Lent is a good time to try a new form of prayer. Do you often pray silently? Try the rosary or spoken prayer. Do you normally pray out loud? Try centering prayer or another form of quiet or silent prayer, such as *Lectio Divina*.

“STAND
FIRM IN
the Lord.”

(PHIL 4:1)



Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

Will you quench His thirst?

--- Fr. Nate's Update ---

(Good Shepherd Candidates and Catechumens; sponsors, family, and pastor, with Bishop Gruss at the Rite of Election at St. Mary Cathedral in Saginaw]

Fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy Lent!

Some holy humor: After the service a young couple talked to a church

member about joining the church. He hadn't met the husband before, and he asked what church he was transferring from. After a short hesitation, he replied, "I am transferring from the Golf Course."

Pray for our Candidates and Catechumens! Please join me: "Heavenly Father, we thank you for guiding these candidates and catechumens through your Holy Spirit into our RCIA program at Good Shepherd Parish. Help them to make meaningful relationships with the parish family members of our parish. Help us to welcome them at Mass. We ask you to enlighten, strengthen, purify from sin, and protect each of them from every danger to their immortal souls that come from "the world, the flesh, and the devil." Give them perseverance in trekking the pilgrimage of RCIA. Make their sponsors to be shining examples of love for You, for Your Son Jesus Christ, for our Blessed Mother Mary, and for the Catholic Church. We beg you to help our *Candidates for Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil: John Shetler; Christian Kish*, and our *Catechumens (not-yet baptized) preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil: Kayla Keller; Alexander Baynton; Emma Baynton; Brett Kish; Stephanie Mumandi*. In Jesus' Name, Amen!"

Visitors to the Sick Needed: "I was sick and you visited me" -Jesus, Matthew 25

Are you currently an EMHC- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, at Mass? We invite you to pray about bringing Holy Communion to the homebound and those in nursing homes.

SOUP, SCRIPTURE, & STATIONS

You're invited to encounter Jesus in fellowship, in His Word, and in prayer every Thursday during Lent (except for March 17):

5:30pm: Soup & bread (Parish Center)

6:00pm: 5-part video series called: "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass"

6:45pm: Stations of the Cross (St. John Church) (FYI There are also Stations at our St. Columbkille Church on Wednesdays at 7:30pm)

Meeting Wolves and Bears: The Value of a Single Daily Mass: *From the "Sketch of the History of the Mission is Ruth (Michigan)" by Fr. F. George Laugel, who served St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church 1890-1910, possibly written as late as 1924:*

"In the meantime, the Resurrectionists Fathers of Berlin (Ontario) had taken charge of Parisville and they attended Ruth until 1870, when Father C. Roche was appointed to Port Austin and he attended Ruth, coming once a month until 1873. Father Roche was a Hollander and a real apostle, not second to the great [de Smedt?] and to the many Belgian priests who left their brilliant happy homes and prospects and Catholic manners and habits to Evangelize this country "Date lilia minibus plenis" [Note from Fr. Nate: this is Latin for, "Give me lilies in armfuls", a phrase from Virgil's Aeneid, VI.883] Father Roche was one evening on the Cass road, 50 miles from Port Austin. It was snowing already, and darkness came on him. The people, Mr. Shumacher, begged him to stay overnight, but he would not stay; he would not miss the holy Mass the next day, and so he rode the whole night, meeting wolves and bears, in order not to miss the holy mass the next day, although a weekday." *Please join us for a daily Mass this Lent! It's a great Lenten practice...*

50 Ways to Talk to God *Blog post by Meg Hunter-Kilmer: piercedhands.com/50-ways-talk-god/*

"I know there are people out there—lots of them—who show up Sunday morning and call it good for the week. I know there are people who check Catholic on forms but don't have any kind of a relationship with Christ. I guess I just figured there was a solid core of believers who were in love with Christ—or at least trying to be.

"But I'm reading Sherry Weddell's *Forming Intentional Disciples* and it's breaking my heart. Almost half of Catholics, she says, don't believe God is a personal God. They don't even believe it's possible to have a relationship with him. Most of us don't pray beyond what's required and when we do it's not about love so much as a sense of duty. We might be committed to the Church, but we're not really committed to Christ.

"I hope this shocks you as much as it shocked me. I hope you're living for Christ and seeking him every day in prayer. But if you're one of those people checking off the boxes, one of those people doing the bare minimum and longing for more, I'm calling you out. Please go deeper. Christ is so much more than you think he is and you can be so much more, too. It's great that you're going to Mass, but I know he wants more from you. He wants more for you. He wants you to know him, to love him, to follow him and be fulfilled by him. He wants your prayer to be more than just lip service. He wants you to want him.

"Maybe that's too abstract, so I'm not staying up in my ivory tower on this one. I'm getting practical. You want to know where to start? Here are 50 ways to approach prayer like it's more than just something to get through so you can get on with your week. Try one, try them all, but try something. You have nothing to lose. You have everything to gain.... [continued next time]

Let Us Pray: (Pope's MARCH Intention): *"...for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action"*

(Ven. Sheen's Spiritual Adoption Prayer): *"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [name], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."*

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg