

# SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015

## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Mar. 2	8:00am	† Bart Rice
Tuesday, Mar. 3	8:00am	† Bill & Catherine Willis
Wednesday, Mar. 4	8:00am	Stodola Family
Thursday, Mar. 5	8:00am	† Arthur Holt
	10:30am	† Harlan & Eileen Droeszler (Manor Care Nursing Home)
Friday, Mar. 6	8:00am	† Maude Vondra
	9:00am	Stations
	11:00am	† Mac McKeon (Park Place)
	5:00pm	Stations
Saturday, Mar. 7	8:00am	(TLM)
<b>WEEKEND LITURGIES</b>		
Saturday, Mar. 8	4:00pm	† Mary Koeller
Sunday, Mar. 9	9:00am	† Pat Leuth
	12 noon	Misa

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18—Rom 8:31b-34—Mk 9:2-10.

**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10—Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday:** St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin.

Is 1:10, 16-20—Mt 23:1-12.

**Wednesday:** St. Casimir

Jer 18:18-20—Mt 20:17-28.

**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10—Lk 16:19-31.

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a—Mt 21:33-43, 45-46.

**Saturday:** Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs.

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20—Lk 15:1-3, 11-32.

**3rd Sunday of Lent—**Ex 20:1-17—1 Cor 1:22-25—Jn 2:13-25.



## Adult Enrichment—Tuesdays of Lent

### Book Study

in the Hospitality room after Mass.

“Love is Our Mission” The Family Fully Alive

Tuesday Mornings after 8am Mass with Father Faustino  
Begins Tuesday, February 24 and continues for 10 weeks.

The February 24 session is in the Rectory dining room.

### Adult Enrichment

(Tuesday Evenings, February 24—March 24)

7pm—8pm in the Hospitality room.

March 3—2nd Week-The Privileged Planet

March 10—3rd Week Creation & Evolution

March 17—4th Week-Genetics-Morality & Catholic Teaching

March 24—5th Week-Christian Churches & The Catholic

DVD & Discussion led by Father Faustino. All are welcome.

## March 1, 2015 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

“Here I am!” he answered.” – Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. Can we just as easily answer, “Here I am, Lord,” when we go home, when a neighbor needs our help, when a fellow parishioner asks us to join a committee, or when a letter asks for our financial help? These are often exactly the places where Jesus calls us to be.

**Private Reconciliation**—every day, one hour before each Mass & Thursdays after morning Mass until 9:30am.

**Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays** beginning after 8am Mass and concluding with Rosary and Benediction at 8pm.

**The Rosary is prayed ½ hour before Mass**—3:30 at the Saturday 4pm Mass—8:30 at the Sunday 9am Mass.

**DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS**—St. Mary Parish and the CCW are seeking donations to defray the cost of flowers and decorations. Envelopes for donations for particular items are on a table by the center entrance of church and can be dropped in the collection basket or at the parish office. If you wish your gift to be a memorial, please indicate this on the envelope so we may acknowledge it.

## LENTEN RETREAT FRIDAY MARCH 13

8:00am—Mass

8:30am—Stations of the Cross

9:00am—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00-11:00am—Father will be in the confessional

9:30am—Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary

10:15am—Divine Mercy Chaplet

11:00am—Benediction followed by a talk by Fr. Faustino

12:00 Noon—Angelus

## St. Augustine University Parish Fish Frys — March 6 and March 27

## ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

February 22, 2015

Weekly Envelopes.....\$4,922.25

Offertory.....\$ 825.00

Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$ 800.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Saturday, March 7 4:00 pm		Sunday, March 8 9:00am
Max Frommelt Mic Frommelt	<b>Altar Servers</b>	Dushan Vystrcil Joseph Vystrcil Andy Eggers
	<b>Lector &amp; Leader of Prayer</b>	Chris Brunette Diane Eherenman Lee Eggers
Christine Del Priore		
<b>Sacristan:</b> Rose Kuhn		Karla Melssen
<b>Music:</b> Kim & Youth		Open Ensemble
<b>Rosary:</b> Rose Kuhn		Drefcinski Family

**St. Mary Council of Catholic Women** will meet at 7pm on Tuesday, March 3 in the church hall. At this time the annual budget and the plans for the Spring Event will be decided. All ladies of the parish are most welcome to come and bring a friend. Our group will also be participating in the Friday, March 6 World Day of Prayer with the Church Women United group at the United Methodist Church at 10am. This is an excellent opportunity to pray with fellow Christians and hear a speaker on the Family Promise Program which will provide housing for the homeless. For further information contact Dee Woolf at 348-7403.

**Natural Family Planning Class - Bloomington**—Invest in your marriage. Couples who have learned to embrace their shared fertility as a blessing have discovered their communication, relationship, and love life are better with Natural Family Planning (NFP). A class offered by Couple to Couple League will begin on Saturday, March 14 at 9:00 am and continue on 4/11 and 5/9 at St. Mary's Parish in Bloomington. Classes are also offered in Madison, Monona, Janesville, and Verona. Questions call Mary at 608-221-9593. To register: [www.madisondiocese.org/nfp](http://www.madisondiocese.org/nfp) or email [nfp@straphael.org](mailto:nfp@straphael.org).

**Diocese of Madison—Annual Catholic Appeal 2015  
“Living Our Mission of Charity”**

The theme for the 2015 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Diocese of Madison shows how each of us is touched by faith and charity. We ask that God grant us a renewed sense of responsibility for the work of our parish, our diocese and the Church throughout the world. We ask that His grace make us even more generous in supporting those needs.

Each pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal supports diocesan ministries, education and services today and assures a strong future for the Diocese of Madison and the people that it serves.

This year each of us is asked to consider making a pledge, payable over five months. Your gift will help enable the diocese to reach its goal and provide grant opportunities for Catholic schools, religious education programs and assisting distressed parishes in need.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back.

**“Lighthouse Catholic Media CD Stand**—Thank you for your wonderful praise and support of our newest evangelizing tool, please continue to support our stand and remember to pass the CD's on to others when you are done, this is the easiest way to spread the Good News of the Gospel! There is a suggested donation of \$3 for CD's, \$4 for Books and \$5 for DVD's, what a deal! Here are a couple of great picks for the week: Anger and Forgiveness by Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald-Catholic psychotherapist Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald provides a spiritual and psychological prescription for overcoming sinful anger. His practical wisdom shows that only by learning how to forgive can we hope to promote healing and understanding in our relationships and enjoy the blessings of a forgiving heart. Answering Atheism by Ken Hensley—How can we evangelize an unbelieving world? In this talk, Ken Hensley uses simple, effective logic to show how the atheistic worldview inevitably leads to contradictions that can't hold up to sound reasoning. After hearing this talk, you will be empowered to conclusively demonstrate how unbelief leads to the destruction of morality, meaning, and even knowledge. "

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S**

**Tuesday**—Book Study after Mass in Hospitality Room. Adult Enrichment, 7pm.

CCW meeting in the church hall, 7pm.

**Wednesday**—Liturgy Committee meeting, 9:15am. Bible Study, 2:30pm.

Religious Ed— Grades 1-5 (6-7pm).

Grades 6-11 (7:15-8:25pm).

**Thursday**—Sacristan Meeting, 5:30pm.

**Sunday**—2am Daylight Savings Time spring forward.

KC Breakfast 8am-10am.

Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am. If no answer please leave your prayer.



Our weekly prayer intention for this week based upon the World Meeting of Families Event is for WMOF Event.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL COLUMN  
Command These Stones!**

The temptations Jesus faced may seem a little obscure to us, but, in fact, they lie at the heart of all human temptation. They are three classic substitutes for the good that is God's will.

The first great temptation is to focus our lives on material things and the satisfaction of sensual desire: "The tempter approached and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.'"

Jesus is starving after 40 days of fasting. And he feels the temptation to use his divine power to satisfy his bodily desires. This is the pull toward hedonism—the philosophy that the good life is the physically-satisfying life. Food, drink, sex, material things, money, comfort, a secure sense of the future are the supreme values for many, especially in our culture.

Many, many people throughout history are waylaid by this powerful temptation. It is appealing because the desires are so basic. Thomas Merton said that the sensual desires - for food, comfort, pleasure, and sex - are like children in that they are so immediate and so insistent.

But our lives will never expand to greater depth as long as we are dominated by our physical desires. This is why in so many of the initiation rituals of primal peoples, something like fasting or deprivation is essential. It is also why initiation into a demanding form of life, like the military, often involves the deprivation of sensual pleasures.

When we give way to this temptation, it shuts down the soul, for the soul has been wired for God, for journey into the divine. When sensual desire dominates, those deeper and richer desires are never felt or followed. They are, as Merton said, like little children, constantly clamoring for attention, and never satisfied.

This is why Jesus responds: "It is written: 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Life means so much more than sensual pleasure. Love, loyalty, relationships, family, moral excellence, aesthetic pleasure, and the aspiration after God are all so much more important. How tragic then when we think that life shrinks down to the contours of pleasure or bodily satisfaction.

(Fr. Robert Barron)