

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



CURRENT WEEK

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 • **Saturday, March 30, - 6:00 P.M.** *Intention:* In Memory of Jim Bapst from Family and Friends
 • **Sunday, March 31 - 8:00 A.M.** *Intention:* Vytautas & Eva Kasniunas from Family
 • **Sunday, March 31 - 10:00 A.M.**
Intention: In Memory of Father Joseph Kelchak from Ralph & Faith Caron
 • **Wednesday, April 3 - 8:00 A.M.**
Intention: In Memory of Richard J Jendrzeczyk Sr. from Family and Friends
 • **Friday, April 5 - 8:00 A.M.** *Intention:* In Memory of Helen Barasinski from Family and Friends

NEXT WEEK

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
 • **Saturday, April 6 - 6:00 PM** *Intention:* In Memory of Margie Connell from Judy Murphy
 • **Sunday, April 7 - 8:00 AM** *Intention:* In Memory of Gytis John Mildazis from Zarins Family
 • **Sunday, April 7 - 10:00 AM** *Intention:* In Memory of Donna Polkowski from Parish Family
 • **Wednesday, April 10 - 8:00 AM**
Intention: In Memory of Adolf & Maria Dziewa from Family and Friends
 • **Friday, April 12- 8:00 A.M.** *Intention:* In Memory of Mary Salas from Family and Friends



Saturday, March 30, 6 pm - Jim & Camille MELLO
Sunday, March 31, 8 am - Gloria BOLDUC
Sunday, March 31, 10 am - Nora KILMER
Saturday, April 6, 6 pm - Kristina DAMBRAUSKAS
Sunday, April 7, 8 am - Gloria BOLDUC
Sunday, April 7, 10 am - Nora KILMER

If unable to read at your appointed time, please secure a replacement from the master schedule previously sent to you.
 Please arrive 10 minutes before Mass & check in with the Sacristan.
 To all 10 am Lector/Commentators: When a CCD student is scheduled for Readings at your assigned Mass, please only do the Introduction, Prayers of the Faithful, and other announcements as needed.



Saturday, March 30, 6 pm - Joe ESTEP, Judy MURPHY
Sunday, March 31, 8 am - Julie KASNIUNAS
Sunday, March 31, 10 am - Sharon AMBROSIC, Ann BEESE, Lou FALAT
Saturday, April 6, 6 pm - Judy MURPHY, Dorothea PLATH, Linda SPERLING
Sunday, April 7, 8 am - Ron KOVACH
Sunday, April 7, 10 am - Ralph CARON, Robert STANFORD, Jim VAN DE KEERE

If unable to serve at your appointed time, please secure a replacement from the master schedule previously sent to you.
 Please arrive 10 minutes before Mass & check in with the Sacristan.



ALTAR SERVERS

Servers, you are an important part of our parish liturgical services. We will be conducting on the job training. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board if you are interested. **REMINDER: Those children who made their First Communion are eligible to serve as Altar Servers.**

HOSPITALITY

• **Sunday, March 31:** SPIRITUALITY AND WORSHIP COMMISSION
 • **Sunday, April 7:** PARISH LIFE COMMISSION

Treats after the 10 AM Mass have been a long-time tradition here at St. Ann's. Please consider volunteering to provide either homemade or purchased treats. If you have any questions, please ask one of our Hospitality Ministry Coordinators for details. Thank you!

SCRIP VOLUNTEERS

- **Saturday, March 30, 6:00 PM:** Jim MELLO
- **Sunday, March 31, 8:00 AM:** *Please fill in*
- **Sunday, March 31, 10:00 AM:** Kris JACOBUCCI & Arlene BEGLIN
- **Saturday, April 6, 6:00 PM:** *Please fill in*
- **Sunday, April 7, 8:00 AM:** *Please fill in*
- **Sunday, April 7, 10:00 AM:** *Please fill in*

SCRIP is always looking for extra volunteers to help sell SCRIP. If you can help out, stop by the SCRIP table to find out more information. THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 31, 2019 - Joshua 5:9, 10-12; Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Second Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Monday, April 1, 2019 - Isaiah 65:17-21; Psalms 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-13; John 4:43-54
Tuesday, April 2, 2019 - Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; John 5:1-3, 5-16
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 - Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalms 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18; John 5:17-30
Thursday, April 4, 2019 - Exodus 32:7-14; Psalms 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; John 5:31-47
Friday, April 5, 2019 - Wisdom 2:1, 12-22; Psalms 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday, April 6, 2019 - Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalms 7:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; John 7:40-53

Weekly Readings



WELCOME TO ST. ANN OF THE DUNES!

Whether you come from another part of the world or a nearby parish, we welcome you to St. Ann of the Dunes! We thank you for sharing in the celebration of the Eucharist with us and we appreciate your generosity. We invite you to join our parish family if you are looking for a spiritual home or a summer church home. Registration forms can be found at the back of the church. We look forward to getting to know you. **All parishioners are asked to keep us informed of change of address, phone number or email address. Should you need the Eucharist brought to you, please let one of the Greeters know and we'll be sure that someone will bring Communion to you at your seat.**

HELP US - HELP YOU!



"I was hospitalized and my pastor did not visit me." "I was in the hospital and wanted to receive the Eucharist but no one came." Do these comments sound familiar? There are two solutions to solve the issues:
 • When you are admitted to the hospital, request that they notify your pastor that you have been admitted. They can enter the name of your parish on the admitting form.
 • You or your family can call the parish office at 879-7565 to notify the parish of your hospitalization.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

St. Ann is honored to have members serving in both the Armed Services and the Peace Corps. As a community of Christ's people, we at St. Ann's honor their service and salute their dedication by offering prayers for their safety and welfare. Please remember all members of the U.S. military in your prayers. **Please note, we have been asked not to publish individual names, ranks, and locations of our military for security and safety reasons.**



BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Any items you would like to be included in the bulletin each week need to be to the parish office, preferably via email, by **Tuesday for the week you wish to include the information. Further, if you wish to post something on the parish bulletin board, please request permission from Fr. John.**

NEWS FROM OUR DIOCESE

THE PASSION OF CHRIST

A Polish prayer-theater troupe from Chicago will present "The Passion of Christ" following the 5 pm Mass (in English) and the 7 pm Mass (in Polish) on April 6th. For information, call 219-838-7111. It will be held at Carmelite Fathers Monastery, 1628 Ridge Road – Munster.

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Is someone you love unable to join us at Church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org. (For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation. TV Mass for the homebound is shown on WJVS at 10:00 am and WCUU & WMEU at 6:30 am.

2019 NORTHWEST INDIANA CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Northwest Indiana Catholic Women's Conference will be held April 6, 2019 from 8:15am to 3:30 pm at Queen of All Saints Parish in Michigan City. This year's theme is Sharing the Joy of Our Faith. Come be inspired and uplifted! Outstanding speakers include Sr. Miriam James, Dr. Angela Franks and Kevin Matthews. Cost is \$40 for adults and \$20 for college and high school students. For tickets and more information visit www.nwicatholicwomen.com or call 219-769-9292 ext 259.

DIOCESE OF GARY MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Living a Joy-filled Marriage includes living the virtues, communication, resolving conflict and managing resources.
 Friday, April 26th, 6-9 pm at St. Mary in Griffith
 Friday, October 11th, 6-9 pm at St. Mary in Griffith
 Friday, September 6th, 6-9 pm at St. Mary in Otis
Called to the Wedding Feast includes Catholic teaching on Marriage, Theology of the Body, Intro to Natural Family Planning and Family Prayer.
 Saturday, April 27th, 9 am-4pm, St. Mary, Griffith
 Saturday, September 7th, 9am – 4pm, St. Mary, Otis
 Saturday, October 12th, 9 am-4pm, St. Mary, Griffith
 Contact Sean Martin smartin@dcgary.org or 219-769-9292 ext 230 or Rosanne Kouris at rkouris@dcgary.org at 219-769-9292 ext 259 for additional information.
 Registration and payment for the classes is done online at www.dcgary.org/marriageprep. Please registrar at least 10 days prior to class date. Total cost of both classes is \$100.00 per couple and must be paid in full before attending classes.

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

LENTEN TENEBRAE SERVICE

Hope in the Shadows, a Lenten Tenebrae service, will be held at St. Mary the Immaculate Conception in Michigan City on Sunday, April 14 at 3 pm. The Tenebrae recalls Christ's journey to the cross by examining the shadows of betrayal, injustice and agony that marked His journey. Traditional hymns, contemporary songs and narration will focus on Christ's sacrifice and the hope which can be found in the shadows. The free Tenebrae service will be performed by the Queen of All Saints Contemporary Choir under the direction of Stephanie Sobocki. St. Mary the Immaculate Conception is located at 411 W. 11th Street in Michigan City. Call the parish office at (219) 872-9196 with any questions

SHARE FOUNDATION SPRING LUNCHEON

The Service League of Share Foundation with the Handicapped is planning a Spring Luncheon with roasted chicken, door prizes, a silent auction & entertainment on April 10th in the Halls of St. George in Schererville from 10:30 am-2:00 pm. The ticket prices are \$40.00 per person. For more information: Call Share Foundation @ 219-778-2585

SPRED NEWS

SPRED (special religious development) ministry is making progress at St. Mary Parish in Griffith. St. Mary will welcome adolescents (11 to 16 years of age) with special needs. They are also looking for a few more adult volunteers to help form a small community of faith to welcome six of these friends with developmental and intellectual challenges. There is no prior experience needed to be a friend to a child. Join Monica and others on Thursday, April 4, 6:30 pm., in the church of St. Mary on 525 N. Broad St., in Griffith. Learn more about this ministry and be open to discover if this is where you belong.

BLESSING OF MOTORCYCLES & PICNIC

On Sunday - April 14, 2019 @ Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine (The Salvatorian Fathers Monastery) 5755 Pennsylvania St. - Merrillville, IN 219-884-0714. There will be a Mass in the Polish language at 12 pm, followed by blessing of the motorcycles at approximately 1 p.m. A picnic featuring Polish foods will also be featured on the shrine grounds; menu items and prices vary. All are invited to attend!

POLISH-AMERICAN CULTURAL SOCIETY OF NORTHWEST INDIANA

UPCOMING MEETINGS
 PORTAGE CHAPTER
 Wednesday, April 3rd
 5 pm
 Portage Public Library
 2665 Irving St. - Portage, IN
 Facilitator: Rev. Walter Rakoczy of Michigan City All are invited to attend; for more information, call Theresa Child at 219-464-1369 or Email polamnwi@yahoo.com.
 MICHIGAN CITY CHAPTER
 Wednesday, April 24th
 5 pm
 St. Mary School Building
 321 W. 11th St - Michigan City, IN

CAMP SHARING MEADOWS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Camp Sharing Meadows is recruiting for Counselors, Cooks, and Nurses for our Spring 2019 Mini-Camps. Camp Sharing Meadows is a weekend camp for developmentally and intellectually disabled adults, but we like to call them our other-abled friends. At camp, our campers participate in communal camp activities with their counselors and each other while growing in their relationship with God through fun activities and value sessions. If you are interested in volunteering with us, please contact Emily Barsic at 219-778-2585 or at camp@sharefoundation.org. Dates: April 12th-14th, and May 17th-19th.



NEWS FROM OUR PARISH

BISHOP HYING VISIT ON APRIL 6TH

We are excited to have Bishop Hying visit our Parish next Saturday, April 6th. He will spend time with Father John and the 8th Grade Confirmation students and will participate in a variety of other activities as well. Please join him as he co-celebrates Mass at 6:00 pm with Father John. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

PENANCE SERVICE AT ST. ANN'S

Our Lenten Penance Service will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd from 6 – 7 PM. There will be an opportunity for confessions in Lithuanian as well.

PARISH LIFE EASTER EGG HUNT

Parish Life Commission and Father John are inviting all children of our Parish to the annual Easter Egg Hunt. It will be held after the 10:00 Mass on Easter Sunday. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Peace and Social Justice invites the entire family of St. Ann of the Dunes to participate in the 2019 Lenten food drive. Donations of nonperishable items may be left in the large white box in the back of church. You may also participate by purchasing a grocery card for donation--the good folks at the scrip table can tell you how that's done. All proceeds go to the Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry. Thank you for your support!

LENTEN CALENDAR

As we approach this Lenten season, let us work toward a living relationship with God by attending some of the many services and events our parish is offering:

Weekday Masses:	Wednesdays & Fridays at 8 AM
Stations of The Cross:	Friday Evenings (4/5, 4/12) at 6 PM
Penance Service:	Wednesday, April 3, 6 – 7 PM (opportunity for confessions in Lithuanian)
Anointing of the Sick:	Sunday, March 31 during the 10 AM Mass
Holy Thursday:	April 18, Mass at 6 PM
Good Friday:	April 19, Liturgical Service at 3 PM

This Sunday, March 31st, we look forward to hearing from Sister Peg Spindler from Sojourner Truth House. The discussion will begin at 11:15 A.M.

Next week, April 7th, our final speaker, Catherine Osborne will discuss how the space in which we worship matters. Information about our Lenten Speaker Series can be found on the brochures in the missalette carts. Plan to attend these informative and inspirational sessions

LENTEN PALMS

If you have palms from last year, you can bring them in and place them in the container at the back of Church. Since palms are blessed, they must be buried or burned. Those we collect will be burned in our Easter Vigil fire.

LENTEN RICE BOWLS

During Lent we fast and repent in preparation for the Resurrection of Jesus. As you give up your excesses this Lenten Season, fill your rice bowl with thanks that you can help those in need. Anyone wishing to participate can pick up a rice bowl from the table at the back of church. Please give what you can during Lent and return your boxes on Palm Sunday, April 14th. *th. Pope Francis says, "Lent is a fitting time for self-denial; we would do well to ask ourselves what we can give up in order to help and enrich others by our own poverty."*

PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED

Please keep all of our departed family and friends in your prayers. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT -- A Little Something About Our Advertisers

Gelsosomo's Pizzeria in Michigan City has been a long-time advertiser in our bulletin and they offer a great deal for the Parishioners at St Ann. In case you've never noticed, their ad includes a coupon that you can present at the Michigan City location and receive 10% off your order! If you've been out shopping at one of the stores on south Franklin St., you can stop by and pick up dinner or dine in. They offer a variety of pizzas sandwiches and salads. You can also have your order delivered even in Beverly Shores! They open daily at 11:00. Call them at: 219-872-3838 or go to www.gelpizza.com.



COMMISSION MEETINGS AND REPORTS

SCRIP REALLY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Scrip Profit for year 2019 is DOWN by \$400. Yes, sales for Scrip have been dropping, which means the rebates are less. Sooo..., please do your share by purchasing Scrip cards on a regular basis. One, yes, only one card a month for \$100 would boost the rebates. Our profit for a year has been as high as \$8,500, but it is now running \$5,000.00 a year. What happened? Is there a reason you do not purchase Scrip? Please talk to us and let us know how to improve our rebate profit. CALL the church office or call Sharon at 219-928-3214. Let us know your reason for NOT purchasing Scrip. Change CAN happen but we need your help.

REFLECTION FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Seeking light. It is easy to comprehend that the blind cannot see. But blind or sighted, today's gospel is more about insight into the invisible. Christ is the Illumined One we seek--not only in what we see but also in what we hear, touch, taste and feel.
 • Because of Baptism, how will I bear the light of Christ in life this week?
 • How will I support the elect – those who celebrate the Scrutiny today and who seek the Light this week.
 • I will do this implied work of mercy, giving light and heat to the needy, by _____?