

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**



<b>CURRENT WEEK</b>
<p><b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Saturday, March 14 - 6:00 PM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Robert Kyts from Dr. Jadwiga Roguska-Kyts</li> <li>• <b>Sunday, March 15 - 8:00 AM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Joey Niepokoj from St. Ann's Parish Family</li> <li>• <b>Sunday, March 15 - 10:00 AM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Robert McDonald from Ralph and Faith Caron <b>MASS FOR OUR LITHUANIAN COMMUNITY</b></li> <li>• <b>Sunday, March 15 - 1:00 PM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Kristina Zutautas from Diana Noreika</li> <li>• <b>Wednesday, March 18 - 8:00 AM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Mary Salas from Family and Friends</li> <li>• <b>Friday March 20 - 8:00 AM</b> <i>Intention:</i> In Memory of Donna Polkowski from Family and Friends</li> </ul>

**NEXT WEEK**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

- **Saturday, March 21 - 6:00 PM** *Intention:* In Memory of Father Dave Gosnell from St. Ann's Parish Family
- **Sunday, March 22 - 8:00 AM** *Intention:* In Memory of Adolf & Maria Dzievia from St. Ann's Parish Family
- **Sunday, March 22 - 10:00 AM** *Intention:* In Memory of Ludmila Wiklinska from Richard and Gosia Kinney
- **Wednesday, March 25 - 8:00 AM** *Intention:* In Memory of Joan Sitar from St. Ann's Parish Family
- **Friday, March 27 - 8:00 AM** *Intention:* For the People of St. Ann's



**Saturday, March 14, 6 pm** - Andy MICHEL  
**Sunday, March 15, 8 am** - Phil DITTMANN  
**Sunday, March 15, 10 am** - Evelyn JACKSON  
**Saturday, March 21, 6 pm** - Diane ESTEP  
**Sunday, March 22, 8 am** - Phil DITTMANN  
**Sunday, March 22, 10 am** - Joan BARUFFI

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 14, 6 pm** - Joe ESTEP, Linda SPERLING, Scott STOLARZ  
**Sunday, March 15, 8 am** - Julie KASNIUNAS  
**Sunday, March 15, 10 am** - Sharon AMBROSIC, Perry CARTWRIGHT, Annaliese McSWEENEY  
**Saturday, March 21, 6 pm** - Phil HARGARTEN, Cindy HARGARTEN, Dorothea PLATH  
**Sunday, March 22, 8 am** - Bert MILLER  
**Sunday, March 22, 10 am** - Ann BEESE, Lou FALAT, Ruth PALONIS

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 15:** The WENDT Family
- **Sunday, March 22:** The CARTWRIGHT Family

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 14, 6:00 PM:** Joe ESTEP
- **Sunday, March 15, 8:00 AM:** Nancy LAKIN
- **Sunday, March 15, 10:00 AM:** Mary KEANE & Faith CARON

- **Saturday, March 21, 6:00 PM:** Lynda LANCASTER & Ed RYSUCK
- **Sunday, March 22, 8:00 AM:** Mary Carol PUNTILLO
- **Sunday, March 22, 10:00 AM:** Lisa OATES & Joan BARUFFI

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**

**March 15, 2020** - Exodus 17:3-7; Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19-26, 39, 40-42  
**March 16, 2020** - Second Kings 5:1-15; Psalms 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Luke 4:24-30  
**March 17, 2020** - Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Matthew 18:21-35  
**March 18, 2020** - Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Matthew 5:17-19  
**March 19, 2020** - Second Samuel 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Psalms 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Luke 2:41-51  
**March 20, 2020** - Hosea 14:2-10; Psalms 81:6-8, 8-9, 10-11, 14, 17; Mark 12:28-34  
**March 21, 2020** - Hosea 6:1-6; Psalms 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21; Luke 18:9-14

**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**

**TAPT**

High School teens are invited to attend TAPT, a Diocesan Catholic weekend retreat, held March 27-29, 2020 at Camp Lawrence, north of Valparaiso. Retreat activities include: talks, small group discussions, prayer, recreation, Reconciliation, and the Holy Eucharist. TAPT is designed to bring teens into a more intimate encounter with the incarnate Jesus Christ. To register for TAPT, participants can go to [www.garyoyya.org/tapt/registration](http://www.garyoyya.org/tapt/registration). If you have any questions, please contact Vicky at [vhathaway@dcgary.org](mailto:vhathaway@dcgary.org) or 219-769-9292 ext 229. Deadline to register is March 16th.

**NORTHWEST INDIANA CATHOLIC SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE**

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**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**

She hid her secret for 26 years. She knew in her heart that God had forgiven her for the abortion, but she could not forgive herself. She thought she deserved to go to hell. Rachel's Vineyard is a program for individuals who are experiencing the post-abortion trauma of stress, guilt, and shame. It brings hope and healing. Northwest Indiana retreat - March 6-8, 2020. Contact Rosanne Kouris at 219-769-9292 ext 259 or [rkouris@dcgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcgary.org) or on the confidential Rachel's Vineyard phone line at 219-552-2944 or [nwinrv@outlook.com](mailto:nwinrv@outlook.com). Website: [www.helpafterabortion.net](http://www.helpafterabortion.net) or the international website at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

**DIOCESE 2020 MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES**

The Church rejoices with you as you approach the Sacrament of Marriage and wishes to support you as you begin your new life in Christ. Plan to complete all the components at least three months before your wedding. Register online at: [dcgary.org/marriageprep](http://dcgary.org/marriageprep) or contact Rosanne Kouris at 219-769-9292 ext 259 or [rkouris@dcgary.org](mailto:rkouris@dcgary.org). Please register 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.

*Living a Joy-filled Marriage* Fri., April 24, 6-9 pm at St. Joseph, Hammond  
*Called to the Wedding Feast* Sat., April 25, 9am-4pm St. Joseph, Hammond

**NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS**

**PENANCE SERVICES FOR AREA CHURCHES**

If you are unable to attend St. Ann's Penance service on March 18th, other Churches in the area will hold their penance services on the following dates:

Wednesday, March 25th - St. Teresa of Avila, Valparaiso 7:00pm  
 Saturday, March 28th - Our Lady of Sorrows, Valparaiso 10:30 am  
 Monday, March 30th - St. Patrick's Church, Chesterton 7:00 pm  
 Tuesday, March 31st - St. Paul's Church, Valparaiso 7:00 pm  
 Wednesday, April 1st - St. Elizabeth Seton, Valparaiso 7:00 pm  
 Friday, April 3rd - Nativity of Our Savior, Portage 6:30 pm

**QAS LENTEN TENEBRAE SERVICE**

Please join the Queen of All Saints Contemporary Choir for a Lenten Tenebrae service under the direction of Stephanie Sobocki. The Lenten Tenebrae service is entitled 'Who Is Jesus?' by Joel Raney. The service will be at Queen of All Saints Church, 606 S. Woodland Avenue, Michigan City, IN on Sunday, March 29, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

**SOJOURNER TRUTH HOUSE POVERTY EXPERIENCE**

Could you survive living a month in poverty? Poverty is a reality for many individuals and families, but unless you've experienced poverty, it is difficult to truly understand. The Poverty Experience is facilitated and immersive, conducted by Northwest Indiana Community Action. The event is designed to help participants take a glimpse of the realities of life with a shortage of money and an abundance of stress. Participants assume the roles of families who do their best to survive week to week over a simulated one month period. Registration is open to anyone over the age of 16. The experience will be held on Saturday, March 28th from 9:00 am-1:00 pm CDT. Contact Sojourner Truth House at 219-885-2282 or [pspindler@sojournertruthhouse.org](mailto:pspindler@sojournertruthhouse.org) for more information and to register.

**PASSION OF CHRIST**

The Live Theater Production presents "The Passion of Christ" on Sunday, March 22nd at The Carmelite Fathers Monastery, 1628 Ridge Road - Munster. Don't miss this beautiful, moving performance by a Polish prayer/theater troupe from Chicago! Presentations will be at 5 pm (in Polish) and at 7:30 pm (in English). A free-will offering will be accepted; for more information, visit [www.livetheaterproduction.com](http://www.livetheaterproduction.com) or call 219-838-7111

**NORTHWEST INDIANA CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

This conference is a don't miss opportunity to deepen your faith. It's a one day packed with a great slate of Catholic speakers, Mass, Confession, music and more! Continental breakfast and lunch are included. It will be a rewarding day that you will not regret! The 2020 Northwest Indiana Catholic Men's Conference will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Chesterton on Saturday, March 28th beginning with 8:00 am Mass. Cost is \$30.00 for adults, \$20.00 for college and high school students. Registration and payment can be made through the conference website at [www.nwicatholicmen.com](http://www.nwicatholicmen.com)

**NEWS FROM ST. ELIZABETH SETON CHURCH**

During Lent, St. Elizabeth Seton Church will offer a Tuesday evening Mass at 6:30pm instead of the 8am morning Mass for those who may be interested. St. Elizabeth Seton is located at 509 W Division Rd, Valparaiso, IN 46385.

**QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

Join QAS Young Adult Ministry for these upcoming events!

March 19: Food + Fellowship, 6:30 pm at the Legacy Center at Queen of All Saints  
 April 5: Palm Sunday Mass (10:30 am at QAS) followed by Lakeshore Coffee  
 April 16: Food + Fellowship, 6:30 pm at the Legacy Center at Queen of All Saints



**POLISH-AMERICAN CULTURAL SOCIETY OF NW INDIANA**

The next meeting of the Polish-American Cultural Society of NW Indiana will be on Wednesday, March 25th. Facilitator: Rev. Walter Rakoczy. The meetings will be held at 5 pm, St. Mary School Building 321 W. 11th St. - Michigan City, IN. Membership is free and open to anyone interested in learning more about the Polish language, culture, and traditions. For more information, call Theresa Child at 219-464-1369, Email [polamwi@yahoo.com](mailto:polamwi@yahoo.com), or visit "Polish-American Cultural Society of Northwest Indiana" on Facebook (click "Join Group")

**NEWS FROM OUR PARISH**

**PENANCE SERVICE**

This Wednesday our Lenten Penance Service will be held from 6 - 7 PM. There will be an opportunity for confessions in Lithuanian as well.

**IMPORTANT COMMUNION INFORMATION**

Due to the current concerns over the spreading of the flu and coronavirus, we will now follow the Diocese of Gary recommendations for Communion distribution. We will no longer offer the shared chalice at Communion and Communion will only be offered to the palm of your hand not to the mouth. During the sign of peace, we recommend acknowledging your neighbour and family members with a nod or a bow and a verbal greeting. We are discouraging the shaking of hands during the sign of peace. If you or a family member is feeling ill, please stay home. We will look forward to seeing you and your friendly face the following week when you feel better. We have several parishioners with a compromised immune system and we should be considerate of their health at all times. Thank you for your cooperation. We will all be happier when summer arrives and the seasonal viruses diminish substantially.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

On Friday evening at 6 pm, members of Spirituality and Worship Commission will lead parishioners in the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross is an ancient tradition in the Catholic Church going back to the fourth century when Christians went on pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Like many of our Catholic traditions, the Stations of the Cross can be rich, deep and meaningful. Attendance is encouraged.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**

This Sunday during the 10:00 Mass, there will be the Anointing of the Sick.

**LENTEN PALMS**

If you have palms from last year, you can bring them in and place them in the basket 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 LITURGIES AT ST. ANN**

Weekday Masses:	Wednesdays & Fridays at 8 AM
Stations of The Cross:	Friday Evenings (3/20, 3/27 & 4/3 at 6 PM
Anointing of the Sick:	Sunday, March 15 during the 10 AM Mass
Penance Service:	Wednesday, March 18 between 6 - 7 PM (Confessions will also be offered in Lithuanian)
Palm Sunday:	April 5 Masses at 8 AM & 10 AM
Holy Thursday:	April 9, Mass at 6 PM
Good Friday:	April 10, Liturgical Service at 3 PM (There will be no 8 AM Mass on Good Friday)
Holy Saturday	April 11 Easter Vigil Liturgy at 6 PM
Easter Sunday	April 12 Masses at 8 AM and 10 AM

**LENTEN FOOD DRIVE**

Peace and Social Justice will once again be collecting non-perishable food items and scrip grocery cards for donation to the Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry. The drive will begin next Sunday, March 1, and continue through Palm Sunday, April 5. Please join us in this churchwide act of almsgiving in this Lenten season!

**PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED**

Please keep all of our departed family and friends in your prayers who recently passed away.

*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.*

**ICY PARKING LOT ALERT**

You may have noticed our parking lot is often icy. Because it is a gravel lot, the water is unable to drain away in winter. This creates icy conditions when water is left on the surface then freezes and thaws. Please be careful as you make your way through the parking lot.

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**COMMISSION MEETINGS AND REPORTS**

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**DRINKING IN CHRIST**

Let us not grumble like the people in the desert. For we stand in the grace of God who pours divine love into our hearts and being. Let us stay in conversation with Jesus just as the Samaritan woman did at the well through our prayer and Lenten reading.

- What grumbling, what complaining will I stop doing?
- How will I make time each day to pray and converse with God?
- How will I be a sign of healing and support to the elect thirsting for Easter Baptism?

Exodus 17:3-7, Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9, Romans 5:1-2, 5-8, John 4:5-42