

## The Week Ahead

### Sat / March 23

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Garett Huscher - SI by B Huscher*  
Catholic Relief Services Collection

### Sun / March 24 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

9am - Mass: *People of the Parish*  
Catholic Relief Services Collection  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall  
1:30pm - **B--I--N--G--O** Fundraiser *here for St. Mary's*

### Mon / March 25 - Annunciation of the Lord

9am - Mass: *Marty Barrack - SI by M Barrack*  
5:30pm - KC Rosary, Meeting and Potluck

### Tue / March 26

### Wed / March 27

\*9am - Mass: *Pres. Donald Trump - SI by M & M Winston*  
6:45pm - RCIA, in the Parish Library

### Thu / March 28

9am - Mass: *James Paluck † by M Stehno*  
6pm - **B--I--N--G--O**

### Fri / March 29

9am - Mass: *Marge Corso - SI by Friend*  
5pm - Stations of the Cross, followed by KC Fish Fry

### Sat / March 30

3-3:45pm - Confessions  
4pm - Vigil Mass: *Tom & Nell Kihm - SI by T & N Kihm*  
Anointing of the Sick after Mass, in the Church

### Sun / March 31 - 4th Sunday of Lent

9am - Mass: *All Dec. KC Members of Council 6969 †*  
Anointing of the Sick after Mass, in the Church  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall  
10:30am - CCD Classes

### **K.C. Fish Fry This Week After Stations**

*Fried Fish, French Fries and Coleslaw*  
Adults \$7 ~ age 12-16 \$5 ~ under 12 free

**Coffee & Donuts** *next week*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, will be served by Gale Orosz & group # 3.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Parish Pilgrimage

To: Blessed Sacrament Church, Jonesboro  
When: April 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Gather here at 9:00am  
Mass / Lunch / Tour ~ more info to follow...

## A Lenten Prayer

Father of Light, in You is found no shadow of change but only the fullness of life & limitless truth. Open our hearts to the voice of Your Word & free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon Your Son who calls us to repentance & a change of heart, for He lives & reigns forever & ever. Amen †

## Bingo Fundraiser

*St. Mary's Ladies Guild of Horseshoe Bend will hold a fundraising Bingo, at St. Michael's, THIS Sunday. Doors open at 12Noon, Bingo begins at 1:30pm. Join us for free coffee & cake, door prizes and an afternoon of fun.*

## Birthdays Next Week:

25-Lucy Huerta  
27-Niki McDaniel  
28-Sally Scheschi  
30-Mary Flowers  
31-David Harris

*We wish you many blessings on your birthday!*

## Next PC Meeting, April 1<sup>st</sup>

### at 6pm in the Church Hall Classroom

The Pastoral Council Meetings are open to parishioners to attend and listen in on. If you wish to bring up a topic for discussion, let Becky in the Office, or Rollie, know two weeks in advance so you can be put on the agenda. ***Please note, the Pastoral Council Meetings have moved to a classroom in the Parish Hall.***

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

I can complain because  
Rose bushes have thorns,  
Or rejoice because  
Thorn bushes have roses.  
It's all how you look at it.

🙏 *Wishing you a blessed week!* 🙏

## Ministerial Alliance Lenten Luncheons

This week's Luncheon & Lenten Message will be at the Spring River Baptist Church in Hardy, Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, at 12Noon. Please join us there if you can. For a complete list of churches and dates, see the flyer on either of the bulletin boards.

## Open Adoration Hours

**Monday: 4-5pm; 5-6pm**

**Thursday: 11am-12pm**

**Friday: 6-7pm; 8:30-10pm**

*If interested in any of the above, please call Rose, 870-994-2744, or Anne, 870-847-1985.*

## Substitutes Needed

Substitutes are needed as much as those who commit to the same hour each week. If you are unable to commit to a specific hour but are available to fill in now and then, please give Rose or Anne a call. THANK YOU!

## A Heartfelt Thank You

*I wish to thank my fellow parishioners for their sympathy cards, well wishes and Mass Intentions for my son, Jeff. God bless you. ~ Chuck Wolff*

## "Flex Your Faith"

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Engelberg will host a Lenten Mission, March 31, April 1 & 2, with Father Stephen Gadberry, pastor of St. Mary's Church in Batesville. "Flex your Faith: Growing as a saint in body and soul" is the theme of the retreat. Fr. Stephen will lead all to reflect on the importance of holy and healthy habits. Talks will begin each evening at 6pm with confessions and a reception to follow. **Babysitting available!** Call Elaine Wallis, 501-412-2933, for more info or ??s.

## 2019 CASA Update

We are now one month into our 2019 CASA Drive. To date, **34** households have pledged/donated **\$8,860** toward our goal of **\$18,743.55**. If you have not made a pledge and would like to do so, there are pledge cards in the vestibule. Please remember, when placing a contribution in the Sunday collection basket, **make checks payable to CASA, include our CASA #7215 on your check, and NO CASH PLEASE!** Thank You!

## Lenten Penance Services

- Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>: 6pm in Batesville
- Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>: 6pm in Pocahontas
- Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>: 6pm Cherokee Village\***
- Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>: 6pm in Newport
- Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>: 6:30pm in Blytheville
- Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>: 6pm in Wynne
- Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>: 6pm in Paragould
- Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>: 5:30pm in Jonesboro

## A Look Ahead to Holy Week

*Holy Thursday - 7pm Mass*

*Good Friday - 3pm Stations & Service*

*Holy Saturday - 8pm Mass*

*Easter Sunday - 9am Mass*

## The Sacred Triduum

(by Fr. Venantius Preske)

The word "Triduum" means a three-day event. It may seem at first glance that the Sacred Triduum actually includes four days – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. But Holy Church in her Liturgy often follows the Jewish manner of reckoning the day. For the Jews the day began at sundown and ended at sundown the next day. So the three days celebrated in the Sacred Triduum are Good Friday (which includes the Mass of the Lord's Supper and the Solemn Services commemorating the Lord's death and burial), Holy Saturday (in which there are no services, for the Lord is still in the tomb), and Easter Sunday (which includes the Easter Vigil Mass and the Masses offered on Sunday).

The Sacred Triduum is not a preparation for Easter; it IS Easter. The Triduum is one continuous event with interruptions. There is no blessing or dismissal at the Mass of the Lord's Supper or the Solemn Good Friday Services. There is also no introduction service at the Solemn Good Friday Services or the Easter Vigil Mass. Every fervent Catholic tries to attend the whole three-day celebration.

**Join us for "Stations of the Cross"  
beginning at 5pm  
each Friday during Lent.**