

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Catholic Church

**Second Sunday of Lent
March 5, 2023**

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Masses This Week

Sat. Mar. 4

NOTE MASS TIME:

4:00 p.m. (St. Mary) *St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishioners*
5:45 p.m. (St. Joseph) *Mark Jacob*

Sun. Mar. 5

8:30 a.m. (St. Mary) *David Leslie, Sr.*
10:30 a.m. (St. Joseph) *Betty Stanek*

Mon. Mar. 6

No Mass

Tues. Mar. 7

8:30 a.m. (St. Mary) *Janan Rieff*

Wed. Mar. 8

8:30 a.m. (St. Mary) *Living & Deceased members of
Nelson & Pakes Families*

Thurs. Mar. 9

8:00 a.m. (St. Joseph) *Thomas Krausse*

Fri. Mar. 10

8:00 a.m. (St. Joseph) *Thomas and Anita Dickinson*

Sat. Mar. 11

NOTE MASS TIME:

4:00 p.m. (St. Mary) *Tom Krausse*
5:45 p.m. (St. Joseph) *Wendy Oren*

Sun. Mar. 12

8:30 a.m. (St. Mary) *Tom Suchanek*
10:30 a.m. (St. Joseph) *St. Joseph & St. Mary Parishioners*

All Masses are in-person

Live-streaming available (**NOTE NEW SATURDAY TIME**):

- St. Joseph on Saturday at 5:45 p.m.
- St. Mary on Sunday at 8:30 a.m.




***Join us on Facebook to view Mass streaming live
(access available from each parish website):***

- St. Mary: www.saintmarymilton.org
- St. Joseph: www.stjoeedgerton.org

Pray for the Sick

Please keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers:

Delores Alm		Kathleen Knight
Dorothy & Ken Bomkamp		Keith Korell
William Burdick		Jeff Kraus
William Butzke		Loren Krueger
Frank Daniels		Mary Ann Langer
Joyce DeMott		Lisa Meyers
Carole Evans		Lillian Moreno
Pat Finucan		Mary Kay Mullen
Esther Folk		Bob Murphy
Jane Folk		MVA
Elizabeth Frye		Dorothy Nelson
Anna Furlano		Scot Nelson
Jim Furlano		Jeffrey Pipitone
Helen Goerke		Bill Rice
Lynette Hammil		Diana Riesterer
Jared Hanson		Don Roberts
Duane Hendricks		Rob Rosa
Bud Hoff		Mike Ryder
Nick Hoff		Rosemary Schafer
Bill Hupp		Kathy Trimberger
Don Hying		David Sperger
Trish Jarzynski		Ron Yoss
Marion Kaiser		
Barb Keefe		
Matt Keller		

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Stewardship: A Way of Life

2nd Sunday of Lent

“Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you.”

Genesis 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful.”

WORD OF LIFE: The gospel of Life is “meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God; respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!”



The Gospel of Life 5

St. Joseph Parish

This Week at St. Joseph

Sun. Mar. 5:

- 9:00 a.m. Teen Formation
- 10:30 a.m. Junior Disciples
- 11:30 a.m. Donut Sunday

Mon. Mar. 6:

- 10:00 a.m. The Chosen Small Group
- 6:00 p.m. Conversion Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. The Chosen Small Group

Tues. Mar. 7:

- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 p.m. Amazed & Afraid Small Group

Wed. Mar. 8:

- 3:30 p.m. Faith Formation Gr 1-5
- 6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Gr 6-9

Thurs. Mar. 9:

- 6:30 p.m. RCIA
- 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- 6:30 p.m. Lent & Easter Wisdom

Sat. Mar. 11:

- 8:00 a.m. Rosary - Cenacles of Life

Sun. Mar. 12:

- 9:00 a.m. Family Faith Formation
- 10:30 a.m. Junior Disciples
- 11:30 a.m. Confessions

Financial Stewardship

Collection from February 26, 2023

Envelopes	3,990.39
Offertory	369.33
On-Line Giving	<u>744.00</u>
Total	5,103.72
Weekly Income Needs	5,150.00

Thank you for your continued financial support of our parish!

If you would like to contribute electronically, please sign up at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjoeedgerton>



Baptism: Scheduled after weekend Masses. Baptismal Preparation Class is required. They are offered the first Sunday of March, July, and November after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Marriage: Please contact the priest at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday after 5:45 p.m. Mass and the second and third Sunday after 10:30 a.m. Mass.



Please keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers.

Gracie	Joan Chesmore
Fran Barrett	Pat Chiumenti
Lois Bongle	Donna Dahl
Betty Bosben	Sue Dahms
John Bovard	Grace Farrington
Larry Burns	Judy Fugate
	Lynsey Gruna
	Rosie Hatlen
	Linda Hatton
	Julie Hoff

Christian Kelsey	Bob (Seamons)
Robert Koch	Siemienkowicz
John Kociolek	George Stanek
Annanell Krausse	Jacinta Tinoco
Annette Nagle	Serrano
Jeanne N.	S. Severson
Maureen Plautz	Sonja P.
John & Mary Pratt	Pat Spray
Elliot Rademacher	Eugene Sutcliffe
Bill Schultz	Darnell Ziegler

St. Mary Parish

Financially Speaking

Collection From Last Week (February 26, 2023)

Weekly Income Needs	7,788.00
<i>based on income from budget</i>	
Envelopes	3,325.00
Offertory	93.67
ACH & On-Line Giving	720.00

Fiscal Year-To-Date Contributions

YTD Envelopes & ACH	275,960.00
YTD Offertory	5,366.30

Collection from last year (February 27, 2022)

Envelopes	4,606.00
Offertory	65.00
ACH & Online Giving	670.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!

This Week at St. Mary Parish

Sat./Sun. Mar. 5/6:

- Girl Scout cookie sales after Mass

Sun. Mar. 5:

- 8:15-10:30 a.m. Family Ministry
- 8:30 a.m. Seeds
- 9:30 a.m. Little Black Book Small Group
- 9:30 a.m. A Biblical Walk Through Mass Small Group

Mon. Mar. 6:

- 9:30 a.m. Little Black Book Small Group
- 10:00 a.m. Belles of St. Mary
- 6:30 p.m. Stations of Cross

Tues. Mar. 7:

- 4:00 p.m. K-6 class
- 5:00 p.m. Confessions
- 7:00 p.m. KC event in center

Wed. Mar. 8:

- 4:00 p.m. K-6 Class
- 6:00 p.m. Finance Council

Thurs. Mar. 9:

- 6:30 p.m. Safety & Security meeting

Sat./Sun. Mar.11/12:

- KC Raffle ticket sales after Mass

Sat. Mar. 11:

- 9:00 a.m. Reflection Morning

Sun. Mar. 12:

- 8:15-10:30 a.m. Youth Ministry class
- 8:30 a.m. Seeds
- 9:30 a.m. Little Black Book Small Group
- 9:30 a.m. A Biblical Walk Through Mass Small Group

*Special THANK YOU to
parishioners Gail & John Nordlof
for the donation of altar wine at
St. Mary Parish.*

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ROSARY AT ST. MARY ON MONDAY MORNINGS: Our rosary group is still going strong. The rosary will be said outside by Our Lady (corner of Parkview and St. Mary St.) at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting. Time commitment is only 15 minutes. Please bring your own chair. If raining or other bad weather, we will meet inside church. The rosary is also recited immediately following Mass every Tuesday and Wednesday. On Wednesday we follow the rosary with Divine Mercy Chaplet. Won't you join us?

PALMS COLLECTION AT ST. JOSEPH & ST. MARY: We are collecting last year's palms. The palms have been blessed so they must be treated with reverence and disposed of in a proper manner. Please do not throw them in the trash. For your convenience, a collection basket is in the vestibule at St. Joseph and in the Gathering Space at St. Mary to place your palms in.

BELLES OF ST. MARY: The Belles of St. Mary will meet on Monday, March 6 at 10:00 a.m. in the parish center. Refreshments prior to 10:00 a.m. Please join us as we make plans to celebrate our 15 years as a vibrant organization!

AN EVENING OF MUSIC & REFLECTION: Dan Schutte, Friday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Queen of the

Rosary Chapel at Sinsinawa Mound Center. You've been singing Dan's beloved melodies for years and now he wants to share his love of God with you. Dan weaves stories, prayer and reflection with song, inviting all into a deeper relationship with God. Some of Dan's songs include *Here I Am, Lord, City of God, You Are Near, Though the Mountains May Fall*. Please bring your family and friends for this wonderful evening. Free will offering accepted

RECONCILIATION AT ST. JOSEPH: Please note that Saturday Reconciliation time is moved to *after* 5:45 p.m. Mass starting this weekend.



ST. JOSEPH

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS
after 5:45 pm Mass

AND

SUNDAY, MAR 12 & 19
after 10:30 am Mass

DONUT SUNDAY at ST. JOSEPH: *Thank you* to the Jared & Kristen Hammer Family for hosting our Donut Sunday, this Sunday, March 5 after 10:30 a.m. Mass.



THIS TUESDAY!

RETIREMENT SAVINGS & DISTRIBUTION PLANNING

EVENT: St. Mary Knights of Columbus are offering a web event on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. Ed Slott, an IRA expert, will speak at this informative webinar. All are invited. View at home by registering online, or join us on March 7 at St. Mary parish center to view on our big screen TV. Questions? RSVP: Mike Tracey at mtracey5@outlook.com or call 608-751-0233.



40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS AT ST.

MARY: Beginning Ash Wednesday (February 22), St. Mary Knights of Columbus will again collect 40 Cans for 40 Days. All food donations will go to the Milton Food Pantry. The last day for collection is Good Friday. Alms for those with greater needs than our own. Thank-you in advance for your generosity.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

ANNUAL FISH FRY

Date: Friday, March 31, 2023

Place: St. Mary Parish
837 Parkview Dr, Milton

Serving Time:

5:00-7:00 p.m. (or until gone)
Serving deep fried & baked cod, French fries or baked potato, coleslaw, bread and cookie.

Adults (3 pc) \$14
Children 3-12 yrs \$ 8
Children under 3 yrs Free



Dine In OR Carry Out

Please be generous ... Proceeds used for scholarships

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EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Knights of Columbus

March 18

St. William Parish Hall

1822 Ravine

Janesville, WI



Entry Fee: \$10
Registration: 5:15 p.m.
Cards: 6:00 p.m.
Cash Prizes and 50/50 Raffle



Beverages and sandwiches
available for purchase.

All are welcome, singles or couples

*All net proceeds will go toward
scholarships*

For more information contact
Tim Walleser * 608-728-2419

OR

Edwin Heflin * 608-563-1301

ST. MARY RUMMAGE SALE:

June 22-25: It's back and we're hoping better than ever! All gently used or brand new donations can be brought to St. Mary anytime the parish center is open (or call Vicki at 608-449-6530). We accept most everything that is **clean, non-broken and in good working condition.**

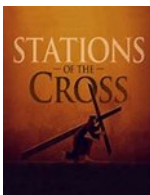
Items we **CANNOT** accept:

- Upholstered Furniture
- Mattresses
- Cribs with Drop Sides
- Car Seats
- Computer Hardware & Accessories
- Old TVs
- Chemicals
- Paint
- Tires
- Undergarments



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- **AT ST. MARY:** Held at 6:30 p.m. every Monday during Lent at St. Mary, through March 27.
- **AT ST. JOSEPH:** The Knights of Columbus will lead the Stations of the Cross every Thursday through Lent at 6:30 p.m. Please join them for this special devotion.




CHECK OUT ST. MARY FACEBOOK PAGE:

Each day we post new content to St. Mary's Facebook page... Just a quick snippet to start your day. Check us out! Share the content with

your friends. Be sure to check in on Tuesday's for fun questions to answer on Trivia Tuesday! Access to St. Mary Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064753954137> or access from St. Mary website: saintmarymilton.org

GOING ON A 7-DAY VACATION?

In that time, **302,400 units** of blood may be transfused to patients.

 American Red Cross

**BLOODMOBILE
ST. MARY, MILTON**

Friday, March 24

11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Appointments Encouraged!

Visit: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time>

Note: Give in March for a \$10 Visa Prepaid Card by email plus chance to win a \$3K prize: rcblood.org/help

STRING ART CROSS NIGHT AT ST. JOSEPH:



The Fellowship Committee is hosting another craft night out! Please join us for an evening of fellowship and fun, Thursday, March 23rd starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This time you will be making a String Art Cross Wall Hanging. The board will

be prepared in advance. You simply need to choose your string colors. Paint markers will be available if you would like to add any words or inspirational verses to your artwork.

There is no cost for materials, however free will donations are appreciated. Please RSVP to Alexis 608-206-9504 by March 20th so enough boards and materials will be available.

ROSARIES NEEDED AT ST. JOSEPH:

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus provide rosaries for use in church or to take home if they wish. This Rosary ministry has been quite successful and, as a result, the Knights are seeking to obtain more rosaries. If you receive rosaries in the mail and are not sure what to do with them, or if you have rosaries in drawers at home not being used, we would love to have them. Please place them in the marked box in the St. Joseph church lobby or bring them to the St. Mary

parish office. The Knights of Columbus will be happy to get them into the hands of people who will use them. Thank you!

SPANISH MASS/MISA EN ESPAÑOL:

El ministerio de St. Joseph los invita a celebrar la Misa en español el domingo 19 de marzo 2023 a las 12:30pm. ¡Todos están bienvenidos! Celebrante: Fr. Agustín De la Vega, LC. Por favor llame a Mary Cortez para más información o para ayudar a 608-359-0585.

HEALING FROM ABORTION — ONE WEEKEND AT A TIME:

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer Hope and Healing for women and men who have struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Upcoming retreats in 2023: March 24 - 26 and November 10 - 12. Whether recent or long ago, call or email Mary at 608-821-3177

rachel@madisondiocese.org

Visit: www.madisondiocese.org/rachel

Referrals to a priest and/or therapist also available. Confidentiality is assured.

ALL ARE INVITED TO PRAY-A-THON: March 8-10 at St. John Vianney: Inspired by the Lenten call to



deeper prayer and moved by our world's urgent need for prayer, St. John Vianney Church in Janesville invites you to participate in the St. John Pray-A-Thon. From Wednesday, March 8 through Friday, March 10, we will pray nonstop in the church and encourage everyone to stop in and pray as often as possible.

An important part of the Pray-A-Thon will be gathering prayer requests and praying for these intentions during the three days. Please submit your personal prayer

requests (as many as you like!) online at sjv.org/prayer or on paper in the church. As a visual symbol of the power of prayer, LED candles representing the prayer requests will be lit in the church during the Pray-A-Thon. Help us light up the church by sharing your prayer requests!

Two ways to participate:

1. Pray with us in church March 8-10
2. LET US PRAY FOR YOU! Send your prayer request to: SJV.ORG/PRAYER



**Edgerton Community
Blood Drive**

St Joseph Catholic Church

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In the Parish Hall

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit Redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code: Edgerton

TEXAS ROADHOUSE FUNDRAISER:

10% Donation EVERY Sunday! Dine at Texas Roadhouse on Sunday's between 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. to support our church! Present a copy of our church bulletin to your server and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases back to our church!



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE:

The *International Student Exchange* (ISE) organization is looking for Catholic families to open their hearts and homes to international students coming to attend a local high school in the United States. Students come with their own spending money, health insurance, and speak English. They don't have to have their own bedroom; they may share with your child of the same gender. You don't even need to have a child of your own at home. They just need a loving family.

- Lorenzo is a 15-year-old boy from Spain. He is interested in basketball, drama or theater, hiking, running, jogging, soccer, football, and tennis. Lorenzo likes the NBA, MLS and his favorite subjects in school are math and biology. His plan is to become a

doctor like his mom. Lorenzo is Catholic and attends church frequently. Besides his native language of Spanish, Lorenzo also speaks very good French and English.

- Elisa is a 16-year-old girl from Italy. She enjoys cooking, family activities, visiting museums and playing volleyball. Elisa is Catholic who attends church weekly. While she is in America, she would like to be involved in church activities or clubs. She would also like to pursue photography, travel, visit museums and maybe play high school volleyball.

For information about ISE, visit their website at <https://iseusa.org/>. If you could open your heart and home to host one of these wonderful young people or would like more information, contact Lisa Behling, a local representative, at 608-931-1277.

St. Mary Faith Formation

What's happening...

Elementary Tuesday/Wednesday

K & 1st graders are practicing/learning their prayers. Last week's prayer was "Glory Be" and this week we'll move on to "Hail Mary."

2nd graders are preparing for their First Reconciliation which will be celebrated during their Reflection Morning on Saturday, March 11 from 9-11a.m. Last week, children took a little trip to the confessional to get comfy with the chairs and kneeler.

3rd graders started working on their matchstick crosses with Mr. Lornson. A tradition that began many, many years ago.

4th/5th graders are practicing their roles for the Stations of the Cross which will be presented to the other children in April.

6th graders love the CRS (Catholic Relief Services) Operation Rice Bowl lessons, learning about poor countries we support through our donations, and preparing foods from countries throughout the world. Last week, children learned about Guatemala and prepared tostadas with refried beans, salsa, cheese and homemade guacamole! Each of the children had an opportunity to take a taste. All of the recipes are meatless and families are encouraged to try the recipes at home on Fridays during Lent.

Family Ministry Wednesday, March 1st/Sunday, March 5th

Hands-On Stations of the Cross will be prayed by families with plenty of props for the children to follow along. Families will also learn more about CRS (Catholic Relief Services) Operation Rice Bowl and try some ethnic foods.

Youth Ministry/Confirmation, Sunday, March 12th

"Binoculars: What is a vocation?" will give youth insight into who God is calling them to be in this world of unknowns. Confirmation candidates will write letters to Bishop Hying. Youth will also keep busy stuffing Easter Eggs for the big hunt after 8:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass. Auditions will be held for this year's Easter Bunny during classes.

FORMATION COURSE: This April in Janesville, we Catholics have a great opportunity to attend a **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) formation course**. Carolyn Kohlhaas, a nationally recognized formation leader, will be conducting a preparatory course for educators, catechists, leaders, parents or anyone interested in delving deeper into the mysteries of Christ through scripture and liturgy. It is also that of an enriching *retreat*. What is CGS? It is a Catholic Montessori-based religious formation program that seeks to foster each child's relationship with God through a deep engagement in Sacred Scripture and Liturgy. With its contemplative, hands-on experience, some believe CGS may even help solve our vocations crisis! Saint Mother Teresa had her sisters take this not only for its practical applications but also for its many spiritual benefits. If you feel God tugging on your heart... come and see! For more details and to sign up: madisondiocese.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd or call/text Amy at 608-698-3877.

- DATES: April 14-16 & April 28-30
Child care is available.
- COST: \$185 (sponsorship may be available on request)



BULLETINS MAILED HOME: Would you or someone you know benefit from having our weekly bulletin mailed to your home? If so, please contact:

- **St. Mary:** Vicki at 608-449-6530 or email victoria.kersten1@gmail.com
- **St. Joseph:** Laura at 608-884-3038 or email admin@stjoedgerton.org



HELPING CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND: Did you know that funds collected in last year's Good Friday Collection provided senior care facilities in Bethlehem and Nazareth, and provided 398 homes benefiting Christian families? Your gift will make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land who are in dire need of our help. Please consider supporting the Good Friday Collection with some of your Lenten almsgiving.



Diocese of Madison

Catholic Herald

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH WITH THE CATHOLIC HERALD—Issue of March 9: The Catholic Herald keeps readers up to date with coverage of events happening around the Diocese of Madison. This week includes a special Building & Renovation section focused on projects big and small. Learn more about your Catholic faith by reading the Catholic Herald. If you do not subscribe but wish to receive the Catholic Herald print or e-Edition in your home, contact the parish office.



CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR ST. JOSEPH: Pick up your contribution envelopes in the vestibule this weekend. Please verify that your information is correct and contact the office if corrections need to be made.

“You dance love, and you dance joy, and you dance dreams.”

Gene Kelly

A Note from Our Pastor ...



- ✚ Today I conclude the discussion about the four parts of the Gospel. They are: 1) The Goodness of Creation / We are Made for Relationship; 2) The Tragedy of Sin / Our Relationship is Broken; 3) Jesus Restores our Relationship; 4) *The Response of Faith*. I encourage us to be familiar with all four parts, and most importantly, the fourth part. All of life comes down to this *response* to the Gospel. Let us also help others to *respond* in faith—that is what it means to evangelize!
- ✚ St. Mary-Milton will host a reconciliation liturgy on Thursday, March 16 at 6:00 p.m. There will be five priests to hear confessions. Members of both parishes are invited.
- ✚ In Lent I will use the Eucharistic Prayers “Reconciliation #1 and #2.” We will also use the Apostles Creed, instead of the Nicene Creed, because the Apostles Creed resembles more closely the baptismal promises which we will renew at Easter.
- ✚ We cancelled most of our Ash Wednesday liturgies due to the ice storm. If you weren’t able to come to Mass on that day, it is OK, it is not a sin, since Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation.
- ✚ When there are unusual circumstances, such as bad weather or ill health, please use the gift of wisdom, regarding going to Mass. It might be the wise decision to stay home. Let us not endanger the well being of ourselves or others.
- ✚ Today our Saturday Mass times change. Our two parishes had been doing this every six months. However, with changes coming due to the strategic planning process *Into the Deep*, I suspect that both parishes will have new Mass times starting early July. Let us wait and see.

Fr. David

Readings for Week of March 5-12

Sunday, March 5

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

Monday, March 6

Daniel 9:4b-10
Psalm 79:8, 9, 11, 13
Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 7

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20
Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23
Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 8

Jeremiah 18:18-20
Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16
Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday, March 9

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6
Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 10

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Sunday, March 12

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



FOUR HOLY HABITS

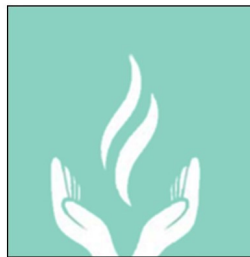
Each of us is called to be holy. Here are four habits that Bishop Hying has identified that will guide you on your path to holiness.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST



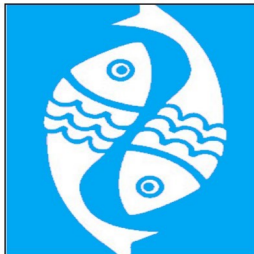
Reclaim the Sunday Eucharist as the center of parish life

PERSONAL PRAYER



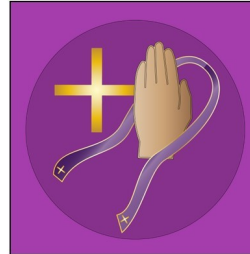
Pray and read the scriptures at least 15 minutes per day

FAST ON FRIDAY



Fast from meat or spend the day with some type of penance/mortification

CONFESSION



Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation monthly