Saint Mark Catholic Church

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

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Weekend Masses: 5 pm Saturday

and 8 am Sunday

Weekday Masses: Tues. 5 pm and

Thurs. 5 pm

Confession: Saturday at St. Mark from 4 pm to 4:45 pm or by

appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration: Second Tuesday of the Month at 4:30 pm.

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Mission Statement: We are called to help complete the Mission of Jesus Christ by reaching out to all the lives we touch by word and example.

Stations of the Cross: Thursday 4:30

Parish Council Chair Sonny Finnegan (314) 550-9169 Financial Council Chair Bob Chaplin (270) 969-8358

Please contact Fr. Jojy for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in or hospitalized.

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 10: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 7; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

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MASS SCHEDULE: Intentions	+ Deceased	-blank Living
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Monday		March 4	No Ma	ass
Tuesday	St. Mark	March 5	5:00 PM	Karen Elder +
Wednesday	St. Paul	March 6	6:30 PM	Karen Elder + followed by CCD
Thursday	St. Mark	March 7	5:00 PM	Norma Doutt + followed by Penance Service
Friday	St. Paul	March 8	9:00 AM	Karen Elder +
Saturday	St. Mark	March 9	5:00 PM	Jim and Mary Mawn +
Sunday	St. Mark	March 10	8:00 AM	for the people of our parishes
Sunday	St. Paul	March 10	10:00 AM	Karen Elder + Penance Service 2 pm

REFLECTION

Today's readings from Holy Scripture teach us that Lent is the ideal time to clean out the Temple of our own hearts and to offer to God proper Divine worship by obeying the Ten Commandments. They also teach us that our *New Covenant* with God demands that we should keep our parish Church holy, and our Divine worship vibrant by our active participation in the liturgy with hearts cleansed by repentance, and made holy by allowing the Holy Spirit to control our hearts and lives.

Today's first reading teaches us that the Ten Commandments are the basis of our religious and spiritual life. Instead of restricting our freedom, the Commandments really help us to love and respect our God and our neighbors. Today's Gospel gives us the dramatic account of Jesus' cleansing the Temple of its merchants and moneychangers, followed by a prediction of his death and Resurrection. The synoptic Gospels place the "cleansing of the Temple" immediately after Jesus' triumphant arrival in Jerusalem on the back of a colt on Palm Sunday, while John places it at the beginning of his Gospel.

Jesus cleansed the Temple which King Herod began to renovate in 20 BC. The abuses which kindled the prophetic indignation of Jesus were the conversion of God's Temple into a "noisy marketplace" by the animal merchants and into a "hideout of thieves" by the moneychangers with their grossly unjust business practices – sacrilege in God's Holy Place. Jesus' reaction to this commercialized Faith was fierce. Since no weapons were allowed inside the Temple, Jesus constructed his own, a whip of cords, and used it to drive out the merchants and moneychangers from the Court of the Gentiles.

We need to avoid a calculating mentality in Divine worship: Our relationship with God must be that of a child to his parent, one of mutual love, respect and a desire for the family's good, with no thought of personal loss or gain. We are not supposed to think of God as a vending machine into which we put our sacrifices and good deeds to get back His blessings.

Let us remember that we are the temples of the Holy Spirit: St. Paul reminds us that we are God's temples, body and soul, because the Spirit of God dwells in us. Hence, we have no right to desecrate God's temple by impurity, injustice, pride, hatred, or jealousy. Let us be cleansed by asking God's forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Let us love our parish Church as our "Heavenly *Father's house*" and make it a holier place by our care for it, by our active participation in the liturgy, by offering our time and talents in the various ministries, and by our financial support for its maintenance and development.

Lenten Penance Services – Catholics must go to Confession at least once each year. Additional priests will be on hand to hear confessions.

St. Mark, Thurs., **Mar. 7 5:30 pm**

St. Paul, Sun, Mar.10 2: pm

St Leo, (Murray) Wed., Mar.13 4:30 pm

St. Henry, (Aurora) Sun., Mar.17 1pm

St. Stephen, (Cadiz) Thurs., Mar. 21 6pm

"Confession is an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin- to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God." - St. John Paul II

St. Paul Second Sunday Dinner on March 10th

Please join us after the 10 am Mass at the Center as we spring forward with daylight savings time to enjoy a springtime dinner! Meat & drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish, casserole or dessert to share with family & friends for a springtime gathering.

K of C News:

Fish Fry each Friday through March 22. Meals are carry-out only and are available from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. For information call (270) 625-0269.

"Building the Domestic Church Program."

Watch for a kiosk with various free, faith related booklets. The kiosk will rotate among the Council's three parishes; starting with St. Paul. A donation jar will be available to help with the cost of continuing the program, but do not feel obligated to donate.

Prayer Requests

To those who knew Geneva and Paul Norman; Geneva died December 1, 2022 and Paul died January 24, 2023. May they rest in peace and rise in glory."

St. Paul: Meredith Janiak, Karen Tomes, Rodger Rush, Ronald Weidner, H.C Beck, Jim HayesJ. D. Gray, Melody Maki, Kendra Redd, Teresa Angelilli, Johnathan Vanover, Karen Wurtman, Mary Reil, Sherry Curling, Rick Bennett, Beth Berton, Lynn Ann Basso, Lewis Wurtman, Tammy Cannon, Mike Toomey, Sister Clarita Browning, and Mary Cheeseman

St. Mark: Jim Hibbord, Alisha Finnegan, James Martin, Gary Wood, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Cale Goodwin, Carol Kelly, Cheryl Osborne, Dan Glenn, David Boyd, Destiny Oliver, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Eric Roberts, Faye Morse, Frank & Deborah Vipond, Gerry Maynard, Gloria Orr, Jackie Kohlhagen and Baby, Jan Piche, Jenny Rivera, Jim Eich, Karen Reibel, Kelly George, Kenny Pierson, Lonnie & Terry O'Neill, Lynn & Mike Jamieson, Maggie Pierson, Makenna Finnegan, Margie Hibbard, Marie Berger, Reene McCartney, Richard Berger, Ron Eich, Roy Maynard, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Susan Hanf, and Terence Carlin.

Both Parishes: Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers: Barb Adams, William Moertl, Yvonne Stilinovic, Linda Stevens, and Dottie Thomas and all those living in nursing homes. Pray for our military and their families, especially Jack Rooyakkers.

Stewardship February 24 - 25, 2024			Thanks for your support!		
St. Mark	Regular collection \$1,700.00 Family Aid Society \$ 527.00		Mass intentions \$100.00		
St. Paul Week 35	Total collection: Family Aid Society	\$1,360.00 \$ 222.00	Weekly budget expense: Year-to-date collection: Year-to-date budget:	\$ 2,750.00 \$93,753.09 \$96,250.00	

Happy March Wedding Anniversaries!

March 1st Cesar and Misty Turmero

March 9th Anna and Dean Ray



March 10th Jeffrey and Clare Honnold

Happy March Birthdays!

March 7th Kathryn Cowen

March 9th James Hibbard and Thomas Rooyakkers

March 11th Kathy Talley

March 17th Dominque Rivera

March 20th Laura Jean Basso and Charles Coleman

March 27th Marie Markham

The Easter Egg Hunt (March 31) will be here before you know it! Please drop off candy-filled eggs at the St. Paul Narthex or give them to Natilie Adams

March 20th Thomas and Nicole Rooyakkers March 24th Terrence and Susan Carlin March 26th Catherine and Thomas Murray

Upcoming Important Dates

Mar. 3 First Sunday Breakfast at St. Mark after 8am Mass

Mar. 7 - Stations of the Cross **before** 5 pm Mass St. Mark **Penance Service 5:30 pm**

Mar. 8 - K of C Fish Fry 3:30-5:30

Mar. 8 - Stations of the Cross 6 pm St. Paul

Mar. 10 - Second Sunday Breakfast St.

Paul after 10 am Mass

Mar. 10 Penance Service 2:00 PM

Mass Ministers for Next Weekend

St. I	Mark	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Counters	Financial Rep.
Mar. 9	Saturday 5 pm		Regina Hosey	Joe Merimee Volunteer	Deacon Paul Bachi Sonny Finnegan		Joanne Bogle
Mar. 10	Sunday 8am	Aeydon	Bob Chaplin	Volunteers	Deacon Paul Bachi Bob Chaplin	Bridget Dukes Nancy Stalter	Bob Chaplin

St. F	Paul	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Counters * Financial Rep.	
Mar. 3	Sunday 10 am	Kale	Cesar Turmero	Suzanne Rush Volunteer	Deacon Paul Bachi Ken Negray	Bob Hayes*	
Mar. 17	Sunday 10 am	JD	Dan Adams	Susan Brinkley Sebastian	Susan Brinkley Maureen Adams	Mike Waslelewski	

St. Mark/St. Paul bulletins are available at

https://stmarkeddyville.weconnect.com

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813 S. Jefferson St. Princeton, KY 42445 Office Hours: 9 to Noon Tues/Wed 12:30-3 pm Thurs/Fri

Sunday Mass: 10 am Weekday Masses: Wed. 6:30 pm (Followed by CCD) Fri. 9 am



Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 am First Friday of the Month Confession: Fri. 8:30 – 9 am Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 6 pm

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Baptism: Please contact the Pastor for scheduling of Baptism and one-month notice is required.

Matrimony: Please contact and make an appointment with the Pastor for scheduling of the wedding. At least six months is needed for preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact Fr. Jojy for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in or hospitalized. If you are admitted to the hospital please give them the name and phone number of the church so the Pastor can visit.

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Email: krnegray@yahoo.com

Finance Council Chair: Bob Hayes (270) 625-1789

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