

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



MARCH 12, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:30 pm
 Sunday.....9:00 am
 Wednesday & Friday.....7:00 am
 1st Friday-Pine Haven.....10:00 am
 2nd Friday-Prairie Crossing.....10:00 am

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 - 3:30 PM

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Please contact the Parish Office to:

1. Join the Parish
2. Schedule a Baptism
3. Schedule a Mass Intention
4. Any other questions or concerns

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Chairperson.....Bridgett Zielke

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Rich Taufner

Tracy Kissel

Jenny Roatch

Peter Bustos

Norma Horne

Trustees: Toni Sarafin, Trustee Treasurer

Michael Pellegrino, Trustee Secretary

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING THE WEEK:

Monday-Friday at 6:40 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

1st Fridays-6:00 - 6:45 am St. John Evangelist

Sundays 8:00 - 8:45 am St. John Evangelist

1st & 2nd Saturdays-3:00 pm-Blessed Trinity

3rd, 4th & 5th Saturdays-3:00 pm-St. John Evangelist

LAY MINISTERS FOR MARCH 18/19

MASSES	Saturday, 5:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Lectors	Angela Bustos	Paul Garni Jack Egan
Servers		Sophia Hogan Patrick Bullard
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		Connie Katchkey
Ushers	Bill Rutten Ken Udovich	Peter Guske Steve O'Neil
Sacristan	Diane Torke	Julia Rodemeier Steve O'Neil
Greeters	Udovich Family	Sue Kampman



John 4:42, NRSV

From Father Schmeckel:

This Sunday, our Gospel is the story of Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well. The Gospel is a little longer and has many details. I encourage you to spend some time re-reading this Gospel and pre-reading next week's Gospel. Here are all the passages remaining in the season of Lent.



This Third Sunday of Lent – John 4:5-42 – Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well

Fourth Sunday of Lent – John 9:1-41 – Jesus and the man born blind

Fifth Sunday of Lent – John 11:1-45 – The raising of Lazarus from the dead

Palm Sunday – Matthew 26:14-27:66

A few more thoughts on the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** and the translation changes:

One of the reasons for the changes is to help renew our love, appreciation, and use of this Sacrament of Mercy and Conversion. Bishop Robert Barron often notes that in the 1970s and 1980s, the number of people regularly going to Reconciliation didn't just slowly drop off, but people completely stopped going. Re-emphasizing this Sacrament, renewing the examinations of conscience that are provided, and thinking of Reconciliation more frequently, can help us all to recognize how, where, and when we need God's grace and mercy to change and improve. Especially now, during this Season of Lent, I hope that you will take advantage of the opportunity to go to Confession and to grow closer to Jesus!

This Friday, March 17 is the **optional Memorial of Saint Patrick**. This year it happens to fall on a Friday. In the United States, the celebrations for Saint Patrick often include a meal of corned beef and cabbage – which conflicts with the usual refraining from eating meat on Fridays. However, because Saint Patrick captivates a large part of our imagination and emphasis as American Catholics, Archbishop ListECKi has granted a dispensation from your obligation to go meatless this year. If you choose to go for the corned beef and cabbage, you could still choose to do some other penitential or spiritual offering. You could attend morning Mass, pray the Rosary or Divine Mercy chaplet, or pass on something else in your life on Friday.

If you've been to Mass at Blessed Trinity, you have noticed that the Crucifix and the images of the Saints have been covered with a purple cloth. The instructions for celebrating Mass give this as a practice that can be observed in our Catholic churches – often beginning on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. As we make our way through Lent, we are called to be more focused on Jesus alone. Our practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are meant to “hone” our senses to look for and find Jesus in our prayer and in our daily lives. And so, we cover the images of the Cross and the Saints to help us focus more and more on our interior lives, our prayer, and our intimacy with Jesus, and to remember His suffering and death as we prepare for Holy Week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Will be offered at St. John Evangelist Parish on Saturday, March 18 at 3:00 pm and Sunday, March 19 from 8:00 - 8:45 am.

FINANCIAL: MARCH 4/5, 2023: Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$2,700.00.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	March 11	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Carol Schuessler by Jim & Sandy Jordan, †Tim Gilsdorf by Family
Saturday	March 11	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Herbert & Lucille Marchand and Carol Mertzig by Family
Sunday	March 12	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	March 12	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Theresa Weber by Family, †Clara Weyker & Rosemary Reiter by Jim & Lisa Reiter
Tuesday	March 14	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Marilyn Jarvis by Chuck & Jane Waldoch
Wednesday	March 15	St. John's	7:00 am	†Joe & Connie Roberts by Chuck & Jane Waldoch
Thursday	March 16	Blessed Trinity	9:00 am	†Juergen Pietzner by Francoise Pietzner
Friday	March 17	St. John's	7:00 am	†Georgiana McGinnis by Michelle & JJ Douglas
Friday	March 17	Prairie Crossing	10:00 am	†Bernice Mett
Saturday	March 18	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Victor & Helen Kampmann by Family, †Jerzy & Nora Salata by Family
Saturday	March 18	St. John's	5:30 pm	†Marilyn Jarvis by Chuck & Jane Waldoch
Sunday	March 19	St. John's	9:00 am	†Lydia Turba and Annette & Myron LaPean
Sunday	March 19	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners

SOCIEDAD AMIGOS DE LOS NIÑOS 2023 LENTEN ALMSGIVING INITIATIVE

Organized by:

Human Concerns/Social Justice Committee – St. John Evangelist Parish,
Kohler

Human Concerns Committee – Blessed Trinity Parish,
Sheboygan Falls



We invite and encourage you to participate in our Lenten fundraising efforts for the SOCIEDAD AMIGOS DE LOS NIÑOS (SAN). This organization is committed to providing housing, care, education, and clean water for orphaned, abandoned, neglected, and abused children in Honduras. Our funds will be used to address those needs, primarily clean water, and education.

Checks/cash can be dropped into church offertory collection baskets using designated envelopes, drop off at the Parish Office during office hours, or mail it in to one of the Parishes.

Donations for the week of February 26 - March 4, 2023 \$3,222.00

If you write a check, please designate "SAN" or "Lenten Almsgiving" on the memo line. All donations are tax deductible. The last day of the collection will be Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023.

~John Egan, St. John Evangelist Parish Human Concerns/Social Justice Committee



**DAYLIGHT SAVING
TIME BEGINS:** On this
Sunday, March 12. Please

Spring Forward remember to "Spring
Ahead" an hour before you
go to bed Saturday night.

LENT TO REMEMBER: Join your fellow parishioners after the 9:00 am Mass at St. John Evangelist **this Sunday, March 12** for Episode 1 from a Lent to Remember on Formed.org. The video will be shown in classroom 8 and there will be light refreshments provided. This is hosted by the Catholic Life Center.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

9:30 - 11 am	Women's Group Walking With Purpose
12:00 pm	AA Meeting <i>Church hall</i>
3:00 pm	Reconciliation
5:30 pm	Mass

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

8:00 - 8:45 am	Reconciliation
9:00 am	Mass (<i>Choir Sings</i>)

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

8:30 - 11:00 am	Mission Society
6:30 - 8:00 pm	Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

4:00 - 5:15 pm	Religious Education 4k - Grade 6
6:45 - 8:00 pm	Religious Education Grades 7 - 12

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

2:00 - 3:00 pm	Bible Group <i>Church Hall</i>
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FRIDAY, MARCH 17

7:00 am	Mass
5:15 pm	Stations of the Cross

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12:00 pm	AA Meeting <i>Church hall</i>
5:30 pm	Mass

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

8:00 - 8:45 am	Reconciliation
9:00 am	Mass

MOTHER'S GROUP: The Mother's Group held at St. John Evangelist Parish on the first and third Mondays is **currently on hold** as the best day and time is discussed. If you would like to submit some feedback on days and times, please contact the Parish Office at 920-452-9623 or stjohnevbtsje.org. Please watch the bulletin for updates.



After careful consideration, Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKi has granted a dispensation for March 17th which lifts the obligation of abstinence from meat on Fridays during Lent so Catholics in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee can celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Catholics who partake in the St. Patrick's Day feast are encouraged to engage in another sacrificial or charitable act that day or give up meat on another day.

EASTER BASKETS: The Religious Education Committee will be assembling Easter Baskets to deliver to homebound parishioners. If you have any gently used Easter baskets which you would like to donate, please set them in the Gathering Space by Friday, March 31.

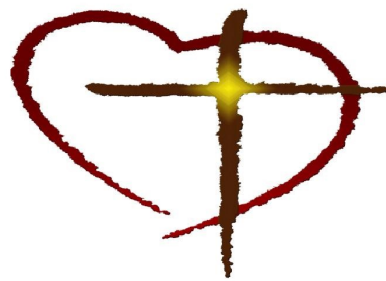
LENTEN FISH FRY: St. John the Baptist Parish 115 Plymouth Street, Plymouth will serve lightly breaded fish on **Fridays during Lent** from **4:00 - 6:30 pm**. Dinner includes coleslaw, applesauce, bread, homemade desserts and a choice of noodles, American potato salad or chips. Soda and beer are available for purchase. Cost is \$15.00 for large, \$12.00 for small or \$7.00 for vegetarian. Credit cards are accepted.





SOUPER SUNDAYS IN LENT: Stop in the Gathering Space after 9:00 am Sunday Mass at St.

John's during Lent to pick up a quart of homemade soup **TO GO**. Your free-will donation will go towards the Human Concerns Lenten project to support the Society for the Friends of Children in Honduras. Three different soups will be available. Please contact Sharon Reilly at 920-980-9622 or email reillys53044@gmail.com for more information or if you would be willing to provide a crockpot/nesco of your favorite soup.



Pray, Reconcile & Rejoice 12 Hours of Reconciliation

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

From 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Hosted by **St. Peter Claver Parish**

1439 South 12th Street, Sheboygan

Please use the parking lot entrance to enter the building.

*12 hours of Reconciliation will also take place in Fond Du Lac
on Wednesday, March 29, 2023,
from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm*

*hosted by Holy Family Parish, 27 Fourth Street Way,
as well as other locations throughout the Milwaukee Archdiocese.*

*Please see the Archdiocesan website for more information regarding times and
locations <https://archmil.org>*

JOIN US FOR

Living Stations of the Cross

**Sunday, March 19 &
Wednesday, March 22
7 p.m.
in St. Dominic Church**

ALL ARE WELCOME!



SHEBOYGAN NORTH
— CATHOLIC PARISHES —
Holy Name of Jesus • St. Clement • St. Dominic

Corner of N. 21st Street & Geele Avenue

Dear Padre,

I have done some really terrible things in my life. When I did them, I didn't think anything about them, but now I feel very guilty. Can God really forgive me?

As we Redemptorists like to say, "With God there is plentiful redemption." God's mercy is everlasting and overflowing in its abundance. As we continue in Lent, let's remember that Easter is the sign that God forgave even the great sin of the crucifixion of his only Son. Time and time again throughout the Scriptures, Jesus demonstrates this bountiful mercy. He forgave Zacchaeus, the tax collector. He forgave the woman caught in adultery. He was tender with the Samaritan woman we hear about in today's Gospel. He spent his days living among and forgiving all manner of sinners. He even forgave Peter's great denial. The Church has named a multitude of saints, but note that in 2,000 years it has never declared anyone to be definitively condemned to eternal punishment. There is hope and mercy for all.

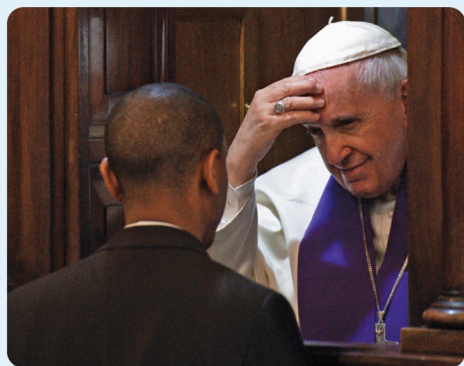
No matter how great the sin, God will forgive it. All you have to do is ask for mercy sincerely. All that takes is a repentant heart. From the tone of your message, you are truly sorry. Find a priest with whom you are comfortable and ask him to celebrate with you the sacrament of reconciliation. If you don't know how to go to confession, just ask. The priest will help you. Be at peace. ●

Fr. Rick Potts, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
March 13	March 14	March 15	March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19
Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Lenten Weekday	Fourth Sunday of Lent
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab	Dn 3:25, 34-43	Dt 4:1, 5-9	Jer 7:23-28	Hos 14:2-10	Hos 6:1-6	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Lk 4:24-30	Mt 18:21-35	Mt 5:17-19	Lk 11:14-23	Mk 12:28-34	Lk 18:9-14	Eph 5:8-14
						Jn 9:1-41

Know Someone Overly Anxious about Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We all have the right to be forgiven. All of us....Forgiveness is a "right" in the sense that God, in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, has given it in a total and irreversible way to every person willing to accept it with a humble and repentant heart.

**ADDRESS AT A COURSE ORGANIZED BY APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY,
MARCH 25, 2022**