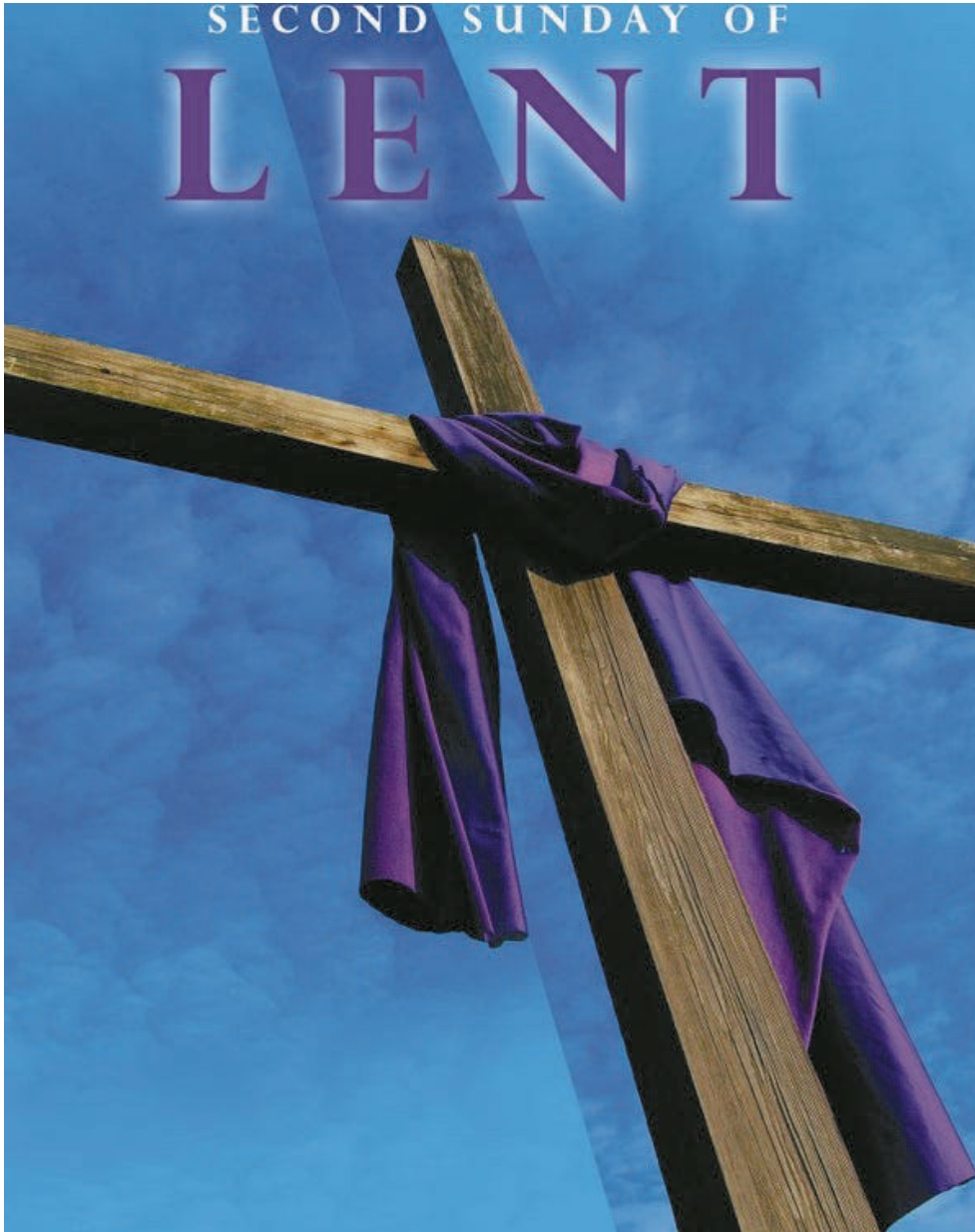




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MARCH 16, 2025

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 pm (SB)
Sunday: 8:00 am (SL) & 10:00 am (IC)
Tuesday: 5:30 pm (SB)
Wednesday: 8:00 am (SL)
Thursday: 8:00 am (SL)
Friday: 8:00 am (IC) & 11:00 am (SB)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 pm (B)
Sunday: 7:30 am (L)
Sunday: 9:30 am (IC)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the pastor 1-2 months Prior
 to date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements to be made 6 months in
 advance. Contact the Pastor.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults desiring baptism, confirmation or full
 membership in the Catholic Church, contact
 Deacon Wendt. Sessions begin in Fall.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office or fill out one of the
 Family Registration sheets in the back of church.
 They can be handed in the weekend collection

VISITATION

Please notify the pastor when a hospitalized /
 homebound parishioner desires holy communion.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the church office or the Pastor.

FROM OUR PASTOR

The splendid vision in our Gospel today comes after Jesus had said that "The Son of man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. This was no good news to the disciples who expected Jesus as the Messiah, to drive out the Roman army of occupation and restore the kingdom of Israel. Many of them would have begun to have second thoughts; Is Jesus really the expected Messiah? So a few days after, Jesus invites the three leaders of his group, Peter, James and John, to go with him up a mountain, to show them another angle on reality.

For many, mountains are a place of encounter with God. Moses encountered God on a mountaintop, and so did Elijah and it was a favorite place of prayer for Jesus too. It was where the eyes of the Apostles, their spiritual eyes, were opened and they caught a glimpse of Jesus that their physical eyes could never see. Then they saw that the heavens were on the side of Jesus and they heard the voice of the invisible God, "This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him". This was all the confirmation they needed that Jesus was indeed the expected one, for heaven itself bore witness. Now they would listen to him and follow him all the way to his suffering and death in Jerusalem. No matter

what happens they are now sure of one thing; God is with Jesus; final victory will therefore be his.

our lives are a mixture of a 'mountain-top experience' and a 'valley experience'. Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death followed by the transfiguration experience reveals this truth in no unclear terms. You can see thorns in a bush full of roses or roses in a bush full of thorns, no matter how you look at it you cannot change the truth that both thorns and roses are before you. Life's journey is through thorns and roses, mountains and valleys.

When we know that suffering is going to come upon us, it is quite natural that your face will look gloomy and pale and people can notice it. But here at the Transfiguration Jesus is looking radiant in glory. This scene suffices that when we take up our cross in God's name we receive strength and grace from the Lord to carry it. The voice of God "This is my beloved son in whom I am well-pleased, listen to Him" is not just an endorsement of the Jesus-mission of redemption but an affirmation that God is always "well-pleased" when we are willing to carry our cross and follow Him. When we are busy carrying our crosses become also sure God is busy weaving a crown for us. The crown is not beyond the grave, but in this life itself.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – 3/17/25

NO MASS

Tuesday – 3/18/25 - Immaculate Conception

5:30 pm † William Jr Balk by Derek Fogel & Ruth Jacobson

Wednesday – 3/19/25 - St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Norman Rotering by The Family

Wednesday – 3/19/25 - St. Boniface

5:30 pm † Esther Pronschinske by Betty Zych



Thursday – 3/20/25 - St. Lawrence

8:00 am † All Entrusted To Our Pastor's Care

Friday – 3/21/25 - St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Marvella Baecker Zittel by Jim & Kathryn Ruff

Friday – 3/21/25 - St. Boniface

11:00 am † George & Louise Salwey by Willie & Brenda Pronschinske

Friday – 3/21/25 - Immaculate Conception

5:00 pm † William & Ethel Schuth by Roxanne Gabrick

Saturday – 3/22/25 St. Boniface

4:30 pm † Special Intentions by Rotering Family

Sunday – 3/23/25 St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Kathy Speltz by Her Family

Sunday – 3/23/25 Immaculate Conception

10:00am † Paul Jagielski by Dale & Jenny Schaffner

MINISTRY SCHEDULE | MARCH 22-23

SATURDAY | 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Faith Pronschinske

Lectors: Les Brommer

Servers: Bree Pronschinske

Esther Burrow

Ushers: Scott Pronschinske

Leon Bork

SUNDAY | 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Bryce Lisowski

Lectors: Mary Lisowski

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Bruce Auseth

Mark Noll

SUNDAY | 10:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Bagniewski

Lectors: Doris Killian

Servers: Goettings

Ushers: Jim Semling

Roman Kujak

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENT HAPPENINGS

An insert in the bulletin will offer different topics each week with reflections, chances for journaling and ideas to help you get closer to the Lord at home during Lent. Please take some time this Lent to foster yourself through the parish activities being offered or at home with this revival! This week's insert topic is "Who is 15 year old Blessed Carlo Acutis— Eucharistic Miracles."

Stations of the Cross

The Way of the Cross will be said every Friday followed by mass.

8 am—St. Lawrence

11am—St. Boniface

5pm—Immaculate Conception



The Important Season of Lent

During the season of Lent, the major focus is on three pillars: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Regarding prayer, a transformative way of praying is incorporating a daily examination of conscience. This simple process takes about five minutes. Before climbing into bed, think back over the day in a broad sweep and give thanks to God for two things. Also, think back on how personal selfishness was manifested in your dealings with others and ask the Lord to forgive you. Fast from one thing that you particularly like, such as some type of social media, a type of food or a tv program, etc. Offer up this sacrifice for a member of your family who is struggling. Almsgiving is about sharing what we have with the poor - not only money but also ourselves - by serving someone in need.

LENTEN SOUP & SANDWICH MEAL



The PCCW's Soup and Sandwich Luncheon menu this Tuesday, March 18, will Chili, Sweet Rolls, Bologna Sandwiches and veggies & Dip.

The proceeds from the Lenten Soup and Sandwich meals will be divided between Carol Abts and Michael Malchaski to help with medical bills. These meals will be held after the 5:30 mass in Hansen Hall (church basement). All are welcome.

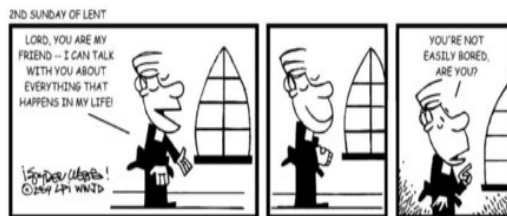
Quilt and Basket Raffle Tickets will be available before and after mass. One chance for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00.

LENTEN REGULATIONS:

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday. Lenten regulations are as follows:

- Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.

- In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.



Jesus is the "Living Bread from Heaven."

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51). Jesus gave this living bread to His apostles for the first time at the Last Supper. Jesus gives this living bread to us in holy Communion. The living bread is Jesus Himself. Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

Jesus, please strengthen my faith to believe that You are the living bread received in Holy Communion.

This week, read Jesus's explanation that He is the living bread from heaven (John 6: 48-51).

WE ARE HIRING

We are hiring in the St. Boniface daycare. If you would like hanging with fun & cute kiddos, this is the job for you! Part time, flexible scheduling and no weekends or holidays. Contact Olivia for more information at 715-530-1434 or owick@stbonschool.com

PARISH FINANCIALS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION		ST. LAWRENCE		ST. BONIFACE	
33 Env	\$ 1,257.00	24 Env	\$ 585.00	13 Env	\$ 445.88
Plate	\$ 101.00	Plate	\$ 104.25	Plate	\$ 117.00
Flowers	\$ 50.00				
Total	\$ 1,408.00	Totals	\$ 689.25	Totals	\$ 562.88
Attendance	78	Attendance	57	Attendance	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

If you have any questions, contact Carrie at treecclesiae.red@gmail.com or (608) 687-3228.



**The elementary students meet every Wednesday until 5pm at St. Mary's Parish Life Center in Fountain City.

**The next class for Grades 7th thru 10th will be at

St. Lawrence on March 19.

SAINT LAWRENCE

SUNDAY BRUNCH



Everyone is invited to join us for our next KC/PCCW breakfast social on March 16th.

Parish members whose last name begin with A-L are asked to bring an egg bake, French

toast or other breakfast item to share. Fruits and beverages will be provided.

GIVE IT UP FOR LENT!

This lent, the Alma Council of Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a food drive to help the local food pantry. If you are looking for something to do for lent this year, this is the perfect opportunity for you to help. At this time, the pantry is mostly in need of cereal and canned goods. We have a collection box in the back of church for your donations. All are welcome to participate. Thank you for helping make a difference.

ST. LAWRENCE QUILTERS



St. Lawrence church quilting group will resume at 1:00pm in the church basement. Questions call Louise Bauer at 608 685 4188.

SAINT BONIFACE

SCHOLARSHIP



**All high school seniors (both boys and girls) who's father is a current Knights of Columbus council #1654 member please apply for one of the two yearly scholarships of \$250 each sponsored by our local Knights of Columbus. Contact Ben Filla at (608) 863-5250 or Karl Bisek at (608) 797-7172 for more information.

SPRING FUNDRAISER DINNER & AUCTION TICKETS

The St. Boniface School Spring Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 5th. Tickets are now available to purchase. Chicken Dinner is \$25 per ticket or you can reserve your ticket for the Dinner & Live auction ticket for \$50 by contacting Emily at 608-445-3021.

Polaris Ranger tickets are \$25/ticket or 5 for \$100.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

ROSARY HELP WANTED



The PCCW will begin to say the Rosary but would like additional volunteers to lead this as we are all part of this church. Please reach out to a PCCW member to volunteer. Rosary would start around 9:35. "When people say the Rosary together it is far more formidable to the devil than one said privately, because in this public prayer it is an army that is attacking him."

RAFFLE

Please check out the raffle quilt donated by our wonderful quilter ladies, fluffy throw, a beautiful print, and gift baskets in the church basement. We had someone generously donate 4 wonderful gift baskets for kids or grandkids. Tickets \$1.00 for one and \$5.00 for a book of six. If you would like to bring a basket or donation for raffle, please also drop off in basement.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

During Lent's time of almsgiving keep the CFC Food Shelf in your mind when you are shopping. Perhaps one of the buy one get one free items could be donated to the Food Shelf. You can drop off items or money for items on shelves in church basement. Last month the Food Shelf donated 1078 lbs. of food to 53 people. List of items needed on bulletin board.

ST. MARY'S QUILTERS

Please note the St. Mary's quilting group will not meet during Lent. Soup & Sandwich takes for sure one and maybe two or more of our quilters and we do not have many quilters right now.

CEMETERY HELP



We are looking for someone who would be interested in mowing and weed eating at the St. Mary's Cemetery this summer.

Also, someone who would be interested in being a back up for funerals at the St. Mary's Cemetery. You can contact Stephanie Foust or Connie if you have any questions on either position.

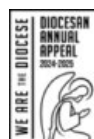
DIOCESE ANNUAL APPEAL

Immaculate Conception

Goal: \$20,870
Received: \$14,195
Under: \$6,775
49 donors
Recurring: \$20 month

St. Lawrence

Goal: \$13,145
Received: \$8,360
Under: \$4,785
34 donors
Recurring: \$200 month



St. Boniface

Goal: \$7,845
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