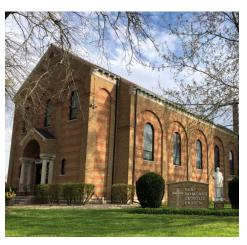
February 19, 2023 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time







ST. MAURICE

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BAPTISMS

Contact Father at least 6 weeks prior to desired date.

WEDDINGS

Contact Father 6 months prior to the desired date

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact Father

HOMEBOUND / HOSPITAL VISITS

Contact Father

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation - (217) 321-1155

Father's Corner

"Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

We tend to think that being perfect means doing everything exactly right; meaning, no errors or mistakes, no wrong decisions or bad judgments, no destroyed relationships or broken hearts. But these examples show the limits of our human understanding of what it means to be perfect. So, Jesus shows us another kind of perfection.

He challenges us to turn the other cheek, to go the extra mile, to love those who hurt or despise us, to stay by even those who take advantage of us, to forgive and have compassion and show mercy. Even more, Jesus challenges us to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. What does this kind of perfection look like?

This kind of perfection is our life of discipleship. Discipleship means we act with gentleness instead of judgment when another has made a mistake. Discipleship means we show forgiveness instead of retaliation when another has hurt us. Discipleship means we show patience instead of striking out at someone who is hesitant. Discipleship means we show tolerance instead of exasperation when human growth and change comes slowly.

In addition, we are on the journey toward being perfect as our heavenly Father when these actions become a true way of life, leading to the fullness of Life that is the Father's perfection. What a better message for us on the eve of the Lenten Season?

-Year of the Eucharist-

What is the significance of the large candle that stands near the Baptismal Font?

The Paschal Candle (blessed and lit once a year during Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday), remains lit in the sanctuary throughout the Easter season.

During the rest of the year, it is kept near the Baptismal Font and then is lit during Baptisms and Funeral masses.

It symbolizes the risen Jesus, and reminds us that He is our Light. A small baptismal candle is lit from the Paschal Candle during Baptisms and given to the one being baptized. The Easter Candle is placed next to the casket during the funeral Mass. In this way it symbolizes Baptism as a death and resurrection in Christ, and also testifies to Christian faith in the Resurrection of the dead as well as to the fact that all are alive in the Risen Christ.

The Paschal Candle may also be lit for some devotional practices.

What is the purpose of the oil in three jars seen in churches and often found in a cabinet on the wall?

Holy oils are blessed by the Bishop during a special mass called 'Chrism Mass' and distributed to all the parishes of the diocese.

They are used in the celebration of the Sacraments. They are used during Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, and Anointing of the Sick. People are anointed with these holy oils.

There are three kinds of oils: Oil of the Catechumens (*OC* : *Oleum Catechumenorum*), Oil of the Sick (*OI* : *Oleum Infirmorum*) and Holy Chrism (*SC* : *Sanctum Chrisma*). In some churches the holy oils are kept in an ambry, a chest or cabinet usually located on a wall in the Sanctuary.

Lenten Regulations from the Diocese of Springfield

St. Patrick's Day, March 17, this year falls on a Friday during Lent.

For a just cause in individual cases, a pastor can grant a dispensation from the obligation of observing a day of penance or can grant a commutation of the obligation into other pious good works (per canon 1245 of the Code of Canon Law). The faithful who are desirous of such a dispensation or commutation of the obligation to abstain from meat on Friday, March 17, should speak with their pastor. Otherwise, we are to adhere to the obligation of abstaining from meat on this day as on the other Fridays of Lent.

ABSTINENCE - Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

FAST - Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Ash Wednesday, February 22 Mass Schedule

St. Raymond - 8:00 am St. Mary - 5:30 pm St. Maurice - 7:00 pm

Operation Rice Bowl

Rice bowls are available in the vestibule for you to use during Lent in order to collect money for Catholic Relief Services

Bible Study

Tuesdays St. Mary at 10:00 am St. Raymond at 6:30 pm

Reconciliation Times

St. Maurice - Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm St. Mary - Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm St. Raymond - Sunday 7:00 am - 7:30 am

Stations of The Cross

5:00 pm on Fridays of Lent Stations will rotate between our parishes

> February 24 - St. Mary March 3 - St. Maurice March 10 - St. Raymond March 17 - St. Mary March 24 - St. Maurice March 31 - St. Raymond



Raymond Knights of Columbus Weekly Lenten Fish Fry

Now open for Dine In! - Drive-Thru - Carry Out
Every Friday
February 24th to March 31st
Serving from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm
Fried Fish, Potatoes Wedges, Baked Potato,
Baked Beans, Coleslaw, and Cake
\$13.00 - or - 2 for \$25.00

Kids Pricing (Indoor Dining Only) Age 10 and under \$7.00 Preschool Free

Scholarship for Female Seniors Offered by the Springfield Diocesan CCW

The SDCCW's Scholarship Program is offering four \$1,500 college scholarships to four outstanding Catholic female high school seniors who exemplify SDCCW's mission, values of leadership, and faith and service.

Applications are due April 1st and are available in the vestibule of each parishes.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Hosted by Fr. R. Dean Probst October 17 - 26, 2023 Visiting: Caesarea, Haifa, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Cana, Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem

> For more information contact 618-783-8741 (Office) 217-494-6326 (Cell) rdprobst@gmail.com

Jerseyville Deanery CCW Meeting

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Benld Registration begins at 8:30 am \$6 each (includes lunch) Mass at 9:00 am followed by the Rosary

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Join Msgr. David Hoefler November 27– December 7, 2023

Sail the Sea of Galilee, walk the Via Dolorosa, visit the baptismal site in the Jordan River, daily Mass, sight-seeing, and so much more!

For more information, email holylandtoursllc@gmail.com or edanaher@dio.org

Register at holylandtoursllc.com

Our Prayer Corner

Carrie Alkire, Margaret Angle, Wayne Angle, Ralph Bawden, Speed Beaty, Kathy Beckmier, Carrie Beeler, Martha Beeler, Ivan Benning, Kathy Bergschneider, Larry Bergschneider, Amy Bethard, Cooper Bethard, Helen Boehler, Monte Busen, Kathy Caraway, Tammy Carter, Susie Carter, Gaye Catlin, Raymond Coatney, Ruth Coatney, Mike Colbrook Jean Cole, Ron Cole, Georgetta Dean, Gerald Dean, Aaron Dejaynes, Carl Durbin, Adam Edwards, Jason Fark, Joyce Fesser, Mary Lou Fleigle, Susan Fleigle, Pat Forbes, Briar Gard, Derek Gatton, Joe Grundy, Nide Grundy, Ramona Grundy, Dale Gudgel, William Gudgel, Bobbie Harker, Elayna Harker, Cameron Harmon, Gail Hartman, Harold Haslett, Richard Haynes, Gary Held, Colette Herrmann, Ben Hobson, Sarah Hopf, Clarrissa Hupp, Angie Janssen, Gary Jones, Lori Johanson, Bob Karasch, Joan Keller, Larry Lanter, Scott Lindquist, Janet Locander, Drake Lucas, Peter Luczak, Brad Lush, Chad Lush, Christine Lush, Valarie Lush, Debbie Marten, Mike Martin, Alan McFarlin, Erma McKinnie, Frances Meyer, Jonathon Millburg, Boggy Miller, Dan Miller, Deanna Miller, Heather Miller, Chris Mizera, Hans Mizera, Missy Mizera, Shirley Mizera, Alta Mundhenke, Marilyn Murphy, Bodhi Niewinski, Rose Ann Olinger, Trevor James Oller, Millie Olsen, Brenda Ouelette, Ron Painter, Randy Patterson, Diane Pitchford, Michael Poleon, Carolyn Prose, Roy Prose, Mary Ellen Rogers, Opal Ryan, Larry Saxe, Mike Sheedy, Rita Sloan, Dan Smith, Lenora Spencer, Tracy Stephens, Greg Stewart, Teresa Todt, Mary Frances "Toots" Walch, Larry Weber, Brant Weitekamp, Bev Weitekamp, Ed Weitekamp, Greg Weitekamp, Jodi Weitekamp, Steve Weitekamp, Pat Whalen, Jenny White, Larry Williams, Sandy Williams, Mary Zueck

To add or remove someone on the prayer list, please email Kateri Marten at kmarten@stmrm.org

St. Mary

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, February 18

5:00 pm The Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond (Fr. Florent)

Tuesday, February 21

8:00 am Nick & Helen Boehler (Their Children)

Ash Wednesday, February 22

5:30 pm Jeff Keith (Mark & Chris Meisner)

Saturday, February 25

5:00 pm Bob Seelbach (Kenny & Mary Jane Schmidt)

Tuesday, February 28

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton (Dorothy Shepherd)

Finance Council

Bob Wagahoff Patty Clarke Donna Krager Bill Brown Fr. Florent

Farmersville Knights of Columbus Pork Chop Dinner

Saturday, February 18th
At the Farmersville K of C Hall
Serving from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Dine In or Carry Out
Two Pork Chops, Baked Potato,
Green Beans, & Cake
\$15.00

Lector Schedule

Feb 18 - Dan Martin Feb 25 - Kathy Rovey March 4 - Carol Hupp March 11 - Mary Jane Fuchs March 18 - Tony Krager

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Feb 18 - Bea Leonard Feb 25 - Glenn Rovey March 4 - Mary Ann Rimini March 11 - Patty Clarke March 18 - Mary Jane Schmidt

Contribution Statements now Available

Please contact the parish office if you would like yours and we will mail it to you. This will help us save on stamps as opposed to mass mailing one out to everyone since most don't need/want a statement. Thanks!

Raymond Office Phone: 217-229-4435

No collection information received for February 11th

St. Maurice

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, February 19

10:00 am Patrick "Patty" Whalen (Patricia Whalen and Family)

Ash Wednesday, February 22

7:00 pm Tootie Fleigle (Rita Sloan)

Friday, February 24

8:00 am Richard Luczak (Carmen Luczak)

Sunday, February 26

10:00 am Dennis White and Merle Ree Millburg (Joyce White)

Friday, March 3

8:00 am The Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond (Fr. Florent)



Food Drive

The Morrisonville Knights of Columbus - Council 1151 is holding a food drive during this Lenten Season. We are announcing a 40 cans for 40 days theme. A collection box will be located in the church's vestibule. We know with our parish's generosity we can easily exceed our 40 can goal. Any canned or non-perishable food items will be accepted. All items will be donated to the Morrisonville – Palmer food pantry.

Collection for February 12	
Envelopes & Loose Cash	\$945
Catholic Times	\$15
Church Improvement Fund	\$
Candle Fund	\$
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$960

Ministry Schedule

February 19

USHER: Mark Langen and

Eric & Becky O'Brien

LECTOR: Pat Wolf

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Catherine O'Connell ALTAR SERVERS: Adelaide & Gentry Dunkirk,

and Macie Ferrill

February 26

USHER: Mark Langen and

Eric & Becky O'Brien

LECTOR: Larry Goebel

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Dale Brockamp ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel & Nicholas DeBrun

March 5

USHER: Mark Langen and

Steve & Mellisa DeBrun

LECTOR: Dale Brockamp

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Charlie Golitko ALTAR SERVERS: Lucas, Noah, and Emma

Grundy

Contribution Statements now Available

Donation statements are available in the vestibule of the church. If you would like your statement e-mailed to you, please contact

Deb Forbes 217-825-3129.

Finance Council

John Fleigle
Deb Forbes
Brenda Deardorff
Charlie Golitko
Dale Brockamp
Fr. Florent

St. Raymond

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, February 19

8:00 am Shirlen Rosenthal (Greg Weitekamp and Family)

Ash Wednesday, February 22`

8:00 am Mary Joy Ringea (Greg & Raquel Weitekamp)

Sunday, February 26

8:00 am Terry Brockmeyer (Juanita Boehler and Family)

Wednesday, March 1

8:00 am Raymond Beiermann (Mary Marten)

Join us in praying for life

Every Friday morning at 9:00 am in St. Raymond's main church

Finance Council

Bill Held Marlene Marten John Barto Allen Poggenpohl Fr. Florent

Collection for February 12	
Envelopes and Loose	\$1,910
Candle offering	\$22
Bell Tower Fund	\$25
Easter Flowers	\$135
Church in Latin America	\$40
Catholic Times	\$15
Church in Central/Eastern Europe	\$
Total Collections:	\$2,147

February Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Verne Pinkston
CANTOR Tim Mizera
HOSPITALITY Denny Held
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Tricia Pinkston

MINISTER TO THE HOMEBOUND:

February 19 - Carl Marten

February 26 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

February 19 - Morgan Hampton

February 26 - Jacob Mizera

March Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Jerry Wagahoff
CANTOR Verne Pinkston
HOSPITALITY Greg Beck
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Carl Marten
MINISTER TO THE HOMEBOUND:

March 5 - Mary & Julie Krager

March 12 - Dick Lyons

March 19 - Carl Marten

March 26 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

March 5 - Dan Held

March 12 - Avery & Luke Pope

March 19 - Morgan Hampton

March 26 - Jacob Mizera

Stations of the Cross before Mass on Sundays

The Raymond Knights of Columbus will be leading the Stations of the Cross each Sunday before Mass during Lent. Please join us beginning at 7:25 am