

March 12, 2023

3rd Sunday of Lent



ST. MAURICE

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Morrisonville, Illinois
62546
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ST. MARY

310 Nobbe Street
Farmersville, Illinois
62533
(217) 227-3349



ST. RAYMOND

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62560
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Bulletin Deadline: Noon Monday

Parish Website: stmrm.org

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

“Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst”

First impressions are very important. When encountering someone we don't know, our first impressions can either leave us attracted to that person, or turned off. Usually we are attracted to another when there is a sense of common values and experiences between us; when the other seems genuinely interested in us. Future encounters with that person will help us get to know each other, discover each other, learn from each other... Have we ever experienced this kind of encounter with Jesus?

A woman comes to a well seeking water; she leaves the well having found salvation. The deep change in her life is brought about by an encounter with a tired, thirsty man who turns out to be far more than what he appears to be at first. And it is Jesus who initiates the encounter, but the woman's willingness to pursue the conversation is important to the encounter's outcome. Her thirst and openness to seeking the truth opens her to receive the gift of Jesus' very self and to be changed by him.

To us today, Jesus comes with the same gift of himself. Are we as willing to be open to what he offers us as the woman? What does he offer us? Jesus offers us the truth about ourselves when other people challenge our actions and way of life. Jesus offers us the opportunity to grow on our journey toward our salvation. Jesus offers us the opportunity to come to a deeper belief when we take time to share with family, friends and others our own experiences of prayer and encounters with divine Presence. He is the Living water that is given to quench our thirst for divine life.

Scholarship for Female Seniors

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.

SDCCW Lenten Retreat

All women are invited to attend SDCCW's annual Lenten Retreat at the Villa Maria in Springfield.
9:00 am Tue. March 28th to noon Wed. March 29th
Retreat master is Kim Paden
Spiritual presentations, prayer, Holy Mass, Confession, fellowship and much more.
Bring your sister, mom, friend. All are welcome!
Registration forms with cost and further info are available in the vestibule of each parish.

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

Illinois March for Life in Springfield

Tuesday, March 21st
The day will start with Mass at 10:00 am, at the Sangamon Auditorium, on the UIS Campus, 1 University Plaza, Springfield.
At 12:00 pm, the Illinois March for Life will hold a rally in front of the State Capitol, 2nd Street, at the Lincoln Statue. A march around the State Capitol complex will begin after the rally.
To register to attend the Mass and March go to illinoismarchforlife.org

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



Letter from our Bishop on the Catholic Charites Collection

Dear Friends in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support of this collection helps victims of war and natural disasters receive emergency assistance; assists migrants and refugees who need housing, education, and specialized immigration legal assistance; and supports travelers and people whose livelihoods require special pastoral support and access to the sacraments.

Seafarers from around the world sail into the busy ports along the Gulf of Mexico. Because of language barriers, unfamiliarity with the location, and quarantine restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, they have special material and pastoral needs. Fortunately, volunteers from the Stella Maris ministry welcome sailors entering the ports at Point Comfort, Texas, and Mobile, Alabama. Port chaplains celebrate Mass aboard ships, and lay volunteers distribute care packages and Christmas gifts to the sailors, including Bibles, rosaries, and other devotional items. In addition to serving seafarers with visits, gifts, and spiritual support, the centers in Mobile and Point Comfort organized free COVID-19 vaccination clinics for the crews. In 2021, the center at Point Comfort visited 30 ships and gave 268 vaccines to sailors from 22 different nations, while the Mobile center cooperated with local businesses, government agencies, and a Baptist-run ministry to arrange vaccinations for 1,200 sailors.

Stella Maris was founded in 1920 to bring the Church's saving message aboard ships. Over the past century, it has grown into a worldwide ministry to seafarers, port workers, cruise ship passengers, and others associated with the maritime industry. The U.S. national office is a ministry of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Subcommittee on Pastoral Care for Migrants, Refugees and Travelers, which The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports. When you contribute to the collection, you support this special ministry that welcomes and provides for seafarers who are far from home. As one ship captain said of Mobile's Stella Maris ministry, "You not only provide items that all require and have trouble obtaining due to the pandemic, but you remind these guys that someone is thinking about them."

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the globe. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year. To learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois



Fr. Mike Schmitz on Dive Deep

Topic: What many get wrong about God and prayer

Fr. Mike Schmitz, the host of the popular podcasts The Bible in a Year and The Catechism in a Year, joins Dive Deep to discuss what many Catholics don't realize about their faith, how faithful Catholics can get our lukewarm brothers and sisters back to the faith, what we should do if God "doesn't answer our prayers," and so much more.

Go to dio.org/podcast or search Dive Deep on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.

St. Louis School Now Hiring 2023-24 School Year Positions

Principal:

Candidates should be practicing Catholics with appropriate experience who have a strong desire to build Catholic culture and grow the faith environment of our school.

Full-time Teacher:

7/8th grade class room teacher. Preference is for a practicing Catholic with appropriate experience. Other qualified candidates may apply.

Part-time PE Teacher:

Preference is for a practicing Catholic with appropriate experience. Other qualified candidates may apply.

Applicants for all positions may apply by submitting their resume and cover letter to Fr. Michael at 311 S. Elm Street.

All positions and information available at www.slsk8.org/hiring

Easter Penance Service
for all three parishes

Friday, March 31st, 6:00 pm at St. Raymond
(There will be no Stations of the Cross on this Friday)



**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

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.



Stations of the Cross

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

March 10 - St. Raymond
March 17 - St. Mary
March 24 - St. Maurice
There will be no Stations on March 31

Stations of the Cross before Weekend Masses

Knights of Columbus will lead Stations before Mass on Sundays of lent at these Parishes and times

St. Raymond at 7:25 am
St. Maurice at 9:35 am

Family of Faith

This Wednesday, March 15th
K of C Hall in Morrisonville 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Bible Study

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

There will be no class on March 21st or 28th

Join us in praying for life

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

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

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, 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, Dave Mullen, Alta Mundhenke, Marilyn Murphy, Bodhi Niewinski, Rose Ann Olinger, Trevor James Oller, Millie Olsen, Brenda Ouelette, Ron Painter, Randy Patterson, Diane Pitchford, Michael Poleon, 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@stmmrm.org

St. Mary

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, March 11

5:00 pm Ruthie Aherin
(John & Rose Cawthon)

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton
(Family and Friends)

Saturday, March 18

5:00 pm George & Marie Todt Seelbach and Family
(Richard & Sharon Seelbach)

Tuesday, March 21

No Mass

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

March 11 - Patty Clarke
March 18 - Mary Jane Schmidt
March 25 - Bea Leonard
April 1 - Glenn Rovey
April 8 - Mary Ann Rimini

Lector Schedule

March 11 - Mary Jane Fuchs
March 18 - Tony Krager
March 25 - Dan Martin
April 1 - Kathy Rovey
April 8 - Carol Hupp

Collection for March 4

Envelopes & Loose	\$2,205
Easter Flowers	\$10
Catholic Charities	\$285
Church in Central/Eastern Europe	\$20
Candle Fund	\$
Maintenance Fund	\$80
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$2,600



St. Raymond

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, March 12

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

Wednesday, March 15

No Mass

Sunday, March 19

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

Wednesday, March 22

No Mass

March Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Jerry Wagahoff
CANTOR Verne Pinkston
HOSPITALITY Greg Beck
EUCCHARISTIC 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

Collection for March 5	
Envelopes and Loose	\$3,865
Candle offering	\$25
Catholic Children's Home	\$20
Easter Flowers	\$20
Catholic Charities	\$1,095
Catholic Relief Service	\$200
Total Collections:	\$5,225

St. Maurice

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, March 12

10:00 am Catherine "Mick" Sheedy
(Don & Mary Sheedy)

Friday, March 17

8:00 am Lorraine Luczak and Michelle Fuchs
(Larry & Debbie Weber)

Sunday, March 19

10:00 am Joe & Loretta Harris
(Family)

Friday, March 24

No Mass

Ministry Schedule

March 12

USHER: Mark Langen and
Steve & Mellisa DeBrun
LECTOR: Diane McWard-Sullivan
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Ed Goebel
ALTAR SERVERS: Adelaide & Gentry Dunkirk, and
Macie Ferrill

March 19

USHER: Mark Langen and
Steve & Mellisa DeBrun
LECTOR: Catherine O'Connell
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Larry Goebel
ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel & Nicholas DeBrun

Collection for March 5	
Envelopes & Loose Cash	\$2,055
Catholic Times	\$45
Catholic Charities	\$20
Church in Latin America & Central/Eastern Europe	\$30
Alter & Rosary	\$15
Church Improvement Fund	\$30
Candle Fund	\$
Total Collections:	\$2,195