

**The Weekly Mass Schedule/Calendar
March 12 through March 20, 2011**

03/12/11, Saturday

3:30PM Rosary

4:00PM Mass for Kathy Spear

03/13/11 Sunday,

8:30AM Rosary

9:00AM Mass for T. H. Gibson

10:00AM RCIA

(11:00AM Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul, Cole Camp)

7:00 LIFETEEN NIGHT

03/14/10, Monday

No Mass

9:00 Seder Meal Organization Meeting

03/15/10, Tuesday

8:30AM Mass for Lucille Hirsch

9:00AM Bible Study – Gospel according to Mathew

3:30PM Rainbow Colors and Edge Programs

03/16/10, Wednesday

(10:00AM Mass in Cole Camp and other pastoral duties)

6:00PM Stations of the Cross,

6:30PM Soup Supper/A&R,

7:00PM Series on Sacraments with Fr. Keith

03/17/10, Thursday

No Mass

03/18/10, Friday

8:30AM Mass for Joseph Hirsch

03/19/11, Saturday

3:30PM Rosary

4:00PM Mass for Ernie Estopare

03/20/11 Sunday,

8:30AM Rosary

9:00AM Mass for St. Ann & Sts. Peter & Paul parishes

10:00AM RCIA

(11:00AM Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul, Cole Camp)

7:00 LIFETEEN NIGHT

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Let us pray for: Bernie Scheutz, George Fowler, Dori Niebergall, Hulet Million, Roy and Ann Futvoje, Karl Keen, Pete Selenke, Ed Hoyer, Sr. Joan Martin RSM, Fr. Dennis Schaab, Leo & Rita Porter, Perry McGhee, Bill Weaver, Minnie Goffinett, Bob Cross, George Wise, Leroy Risse, George Sullivan...and all who suffer physically and mentally.

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Seder Meal Preparations are being made to host the Seder Meal, at St. Ann on Palm Sunday. If you are interested in helping, please come to the meeting on Monday, March 14 at 9:00AM. *Reba Walterscheid*

Pancake Breakfast a success! Thank you so much for supporting our youth! We raised over \$1,000.00 from the pancake breakfast. We especially want to thank the Knights of Columbus for their hard work and great cooking! The pancakes and sausage were excellent. Our youth were very uplifted to see so many people reaching out to them. We want to thank Walmart and Newman's for their donations also. *God Bless You, Rose Migliazzo & Team*

Need help with your Property Tax Credit? Gene Crane is available, AT NO CHARGE, to help with this. Please call him at 438-7884 for an appointment.

Would you like to send a card to Fr. Dennis Schaab? His address is: St. Mary Parish, 828 S. 18th St., Centerville Iowa 52544

Servers Schedule

Saturday, March 19, 2011

4:00PM Ben & Blake Broderson

Sunday, March 20, 2011- Youth Leadership Mass

9:00AM Austin Larsen & Samantha Blake

Collection for March 5 & 6, 2011 = \$4,100.41

First Sunday of Lent

At the beginning of this Lenten season we hear proclaimed the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. He responds to the first temptation by saying that one does not live by bread alone but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. The season of Lent invites us to consider how we nourish our hearts, how we act as stewards of the Word of God entrusted to us. A good reflection for the week: What do we live on? What keeps us going? Could it be possessions, prestige, the need to be in control, the need for security, addictions? Or the fervent desire to listen to God's word?

Stations of the Cross and Soup Suppers on Wednesdays, during Lent. Stations begin at 6:00PM followed by a Soup Supper. Fr. Keith will be giving a 1/2 hour instruction on Sacraments following supper. All are welcome.

St. Joseph Table is March 19 & 20 During the Feast of St. Joseph, the Altar & Rosary Society will be selling fresh bread, cakes, cookies, pies, home canned goodies, sugar free items, fruit and flower arrangements, etc. The sale will begin before and after the Saturday & Sunday Masses. A baked chicken dinner is also available Saturday, after Mass for \$5.00. The monies raised will help the needy of our parish and community. *The best time to bring your home cooked donations to the kitchen is on Friday morning, March 18.* Mary Kemna (660)438-6546

Beatification of Pope John Paul II The Cathedral of St. Joseph will celebrate the Beatification of Pope John Paul II with a special mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, 2011 at 5:00PM. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation. Please mark your calendars and all are invited.

Are you a Suicide Survivor? If you have lost a loved one to suicide you are a Suicide Survivor. The Benton County Suicide prevention task force will facilitate a suicide survivor discussion support group on Wed., March 16 6-7PM at J & D Pharmacy 2nd floor community room.

2011 Parish Quilt Thanks to those of you who have returned your blocks. 23 have been returned. There is still time to make a block for your family. If you need help, please call Regina Mackenburg or Ellen Julius.

Healing Mass

St. Ann will have a "Healing Mass" on Thursday, March 24 at 11:00AM. During the Mass, Father Keith and 2 other priests will administer the Sacrament of the Sick. Some of our parishioners would like to go, but do not have transportation. If you know of anyone, who would like to go, or if you would like to volunteer to bring someone, please call the Office. A luncheon will follow, hosted by the Altar & Rosary Society. Please sign the R.S.V.P. sheet in the lobby for the luncheon.

Notes from Fr. Keith 3/13/2011

We don't like rules. There's a common saying: "Rules are meant to be broken", and it's very appealing. We like to do what we want, and when we have to conform to a rule, we usually try to find out the minimum we can do to obey the rule. When I pledged a college fraternity, I was to carry a dollar's worth of change for an active to buy from me if needed: I carried 100 pennies.

Lent has a lot of rules, but the heart of Lent is conformity to the Image of Christ. We are Ambassadors of Christ, as the Ash Wednesday reading says, and if we're to fulfill this call, we shouldn't be asking what the minimum we have to do is. Giving ourselves to Christ means asking ourselves what is the most we can do, what more can we do to answer God's call.

Following the rules of Lent is a means of helping us to be more like Christ. It's about expanding our vision, about enlarging our hearts, about seeing ourselves honestly with all our blessings and challenges. The discipline of Lent is about letting ourselves be molded into the Image of Christ.
