

# Fourth Sunday of Lent: Laetare Sunday

## MASS INTENTIONS—March 25<sup>th</sup>—April 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Saturday—5pm** +Virginia Gudde  
(Carl & Louise Yockey)

**Sunday— 8am** +Jeremiah Gann (Katie Potocnik)  
**10am** People of St. Patrick's Parish

**Monday—7am** Donna Treiber (Mary Greenough)

**Tuesday—8am** +Tim McDaniel (Ella, Ann & Jennifer)

**Wednesday—12:05pm** Mother's Day Novena

**Thursday—8am** Linda McMillan (Suzanne Allen)

**Friday—7am** Father's Day Novena

**First Saturday—8am** Father's Intention

Next Weekends Intentions:

**Saturday—5pm** David George

**Sunday— 8am** +Gladys LaForge

**10am** People of St. Patrick's Parish

## PARISH NEWS

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**—Thank you Mrs. Yoakam and Mrs. Verren for coaching again this year... and Congratulations to these teams Quiz Bowl Pool B won 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Quiz Bowl Pool C won 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Also, here are the results from the Scholastic Festival: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Science 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Spelling 1<sup>st</sup> Place, and Language Arts 2<sup>nd</sup> Place; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Current Events 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Spelling 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, and Math 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Lastly, this weekend is also First Communion for all our Second Graders. Please pray for them as they receive Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for the first of many many times. God Bless, *Emilio Aita*

**IN SEARCH OF**—St. Patrick's is currently taking bids on mowing Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Bids are due by April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please submit them to the Rectory office in person or by mail: 1807 Stevens Ave.

**St. Vincent de Paul** is asking for donations of Braum's large paper grocery bags with handles. They may be dropped off at St. Vincent's weekdays from 10am-12pm and 2-4pm. or Saturdays 10am-12pm.

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## RELICS OF ST. GIANNA VISITING WICHITA—

The Office of Faith Formation is teaming with the Office of Marriage and Family Life and the Office of Respect Life and Social Justice to bring Mr. Robert White of the St. Gianna Society to Wichita, along with relics of St. Gianna. This is an incredible opportunity to learn about a modern saint who gave her life for her unborn child. All events listed below are free and open to the public. Below is a schedule of where St. Gianna's relics will be visiting:

- ◆ Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>—St. Gianna Clinic 2135 N. Ridge Road, Suite 400, Wichita; 4pm
- ◆ Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>—Church of the Holy Spirit, Goddard; 6:30pm Mass, 7pm Stations, Intro and veneration of relics directly after
- ◆ Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>—Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Wichita; 9:30am Mass followed by talk and veneration
- ◆ Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>—St. James, Augusta; 5pm Mass with Bishop Kemme followed by talk and veneration
- ◆ Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>—St. James, Augusta; 8am and 10:30am Mass followed by veneration

## IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA, RWANDAN GENOCIDE SURVIVOR—

In 1994, members of the Hutu tribe in Rwanda took up arms against the Tutsi tribe. In only 100 days, the Hutu tribe slaughtered over 800,000 Tutsis using only spears, clubs and machetes. It was genocide, and few Tutsis survived. Immaculee Ilibagiza was one of the few, and almost all of her family and friends were killed. Immaculee will bring her message of faith and forgiveness through a retreat to The Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Wichita, Kansas on Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup> from 4-9pm and Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am-12:30pm. You may register online at [www.Immaculee.com](http://www.Immaculee.com), call Blessed Sacrament Parish at 682-4557 or send in names and a check to Blessed Sacrament Parish, 124 N. Roosevelt, Wichita, Kansas 67208. Registration for one person is \$57.00 and for one person with a guest is \$76.00. We look forward to having you join us.

## SPEND ONE HOUR WITH OUR LORD!

*Adorers are needed for the following hours:*

**Mon 7-8am, Wed 3-4am, Wed 7-8am,**

**Sat 2-3am, Sat 10-11pm,**

**Sun 12-1am, Sun 5-6am.**

## Stewarding our Gifts...

**"GO IN PEACE, GLORIFYING THE LORD BY YOUR LIFE."**  
*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

In today's gospel, we hear of the man whose lifelong blindness was cured by Jesus. There is a great deal of theology behind these words .... "and now I see." Jesus frequently heals the deaf and the blind, helping those people to hear and to see. But he also criticizes the Pharisees for having ears and not hearing, and for having eyes and not seeing. The Stewardship way of life, allows us to open our eyes and ears to receive the gifts our Lord has given. Gifts of life, purpose, meaning. As we continue our journey through Lent, we are not overcome by the blindness caused by the world, rather we continue to steward the gifts God has given us, opening our eyes in gratitude.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PATRICK'S THIS WEEK:

Sun Mar 26	*RCIA Class — <i>The Early Church; Church History</i>	8-10am
	*First Holy Communion	10am
Mon Mar 27	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
	*Parish Library Work Evening	6:30pm
Tue Mar 28	*Rosary in the Church	7:30am
	*Cursillo Group Meets	5:30pm
	*Knights of Columbus Meeting	7pm
Wed Mar 29	*Rosary in the Church	11:30am
	*Confessions/Spiritual Direction	5-6pm
	*Cursillo Group Meets	5:15pm
	*K-5 PSR	5:30am
	*Middle School EDGE	6pm
	*CYM Meeting	7pm
	*Bible Study—by Fr. Borkenhagen — <i>St. John's Gospel Chapters 13-17</i>	7pm
Thur Mar 30	*Rosary in the Church	7:30am
	*Bible Study—by Fr. Borkenhagen — <i>St. John's Gospel Chapters 13-17</i>	1pm
	*Theology on Tap—Kitchen Pass	6pm
Fri Mar 31	*Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of Sacred Scripture for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and strength upon the Church	
	*Kapaun's Men—Parish Hall	5:30am
	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
	*Stations of the Cross	2:45pm
	*Stations of the Cross	6pm
	*Soup and Bread Supper—Hall	6:30pm
Sat April 1	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
	*Cursillo Group Meets—Hall	7am
	*First Saturday Confessions	7:15am
	*First Saturday Mass	8am
	*Confessions	3:30pm
	*Fr. McElwee to hear Confessions during Mass	5-6pm
Sun Apr 2	*Fr. McElwee to hear Confessions during both Masses	8/10am
	*RCIA Class— — <i>The Early Church; Church History</i>	9:15am-12pm
	*Marquette Method of NFP —Instructor Jackie Gorman; Parish Hall	2pm
	*Men's Basketball	8:30pm

## Stewardship of Treasure

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:**

March 18<sup>th</sup>—March 19<sup>th</sup>

NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$8658.30

### Altar Servers:

April 1—5pm Z Collins/E Wheat/B Brungardt  
April 2—8am R Barger/J O'Hara/C Westhoff  
10am A Farris/Ka Waun/Ky Waun/L Ortiz

### Extraordinary Ministers:

April 1—5pm Steve Ramsey  
April 2—8am Ellie Montee  
10am Sherri Martin

### Lector:

April 1—5pm Sheila Simmons  
April 2—8am Stephanie Reitemeier  
10am Allison Colson

### Offertory Gifts:

April 1—5pm Rick and Toni Martiez  
April 2—8am Rob and Ellie Montee  
10am Matt and Cary Rogers

### Ushers:

April 1—5pm VanMieghem/McKinney/Ritz/Allen  
April 2—8am D & K Wheat / J & M Keene  
10am G & K Haynes / M & F Mall

### Money Counters:

April 1 & 2—Ray and Mary Feess  
Bob and Pam Burzinski



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Ted Jones,

## THE CATHOLIC SIDE

Praised Be Jesus Christ!

Congratulations to our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who are making their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion at the 10am Holy Mass! I know they have been anxiously awaiting this wonderful day. Also, a big thank you to their teachers, Mrs. Kristy O'Bryan and Mrs. Diana Middleswart, who have worked hard to prepare the children for their 1<sup>st</sup> Confessions and for this day. I know it is a big help to the parents to have them do what they do.

I mentioned in the bulletin several weeks ago that we are going to do the 33 Days to Morning Glory Consecration to Jesus through Mary by Fr. Michael Gaitley. It is a wonderful book that leads us deeper into our love for our Lady, with the goal of having a deeper love for her son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. The start date for the consecration is April 10<sup>th</sup>. The finish date is May 13<sup>th</sup>—on the 100th anniversary of the 1st apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. This is going to be a powerful spiritual experience for our parish. The books will be available the next two weekends. We are asking for a donation of \$3 for the book. Obviously, I highly encourage everyone to participate in this parish-wide consecration to Our Lady, especially given the Fatima anniversary and the state of the world we live in today.

This is just a reminder that our liturgies for the Sacred Triduum are as follows:

- 13 April, Holy Thursday of the Lord's Last Supper—7 pm
- 14 April, Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion—3pm
- 15 April, Easter Vigil—8:30 pm
- 16 April, Easter Sunday 8 & 10 am.

I call Holy Thursday and Good Friday the "liturgies of Love," because there is no obligation to be there, only our love for the Lord impels to participate in the saving mysteries of these most holy days. It is worth taking the afternoon off on Good Friday to make sure you can participate in this liturgy. Easter Sunday is a Sunday of obligation that can be fulfilled either at the Vigil or on Sunday, just like regular Sundays.

We are over half through the Lenten season and I want to take this opportunity to encourage a particular Lenten devotion: the Stations of the Cross. It is a bit surprising to me that more people don't take part in this traditional Lenten devotion. St. Francis of Assisi was the first to bring the Stations to the parish. It used to be that anyone who made their way to Jerusalem would always walk the "Via Dolorosa" while they were there. St. Francis thought everyone should have the opportunity to do this. So he came up with the idea of making pictures of the Stations and putting them up in churches so everyone could make the Stations. Thankfully, we have really beautiful depictions of the Stations of the Cross in our church! I highly encourage everyone to carve some time out of your Friday schedule over these next three weeks to walk the Stations of the cross interiorly with the Lord—we have them at 2:45pm & 6pm.

Finally, as you may have noticed elsewhere in the bulletin, we are looking for someone to mow Mt. Olivet Cemetery. If you are interested, please turn your bid into the rectory by April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

May our holy patron, St. Patrick, intercede for us. St. Joseph, protector of the Church and Family, pray for us.

Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us.

Peace in Jesus and Mary,

*Fr. Borkenhagen*

## TOTUS TUUS HOST FAMILIES NEEDED—

St. Patrick's Parish will be hosting Totus Tuus again this summer, June 24<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup>. Housing for two young men and two young women is needed. If you are interested in hosting please contact the Rectory at 421-6762.

**EASTER LILIES**—Don't forget to turn your flower contribution envelope in so we can honor your loved one(s) this Easter!