

February 28, 2021
Second Sunday of Lent



Holy Rosary Church

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Livestreamed on Facebook at Greg Oligschlaeger

Holy Rosary: Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.

St. Stephen: Sunday 8:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 7:30 a.m.

Friday – 8:20 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Rosary: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

St. Stephen: Sunday 7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	February 27 Clifton Moss
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	February 28 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Rick & Channie Benson
Monday	March 1 No Scripture Service
Tuesday 7:30 a.m.	March 2 Mark Saunders
Wednesday 7:30 a.m.	March 3 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Living and Deceased
Thursday 7:30 a.m.	March 4 Nick Hays
Friday 8:20 a.m.	March 5 Kenny Spurgeon
Saturday 5:30 p.m.	March 6 Don & Mary Davis and Family
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	March 7 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Moises Longina Pimentel and Family

Your Gifts to God and Parish

January 31	\$ 5,075.25
February 7	\$ 6,060.25
February 14	\$ 6,338.50
February 21	\$ 7,923.87

Prayer Intentions for the month of March

Intention of Pope Francis: Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

Intention of Bishop McKnight: For the gifts of wisdom, knowledge and understanding as our local church discerns a new pastoral plan.



Dear Parishioners,

Our relationship with God is a covenantal relationship. In Sunday's first reading, we are reminded of God's covenant with Abraham. Abraham and Isaac's commitment to their covenant with God is tested. Isn't it interesting that Abraham bargained with God to save the people of Sodom from destruction and he did not beg for Isaac's life? [Genesis 18-22-33]. Abraham boldly believed in God and God's promise even though he did not fully understand God's ways. Chris McCarthy writes:

In the course of time, God fulfilled Abraham's desire for an heir, whom he named Isaac. Isaac is an immensely important figure in salvation history because he represents Christ on Calvary. As a test of Abraham's faith, God orders him to sacrifice the very heir for which he had longed so much... Abraham obeys this command until God sends an angel to stop him at the last possible moment.

What is crucial to understand here is not only that Abraham was willing to sacrifice his only son, but also that Isaac himself appears to have willingly consented to this sacrifice. This is because Abraham was an old, feeble man at this time while Isaac is clearly strong enough to carry the wood for the sacrifice for many miles up a mountain. If Isaac had wanted to escape from his father, he could surely have done so. It seems rather that Isaac truly is a type of Christ in his willingness to die for the love of God, while Abraham is a type of Christ in the same three roles as Adam and Noah: priest, prophet, and king.

With the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Calvary, God has at last ushered in the New Covenant which He promised to Israel so long ago... This sacrifice, which extends forward for all time by means of the Mass, ensures that no sin, however great, will ever undermine the Covenant which God has established with His own Blood.

If as individuals, we suffer the misfortune of breaking our own relationship with God, we may simply repent by confessing our sins to a new covenant priest, through whom God manifests His presence in the world, so that, by means of Christ's most precious Blood, we may be cleansed of our sins and brought back into that covenantal relationship with God. - Chris McCarthy from "7 Covenants-The Story of the Bible" on Catholic 365.com

Trust in God. God does not break His Covenants. Repent, confess your sins, and believe in the Gospel. God commands us in today's Gospel to follow the teachings of Jesus, God's beloved son, and truly "Listen to Him! God loves us so much that He did what Abraham did not have to do. God did sacrifice His only son so God could fulfill his end of the covenantal relationship. Jesus' death and resurrection leads us to eternity with God our Father. We need only to deny ourselves daily, take up our cross, and follow Christ.

Prayers and Blessings.

Lenten Events

Stations of the Cross
~ Friday evenings at 7 p.m. ~
Sacrament of Reconciliation
~ Saturdays 4-5 p.m. ~

Readings for March 7, 2021

1st Reading—Exodus 20:1–17 or 20:1–3, 7–8, 12–17 (29B) God delivered the commandments to Moses and the Hebrews, who had been freed from slavery in Egypt. “You shall not have other gods besides me,” said the Lord God.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:22–25 Paul preached Christ crucified “a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles.” God’s folly is wiser and his weakness stronger than human wisdom.

Gospel – John 2:13–25 Jesus found people buying and selling in the temple. With a whip he drove out the moneychangers. He said, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”

On the Calendar...

March 1 – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon

March 5 – Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

March 6 – Rosary at Holy Rosary at 10 a.m.

April 10 – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass

For God has not spurned or disdained the misery of this poor wretch, He did not turn away from me, but heard me when I cried out. Come Lord Jesus!

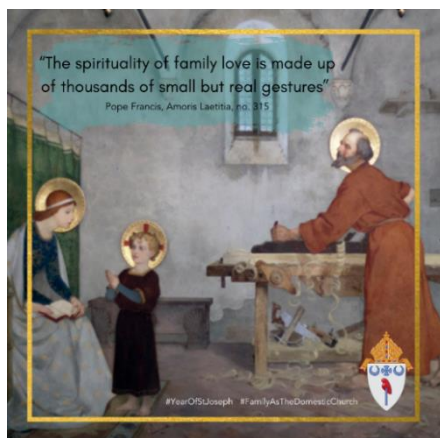
Please pray for:

Richard Elliott Rusty Adam Regina Hays Tim Quinn
 John Kendrick Bonnie Werner Deacon Mike Long
 Trent Zeiger Hazel Smith Sue Gilbert Natalee Amos
 Rosemary Evans Deanna Buckman Jackie Ryan
 Logan Maher Mark Leake Daniel Patrick Mudd
 Kenneth Ryan Bonnie Ess Barbara Kendrick
 Connie Kendrick Nick Mudd William P. Smith
 Teresa Ritter Toland

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

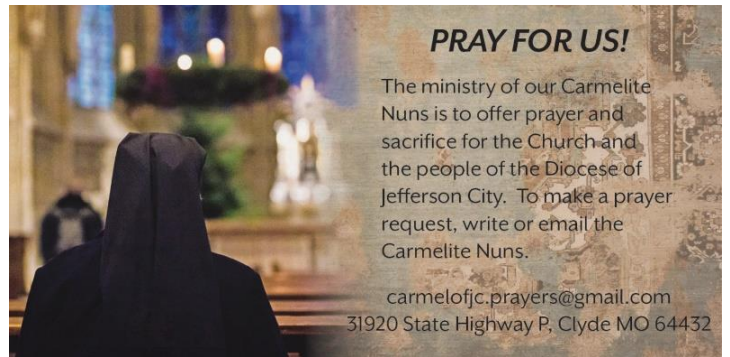
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue to be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration. Please contact Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552 for questions or open hours.

Rice Bowls - Jesus told us that whatever we did for one of these least brothers of his, we did for him. Reflect on the challenge of global hunger –it is a reality for millions of our sisters and brothers. What will you do to support the hungry in our community and around the world! Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



During the **Year of St. Joseph**, the diocese is focusing on various aspects of St. Joseph each month. March will focus on protector of children with St. Joseph’s primary feast day being March 19.

“Be ever engaged, so that whenever the devil calls he may find you occupied.” ~ St. Jerome



PRAY FOR US!

The ministry of our Carmelite Nuns is to offer prayer and sacrifice for the Church and the people of the Diocese of Jefferson City. To make a prayer request, write or email the Carmelite Nuns.

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Catholic Stewardship Appeal Holy Rosary Parish

Parish Goal: \$24500
 Total Committed \$22126

Diocese Goal \$2,450,000.00
 Pledged: \$2,788,848.05

After the diocesan goal has been met, any parish meeting their individual goal is eligible to receive a rebate of 10% of the goal, plus 90% of any funds raised above the goal. Parish goals must be met with cash and/or pledges received by March 15, 2021 and fulfilled by the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

School News

- 🍓 The third quarter of this school year will end on Friday, March 12.
- 🍓 Report Card Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 18.
- 🍓 Mass will be at 8:20 on Friday, March 5, and will be led by the 7th grade students.

Following God’s Lead along with Donna

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** for Holy Rosary Church and St. Stephen Church will be April 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church. Please pray for our students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Natalee Amos	Kyndal Benson	Waylon DeGrave
Kyle DeLaporte	Maddix Dowell	Owen Fuemmeler
Cynthia Gamble	Mari Gares	Marah Greiman
Kylie Harris	Cole Hays	Denten Hays
Ella Hays	Naaron Hays	Ryan Hays
Aidan Hunter	Myra Jones	Kylee Kauble
Olivia Kendrick	Anna Lemongelli	Carson Miller
Makenna Miller	Kolton Moses	Josie Orf
Aidan Oswald	Taylor Pfaff	Ava Potterfield
Chloe Purol	Alston Richardson	Matthew Salyer
Devyn Shramek	Natalie Shively	Parris Shively
Abigail Smith	Rhett Watson	Isaiah Werr
Grant Yager	Audri Youngblood	

FORMED.org – audio book From Slave to Priest about Fr. Augustine Tolton (1854-1897). The author Caroline Hemesath, S.S.F. interviewed many people that knew Fr. Tolton personally, including St. Katharine Drexel, whose feast day is this week on March 3. This audio book is approximately 6 hours in length. The book can be found on FORMED.org under Audio Books or Search for Fr. Tolton to find it.

Simon Scholarship - The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need in order to attend an accredited college or university of the student's choice. Applications for the 2021-2022 Simon Scholarship are being accepted through March 31, 2021. The application can be found under the NEWS tab of both parishes' websites. Go to <https://holyrosary.diojeffcity.org/blog/2021/02/08/simonscholarship-application/> or <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/blog/2021/02/08/simon-scholarship-application/>

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.