

March 7, 2021  
Third 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

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>March 6</b> Don & Mary Davis and Family
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>March 7</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Moises Longina Pimentel and Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 8</b> No Scripture Service
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>March 9</b> Bill Janes
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>March 10</b> Purgatorial Society
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>March 11</b> Fr. Patrick Russell
<b>Friday</b> 8:20 a.m.	<b>March 12</b> Seth Hays
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>March 13</b> Dede Yager Kenny Fulton Longina Pimentel
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>March 14</b> Jack Quinn Ruth Purol Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen

### Your Gifts to God and Parish

February 14	\$ 6,338.50
February 21	\$ 7,923.87
February 28	\$ 5,906.25

### 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:** Through the example and intercession of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary, may a gentle disposition rule our hearts and allow for charity, reconciliation, and mercy in our lives.



Dear Parishioners,

**Plan Ahead!!** In less than a month, on April 1st, we will begin to celebrate the most holy time of our Liturgical year. Our lives are busy and before we know it Holy Week and Easter will be upon us. Let us **plan ahead** and schedule in time for prayer and time for receiving the Sacrament of Penance. Please schedule in the celebration of Holy Thursday Mass, Good Friday Service, and the Easter Vigil as ways to worship our God and let these Triduum liturgies involve us in the Paschal Mystery of Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension.

**Plan ahead** to spend some time in prayerful adoration after Mass on Holy Thursday. The church will be open until midnight. **Plan ahead** to give up the usual Friday night out on Good Friday and spend it in prayer and reflection on Christ's death. **Plan ahead** to stay up late at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night and relive the history of our salvation and the Resurrection of the Lord, and renew our baptismal promises to live our faith. Our society will schedule all kinds of distractions during Holy Week. **Plan ahead** to avoid the distractions and give priority to these truly Holy Days.

Our scripture readings this weekend remind us of the most basic ways we need to live our life as a disciple of Jesus Christ. The Book of Exodus calls us to live the Ten Commandments. Jesus takes that message further by calling us to not just obey them with a black and white strictness that limits the laws and our relationship to them, but instead to let the commandments be a "light to our feet" that calls us to act with respect, reverence and love to God and my neighbor. Today's gospel from John challenges us to repent of our selfishness and putting so many things before God. Jesus chased the money changers out of the Temple area. What do we still need to chase out of our daily practices and decisions that we put before God or that takes away the reverence we need to have for God?

**Plan ahead** to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of Jesus, life, death, resurrection and ascension so that these most holy and reverent days of the year will not become routine and lessened to just another holiday. May they truly be Holy Days. Have a blessed Lenten retreat.

Prayers and Blessings.

## Lenten Events

### Stations of the Cross

~ Friday evenings at 7 p.m. ~

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

~ Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. ~

~ Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.~

~ Thursday, March 18, 8:00 -10:00 a.m.~

~ Thursday, March 18, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. ~

~ Wednesday, March 24 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. ~

~ Thursday, March 25, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. ~

~ **Friday, March 26, 9:30- 11:30 a.m.** ~

### (Holy Rosary School Students)

~ Friday, March 26, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. ~

~ Wednesday, March 31, 7-9 p.m. ~

### Almsgiving – Rice Bowls

Read – *I Heard God Laugh*

Or Daily Mass readings

Online – Formed or Dynamic Catholic

**Readings for March 14, 2021**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading - 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 (32B)**

God's people lived in sin, mocking God's messengers and ignoring the Lord's warnings. Finally, their enemies destroyed Jerusalem. They were taken captive, but God showed mercy.

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6**

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Ephesians 2:4-10** God is rich in mercy, and out of love the Lord brought us to life in Christ when we were in sin. God saved us by grace, not by anything we have done.

**Gospel – John 3:14-21** God's Son came into the world not to condemn it, but to save it. As Moses lifted up the serpent, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that all who believe may have eternal life.

**On the Calendar...**

- March 8** – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon
- March 9** – Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- March 12** – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.
- March 22** – Free Community Dinner at The Christian Church 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- April 1** - Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m.
- April 2** – Good Friday service 7:00 p.m.
- April 3** - Easter Vigil 8:30 p.m. **(NO 5:30 Mass)**
- April 4** - Easter Sunday Mass 9:45
- 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.



*“Love is never defeated”  
St. John Paul II*

**Catholic Stewardship Appeal  
Holy Rosary Parish**

Parish Goal \$24,500  
Total Committed \$24,726

Diocese Goal \$2,450,000  
Pledged: \$2,800,849

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**

- ☀ End of the Third Quarter – The third quarter of this school year will end on Friday, March 12. Report card conferences will be held on Thursday, March 18.
- ☀ Talent Show is tentatively planned to be shown virtually on the afternoon of either April 23 or April 30. Plans are still being formulated for this event. More information will be available in the near future.
- ☀ Track Season - the first meet of the season will be held on Tuesday, March 23.
- ☀ Mass at 8:20 on Friday, March 12, will be led by the students in the fifth grade.

**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.

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| 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       | Meghan 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 Puroil     | Alston Richardson |
| Matthew Salyer  | Devyn Shramek    | Natalie Shively   |
| Parris Shively  | Abigail Smith    | Rhett Watson      |
| Isaiah Werr     | Grant Yager      | Audri Youngblood  |
| Ava Yutzky      | Rachel Underhill |                   |

**FORMED.org** – *St. Joseph*, a 4-part series from FORMEDNOW beginning March 5, 2021. In this Year of St. Joseph, proclaimed by Pope Francis through December 8, 2021. March is St. Joseph's month and his feast day is March 19. The series reflects on Jesus's earthly father. The series begins by looking at Joseph from the Old Testament and comparing him with St. Joseph from the New Testament, and then moves into reflections on three of St. Joseph's titles: Guardian of the Redeemer, Patron of the Universal Church and Patron of the Domestic Church. <https://watch.formed.org/saint-joseph-series> See Holy Rosary Church & St. Stephen Church's website Faith Formation page for more from FORMED.

**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.

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