

Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

March 19, 2023

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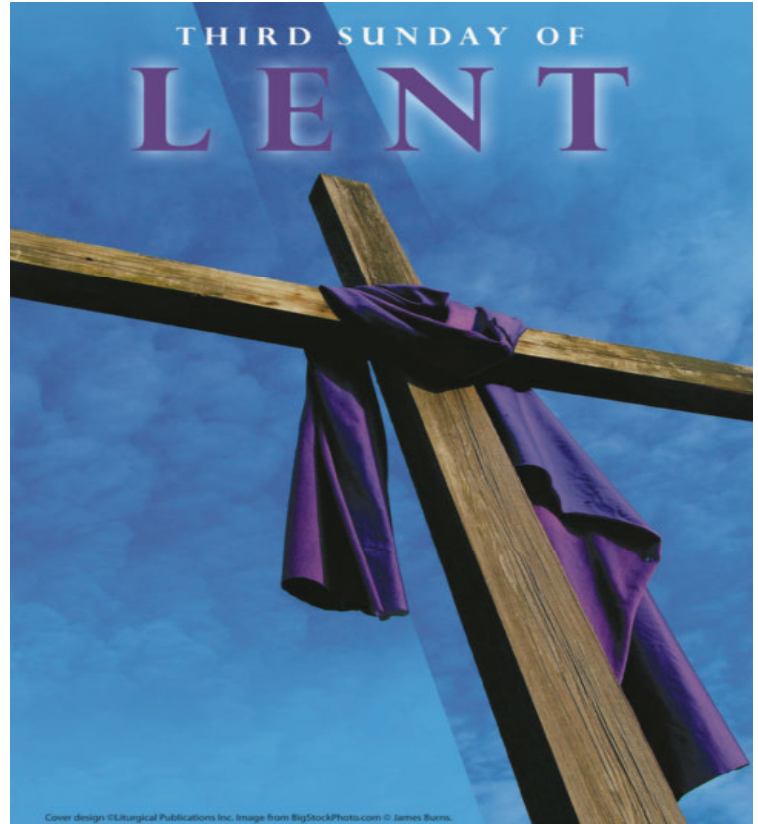
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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Bernie Sehr.....Pastor
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Mass Times

Weekend: Saturday . . .5 pm
Sunday . . .8 am & 10 am, 12 pm (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS:
Tuesdays: 5:10 p.m.-5:25 p.m.
Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.-4:50 p.m.
Confessions may also be heard by appointment.

BAPTISMS:
Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

HOLY MATRIMONY:
Preparations are to be made with Father at least six months
prior to the desired date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: (Anytime) Please notify your
pastor promptly whenever anyone in the parish is sick or
injured.
Please note: If you are in a hospital or health care facility
located outside of Sandwich, you are to call the nearest parish
for a priestly visit.

Mission Statement

“We, the family of St. Paul Parish, live the gospel message of Jesus Christ through worship, education and outreach to all ages. We strengthen our parish and community, respecting our rural traditions, while welcoming the growth and cultural diversity that awaits.”



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hand. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Everyday Stewardship

Talking about discipleship and truly being a disciple are two very different things. It is easier to know what we should do than to carry out. Many saints from our tradition have had much to say about this struggle to do what they know they must do, and not do that which they know they shouldn't. It is part of being human.

Without God, we have no chance to overcome this predicament. Without God, our actions can ring hollow, or often we are too immobilized to act at all. Without God, we suffer with blindness to the truth of what is important and eternal.

The story in John 9 of Jesus healing the blind man is about more than a physical healing and just one man. It is about how each of us can find healing of our blindness by turning to Jesus Christ. Are you someone that has been saying, "I don't understand all this talk of discipleship and stewardship; what's the big deal?" We all have a blindness that needs to be healed, and the body of Christ needs you so that God's presence in our world can be seen in a more profound manner. The reality is that God heals the blindness of those who seek him so that, in turn, they may be vehicles by which others may see as well.

This Lent, you are invited to bring your blindness to Jesus. All the written reflections in the world will not give you new eyes. Those eyes can only be found in Jesus.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Spring Wreath Gift Card Raffle

The Christian Women Organization is selling chances at all Masses through Palm Sunday. The drawing will be on Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023, after the Spanish Mass.

Lenten "Create in me a Clean Heart, O Lord" Drive

St. Vincent de Paul is asking for cleaning & paper products this Lent.

In particular, we are in need of Laundry detergent, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo/conditioner, Diapers (from Aldi, small packages about \$6 in sizes 4,5,6), and Bar soap.

Thank you for your help! These are items that cannot be purchased with food stamps and are not usually given out at food pantries.



Volunteers are needed for the month of April, to deliver meals to shut-ins. Meals are picked up at Fox Valley Community Center, Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and delivered around the community. Please call Marcia Tennant at 815-474-1245 for the days you are available to deliver. Thank you!

Fr. Bernie Sehr is having a Penance Service at 6:00 PM this Sunday, March 19, 2023 in the church. It will be an excellent opportunity to experience the healing and cleansing power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lenten Season. Father has invited several priests to assist him in offering private Confessions.

Readings for the week of March 19, 2023

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/
Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/
Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or
11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Observances for the week of March 19, 2023

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

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Mass Intentions

Be Reconciled Day March 29, 2023
Confession Times at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church:

Fr. Cesar Rodriguez 8:00 am-11:00 am
Fr. Bernie Sehr 11:30 am –8:00 pm

Confession washes and heals while pruning helps us to grow. (Submitted by Mike Kroll)

Our Giving		
Date:	March 4/5	March 11/12
Loose \$	740.24	938.01
Envelopes	4,661.00	3,730.00
Total: \$	5,401.24	4,668.01

Grief never ends, but it changes. It's a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, it is the price of love. *Anonymous*

St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, Sugar Grove, IL, is adding a Grief Support Meeting each month during daylight hours. Please plan to join us Sunday, March 26, 2023 and Sunday April 23, 2023 from 3:00 pm–4:40 pm. Please call 630-466-0303 for more information.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023
5:00 p.m. † Greg Ament (Jim & Mary Foley)

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023
8:00 a.m. *Pro Populo* (People of the Parish)
10:00 a.m. † Henry & Elizabeth Baumann
(† Rita Penman)
12:00 p.m. Intention to be Announced at Mass

MONDAY, MARCH 20
NO MONDAY SERVICES

TUESDAY, MARCH 21 *Please Note Time Change*
9:00 a.m. † John Sucik (Dorothy Schorn)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22
9:00 a.m. † Al Hendron (Ray & Judy Hendron)

THURSDAY, MARCH 23
9:00 a.m. † Bill Francis (Marty, Jay & Jackie)

FRIDAY, MARCH 24
9:00 a.m. † Beryl Lemenager (Ray & Judy Hendron)

SATURDAY, MARCH 25
5:00 p.m. † Clare & Betty Wilson (Ruth Wallis)

SUNDAY, MARCH 26
8:00 a.m. † Eugene & Kim Paris & Richard Hettinger
(Bernadine Paris)
10:00 a.m. *Pro Populo* (People of the Parish)
12:00 p.m. Intention to be Announced at Mass

Stations of the Cross (in English) will immediately follow the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Fridays March 24, & 31. Stations of the Cross (in Spanish) are at 6:00 p.m. on those dates.

Welcome: Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time resident or newly arrived in the parish. If you are interested in registering in our parish please fill out form. You may leave this form in the collection basket or mail to the church office.

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