

March 3, 2024 • Lent – Third Sunday



Welcome to Our Cluster of Catholic Churches • Bienvenido Nuestro rupo Iglesias Católicas

St. Joseph Church-Wright

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Monday & Wednesday.....8:00-4:00PM
Closed Friday

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St. Joseph Prayer Line

Linda Nowatzke (616) 899-2166
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 2

3:00 PM Confessions until 3:45 PM SFX
 4:00 PM † Carol Poffinbarger by M/M Janice Alexander SFX
 5:30 PM † Robert Umlor by Family SJ

Sunday, March 3

9:00 AM † Joe Helsen by Helen Helsen SC
 11:00 AM † Leanne Armock by M/M Carl & Mary Klein SJ

Monday, March 4

8:00 AM Rosary SFX
 8:30 AM † Bill Finkler by Lucille Finkler & Family SFX
 5:15 PM Confession /Adoration until 6:15 pm SFX

Tuesday, March 5

8:30 AM † Jim Armock by Terri Schoenborn SJ
 9:00 AM Adoration until 3:00 PM SJ

Wednesday, March 6

No Daily Mass

Thursday, March 7

8:30 AM † Anna Mae Woodard by Ruth Osborn SC
 7:00 PM Adoration until 8:00 PM SC

Friday, March 8

8:30 AM † Josephine Piccard by M/M Ronald Heinbeck SJ

Saturday, March 9

3:00 PM Confessions until 3:45 PM SFX
 4:00 PM † Lavern Denhof by Bonnie Denhof SFX
 5:30 PM † Frank & Henrietta Chesla by Family SJ

Sunday, March 10

9:00 AM † Lloyd Goodno by Jason, Maura & Shea Lamoreaux SC
 11:00 AM † Ed Armock by Al & Winnie Spencer SJ

Seminarian of The Week

Men of the Eucharist

STRENGTHENED IN
CHRIST
 RESPONDING WITH JOY



Pray for Seminarian:

Patrick M. Truskowski

Mundelein Seminary
 1000 E. Maple Avenue
 Mundelein, IL 60060



Please Pray

*It is within the waters of Baptism
 that we welcome into our communities...*

Louisa Schoenborn, March 9th

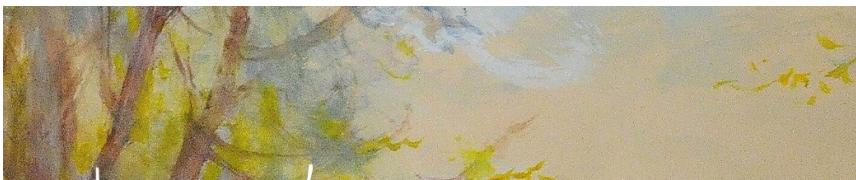
*And in sadness, with hope of the
 Resurrection we say good-bye to:*

Frita Vanderlaan, February 20th



Rosary Intention for March

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Today's gospel says Jesus chased the merchants out of the temple, it doesn't say He was angry. Jesus teaches us to act from conviction and not from anger. He didn't condemn the merchants, only their business practice. Attack the behavior and not the person.



Ministry Schedules

Saturday, March 9

St. Francis Xavier • 4:00 PM

Sacristan/EM Jeannie & Therese Sokolowski
 Lector Vince Schoenborn
 Usher Anyone Available
 Server Anyone Available

St. Joseph • 5:30 PM

Sacristan Marty Brown
 Lector Jon Denhof
 EMHC..... Karen VanDyke
 Ushers Jim Dietrich & Adam Dietrich
 Servers..... Marty Brown

Sunday, March 10

St. Catherine • 9:00 AM

Sacristan Helen Helsen
 Lector Lawrence Postema
 EMHC..... Brenda Goodno
 Ushers John Helsen, Matthew Grover,
 Greg Grover, & Herb Schoenborn
 Servers..... Luke Morey & Lydia Morey

St. Joseph • 11:00 AM

Sacristan Ben Benefiel
 Lector Michele Allers
 EMHC..... Ben Benefiel
 Ushers Al Dietrich & Dan Dietrich
 Servers..... Mason Gleich & Elliot Gleich

Money Counters for March

St Catherine

Cheryl Helsen, Mary Patterson

St Francis Xavier

Betty Miller

St Joseph

Barb Umlor, Marj Williams, Jackie Schoenborn

Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 3, 2024

Sunday

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34

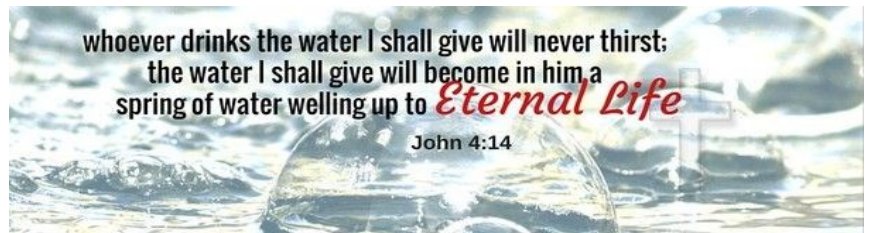
Saturday

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21



Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of Baptism

Email Jeannie Sokolowski, jsokolowski@ourcluster.org for more information.

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact the parish office.

St. Catherine's News

Men's Club News

Next Community Fish Fry is **Friday, March 8th** from 5:00pm—7:00pm at St. Catherine's Hall. Cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$8.00 for Children 12 & under.

We are FISHING for volunteers to serve at our Fish Fry's! Contact Tim Walker to sign-up— (231) 286-3615.

Alcoholic Anonymous meets every Monday at 8:00pm at St. Catherine's Hall. For more information, call the parish office.

Altar Society will be meeting **March 19th** at 1:00pm at the hall. Hostesses—Chris Darcy and Barb Emery.

St. Francis Xavier News

Lenten Soup Supper every Monday during Lent at St. Francis Xavier. Starts at 6:15pm in the church basement and Stations of the Cross starts at 7:00pm. To volunteer to bring a bread, soup or dessert, contact Jeannie Sokolowski—(616) 262-3686.

Ministry Volunteers Needed! St. Francis Xavier is looking for parishioners from the Cluster to help with their Liturgical Ministries during Saturday Mass. Contact Sharon Denhof—(616) 283-8870 for more information.

St. Joseph's News

Thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered St. Joseph's Auction - Redneck Yacht Club on February 10, 2024! Your presence was tremendously appreciated, and we hope you had as much fun as we did. We raised a total of **\$112,258**. Mark your calendar for **February 8, 2025**.

God Bless, Your Auction Committee

Senior Euchre

Will be at St. Joseph's Hall from 1:30-3:30pm. Barrier free entrance, lower side south doors. \$1 gets you an afternoon of fun! Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The next date is **March 12th**.

The Cluster News

Cluster Directory

We finally received the proof of the Cluster Directory. This will take time to go through to make edits and changes. We will announce when the official directories are available for everyone interested in having one.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)—Second Collection

There will be a second collection on **March 9th and 10th** for the Catholic Relief Services. This important collection supports six organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts: Catholic Relief Services; Migration and Refugee Services; Catholic Legal Immigration Network; Department of Justice, Peace, and Human Development; Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church; and the Holy Father's Relief Fund.

"The Light is ON For You: An Evening of Penance"

As we begin the season on Lent, the Diocese of Grand Rapids will once again offer a special opportunity to receive sacrament of reconciliation. This event will be held on **March 14th** from 5-8pm at St. Francis Xavier.

Knights of Columbus, Council #4404 Pancake Breakfast

Join us for Sunday breakfast from 8:30AM -1:00PM at the St. Vincent De-Paul Hall . Same great food and great fellowship. If you're a member or would like to help, contact Randy Graftema at (616) 327-9839

Walking With Moms In Need Ministry is again seeking donations for our Clusters pantry. The baby shower boxes will be in back of each church during the weeks of Lent, and again in October. We are collecting baby and toddler clothing, ointments, formula coupons, etc. The pantry is open to any mom in need in our surrounding communities, on the 2nd and 4th Saturday each month, 9-11am. If you want to make a monetary donation, please write the check to WWMIN and drop into the weekly collection.

Cluster Music Information

Beginning with Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent, we will switch to the Chant mass setting. This can be found in the Breaking Bread book starting on pg 5.

Starting on Easter, the mass setting will be a new one: Mass of St Mary Magdalene by Sarah Hart. This can be found in the Breaking Bread book starting with # 936. We will start going over this prior to mass in February, leading up to Easter. If you aren't able to make it prior to mass to hear, it is available to listen to on multiple platforms -YouTube, Spotify, or Pandora.

Divine Providence Academy

"Giving Drink to the Thirsty" DPA's Lenten Project of the year is to continue the Corporal Works of Mercy by raising money to have a well dug in Nigeria to provide fresh drinking water for families. Students will be working together with the parish communities of Our Cluster to help raise awareness for this important cause.

If you would like to donate, please make checks out to either St. Joseph or St. Catherine Parish and write on the memo line "Lent Well Project". We will be accepting donations until **March 28th**. For more information, check out the flyer posted on the bulletin board at the back of the churches.

Cluster Youth Group Ministry

Youth Bake Sale

The youth ministry bake sale has been rescheduled to **April 13th-14th** to be during the Easter season rather than Lent. Bring your pocketbooks after Mass those days and help support the many wonderful opportunities on offer for the youth of our parishes.

Chicago Pilgrimage

Join the youth ministry on Saturday, **May 4th**, for a day in Chicago as we explore the city's most beautiful churches and catch a game at Wrigley Field. Cost to attend is \$100.

Outside the Cluster News

Alpha HA HA Comedy Night

Alpha Grand Rapids welcomes Kenn Kington for their comedy night on **March 15th** at 7:00pm (doors open at 6:00pm for general admission and priority seating). Don't miss out on the laughs, get your tickets today, for an incredibly funny night promoting abundant life [and laughter] this March.



Offertory for February 18

St Catherine\$4,237.00
St. Francis Xavier \$844.00
St. Joseph\$4,791.00

St Joseph only. Text (616) 377-2855, enter the dollar amount, Enter your info.
Questions (616) 899-2286

Online Giving

St Catherine tinyurl.com/5a9jfd6n
St Joseph tinyurl.com/7ns3j3ya
St Francis Xavier tinyurl.com/5fep7wr23ya