

Dear Parishioners, Please mark your calendar for the Annual Fish Fry. It will be on April 3rd this year. As I previously communicated there will be slight changes to the Fish Fry because we are using a new building. These changes are to be expected and are not a big deal. Change is a part of life, and we all must accept change. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fish Fry.

Fr. Paul

MARIAN BLUE WAVE

On October 7, 2019, American Life League launched a most important and vital movement--the "MARIAN BLUE WAVE". This is a call to Catholics across America to pray a weekly Rosary with the specific intention of ending abortion in the United States. The goal is simple: with the Grace of God and the intercession of His beloved mother, we pray the Rosary for the conversion of our nation and for an end to the killing of the innocent. What would our nation be like if millions of Catholics prayed the Rosary one day a week specifically asking for an end to abortion? That is the MARIAN BLUE WAVE! Abortion is a grave evil in this world, and a grave evil of this magnitude requires the greatest spiritual weapon we have: the Holy Rosary. Will you join the MARIAN BLUE WAVE and say a Rosary once a week with the specific intention of ending abortion in the United States? It's that easy! Please join us. If you have any questions, please call Harvey & Harriet Risner at 219-843-1536.

The Road to Redemption Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ

Join us this Lent as we take 6 weeks to prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ! March 15, 22, 29, April 5 9:00 AM

Uniting in Heart- Perpetual Prayer

Universal Call to Holiness: Part 1 The phrase 'Universal Call to Holiness' is stressed in the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium); it recognizes that all the People of God are "called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of charity" (no. 40). This call is directed not only to priests, deacons, and consecrated religious, but to the laity as well, and should be pursued within an individual's specific vocation (marriage, dedicated single life, parent, etc.). We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do no matter where we find ourselves. Leading a holy life is one way the faithful can evangelize the world but it's important we recognize that mistakes are normal and we may falter occasionally. "Not everything a saint says is completely faithful to the Gospel; not everything he or she does is authentic or perfect. What we need to contemplate is the totality of their life, their entire journey of growth in holiness, the reflection of Jesus Christ that emerges when we grasp their overall meaning as a person." (Apostolic Exhortation: GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE of the Holy Father Francis on the Call to Holiness in Today's World, March 2018) Therefore, we too, must see our whole lives as a mission. Through prayer and petition, we must listen for God to recognize the signs he gives us. "Always ask the Spirit what Jesus expects from you at every moment of your life and in every decision you must make, so as to discern its place in the mission you have received. Allow the Spirit to forge in you the personal mystery that can reflect Jesus Christ in today's world." Only then will we come to realize "...the message of Jesus that God wants to speak to the world by your life. Let yourself be transformed. Let yourself be renewed by the Spirit, so that this can happen, lest you fail in your precious mission. The Lord will bring it to fulfilment despite your mistakes and missteps, provided that you do not abandon the path of love but remain ever open to his supernatural grace, which purifies and enlightens." (GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE of the Holy Father Francis)

VBS

Get ready for an exciting summer at VBS, as we put our kids on track for trusting Jesus! Our kids will learn how to trust Jesus to pull us through when life feels like a valley or mountaintop. SMC VBS will take place **June 1-5 from 8:30-11:00**. Come join our crew this summer! We need help with running crafts, snacks, games, and storytelling. We also need help with decorations! If you are up for a fun adventure this summer, contact Heather Tokarz (742-7381) or Shelley Guisinger (816-1011) so we can put you on board with us! We will also be looking for some train decorations for our set. If you have any train memorabilia that you would be willing to let us borrow that week, please let us know! Thank you!!!

Sorrowful Mother Parish
MARCH 15, 2020 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Monday March 16 8:30 AM
 Ron Ignasczyk
 R: Harvey and Harriet Risner

Tuesday March 17 No Mass

Wednesday March 18 6:30 PM
 Jay Wood
 R: Jim Wood

Thursday March 19 8:30 AM
 Norman Kaeb
 R: Sis Kaeb

Friday March 20 8:30 AM
 L and D of Vargas Family
 R: Gloria Potter

LORD'S DAY MASSES SUNDAY

SATURDAY March 21 5:00 PM
 Rosemary Jones
 R; Kathy And Don Obermeyer

SUNDAY, March 22
 8:00 AM Joseph E. Smolek Sr.
 R: Patricia Jorczak

10:30 AM People of SMC

MINISTRIES MARCH 21-22

Saturday - 5:00 PM

Reader: Sharon Duttlinger
 Servers: Lauren Kearney and Caitlin Kearney
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Ed Nowak, Barb Stanton, Ron Stanton

Sunday - 8:00 AM

Reader: Linda Misch
 Servers: Olivia Misch, Avery Misch and Evan Misch
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Rita DeCola, Carol Cooper and Judy Urbano
 Ushers: Joe Smolek and Jerry Grube

Sunday - 10:30

Reader: Grace Witvoet
 Server: Max Lustig, Alison Kerns and Sophia Barlog,
 Extraordinary Ministers
 Harriet Risner, Robyn Schaezel
 Debra Lusk

Financial Numbers from March 8, 2020

Regular Church Contributions	\$2,137.00	Building Fund	\$245.00
Catholic Relief	\$1.00	Candles	\$86.00
Easter Flowers	\$20.00	Catholic Moment	\$20.00
		Total	\$2,509.00