## ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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March 2, 2025

## **Father Dennis Morrissy, Pastor**

## Deacon Warren LaMont (+)

# **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday, 1 March	4:00 p.m.*	Intention of Kim & Cynthia Kopp (50 <sup>th</sup> wedding ann.)	
	5:30 p.m.	Dick Leider and Clint Leider (+)	
Sunday, 2 March	9:00 a.m.	The People of St. Mary Parish	
•	11:15 a.m.	Ellen Brueggeman (+) (birthday)	
Tuesday, 4 March	8:00 a.m.	Kate Kelly (+) (1st anniversary)	
Wednesday, 5 March	8:00 a.m.	Helen Loretta Morrissy (+)	
ASH WEDNESDAY	12:05 p.m.	[Ash service]	
	7:00 p.m.	Steven Erb (+)	
Thursday, 6 March	8:00 a.m.	Carmen Meyer (+)	
Friday, 7 March	8:00 a.m.	Terry L. Stahlhut (+)	
Saturday, 8 March	4:00 p.m.*	Patrick McLaughlin (+) (birthday)	
•	5:30 p.m.	Rev. Lawrence M. Urbaniak (+)	
Sunday, 9 March	9:00 a.m.	Joseph Huggins (+) (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary)	
• 1	11:15 a.m.	The People of St. Mary Parish	

Rosary: Starting about 7:35 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. weekday Masses

Confessions: Saturday at 3:15 to 3:45\* and 4:45-5:15 p.m. (and by appointment).

(\* only during central standard time)

**LENT BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY:** Please pick up the Lent Word Among Us and use it to help you make a good Lent. Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday. It is NOT a holy day of obligation, but it is a day of fast (limit food intake for those 14 to 59) and abstinence (no meat). Pray for a good Lent.

BLEST ART: After the Masses on the weekend of March 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, a group known as Blest Art will be in our hall selling religious articles carved from olive wood, made by Christian families in the Holy Land. This is an opportunity not only to purchase religious items for your own use or as gifts for family members, but also to support Christians in the Holy Land who find it increasingly hard to live and to make a living with all of the turmoil in the Holy Land in the past several years especially, and actually for many years before. They are not asking for donations, but for our support through purchasing religious articles they have made. Someone from that company will speak briefly at the end of each of the Masses that weekend. Your interest and support would be greatly appreciated.

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING:** Bishop David J. Malloy will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 9:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Rockford, in appreciation of all those who supported the Diocesan Appeal in the past year, and to pray for their intentions. All are welcome.

**THAT MAN IS YOU:** Starting on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, for twelve weeks, men of the parish and others who are interested will meet from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. in the parish hall, to watch and discuss video presentations from the program "That Man is You." The sessions are structured so as not to depend on prior sessions, so if you start later or miss some sessions you will still benefit from participating in this program. More information is on the table in the vestibule. To sign up, just scan the QR code below on your smartphone, use the following link, or contact Tom McMahon or Bill Freiburger by email or telephone: https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/D43CDD

For more information or to sign up, contact:

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**ST. JOSEPH ALTAR:** Members of the parish are invited to bring flowers to decorate the St. Joseph altar in our church the weekend of March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The flowers will stay on that altar until Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. They are there to honor St. Joseph, whose feast day is March 19<sup>th</sup>.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPER: On Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, we will have Stations of the Cross in the church starting at 5:00 p.m. The annual soup supper and auction will begin at 5:30 p.m. Jim Sacia has agreed to conduct the auction again this year. This is a fundraiser for the Guild, but it is also a "fun raiser" for the parish. There is no charge to attend, but any donations are welcome. PLEASE SIGN UP TO BRING SOUP, BREAD, OR DESSERTS, ON THE SHEET IN THE VESTIBULE.

IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially: Cody Leschner, Rosemary Naill, David Johnson, Bob Meyer, Daniel Cuniff, Frank Brown, Bridget Holub, John Mroz, Larry Schnorr, Cheyenne (Schnorr) Green, Amy Stringer, Janet Stringer, Kaitlyn Myers, Michael Maguire, Bridget Reddy, Pat Daly, Mary Gerbode, Millie Anderson, Emerson Brûlé, Josie Koester, Helen McLaughlin, Chad Bennett, Ann Nelson, Aiden Wiedenhoeft, Lynn Grossman, Bertha Herrmann, Tracy Redman, Carrie Kielty, Linda Reinhardt, LuAnn Knudson, Don Crawford, Brianna Elizabeth, Kelly Thompson, Alicia Wise, Debra Wise, Leigh Hanneken, Kim Hyson, Richard Sydorowicz, Maria, Katherine Brown Rothermel, Darrel Clark, Eloise Bonar, David Harrenstein, Judy Buffo, Sawyer Johnston, Linda Howard, Anthony Jackson, Jessica Snyder, Susie Taylor, Adam Rogers, Megan Louise Savage, Larry and Cheryll Larson, Matt Dolan, all those who are ill, and all the faithful departed, including Mary Lu Sweeney, sister of Monsignor Sweeney, Clarence Owens, father of James Owens, James Prebula, Jr., son of Jim and Deb Prebula, Marlene McMahon, mother of Thomas McMahon, Florence Ellen Karvelis, mother of John Karvelis, and Mary Jo Doty, sister of Betsy Doty.

#### Collections from 2/8-9/2025:

### Lectors for 3/8-9/2025

Sunday Envelopes:	TBA	(4:00)	Dan Riley
Sunday Loose:	TBA	(5:30)	Paula Black
Stole Fees:	TBA	(9:00)	Mark Helm
Votive Lights:	TBA	(11:15)	Jeanne McMahon
National Appeal:	TBA		
Total:	TBA		