

# ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

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Pastor: Msgr. Thomas A Martin

**Mass Schedule:** Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a Wed & Fri 9:00a **Reconciliation:** Sat 10a or by apt. **Office Hours:** Mon—Fri 9a-4p

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## MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

**Mar 02** 10 - 11a Reconciliation

**Mar 02** 5:30p Mass †Brandon Large by  
Judith McWatters

**Mar 03** 8:00a Mass †Otto Decker by  
Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

**Mar 03** 9:30a Sunday Morning Adult  
Study Group

**Mar 03** 11:00a Mass For the People

**Mar 04** 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr.

**Mar 05** 5:30p Dinner & Lenten Series

**Mar 06** 9:00a Mass For the Intentions of  
the S Kim Lee Family by S Kim Lee

**Mar 07** 7:00p OCIA

**Mar 08** 8-9a Adoration

**Mar 08** 9:00a Mass †Ethel Marken by  
Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

**Mar 08** 6:00p Stations of the Cross  
followed by Soup & Bread

**Mar 09** 8:30a Men's Lenten Retreat

**Mar 09** 10 - 11a Reconciliation

**Mar 09** 5:30p Mass †Joe Thamann by  
Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

**Mar 10** 8:00a Mass For the People of St.  
Martin

**Mar 10** Farmers Breakfast after Mass

**Mar 10** 9:30a Sunday Morning Adult  
Study Group

**Mar 10** 11:00a Mass †Tom Kelley by  
Vickie Kelley

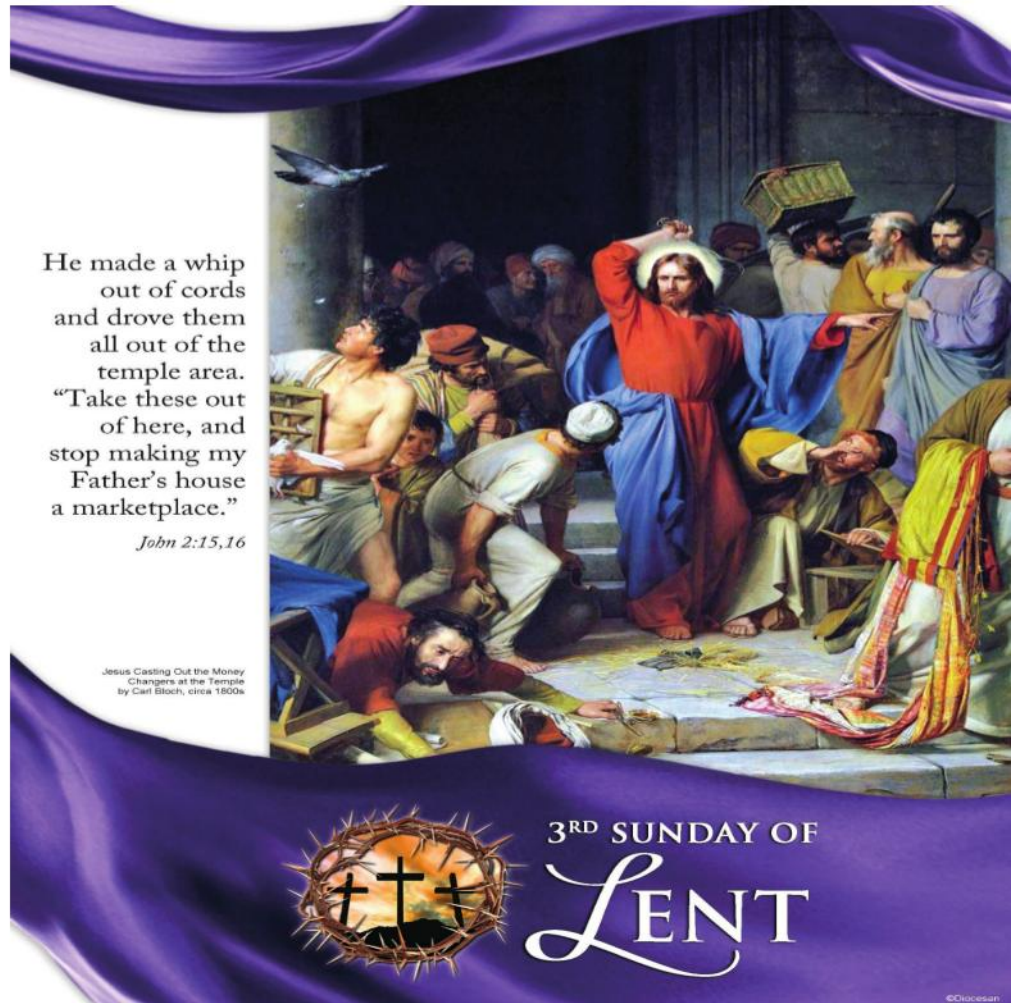
**Mar 10** 3:00p Penance Service

**Mar 10** 5:00p Youth Night!

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out of cords  
and drove them  
all out of the  
temple area.  
"Take these out  
of here, and  
stop making my  
Father's house  
a marketplace."

*John 2:15,16*

Jesus Casting Out the Money  
Changers at the Temple  
by Carl Bloch, circa 1890s



3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns to declare that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the tabernacle. The candle for our Sanctuary Lamp is provided this week in memory of

**March 3 - March 9 †Tom Kelley by Vickie Kelley**

What is happening during Lent at St. Martin of Tours? Please see below:

**Adoration (6:30-7:30p):** March 13, 20, 27 at St. Martin; 3/6 at St. Edward

**Stations and Soup & Bread:** Fri March 8 at 6:00p (see inside bulletin for more info)

**Lent Lecture Series:** Tues March 5th at 5:30p (remaining dates are 3/12 and 3/19)

**Men's Lent Retreat (sponsored by Knights):** Sat March 9 (see inside bulletin for more)

**St. Martin of Tours Penance Service:** Sunday March 10 beginning at 3:00 pm in church

**Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner:** Sunday March 17 from 3:00-5:00 pm in the Parish Hall\*

*\*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the Youth Group for Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission Trip in summer. Buy tickets after each Mass today! More info inside!*

## INSIDE OUR PARISH

**THIS WEEK! BIBLE STUDY W/ MSGR. (3/4 @ 6P), DINNER & LENTEN SERIES W/ MSGR. MARTIN (3/5 @ 5:30P), ADORATION (3/6 @ 6:30P AT ST. EDWARD & 3/8 @ 8-9A @ ST. MARTIN), MEN'S RETREAT (3/9) NEED MORE INFO? CONTACT PARISH OFFICE!**

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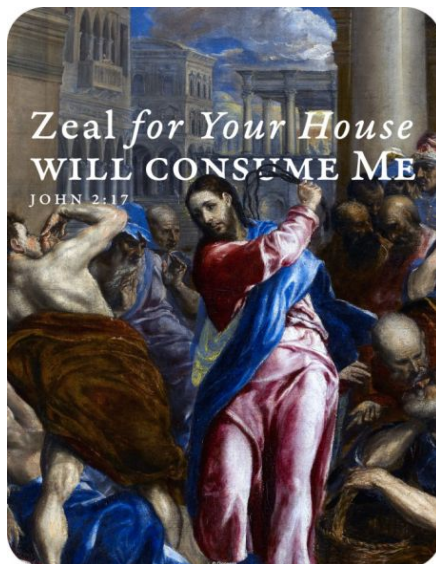
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Total Collection:  
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and in the Church Office.

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OF YOUR GIFT!!!**

**"Into the Desert" - Lenten Men's Retreat sponsored by the Knights of Columbus:** Join us Saturday March 9th from 8:30a - 3:00p in the Manning Room. Light breakfast and lunch provided. Please sign-up in the narthex. What a way to further your Lenten experience!

**UPCOMING PENANCE SERVICES:**

**St. Catherine: Wed March 6 @ 6:30p**

**St. Martin: Sun March 10 @ 3:00p**

**St. Thomas More: Mon March 11 @ 6:30p**

**St. Ambrose: Tues March 12 @ 6:00p**

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*IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA*

**New reader & usher schedules will be prepared soon.** If you anticipate any changes in your availability between April 6 & June 16, please call the Parish Office or email Sue & let us know by no later than Wed, March 6. Schedules will be available in the narthex by March 16. Sign-up sheets for Holy Week & Easter will be in the narthex by March 16 as well. Please volunteer if you can. Thank you for your service to St. Martin of Tours!

**Adoration and Benediction** - We will have Adoration and Benediction every Wednesday during Lent at 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm, with the first Wednesday of March (3/6) being at St. Edward's. All other Wednesdays will be at St. Martin's.

**Lent is a perfect time to further engage our relationship with Jesus! Join us Friday March 8 at 6 pm and continuing each Friday after until Holy Week,** we'll have Stations of the Cross in the church followed by Soup & Bread dinner in the Parish Hall. Sign-up sheets for the soup and bread can be found on the bulletin board near the west entrance. God bless!

**Lent Lecture Series**-There will be a five-week lecture series offered for Lent. They will be on Tuesdays starting with a simple supper at 5:30 p.m. and a speaker around 6:15. The remaining Tuesday dates are March 5, March 12, and March 19th. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. A flyer is available with speakers and subjects. Any questions, please ask in the office.

**THIRD WEEK OF LENT RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY** Nowadays, in Morazán, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community. Visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org) to read this week's Story of Hope.

**CRS Rice Bowl:** Your Lenten alms change lives globally and in your own community. 75% of donations support CRS programs around the world. 25% of donations stay in the Diocese of Kalamazoo and support local hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Your donations will help provide lifesaving support to more than 250 million people in 120 countries. Visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org) for resources for families and parishes.

**Thank you very much from the HALOS for all who donated and participated in the "Wine, Dine, and Bingo" event! It was a very successful event and great fun was had. If you are interested in joining our HALOS women's group, please find more info on the parish website.**



**REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT:** One of the great aspects about being Catholic is that we are given both a roadmap on how to live and a great guide in how to fulfill this roadmap.

The Ten Commandments found in the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter of the book of Exodus tells us, in a nutshell, how we are to love God and love our neighbor. Adhering to these ten commands isn't just a "do this or else" list but is rather the foundation in how we find our fulfillment in this life. Are you struggling in your relationship with God? Pray over and study the first three commandments. Would you like to see your relationships with others blossom and grow? Take a look at what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about the Commandments (paragraphs 2052-2557).

As we allow the commandments of God to take root in our hearts and let this law guide and maintain our relationship with God, we find all that we are looking for. We can echo the Psalm (chapter 19), which says, "The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul... The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart... They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb". Peace, fulfillment, happiness and holiness are found in our life with God, so with God's help permit Him to guide you along the roadmap He has before you!

## LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

**March 9 5:30p Lector:** Pam T

**Ushers:** Nick & Barb O, Leandro F, Mike C

**Raise Right:** DeWolff

**March 10 8:00a Lector:** Kathleen W

**Ushers:** Melissa C, Larry & Judy L, Volunteer

**Raise Right:** Koenigsknecht

**March 10 11:00a Lector:** Laura MaGee

**Ushers:** Jack C, Lilli C, Volunteers

**Raise Right:** Goldsmith-Moore

Michelle is looking for more volunteers to assist with the happenings of the youth! Please contact her for what she is looking for and what you'll need to do to make this happen! The youth kitchen is also looking for food donations for their youth nights. Contact Michelle for ideas on what to give and for more information. Thank you much!

## ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

**Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner (Sun. March 17 from 3-5 pm): PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY SO WE HAVE PLENTY OF FOOD!!!** Join us for the 18th annual St. Patty's Day Celebration in which the Knights along with our Youth attending CHWC will be setting-up and serving this delicious meal! Bring the family, enjoy the community & some Irish music and support this Christocentric opportunity for our youth going to camp. Adults are \$18, children (4-12) are \$6, and children under 4 are free. Purchase the family maximum for \$45. Carryout available as well. Prices increase \$5 at door. Ticket sales begin this weekend (February 17/18) after all Masses. Thanks & God bless!

**Youth Night is next up on Sunday March 10th from 5-7pm.**

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## IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**South County Community Services food pantry** requests for March are cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup. Household items needed are dish soap and deodorant. In January, parishioners donated 348 lbs. of food and 30 lbs. of household supplies! May God bless you for your generosity!

**The Lenten 40 Days for Life campaign** began February 14th (Ash Wednesday) and ends March 23rd. Please see the posters on the bulletin boards for more information on how to sign up for prayer times. Thank you!

**Caregiver Connections** (for caregivers of folks with disabilities, these Zoom sessions offering an opportunity to build relationships, share experiences, and create a supportive community) – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from 1:00-2:00 pm March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2

**Circle of Friends** This gathering for adults with cognitive/developmental disabilities is a time of fellowship, activities and reflection on the Sunday readings and a simple dinner. We will gather on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month from 6:00 – 7:30p.m in the Fellowship Room in the Stanley Centre at St. Catherine of Siena, 1150 W. Centre St., Portage. All are welcome! Upcoming gatherings are Mar. 27, and Apr. 24. Contact Lisa Irwin, [lisairwin@ccdok.org](mailto:lisairwin@ccdok.org) or 381-9800 x227 to RSVP or for more information.

Please see the flyers on the bulletin boards in the narthex for more information or contact Lisa Irwin to register at [lisairwin@ccdok.org](mailto:lisairwin@ccdok.org)

**Hackett Catholic Prep Proudly Presents "Shrek the Musical"!** Showtimes are Fridays & Saturdays on March 8-9 and March 15-16 at 7 pm, and also Saturday March 9 at 2pm. Ticket prices are \$10 for students and seniors, \$12 for adults. Please get tickets at <https://hacketttheatre.ludus.com>.

**Immaculate Conception Three Rivers School is looking for a part-time custodian:** Time commitment would be 10-15 hours per week. Please contact the school office for more information - Sharon Voegel, Principal: [principal@iccatholicsschool.com](mailto:principal@iccatholicsschool.com).

**St. Paul Street Evangelization Basic Evangelization Training:** Want to know what authentic, non-confrontational, joyful evangelization looks and sounds like? Then make sure to attend our upcoming workshop with St. Paul Street Evangelization Vice President Adam Janke on Saturday, March 9, 8:00am – 3:30pm, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Kalamazoo. This non-profit, grassroots organization has mobilized thousands of ordinary Catholics to get out there on the streets and help God save souls.

Our one-day Basic Evangelization Training with SPSE is open to all. Registration is \$20 and includes, lunch and all training materials. You can register online at <http://stpaulse.com/kalamazoo>.

**Are you well-versed in video recording & livestreaming & willing to volunteer your skills @ St. Martin? Contact the parish for more info!**

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 OF EACH MONTH.