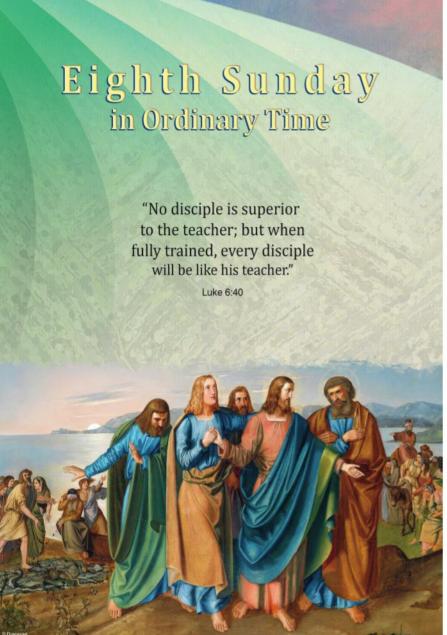
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This Week at St. Martin:

3/3 - NO Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin (Diocesan Meeting)
3/8 - Annual Men's Lenten Retreat

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

6:00 AM, 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM AT ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

9:00 AM AT ST. EDWARD

Want more info? Please contact the Parish Office!

Mass Schedule: Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a

Daily Mass Schedule: Wed & Fri 9:00a

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MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

March 01 10 - 11a Reconciliation

March 01 5:30p Mass †B.J. Wesoloski by Walt &

Jane Wesoloski

March 01 6:30p Anything Goes Party

March 02 8:00a Mass †Peter DeLilla by Karen

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March 02 9:30a Religious Ed - Adult Study Group

March 02 11:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin March 03 NO Bible Study w/ Msgr - Diocesan Mtg

March 05 9:00a Mass +Mario & Yolanda Sirotti by David & Jackie Sirotti

March 05 6:00p Mass For the People of St. Martin

March 05 6:30p Holy Hour at St. Edward

March 06 7:00p OCIA

March 07 8-9a, 9:30a-7:00p First Friday Adoration

March 07 9:00a Mass +Mac & Hana Lee by S. Kim

Lee

March 08 Annual Men's Lenten Retreat

March 08 10 - 11a Reconciliation

March 08 5:30p Mass †Deceased Members of the Gregory Family by The Sokolowski Family

March 09 8:00a Mass †Deceased Members of the Jepsen Family by Larry & Judy LeVan

March 09 9:00a-1:00p Farmers Breakfast

March 09 9:30a Religious Ed - Adult Study Group

March 09 11:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

March 09 5:00p Youth Night

New reader and usher schedules will be prepared soon. We need any changes of availability between April 12 and June 22 before March 10. Please call the parish office and leave a message for Sue Maneikis or you may email her pastoralcare@stmartinvicksburg.org.

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March 2-8 †Tom Kelley by Vickie Kelley

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Fully Alive Meeting Jesus in the Eucharist - 2025 Men's Lenten Retreat on Saturday March 8th Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus invites all men of St. Martin and St. Edward to take intentional time to more fully embrace this great season of Lent, which the Church offers for us to grow closer to our Leader, our King, our Savior! The retreat will start at 8:30 am and will run until around 3:30 pm. **Also on hand will be the traveling Sacred Heart of Jesus icon from the K of C! Let us be nourished with food for eternal life!**

The Knights of Columbus March 9 breakfast will be to support the Knights of Columbus Disaster Relief Fund. The fund is for disasters such as California fires, hurricane relief, Ukraine War and any disaster either natural or man made in the United States or throughout the world. Your generosity is appreciated!

Annual Lenten Series 2025: Beginning Tuesday March 11th and running each Tuesday until April 8th, St. Martin of Tours Adult Education committee is proud to offer a speaker series on the 10 Commandments. Each night will begin with a meal at 5:30 pm, followed by a presentation from our speaker at 6:15 pm, and closing with question and answer. Mark your calendars for Tuesday March 11th in which we welcome Mr. Jamin Herold, Executive Director of the Office of Parish Life & Lay Leadership and Director of the Office of Worship, to talk on the Commandments 1-3. Also, sign-up for Lenten Soup & Bread Suppers is on the West Cork Board (starts 3/7).

Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner: Sunday March 16th from 3:00-5:00 pm. Proceeds support our youth in raising funds for their mission work at Catholic Heart Workcamp (CHWC). Ticket sales begin this weekend and can be purchased after Mass or in the Parish Office. Prices are as follows: \$19 for adults, \$7 for children ages 4-12, and \$50 for immediate-family. Come enjoy food, music, and fun together!

Diocesan Priests Retirement Collection Sunday, March 2, 2025 During his years of priestly ministry, a diocesan priest is supported mainly by a parish community. Retirement years can be difficult for these men, many of whom dedicate as many as 50 years or more of their lives to caring for and ministering to others. Priests of the Diocese of Kalamazoo typically retire at the age of 70 and receive a pension which is used for basic needs such as food, housing and transportation. Most priests live independently during their retirement unlike priests of religious communities who live together during their senior years and are cared for by their religious institutions. Your contributions to the Diocesan Priests Retirement Collection go directly to the Diocese of Kalamazoo's Good Shepherd Fund and our priests.

REFLECTION FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: A message that can be taken from this weekend's readings is perhaps more of a reminder that if you are looking for the good, look for the good things that are coming forth from another person. Similarly, if you are looking for the evil, look for the evil things that are coming forth from another person. Put another way, if you want to find out if person is good or evil, a good indicator is do you see this person doing good or evil things.

Jesus is the great barometer for helping us to see what it looks like when someone is good. How is He acting, what is He saying, how is Jesus treating others around Him. By looking at Jesus, and measuring how we or others look in comparison to Him, provides a great opportunity from which we can see how we are operating in the good department. We are not going to be perfect, but the great thing about Jesus is if we continue to try and try and try to be like Him, He will give us the grace to grow closer to Him and to imitate the good that brings us each to fulfillment.

LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

March 08 5:30p Lector: Roger V Ushers: Ken D, Doug & Deb S, Volunteer

Raise Right: Doorlag

March 09 8:00a Lector: Angela P Ushers: Al & MaryAnn K, Melissa C, Vol.

Raise Right: Koenigsknecht

March 09 11:00a Lector: Jacqueline P, Emma P Ushers: Coleen V, Cindy J, Alex P, Nick P

Raise Right: Musselman

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

- -Wishing our group at **The Presence Retreat** this weekend a wonderful faith-filled experience!
- -Next Youth Night is Sunday, March 2, from 5-7pm in the Teen Center
- -CHWC participants-SAVE THE DATE for the Corned Beef and Cabbage Fundraiser March 16th!
- -Any high school student (Fall of '25) should contact Michelle if interested in attending **NCYC** in November. Cost is \$100 per student, or \$200 per family, due by March 31st. **Facebook:** facebook.com/stmartinoftoursofvicksburg

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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

KVCC STUDENTS KVCC students! We are active on the Texas Township campus as a new club this year, Kalamazoo Catholic at KVCC. Join us every other Wednesday beginning January 29, 3:00-5:00 p.m. in TTC 3180 and learn about our group that gathers to discuss scripture and share snacks. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Wyatt Cupp, Assistant Campus Minister at St. Thomas More Catholic Student Parish at my church email, Wyatt@sttomskazoo.org, or my personal email at WyattCupp02@gmail.com. Have a great rest of your day!

St. Martin of Tours will be sponsoring Caring Network's Parish Playpen during the month of March. The Diocese of Kalamazoo's prolife agency serves pregnant women of all ages, faiths, and marital status, who need support in their life-affirming decisions! The following items are in low supply in the Caring Closet: boys and girls pajamas sizes 12-24 months, 3T-4T; girls tops 12 and 18 months; girls pants 3T-4T; boys tops 18 months and 3T; boys pants 18-24 months, 3T-4T; diapers sizes 4, 5 and 6; socks for 1-5 year olds; onesies 6 months and up; baby wash and baby lotion. All donations are appreciated. Please visit www.ccdok.org or call 381-1234 to learn more about how you can support Caring Network!

Caregiver Connection: Are you a caregiver for someone with a disability? Do you sometimes feel alone or overwhelmed? We invite you to join us for our virtual gathering to build relationships, share experiences, and create a supportive community. We'll spend some time getting to know each other and share a brief reflection on the Sunday scriptures. We gather via ZOOM on the first Sunday of the month** from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (** on holiday weekends we shift to the second Sunday - see flyer for dates) REGISTER ONLINE: diokzoo.org/ personswithdisabilities Or contact Veronica Rodriguez at 269-349-8714, Ext. 1240 or via Email: vrodriguez@diokzoo.org Our next gathering is on March 2nd. We'd love to have you join us and other caregivers for reflection and support!

From March 5 to April 13, you're invited to join other Christians across the globe for 40 Days for Life. This involves 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside of the Planned Parenthood building at 4201 W. Michigan in Kalamazoo on Mondays through Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. When you participate in 40 Days for Life, you are making an appointment with God in prayer. And you are also changing the hearts of people through the Holy Spirit. To sign up: Email to 40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com or Sign up directly at https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/kalamazoo



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