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Daily Mass Schedule: Wed & Fri 9:00a

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MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

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

March 10 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr.

March 11 5:30p Lenten Series: Commandments One, Two, and Three with Jamin Herold

March 12 9:00a Mass +Joe Thamann by Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

March 12 6:30p Adoration at St. Martin

March 13 7:00p OCIA

March 14 8-9a Adoration

March 14 9:00a Mass +Tim Kosacek by St. Vincent de Paul Society

March 14 6:00p Stations of the Cross followed by Lenten Soup and Bread Dinner

March 15 10 - 11a Reconciliation

March 15 5:30p Mass †B.J. Wesoloski by Wanda Wallace

March 16 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

March 16 9:30a Religious Ed - Adult Study Group

March 16 11:00a Mass †Sybil Jo Fordos by Mike Fordos

March 16 3-5p Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

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"All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: 'You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.'"

Luke 4:7, 8

The Temptation of Christ by the Devil by Felix Joseph Barrias, 1900



1ST SUNDAY OF

LENT

This Week at St. Martin:

3/9 - Farmer's Breakfast from 9a-1p (Proceeds=Military Archdiocese)

3/10 - Caring Hands at 10:00 am

3/10 - Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin at 6:00 pm

3/10 - St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting at 6:00 pm

3/11 - Lenten Series: Commandments 1-3 at 5:30 pm

3/14 - Stations of the Cross followed by Soup & Bread at 6:00 pm

3/15 - First Reconciliation for our 2nd Graders at 10:00 am

Want more info? Please contact the Parish Office!

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| Harry | Dennis Lorenz |
| Jack | Debbie McLoud-Delaney |
| Linda and Don | Vickie Pearl |
| Little Luke and Anna | John Polasek |
| Madalyn | Mike Q |
| Marlene | Kim S |
| Maureen | Margot Schick |
| Miguel | Ed Sehy & Intentions |
| Ross | Anne Shank |
| Ryan | Jenni Swager |
| Michael Bockstanz | Carol Whitfield |
| Mike Coppens | Connie Zablocki |

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. Thank you very much for your continued service to St. Martin of Tours Parish!

IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA

Please see the west-end cork board to sign-up for Lenten Soup & Bread Suppers. There are still some spots available! Stations of the Cross begins at 6:00 pm followed by these delicious suppers that support engagement with our parish during Lent.

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 natural or man made in the United States or the world. Thanks!

Annual Lenten Series 2025: Beginning Tuesday March 11 and running each Tuesday until April 8, 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. Tuesday March 11 features 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.

Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner: PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS THIS WEEKEND! 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!

South County Community Services food pantry requests for March: cereal, condensed tomato soup, peanut butter, jelly, Hamburger Helper, canned kidney beans, shampoo. Thank you for your continued support!

St. Martin of Tours will be sponsoring **Caring Network's Parish Playpen** during the month of March. The Diocese of Kalamazoo's pro-life 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!

REFLECTION FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: Happy Lent! May this be a blessed season in which you grow closer & deeper in relationship with Jesus Christ & His Church.

Our readings for the First Sunday of Lent are full of so much goodness. In the Gospel, Jesus gives us an example of how to attack Lent, He Himself spending 40 days in prayer and fasting. He also shows us that when Lent gets tough with temptation to stray from our prayer and fasting how we are to stay fixed on God by staying fixed on the Lenten practices we have set-up to observe.

Remember that there are many different ways to go about Lent and to grow closer to Jesus. Here are some thoughts on prayer: Praying is essential to our relationship with God as it is a primary tool for being in conversation with our Creator. Like any relationship, being in a pattern of communication (both listening and sharing) helps us to learn about the other and gives the other a chance to learn about us. Lent thus becomes a great opportunity to further and deepen our practice of prayer by finding an additional time each day to set aside for prayer, to take up a particular prayer devotion from the Church's Tradition, or to focus in on a certain intention or intentions to hold close during Lent. These and many other ideas can help us dive into prayer.

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

- Youth Night** this Sunday (3/9) from 5-7pm in the Teen Center. All 6-12 grade welcome! Food provided.
- Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner** is Sunday, March 16! All CHWC are needed to help with this event, and bring a dessert to share!
- Youth Ministry** will be bowling Sunday, March 30 at Airway Lanes. Meeting there at 2pm. Cost is \$10 per person. Pizza and drinks provided.

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LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

March 15 5:30p Lector: Tammy R
Ushers: Jim & Monica R, Carol W, Leandro F
Raise Right: DeWolff

March 16 8:00a Lector: Kathy W
Ushers: Ron & Jan G, Joe S, Volunteer
Raise Right: LeVan

March 16 11:00a Lector: Meredith C
Ushers: Mike & Kris B, Ellen C, Danny C
Raise Right: Van Dalen

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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.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR FAITH-FILLED COLLEGE STUDENTS-The Keeping the Catholic Faith Scholarship Fund held at the Catholic Foundation of Michigan provides scholarships to graduating seniors who desire to live, grow, and share their Catholic faith after high school. Thanks to the generosity of a local Kalamazoo family, the fund will provide a \$1,000 financial scholarship. To learn more and apply, please visit <http://www.bit.ly/KTCF>

Hackett Catholic Prep proudly presents High School Musical. *High School Musical* is a 2006 Disney Channel Original Musical that follows Troy Bolton, a popular basketball player, and Gabriella Montez, a shy, academically focused new student. They discover a shared love for singing and audition for the school musical, defying the expectations of their cliques. As Troy and Gabriella navigate high school pressures, they inspire their friends and classmates to break free from stereotypes, embrace their passions, and come together for an unforgettable musical production. With catchy songs and heartfelt moments, the musical celebrates friendship, love, and staying true to oneself. Production dates for *High School Musical* are March 13th, 14th, 15th, 20th, 21st and 22nd at 7:00pm and a matinee performance on March 22nd at 2:00pm. Tickets are available at the door or online at www.csgk.org. Come join for a great show!!!

Circle of Friends is a gathering for adults with cognitive/developmental disabilities and a time of fellowship, activities, and reflection on the Sunday readings along with a simple dinner. We gather on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room in the Stanley Center at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Portage (except for November and December when it will be the 3rd Wednesday due to the holidays). All are welcome. **Our next date is: March 26.** For more info, contact Veronica: 269.349.8714, x1240.

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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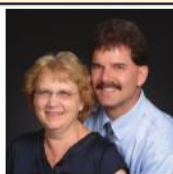
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