



St. Joseph Neier

Fr. Donald Henke, Pastor
March 16 - 17, 2019

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am
Confessions:
Saturday: 4:00 to 4:40 pm

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From your Pastor

Praying the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent is a good way for all Christians to reflect on the mysteries of Jesus' Passion and Death as well as a good way to consider the lengths that God would go to save His people. The tradition is said to have started with Mary visiting the sites where Her Son suffered and died. Once Christianity could be practiced openly and legally after the Edict of Milan in 313 A.D., those sites soon became a popular pilgrimage destination, and offered people the opportunity to walk the Via Dolorosa (Sorrowful Way) or the Way of the Cross. The term "Stations" only began to be used much later and is credited to William Wey, who visited the Holy Land in 1462, at a time when the devotion was gaining in popularity.

The devotion grew throughout the centuries. By the fifth century, reproductions of some of the holy sites were made so that more people could participate in honoring Christ in this fashion. Through the years, it would not only be the distance of travel that made it difficult for pilgrims to visit the Holy Land personally, but also whether or not the current ruling country in control of those sites was accepting of Christian pilgrims. From the 1400s to the 1700s, devotion to the Stations of the Cross grew largely to the efforts of the Franciscan order who had been entrusted to the care of the Holy Land. In 1686, Pope Innocent XI allowed the Franciscans to erect Stations of the Cross in all of their churches, with Pope Benedict XIII extending this privilege to all the faithful in 1726. By 1731 the number of individual Stations ranged from 5 to 37. Standardization of the Stations to 14 was accomplished by Pope Clement XII which provided a welcome adjustment that allowed representations of Jesus' Passion to be added to all Catholic Churches from then on.

The prayers that accompany the Stations continue to vary. There are many popular texts that can be used, often having different Scriptural passages to aid reflection on each Station. But whether using a standard set of prayers in a group setting, or simply spending time alone quietly considering each Station, it's a wonderful spiritual practice and especially appropriate for Lent.¹ St. Joseph's offers a communal Stations of the Cross devotion every Friday evening of Lent beginning at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Have a blessed week!

- **The Shooting Match Committee will be having a Shoot on April 14th. If you would like to sell a Pot Shot or get involved with the Shoot please call Wes Straatmann at 314.808.2698**

Parish Prayer List: *Please review and call the office for any changes. Thank You!*

The Sick of the Parish who need your prayers

<i>Anna Marie Brueggemann</i>	<i>Ryan Elbert</i>	<i>Chris Arand</i>	<i>Olivia Jasper</i>
<i>Cynthia Faust</i>	<i>Karen Waters</i>		
<i>Zachery Gossage</i>	<i>Sheri Zambruski</i>	<i>Special Intention II</i>	<i>Henry Tobben</i>
<i>Shirley Beckman</i>	<i>Jacob McMullin</i>	<i>Christine Grus</i>	
<i>Julie Crump</i>	<i>Bill Feth</i>		
<i>Ray Koester</i>	<i>Bob Beckman</i>	<i>Andrew Hellebusch</i>	
<i>Brandon Huels</i>	<i>Carol Hammer</i>	<i>Edward Henke</i>	
<i>Betty & Lawrence Bean</i>	<i>Jean Oldani</i>	<i>Ben Block</i>	
<i>Regina Lause</i>	<i>Loraine Highlander</i>	<i>Marge Hankins</i>	

¹ Taken and adapted from a description of the Stations of the Cross by Fr. Nick Kastenholz, March 10, 2019.

Pray for our Parishioners, Matthew Blankenship, Taylor Donner, Jamie Brueggemann Murphy, Michael Murphy & Blake Van Leer serving in the Armed Forces

In Memoriam

Pray for the repose soul of Dolores Kolkmeier who passed away March 12th. Grandmother to Kelly & Nick Zaggarri and Great Grandmother to Izzy & Joe.

If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please present them in writing before Wednesday of the week before to insure that it gets in. Thank you!

Mass Intentions: 3/18 – 3/24/19

Monday	6:30 am	William & Ida Schroeder
Tuesday	6:30 am	Special Intention (P.H. Devotions after Mass)
Wednesday	6:30 am	Rita Ransom
Thursday	6:30 am	Doris Otten
Lenten Thursday	6:00 pm	Dolores Kolkmeier
Friday	6:30 am	Marline Boland
Saturday	5:00 pm	Lucille & Alphonse Brune
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>The Parish Family of St. Joseph</i>
	10:00 am	Ronald Salvino

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION this Thursday, March 21st beginning at 7 am and ending with Benediction at 5:50 pm followed by Mass at 6 pm. Sign-up sheet is in back of church. Also, Father Henke will be available for Confessions from 5 pm to 5:40 pm and after the 6 pm Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS this Friday, March 22nd and every Friday during Lent, 7 pm

<i>Commentators and Lectors:</i>		<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
Saturday	5:00 pm	Vernon Eckstein	Michael Feth
Sunday	8:00 am	Amie Kohlbusch	Vi Schroeder Betty Fink
	10:00 am	Patti Greife	Dennis & JoAnn Bower

Servers:

Saturday	5:00 pm	Alex Bolzenius Mark Straatmann	Maddy Eckstein Melanie Jacquin
Sunday	8:00 am	Rachel DeVore Brooke Jacquin	Andrew Flagg Emma Roberts
	10:00 am	Jenna & Ben Hammer	Troy Simons Peyton Adams

Stations of the Cross 7 pm Alyson Fennessey~ Josh Straatmann~ Maddie Eckstein

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday	5:00 pm	Joan Kloepfel Cathie Grus	Theresa Straatmann
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Sunday	8:00 am	Alberta Jacquin Janet & Frank Domijan Karen Dierking	Tina & Theresa Brueggemann Diane Schmidt Jennifer Kissinger Jane Struckhoff
	10:00 am	Kim & Wayne Brautigam Jeff Baker	Tim & Denise Feth Patti Greife

PSR News

Sunday, March 31st – Stations of the Cross with Fr. Don at 9 am for All PSR Classes. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Thank you!

Collection for	3/10/19	
Regular Offering Envelopes:	\$4681.00	
Regular Offering Loose:	<u>\$ 54.50</u>	
Total:	\$4735.50	Thank you for your generosity!
Eastern European Church \$48.00		

Neighboring Activities

- **March 21st Permanent Diaconate Information Night**
Rigali Center at 7 pm. For men interested in exploring the vocation to the Permanent Diaconate. Wives are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information call 314-792-7431.
- **March 22nd Fish Fry at Union K of C, serving 4 – 7 pm**
- **March 23rd Rummage & Bake Sale at SFB, 7:30 am – 1 pm**
- **St. Francis Borgia High School has several job openings. Contact Moira Vossbrink at 636-239-7871 ext. 197 or moira.vossbrink@borgia.com for more information.**

Advancement Assistant

Cafeteria Employment

Bus Driver

K.C. News

Congratulations to Sophia Helling who won 1st Place in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship at the State of MO level in her age group.

Sunday March 31st is 5th Sunday Rosary at the 9:00 Mass at Immaculate Conception, rosary will start at 8:40 lead by the Knights of Columbus.

St. Joseph Events

- **Next Saturday is the “Road Rally” Scavenger Hunt.** Registration begins at 2 pm. Competition is from 3 – 6 pm. Event is for **anyone** that has a driver’s license, call your friends to make up a team of six people and join in the fun! Pig Roast with all the fixins when you return. Cost is \$20 per person for Rally & Pig Roast. If you don’t want to participate in the “Rally” come join us for some fine food and fellowship, Cost is \$10 per person.