

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Fourth Sunday of Lent —March 6, 2016

### Parish Staff:

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### Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm

### Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism** – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriages** – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

**Hospitalized Parishioners** – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

### Mass Intentions:

3/05/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Mary K. Kleiss (R. McGinnis & Family)  
3/10/16 Thurs. 8:30am +Members of our Congregation  
**3/10/16 Thurs. Stations of the Cross after 8:30am Mass**  
3/12/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Robert Huette (Mary Kay O'Brien, Todd Gereaux & Family)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Rectory. Suggested Donation is \$10.

**Remember in Prayer** our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

### Liturgical Schedule for Lectors/Servers

3/05/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Bridget/Servers-Miles, Jackson, Elsie  
3/12/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Jane/Servers-Miles, Jackson, Elsie

### Holy Father's Intention for the month of March:

*General Intention:* That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

### Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 363.00

Thank you for your generosity!

### Prayers for Sick

Sue Eich and Heidi Ehrhardt.

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross following our Thursday morning Mass. The Confirmation Class will perform Shadow Stations of the Cross this week in South Wilmington on Friday, March 11th 7:00pm.

Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday, March 13th.  
Spring ahead.



Please remember in prayer Brian Buckley who entered Eternal Life. Our condolences to his family and friends. Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!


"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, those who suffer from unjust laws, and those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through supporting today's collection, you **help Jesus in disguise**. Please be generous.

Sacred Heart Parish in Campus, IL Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner at the Parish Hall in Campus on Sunday March 13th 1:00pm—5:00pm. \$10—Adult, \$4—Age 6-12, 5 and under Free. There will be 50/50 raffle, \$1.00 per ticket/ 6 for \$5.00. Win half of the pot. Drawing at 5:00pm.

A simple and effective way to make a planned gift to St. Mary's Church is to include St. Mary's Church in your will or revocable trust. Bequests are an important way to provide for our promising future. Each individual legacy contributes to our financial strength and ability to meet the ever growing needs of our parish community. If you have not already done so, please consider including St. Mary's Church in your will or revocable trust.

BRIDGE—Jesus is the bridge over troubled waters!

**Fourth Sunday of Lent Weekend of March 5/6, 2016** -Today we hear one of the most beloved stories in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving, welcoming us back when we remorsefully return to him. When was a time that I left God's presence through my own sinfulness? Did I humbly and sorrowfully repent of my actions? How am I using this time of Lent to humbly atone for my sins? Will I eagerly celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation in the next few weeks to experience God's loving embrace and forgiveness?



**Names do define us.** There is a lot of name calling in the Bible readings proclaimed today. "Brothers and sisters" – those bound together in Christ. "New creation" – those drowned in baptismal waters washing away original life. "Ambassadors for Christ" – those who proclaim the Savior's presence among us by behaviors and actions and, perhaps, even words. "Tax collectors and sinners" – harsh names, but names of those with whom Jesus eats. "Children" – at first, selfish and misbehaving, but then full of sense and repentant because the parent is full of love and forgiveness.

- What name will I claim and use this week?
- Then, how will I behave?

