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**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN LENT**  
**March 15, 2015**  
**St. Mary Catholic Church 1749 Racine Ave NE**  
**Solon, IA 52333**  
**PHONE: 624-2228 Fax: 624-3564**  
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**Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00PM**  
**Sunday 8:30AM & 10:30AM**  
  
**Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:30PM or**  
**by appointment**  
  
**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30AM - 1:00PM**

**WELCOME TO ST. MARYS!** If you would like to embrace  
our parish family please give Fr. Tim or Donna a call at the  
office @624-2228.  
  
**Homebound:** If you would like Communion brought to  
your home, please contact the office @ 624-2228 between  
8am and 1pm.  
  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday 7am until noon.  
Monday nights from 6pm to 10pm.  
  
**Sickness:** Please notify the pastor 624-2228 when  
someone is ill or has been hospitalized. Sacrament of  
Anointing is available.  
  
**Marriage:** A minimum of 6 months is necessary for  
marriage preparation. Please contact the pastor.  
  
**Baptism:** Parents must be registered members of the  
parish. Baptism instructions are required., ideally before  
the child is born. Please call Donna, 624-2228 to register.  
  
**Expecting a New Arrival???** Please call the church office  
at 624-2228 when your baby arrives, so we can arrange  
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know of someone  
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**Child Abuse:** To report child sexual abuse, contact the  
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Ministry Schedule			
DATE	March 21 5:00 pm	March 22 8:30 am	March 23 10:30 am
MINISTRY	NAME	NAME	NAME
CANTOR	Adult Choir	L Hugeback	Youth Choir
MUSICIAN	M Hennes	P Cummings	C Brock
Eucharistic Ministers	J Anderson T Barenz T Broghammer	D Uhl K Francois S Holte	D Wilkinson JJ Urich T Brown
GREETER	M & M Petersen D & JE Ritchie Families	K & D Berns B & M Bock Family	D Siddell S Ransom A & S Wieskamp
LECTOR	L Manary B Randall	J Gleason R Holubar	J Maiers R Myers
SERVER	C Thielen M Broghammer J Felton	A Hupfeld E Hupfeld A Stebral	K McGrane M McGrane Z Wieskamp
Ushers	R Miller D Ritchie N Erusha	J Connelly K Berns M Bretz	D Erenberger M Erenberger D Myers
GIFT BEARERS	K & L Manary	R & M Holubar Family	J Maiers
HC @ Home		Theresa Z Adam	
SACRISTIAN	J Anderson	J Shulista	S Cross
NURSERY			Cami Rasmussen
NURSERY BACK-UP			J Wulfekuhle

Collection for March 7 & 8

Offertory \$339.42

Weekly \$5,351.00

Total \$5,690.42

Monthly Direct & ACH \$850.00

(in addition to weekly collection total)



Baptism Classes:

Parents must be members of the parish to have their children baptized. Parents baptizing their first child **are** required to attend both classes.

**2015 Classes are from 6:30-8:00**

April 14th & May 12th  
July 14th & August 11th  
October 13th & November 10th

Mass Intentions March

Mon	16	8:00 am	Harriet Shasby
Tues.	17	12:10 pm	Thomas Wolfe
Wed	18	8:00 am	Mary Ruth Krob
Thurs.	19	9:30 CC	Clifford Kramer
Fri.	20	7:00 am	Scripture or Adoration
Sat.	21	5:00 pm	Norman Schreier
Sun	22	8:30 am 10:30am	Frank Carr Mary Ruth Krob

Parish Pastoral Council Highlight March 9, 2015

A big “Thank You” to Patty Erusha for her tireless efforts to-ward the support of Mary’s Meals. We are half way to fulfill-ing our goal of raising \$20,000.

Plans for a new Parish Directory are being made .

A fund raising drive is in the planning stages for a new or-gan.

Nancy Upmeyer, Parish Nurse, reported a need for wheel chairs and commodes for the loan closet.

St. Mary’s Annual Book Fair

Are you in need of a 1<sup>st</sup> Communion gift or an Easter gift? Check out St. Mary’s Book Fair on March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> follow-ing each of the masses. Tables will be set up in the gathering space with books and other gift items so be sure to check it out!

Parish Income/Expense Report for February 2015

February Income:		February Expenses:	
Cash	\$2,851	Admin Salaries	\$5,110
Envelopes	\$24,911	FICA/Benefits	\$1,684
Religious Ed	0	Operations	\$10,159
Other Income	\$10,735	Repairs	\$2,551
Other Envelopes	\$500	Religious Ed	\$13,275
Refund from Diocese	0	Ministerial Costs	\$2,583
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$38,997</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$35,362</b>
Beginning Cash Available	\$75,817		
Feb. Net Income March Reserve	\$3,635 (\$30,688)	Budgeted income to Expense July-Feb	\$55,403
Ending Cash Available	\$48,764	<b>Actual Income to Expense July-February</b>	\$90,769
Cash Investments	\$95,000	Cemetery Fund	\$93,705
Building Fund	\$131,547	Memorial Fund	\$39,986

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 12:10 Mass** Potluck to follow. Even if you cannot bring something to share please join us anyway as there is always more than enough.

**Adoration** Monday nights from 6pm to 10pm. Also on Fridays from 7:00 am to noon.

**Liturgy Meeting** will be Wednesday the 18th at 6:30pm.

**Stations of the Cross** Wednesday, March 18th at 6pm.

**Grief Share** will meet Thursday, March 19 at 6:30.

**Helping Hands:** St. Mary's Helping Hands will meet on Monday, March 23, at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Library. Everyone is welcome to attend! It is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners and provide service using your time and Talents. FRIENDLY REMINDER—Helping Hands annual dues of \$10 are due in February/March. If you haven’t done so already, please use the envelope provided in your packet. Thanks so much!

March Couples Night Out

Join us Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30 pm for a potluck dinner. This will be followed by a panel of parish couples who will offer their insights on what has helped them build strong marriages. Childcare will be pro-vided. Contact Lindsey Carey at [Lindsey@solonstmary.org](mailto:Lindsey@solonstmary.org) or register online at solonstmary.org by Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

RECONCILIATION...

*“It is impossible for us to free ourselves from sin on our own. It’s impossible.” Pope Francis*

**Tuesday, March 24** 6:30 2nd graders & Parents

**Wednesday, March 25** 6:30 Parish Service

**Monday, March 30** 6:30-7:30 (during Adoration)

**Saturdays, 4:00-4:30** (before Mass)

By appointment with Fr. Tim

"Now is the time to say to Jesus: “Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thou-sand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. **I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace**”. How good it feels to come back to him whenever we are lost! Let me say this once more:



*God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.* Christ, who told us to for-give one another “seventy times seven” has given us his example: he has forgiven us seventy times seven. Time and time again he bears us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity be-stowed upon us by this boundless and unfailing love. With a tenderness which never disappoints, but is always capable of restoring our joy, he makes it possible for us to lift up our heads and to start anew.

**Let us not flee from the resurrection of Jesus, let us never give up, come what will.** May nothing inspire more than his life, which impels us onwards!"  
Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*

Stewardship in Action

**Teen Help with Childcare:** Please contact Patty ([patty@solonstmary.org](mailto:patty@solonstmary.org) or 541-4253) if you are available to help with childcare on Tues., March 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:15pm-7:45pm at the church. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and their families will be attending their First Reconciliation and we will be providing childcare for younger siblings.

**Help Haul away old T.V. sets:** Contact Patty (541-4253 or [patty@solonstmary.org](mailto:patty@solonstmary.org)) if you can help with hauling 3 old T.V.s to the landfill. Church will pay for their disposal.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2015

"Make your hearts firm"

1. *"If one member suffers, all suffer together"* (1 Cor 12:26) – The Church

The love of God breaks through that fatal withdrawal into ourselves which is indifference. The Church offers us this love of God by her teaching and especially by her witness. But we can only bear witness to what we ourselves have experienced. Christians are those who let God clothe them with goodness and mercy, with Christ, so as to become, like Christ, servants of God and others. This is clearly seen in the liturgy of Holy Thursday, with its rite of the washing of feet. Peter did not want Jesus to wash his feet, but he came to realize that Jesus does not wish to be just an example of how we should wash one another’s feet. Only those who have first allowed Jesus to wash their own feet can then offer this service to others. Only they have “a part” with him (*Jn* 13:8) and thus can serve others. Lent is a favourable time for letting Christ serve us so that we in turn may become more like him. This happens whenever we hear the word of God and receive the sacraments, es-pecially the Eucharist. There we become what we receive: the Body of Christ. In this body there is no room for the indifference which so often seems to possess our hearts. For whoever is of Christ, belongs to one body, and in him we cannot be indifferent to one another. “If one part suf-fers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honoured, all the parts share its joy” (*1 Cor* 12:26). The Church is the *communio sanctorum* not only because of her saints, but also because she is a communion in holy things: the love of God revealed to us in Christ and all his gifts. Among these gifts there is also the response of those who let themselves be touched by this love. In this communion of saints, in this sharing in holy things, no one possesses anything alone, but shares everything with others. And since we are united in God, we can do something for those who are far distant, those whom we could never reach on our own, because with them and for them, we ask God that all of us may be open to his plan of salvation.

**Message continued next week...**