February 25, 2018 | Second Sunday of Lent St. Mary CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday 8:00 am
Tuesday 12:10 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 9:30 am @CC

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Or by appointment

ADORATION

Monday 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Friday 7:00 am - Noon

Welcome to St. Mary!

If you are new to our community and not yet registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office. Forms can be found on our website: www.solonstmary.org

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Our Parish family is about to receive a powerful Lenten mission to deepen our experience of true happiness. A man who has been blind for most of his life will present the mission - Fr. Mike Joly - a parish pastor, director of retreats and Catholic recording artist - will open up five essential movements necessary if we are to be truly happy as God designed. Come each night!

Fr. Mike strives to use his talents and time to celebrate God's goodnes. He welcomes opportunities to share what motivates his life and how to approach obstacles. He will draw on music and interactive dynamics to communicate movement forward in the spiritual life. He will make use of sacred

scriptures and the writings and teachings of some of the great leaders in our Catholic faith.

Invite others to join you, so they too, may deepen their experiences of true happiness.

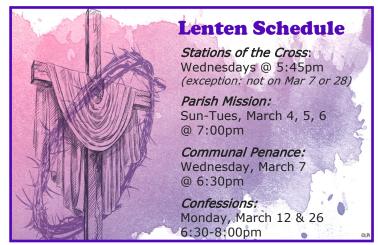


How are your Lenten resolutions? By the time week two rolls around, plenty of well-meaning people have skipped, neglected, or outright forgotten their Lenten resolutions at least once. It can be easy to start excusing our Lenten commitments altogether.

Last week we saw Jesus driven into the desert. This Sunday, we see Jesus leading his disciples to an equally barren place: he "led them up a high mountain apart by themselves." But what happens there? "And he was transfigured before them and his clothes became dazzling white." Today's Gospel reminds us of the goal. We don't enter into the desert for the sake of suffering, but for the sake of transformation.

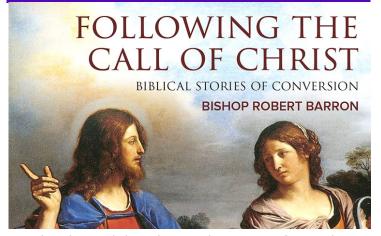
Mountain imagery is prevalent throughout Scripture. The sacrifice of Isaac, Moses receiving the 10 Commandments, Elijah's revelation of God as a tiny whispering sound: all these occur on the mountaintop. Mountains are strenuous to hike. To assist the traveler in the assent, trails often involve switchbacks. These lead the traveler back and forth across the mountainside, sometimes appearing as if hardly any ground is gained. Perhaps Peter, James, and John hiked a similar path as Jesus led them up the side of Mount Tabor.

A climb is difficult. A climb in a barren place leaves you thirsty, exhausted, and quite possibly frustrated or discouraged. Yet this is precisely how Jesus leads his closest disciples. Why? Because he has something to reveal to them. Practically speaking, Jesus needed to bring Peter, James and John away from the crowds for this revelation of glory to remain hidden. There are spiritual truths we will encounter only if we pass through difficulty. So let's persevere this Lent! Today's Gospel invites us to trust that, if we persevere in following Jesus, he'll lead us to something beautiful and glorious as well.





6 Week Lenten Study by Bishop Barron



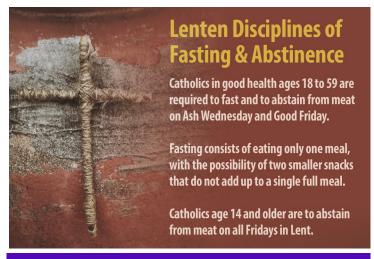
Watch video and then discuss the stories of six ordinary people met by Jesus, who were called to a better life. From these six encounters with the loving, merciful presence of God—we learn how to turn our lives around, let go and allow God to be Lord of our lives.

No Cost—Come When You Can:

Mondays at 7pm followed by Adoration, Begins Feb 19 **Tuesdays at 11am**, followed by Mass, Begins Feb 20

Many Thanks - Father Tim

I wish to thank you most sincerely for your prayers, cards, memorials, and Masses for my mother, Jean Sheedy. The greatest comfort during this time of sorrow has been the expressions of sympathy conveyed to myself and my family in many ways. There are no sufficient amount of words that could equal the generosity you showed us during this time. Your friendship and support is highly valued and appreciated. God Bless You All! You are all in my prayers!



Catholic Messenger

Cost of The Catholic Messenger is \$29 per year for 50 issues—print or E-edition. Your subscriptions help offset the cost to St. Mary which is \$9,450.00 for 2018. As of 02/16/18, \$2,519.00 in subscriptions have been purchased. Thanks for your generous support!!

Knights of Columbus - Food Pantry

The Steinbrech-Randall Council would like to thank all of you who participated in our food drive for February. Your generous donations brought in 87.6 pounds of food for the Solon Community Food Pantry with a \$20.00 donation. Our next food drive will be held the weekend of March 3/4 after all the Masses. Soups, cereals, peanut butter, boxed dinners are some of the items listed on the pantries wish list. Please do not bring any perishable items. Remember, we also collect can tops for Ronald McDonald House. Look for a box marked can tops for RMCH House on the shelf above the coat rack near the Parish office.

Alzheimer Awareness - March 18

Following the 10:30 Mass on Sun., March 18, Solon HS students will be presenting an Alzheimer's Presentation for our parishioners. The event will be hosted by Colin Horning and Carl Richey along with his Mother (Angela Steinbrech) and grandparents Narge & Ed Steinbrech. Ed was diagnosed with Alzheimer's 5 years ago. The presentation will share information about the different forms and stages of dementia, how to care for loved ones or friends, and how it affects not only the patient but those around them. The presentation will be followed by a short Q&A. All are invited to learn more about this illness.

Weekly Collections

Help Support St. Mary via We Share Online! February 17-18, 2018
Offertory \$7,034.86
Catholic Messenger \$ 407.00
Churches of E. Europe \$ 180.52
Diocesan Cathedral \$ 150.00
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Thank you for your continued support of St. Mary!

How Our Parish Prays



Why are more and more parishioners, from teens to elderly, stopping in for regular visits during Eucharistic Adoration? Because they encounter the one who is all merciful and loving, who gives life clarity and peace, eases burdens and restores hearts.

They come to Jesus with their worries and concerns. They come looking for answers and direction. They come to lean on the one who says: Come to me and I will give you rest. Come to me and I will show you the way. Come to me for I am merciful and abounding in steadfast love. Come to me for I will give you peace as the world can give it.

And to those who come: Jesus increases his divine life and peace in their hearts, he gives graces to sustain them, blesses their lives, marriages and families. Time

spent with Jesus brings joy to their hearts and to his Eucharistic heart. Their time in Adoration has a ripple effect. Individuals bring what they receive from



Jesus to their marriages, families, friendships and workplaces. Their actions and words are informed by the peace and joy rooted ever more deeply in their hearts. Time spent in Adoration, reorients our lives and priorities around Christ, our Lord and our savior.

During his homily on Ash Wednesday, Pope Francis asked us to: Pause for a little while, refrain from the deafening noise that weakens and confuses our hearing, that makes us forget the fruitful and creative power of silence. Pause a little, leave behind the unrest and commotion that fill the soul with bitter feelings which never get us anywhere. Pause from this compulsion to a fast-paced life that scatters, divides and ultimately destroys time with family, with friends, with children, with grandparents, and time as a gift... time with God.

This Lent, how will you pause for a little time to be with the Eucharistic Heart waiting for you on Mondays and Fridays?

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth,"

- Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Parish Information

<u>Baptism</u>: Parents having a child baptized at St. Mary's for the first time are asked to attend all 3 sessions of our Baptism Class. Call the parish office to register for classes and to schedule a Baptism 624-2228. No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent.

<u>Marriage</u>: Preparations must be made at least 6 months in advance of the marriage date. No Weddings are scheduled during Lent.

<u>Homebound Communion</u>: Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to the sick and elderly of the parish. Call the parish office if you would like Communion brought to your home.

Holy Anointing: Do not hesitate to call the parish office in case of serious illness/injury.

<u>Prayer Line</u>: If you want to be part of the prayer line or need prayers, please call the parish office or email solonstmary@diodav.org

Mom's Book Club/Play Group: Meets every other Wed. Contact Lindsey if interested at Lindsey@solonstmary.org Meals for Moms - Expecting a new arrival?: Please call the parish office when your baby arrives, so we can arrange for meals to be delivered.

<u>St. Mary Cemetery</u>: Parishioners and family members seeking information about burial plots can call Mark Haight at 319-521-2544.

<u>Parish Hall Rental / Event Scheduling</u>: Please call JoEllen Ritchie, Hall Manager, at 319-624-2407 or email joellen@solonstmary.org to schedule your event.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday, March 3, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician SMC / S. Olsem Servers M. Rehnke, J. Schmidt,

E. Suchomel

LectorsW. Ahern-1, D. Ritchie-2Eucharistic MinistersS. Ahern, S. Holte, M. Petersen

Greeters J. Barta, J. Luedtka

Ushers D. Barta, N. Erusha, G. Stinocher

Sacristan M. Milder

Sunday, March 4, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician
Servers
Lectors
Lectors
Lucharistic Ministers
Greeters
L. Hugeback / M. Hennes
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J. Wilkinson-1, J. Gleason-2
G. Prentice, D. Uhl, L. Uhl
S. Johnson, T. Stout

Ushers J. Shulista, G. Swenka, K. Swenka

Sacristan J. Shulista HBC Theresa M., Adam

Sunday, March 4, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor/Musician Oceans / C. Brock

Servers B. Heesch, L. Roskopf, J. Roskopf

Lectors R. Myers-1, A. Dall-2
Eucharistic Ministers W. Chapman, A. Haluska,

K. Haluska

Greeters D. Klouda, D. Siddell

Ushers Trent Brown, B. Miller, D. Myers

Sacristan Tim Brown

Mass Intentions

Mon.	26	8:00 am	Allan Serovy
Tues.	27	12:10 pm	Margaret Holte
Wed.	28	8:00 am	Thomas Wolfe
Thurs.	01	9:30 am	Francis Vislisel @CC
Fri.	02	7:00 am	Word & Adoration
Sat.	03	5:00 pm	Lindsay Thul
Sun.	04	8:30 am	Loretta Miller
Sun	04	10:30 am	For the Parish

Parish Calendar

Monday, February 26

8:00 am Mass

8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise Group

6:00 pm to 10:00 pm Adoration

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

7:00 pm Following the Call of Christ Study

Tuesday, February 27

11:00 am Following the Call of Christ Study

12:10 pm Mass - potluck lunch to follow

6:30 pm RCIA

Wednesday, February 28

8:00 am Mass

8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise

5:45 pm Stations of the Cross

6:30 pm Youth

Thursday, March 1

9:30 am Mass at Solon Care Center

1:00 pm LIFT - Needle Craft / Knitting / Crocheting

Friday, March 2

7:00 am - Noon Word Service &

Adoration

Saturday, March 3

6:30 am Fishers of Men

4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, March 4

7:00 am Fishers of Men

8:30 am Mass

10:30 am Mass

11:30 am 2nd Grade Reconciliation Retreat

6:00 pm Financial Peace University

7:00 pm Parish Lenten Mission - Fr. Mike Joly

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