# March 4, 2018 | Third 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 Friday 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

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

PASTOR: Rev. Tim Sheedy sheedyt@diodav.org Deacon David Krob DcnDavid@solonstmary.org Deacon Mitch Holte DcnMitch@solonstmary.org

### **Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Take a moment to prayerfully reflect and take to heart Pope Francis' Ash Wednesday Homily:



"See and contemplate the face of Crucified Love, who today from the cross continues to bring us hope, his hand held out to those who feel crucified, who experience in their lives the burden of failure, disappointment and heartbreak.

See and contemplate the real face of Christ crucified out of love for everyone, without exception. For everyone? Yes, for everyone. To see his face is an invitation filled with hope for this Lenten time, in order to defeat the demons of distrust, apathy and resignation. The face that invites us to cry out: "The Kingdom of God is possible!""

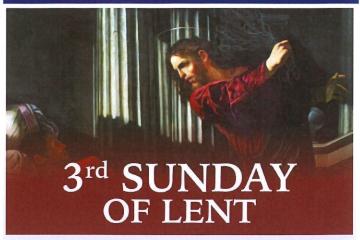
"Return to the house of your Father. Return without fear to those outstretched, eager arms of your Father, who is rich in mercy, who awaits you. Return without fear, for this is the time for allowing one's heart to be touched. Persisting on the path of evil only gives rise to disappointment and sadness. God does not tire, nor will he tire, of holding out his hand."

"Return without fear, to join in the celebration of those who are forgiven. Return without fear, to experience the healing and reconciling tenderness of God. Let the Lord heal the wounds of sin and fulfill the prophecy made to our fathers: "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh""

When is the last time you came to the sacrament celebrating the forgiveness of sins? Make a return with your whole heart to confession, do not let fear, indifference, pride or shame keep you from his mercy.

PARISH RECONCILIATION WEDNESDAY—MARCH 7 6:30PM

# **Gospel Meditation**

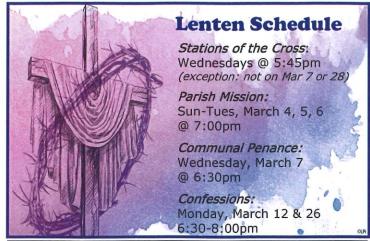


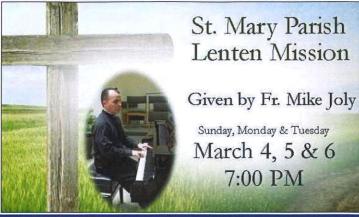
We all have things in our lives that don't belong there. Maybe it's the poor way we allow someone to treat us, maybe it's a habitual sin, maybe it's a pattern of thought or attitude that traps us in a cycle of regret, anger, or an inability to forgive. Jesus has bold words for us today: "Take these out of here."

When we hear the story of the Cleansing of the Temple, it can be easy to look down on the animal-sellers and money-changers. However, they set up shop in the Temple for a very practical purpose. People needed to buy animals to sacrifice, they were going to sacrifice them in the Temple: ergo, quite a convenient, successful marketplace! For many of us, the negative influences in our lives don't come out of nowhere. We might have considered them quite practical and reasonable initially. We wanted to keep the peace, so we allowed someone to talk to us disrespectfully. A person hurt us deeply and we weren't prepared to let go of our resentment right away. Over time, these can fester and corrupt our inner life in a way we didn't expect.

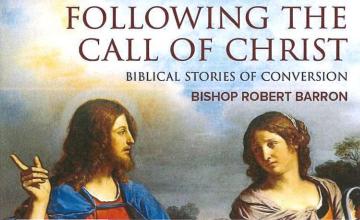
The response of Jesus is a strong one. "He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area." God wants us to be whole, healthy human beings. He knows how destructive it is for our souls to be caught up in sin - our own sin and those of others. God's love for us is startlingly fierce. In a few short weeks we will celebrate the culmination of that courageous love as Jesus goes to his death on the cross.

In the meantime, Lent is an opportunity for cleansing and renewal. If we've allowed into our lives things that don't belong, let today be the day we ask Jesus to clear them out. It's not always easy or pretty, but it's necessary for our hearts to function the way they were made. God will turn our tables over if we ask Him to.





# 6 Week Lenten Study by Bishop Barron



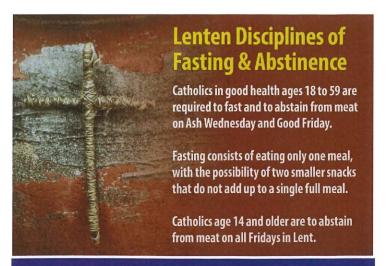
Watch video and then discuss the stories of six ordinary people met by Jesus, who were called to a better life. From these six encounters with the loving, merciful presence of God—we learn how to turn our lives around, let go and allow God to be Lord of our lives.

# No Cost—Come When You Can:

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

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# **Human Trafficking Program - March 8**



Make plans to attend our Human Trafficking Presentation! St. Mary Catholic Church Thursday, March 8

Chains Interrupted co-founder Lenchen Raeside will present a program on Human Trafficking at St Mary on Thursday evening March 8 at 7 pm. Please plan to join students, parents, and everyone to listen to Lenchen as she details her 10 year experience assisting survivors of human trafficking and educating communities on this heinous crime. Lenchen has worked tirelessly assisting survivors but 98-99% of victims are not rescued.

Please come to hear her speak and invite others to learn about how we can all be safer and know the sign of danger as human trafficking is ever present in our corridor community.

### **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 24-25, 2018
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Catholic Messenger \$ 174.00
Churches of E. Europe \$ 25.00
Diocesan Cathedral \$ 150.00
Building Fund \$ 145.00
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03/05 - John, Phyllis, Helen, Jim

03/12 - Bonnie W., Judy, Joyce, Mary Sue Thank you for your continued support of St. Mary!

# **How Our Parish Prays**

Eternal Father, through the Passion of your beloved Son, you wished to reveal to us your heart and bestow upon us your mercy. In union with Mary, his Mother and ours, may we know how to always welcome and protect the gift of love. May she, the Mother of Mercy, present you with the prayers we raise for ourselves and for all humanity, so the grace of the Way of the Cross may reach every human heart and fill them with new hope, that unfailing hope which radiates from the cross of Jesus. Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.



Stations of the Cross

Join us in church at 5:45 on Wednesdays: March 14 & 21

Around the world this Lent, people will gather in groups large and small to reflect on Jesus' Way of His Cross. We follow in the footsteps of Mary, the first to accompany her son in his passion. She was first to walk along the path that led to our redemption. She was the first to ponder in her heart, the mysteries of God's self-giving, self-denying love. Like Mary, in the devotion of the Stations of the Cross, we accompany Jesus in his journey from being condemned to being placed in the tomb. We see the suffering he endured on our behalf. And we realize we are not alone in our suffering: Jesus and the Christian community are at our side.



### **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.

<u>Holy Anointing</u>: 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 10, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician A. Holubar / C. Brock

ServersM. DeValk, J. Schmidt, L. SwannLectorsD. Suchomel-1, M. Harney-2Eucharistic MinistersL. Manary, M. Miltner, B. Miltner

Greeters K. Manary, R. Meehan

Ushers J. Coady, D. Harney, S. Lensing

Sacristan M. Milder

### Sunday, March 11, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician Small Group / P. Cummings
Servers M. Hickman, E. Holubar, I. Jedlicka
Lectors A. Jedlicka-1, N. Stallman-2
Eucharistic Ministers M. Mahoney, C. Steinbrech,

N. Upmeyer

Greeters Z. Hickman, S. Schnor

Ushers R. Holubar, M. Kelchen, V. Schnor

Sacristan M. Sovers HBC Nick, Linda

### Sunday, March 11, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor/Musician A. Holubar / P. Cummings

Servers B. Duckett, E. Havlicek, S. Havlicek

Lectors J. Maiers-1, J. Patrick-2
Eucharistic Ministers T. Mitchell, M. Montgomery,

K. Tichy

Greeters L. Havlicek, C. Martin

Ushers M. Klouda, D. Klouda, S. O'Neill

Sacristan J. Maiers

### **Mass Intentions**

Mon.	05	8:00 am	Bob Steinbrech
Tues.	06	12:10 pm	Bill Zenishek
Wed.	07	8:00 am	Herman Stout
Thurs.	80	9:30 am	Doris Divoky @CC
Fri.	09	7:00 am	Word & Adoration
Sat.	10	5:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun.	11	8:30 am	Jim Parizak
Sun	11	10:30 am	Rosemary Schwager

### Parish Calendar

### Monday, March 5

8:00 am Mass

8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise Group

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

### Tuesday, March 6

11:00 am Following the Call of Christ Study 12:10 pm Mass - potluck lunch to follow 7:00 pm Parish Lenten Mission - Fr. Mike Joly

### Wednesday, March 7

8:00 am Mass

8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise

6:30 pm Youth

6:30 pm Communal Penance

### Thursday, March 8

9:30 am Mass at Solon Care Center

1:00 pm LIFT - Cards

7:00 pm Human Trafficking Presentation

### Friday, March 9

7:00 am - Noon Word Service & Adoration



### Saturday, March 10

6:30 am Fishers of Men4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, March 11

7:00 am Fishers of Men

8:30 am Mass 10:30 am Mass



### **Easter Flower Collection**

A second collection for Easter Flowers will occur on the weekends of March 10/11 and 17/18. Feel free to leave your donation in the collection basket and write "Easter Flowers" on the memo line. Thank you!

### Bulletin

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