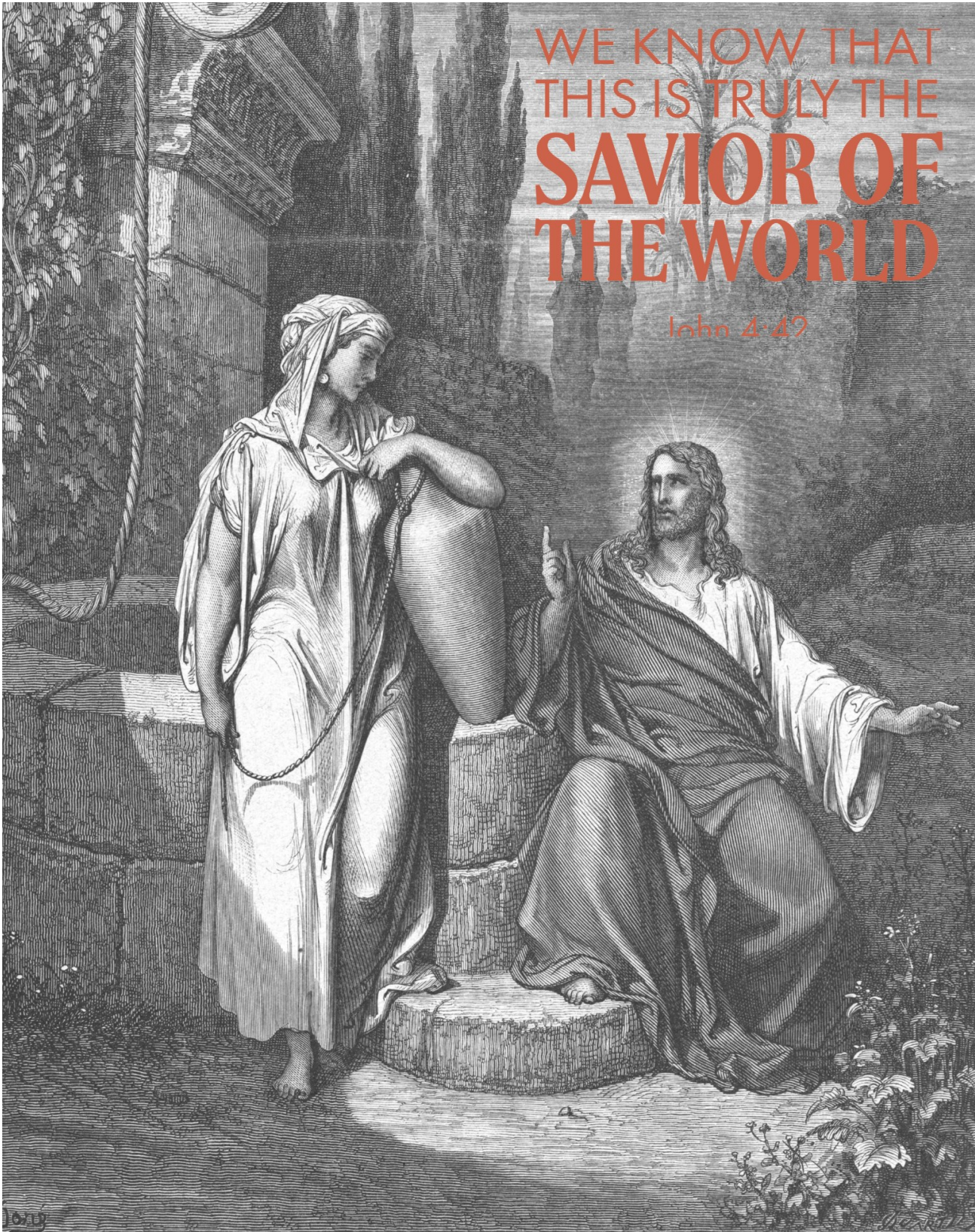


WE KNOW THAT  
THIS IS TRULY THE  
**SAVIOR OF  
THE WORLD**

John 4:42



**The Third Sunday of Lent**

**St. Mary + Magdalen**



**March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

# Masses For The Week



For the Week of March 12, 2023, Year A, Cycle I

## Saturday

March 11  
5:00pm

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

†Ed Thomas by his wife & family

†James Andrie by his family

## Sunday

March 12  
9:00am  
11:00am  
5:00pm

### Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

†Lillian & Louis Chatlosh by the Chatlosh family

The People of our Parish

†Kenton Kurth by Sarah & family

†Douglas Tawney by Patricia Tawney & Robert Aalders

## Monday

March 13  
8:00am

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

†Francesco Baio by Minerva family

## Tuesday

March 14

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

## Wednesday

March 15  
8:00am

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Bruce Baum by the Parish Staff

## Thursday

March 16  
8:00am

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

†John Baia by Joan Derr & family

## Friday

March 17  
8:00am

### Saint Patrick, Bishop

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17; Mk 12:28-34

Denise Gatchel by Morning Mass Friends

## Saturday

March 18  
5:00pm

### Saint Cyril, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

†Marie Bennett by St Mary Magdalen Parish

†James Andrie by the Andrie family

## Sunday

March 19  
9:00am  
11:00am  
5:00pm

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Clara Jeon by the Jeon family

†Helen & Bill Vunesky by the Chatlosh family

†Bernie & John Polacek by the Chatlosh family

The People of our Parish

All Those in Need of Prayer

*The love of God  
has been poured  
into our hearts*

**Romans 5:5**

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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### MASSES & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

#### Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 1:00pm in Vietnamese  
Mon, Wed - Fri 8:00 am

#### Adoration

1st Friday of the month  
8:30am to 6:30pm

#### Reconciliation

Saturday  
3:30-4:45 pm  
Or by appointment if necessary

#### Baptism

1st Sunday of the month  
12:00 pm  
Call Parish Office,  
prep necessary

#### Wedding

6 months preparation necessary.  
Call Parish Office

#### Funeral

Call Parish Office

### LỊCH THÁNH LỄ VÀ BÍ TÍCH

#### Thánh Lễ

Thứ Bảy 5:00 chiều  
Chủ nhật 9:00 sáng, 11:00 sáng và 5:00 chiều  
Thứ Hai, Thứ Tư-Thứ Sáu  
8:00 sáng

#### Chầu Thánh Thể

Thứ sáu đầu tiên của tháng  
8:30-6:30 chiều

#### Giải tội

Thứ Bảy 3:30-4:45 chiều  
Hoặc lấy hẹn nếu cần thiết

#### Rửa tội

Chủ nhật đầu tiên của tháng  
12 giờ trưa  
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ, để chuẩn bị  
trước

#### Lễ cưới

6 tháng để chuẩn bị trước  
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

#### Lễ an táng

Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

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For prayer requests, you may submit them online  
on our website, **www.stmmagdalen.org**, or call  
the office, **616-455-9310**.

#### Lectors for the Week of March 12<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Joan Miller  
Sunday, 9am Maria Saenz  
Sunday, 11 am Stephen Herman  
Sunday, 5pm Theresa Taggart

#### Lectors for the Week of March 19<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Mike Bush  
Sunday, 9am Paula Ward  
Sunday, 11 am Mary Roberts  
Sunday, 5pm Bernardo Abner

#### Cantors for March 12<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Michelle Seguin  
Sunday, 9am Michelle Seguin  
Sunday, 11 am Bedi Komera  
Sunday, 5pm Kathy Miller

#### Cantors for March 19<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, 5pm Emily Rushmore  
Sunday, 9am Emily Rushmore  
Sunday, 11 am Sandy Soresi  
Sunday, 5pm Emily Rushmore





DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS  
Office of the Bishop

March 12, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

Your participation in the annual Catholic Relief Services Collection can help reveal Christ's love to people. The six agencies supported by the appeal help victims of war and natural disasters receive emergency assistance; assist migrants and refugees who need housing, education, and specialized immigration legal assistance; and support people who require special pastoral support and access to the sacraments. Our diocese will take up this collection next weekend, March 18/19. Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many, both here and abroad, something we witnessed following the earthquake in Turkey and Syria in early February.

We are reminded in St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

(2 Cor 9:6-7)

Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year. To learn more about how your gift is changing lives, please visit [usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://usccb.org/catholic-relief).

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak

Bishop of Grand Rapids

## Music Ministry

Sometimes it is a struggle to find the right music for Mass. Sometimes it seems like there isn't a good fit for a specific Sunday. Sometimes, everything falls into place without much effort. Planning music for this weekend fell into the latter category.

There is a lot of symbolism and even more kernels of knowledge and wisdom available to us in this Sunday's scriptures. For instance, I loved Moses' cry out to God: "What shall I do with this people? A little more and they will stone me!" Goodness. I will bet most of us have had points in our life when we are doing what we think God wants us to do but hardship after hardship develops. We throw our hands up in frustration and look to God and say, "Really, God?!" Moses gives us a model to bring this all to God, including our fear, frustration, or whatever we may be feeling at that moment.

I also love what is going on in the gospel, the astonishment of the disciples, when they returned to see Jesus speaking with a Samaritan woman, should not be lost on us. Christ chose to reveal himself to someone on the outskirts of society. Like the story of the Magi that came and worshipped the child Jesus, this story shows that Christ's salvation is to be for all peoples.

There are many more beautiful things to pull from these readings, but the main theme we see repeated is thirst and water. I had ideas for songs popping in my head before I opened the hymnal. Our entrance hymn *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* is one of my favorite hymns. I love the melody and the chords that progress from minor to major along with the words of Jesus and our response to him. It's just a song that has an effect on my heart each time I play it. It was perfect for the readings today.

I also chose "O God, You Search Me" which is a paraphrase of psalm 139 to reflect on another aspect of the Gospel reading: that God *knows* us. He knows everything about us and he loves us and works all things for our good. The offertory hymn is a beautiful reminder of this truth.

Emily

*IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,  
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS.*



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending March 5 <sup>th</sup>		Fiscal YTD 7/1/2022—6/30/2023	
Offertory Regular	\$ 8,934	Offertory Actual	\$ 402,408
Electronic Giving	\$ 6,329	Offertory Budget	\$ 409,500
Total Collection	\$ 15,263	Over/(Under)	(\$ 7,092)

128 envelope contributions and 64 electronic contributions

Benevolent Fund: \$ 90      Maintenance Fund: \$ 105

Ukraine Support: \$ 850

*Thank you for generous financial support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish and your faithful Stewardship of Treasure!*

**To donate online please visit:  
[stmmagdalen.org/donate](http://stmmagdalen.org/donate)**

## FACILITIES AND SPECIAL PROJECTS UPDATE

*Thank you for your continued stewardship of treasure in support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish! Without your support, our parish facilities would continue to deteriorate and our beautiful campus would suffer in being able to welcome people and support all of the wonderful ministries we offer in our local community.*

*Due to your generosity, we were able to repair the clogged kitchen drain pipes in the Family Center as well as replace the aging dishwasher with a brand new one! Here is a high level view of other special projects that will need our immediate attention this spring:*

- 1) Church Bells—Amplifier ~ \$550
- 2) Family Center Audio/Video System—\$8,130
- 3) Updated and New Campus Signage—\$8,536
- 4) New Kitchen Floor ~ \$4,000—5,000

*Longer term capital campaign projects:*

- 1) Resurfacing and restriping the Church Parking Lot
- 2) Permanent Pavilion to replace the summer Tent

Please prayerfully consider supporting these special projects with donations to the Maintenance Fund. As with all things, we give thanks to God for the generous gift of our lives and blessings. We are thankful for this faith-filled parish community of St. Mary Magdalen and the generosity and stewardship of our collective time, talent and financial resources! May God continue to bless us always!



At 11am on Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, the Women's Guild will be meeting at Brann's.

Located at 4157 S Division Ave.  
**All women of the parish are invited to attend.**

ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH

## Faith Formation

### 2023 Rite of Election



### Washing of Feet



On Holy Thursday we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper and rejoice in the gift of the Eucharist.

As part of that celebration we also experience the washing of feet.

This reminds us of Jesus' call to serve one another with love and humility not just in the ministerial priesthood of the ordained but also in the ordinary priesthood into which we are baptized as Catholics. We are calling forth people from the parish community to assist us in the celebration.

If you are interested in having your foot washed, please contact Molly Wisdom at the Parish Office.

### Living Stations of the Cross

Students needed, to be part of our Living Stations of the Cross!

Sign up in the Gathering Area.

1253 52ND ST SE, KENTWOOD, MICHIGAN

Hello everyone,

We are halfway with Jesus in this Lenten journey. I hope this sacred time has strengthened you, enriched your spiritual life and brought you closer to God. As I reflect on the Lenten message of Pope Francis, I would like to focus on a highlight of it: "Lenten Penance and the Synodal Journey".

Based on the Scripture passage of the transfiguration of Jesus on mount Tabor, Pope Francis addresses the relation between Lenten penance and the Synodal journey. Both matters aimed at the transformation in each of us and in the Church. Indeed, together with the Church, during Lent, we are called to go up to the high mountain with Jesus to practice spiritual discipline to obtain the conversion of heart.

The Holy Father suggests two ways as Lenten's observance to help us achieve this goal: listening to Jesus and living his passion and cross. We listen to Jesus in his Holy Word, in our brothers and sisters. The daily Scripture readings and meditation aid us to know his teachings. We follow Jesus in his passion to draw strength and courage to deal with our own crosses and struggles.

May this Lenten season continue nurturing our spiritual life and transforming us to become more humble, obedient but also courageous like Jesus.

For full Lenten message of Pope Francis, please visit the website: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/lent.index.html#messages>

In Christ,  
Sr. Mai Do

### Holy Communion request

Please contact Sr. Mai Do or the parish office if you or your loved ones are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion. We will send a minister bringing our Lord to you weekly, biweekly or monthly.

### Citizenship Classes and English Language Tutoring

Asian Community Outreach starts citizenship and ESL classes in the BAC of St Mary Magdalen on Saturdays March 11th from 3:30pm-5pm. The classes will end in May. If you are interested in these classes, please contact Alison Hawkins at [allison.m.hawkins@gmail.com](mailto:allison.m.hawkins@gmail.com)

Chương trình Tiếp cận Cộng đồng Á Châu bắt đầu các lớp học ôn thi công dân Hoa Kỳ và học Tiếng Anh cơ bản tại phòng BAC của giáo xứ St. Mary Magdalen vào các ngày thứ Bảy, ngày 11 tháng 3, từ 3:30 chiều - 5 giờ chiều. Lớp học sẽ kết thúc tháng 5. Nếu quý vị muốn tham dự các lớp học này, vui lòng liên hệ với Alison Hawkins tại [allison.m.hawkins@gmail.com](mailto:allison.m.hawkins@gmail.com)

## LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found box, located under the coat rack, has been growing over these winter months. We have a few jackets, including a child's jacket, and many other items in the box. Please take a look if you are missing anything. All items that remain after **Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**, will be donated to the Women's Guild 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Sale. Also, many containers from previous funerals have been left behind in the ministry room, those will also be donated at that time.

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Our next blood drive is April 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am to 12:30pm in the B.A.C. located on the East side of our parking lot.

Our goal is to collect **15** blood products, which will help us meet the high demand from hospitals in our community.

Every donation helps and is needed!

Please sign up by using the link below:

[https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/145172](https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/145172)

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THANK YOU to everyone that so generously donates to provide Coffee & Donuts. We appreciate the donations of **time** by the hosts & hostess, **talents** of our families that are so welcoming to everyone that comes, and **treasure** to help cover the costs. If you haven't come over, please do! We always have plenty of room and various conversations going on. We gather most Sundays after the 9am & 11 am Masses.

## STEWARDSHIP



Time ♣ Talent ♣ Treasure

The Second Best Sale, sponsored by the Women's Guild, is scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 6pm, and April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm. Please start saving

your donations of clean clothing, housewares, small appliances, books, etc. for this event. All proceeds will go to the scholarship fund, other charities and church needs. Thank you in advance for your donations.





Josh Lemke, Alex Beauchamp, Thomas Church,  
 Egan Simmons, Lindsey Garrett,  
 Paul Beauchamp, John Beauchamp,  
 Steve Jacobs, Sean Branagan, Jon Fraher,  
 Daniel Yonker, Carl Simmons, Devon Roche  
 Louis Carlson II, Cpt. Andrea Shefferly,  
 Gage Dionne, Larry P. Meeusen, Stephen Galdys,  
 Zachary Ralston

If you have a need for prayer, please use our website, [www.stmmagdalen.org](http://www.stmmagdalen.org), under Christian Services, or call the office at 616-455-9310 to submit a prayer for either the bulletin or the prayer chain. If you have any questions or are in need of assistance, please call the office so we can help.

*Note: Names will stay on the list until the end of the month, if you are still in need of prayer, please let the office know.*

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|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Arby, Christopher   | Heartwell, Tom & Sue   | Lawson, Norma        | Sobczak, Bobbie     |
| Asplund, Diane      | Hekman-Terpstra, Nelly | Le, Bao Tien         | Stephan, Janet      |
| Bunker-Lloyd, Lynda | Hermann, Jerimiah      | McCormick, Davis     | Stephan, Ron        |
| Campione, Dolores   | Herrmann, Benny        | Minerva, Antonina    | Terpak, Dorothy     |
| Carlson, Fred       | Herrmann, Marilyn      | Nawrocki, Barbara    | Toohey, Paul        |
| Church, Robert      | Ivos, Zdravko          | Nelson, Dorothy      | Waldron, Karen      |
| Crowley, Robert     | Jacobs, Ed             | Nguyen, Truc         | Wedge, Matthew      |
| Crynes, Jamison     | Jacobs, Peggy          | Oliver-Schauer, Mary | Wilson, Lorie       |
| DeLing, Richard     | Jelens, Dan            | Partridge, Therese   | Wingeier, Pat       |
| Downey, Sally       | Kaiser, Marvin         | Pelletier, Tim       | Witgen, Max         |
| England, Christine  | Kastenholz, Jean       | Petrich, Alice       | Wittkowski, Michael |
| Fraher, Kathy       | Kastenholz, Mark       | Reynolds, Sue        | Young, Sharon       |
| Gabourie, Tom       | Kaminski, Marilyn      | Rhoades, Michelle    |                     |
| Galic, Slava        | Kenzie, Gloria         | Ringeisen, Richard   |                     |
| Gorkowski, Henry    | Knight, India          | Rings, Michael       |                     |
| Glennie, Paula      | Kulikowski, Joseph     | Roberts, Sandra      |                     |
| Gwizdak, Micheal    | Kulczyk, Ray           | Sobczak, Ed          |                     |

**Upcoming Events for the Week of 3/12 to 3/18**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> 9:00am Mass w/CLW 10:00am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am Mass w/CLW & 1 <sup>st</sup> Scrutiny & Children's Choir 12:00pm Coffee & Donuts 12:30pm Homebound Minister Training 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	9:00am Rosary Makers 10:00am Morning Bible Study 7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Study 5:15pm Family Dinner 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 11:00am Women's Guild Mtg- Brann's 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:15pm Adult Choir	8:00am Mass 7:00pm Stations of the Cross	3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass