

MARCH 3, 2024 | 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

310 Nobbe St.
Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

306 S McElroy
Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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End of Monday

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stmr.org

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting
and Investigation: (217) 321-1155

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

5:00 pm St. Mary: Dorothy Heaton

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

8:00 am St. Raymond: Roy & Fran Weitekamp
10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 am St. Mary: Margaret "Peggy" Keller

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

8:00 am St. Raymond: **No Mass**

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

8:00 am St. Maurice: Catherine "Mick" Sheedy

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

5:00 pm St. Mary: Ruthie Aherin

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes
10:00 am St. Maurice: Howard & Rita Fishburn

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

STATIONS ON FRIDAYS OF LENT AT 5:00 PM

Rotating between our Parishes

March 8 St. Raymond
March 15 St. Mary
March 22 St. Maurice

STATIONS BEFORE MASS EACH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 pm St. Mary
7:30 am St. Raymond
9:35 am St. Maurice

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Starting at 6:00 pm at St. Raymond

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice
4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. He said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

Constructing a new building is always challenging. So many elements need to be taken into consideration. Design details, funding concerns, building permits and codes, inspections are all time consuming and stressful. However, building up the community of the Church as the living temple of God's Presence is even more challenging. Because much more is at stake.

In the Gospel of this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus visits the Temple and here, he overturns more than money tables. He actually overturns the Jewish understanding of the Temple, from a building "under construction" to his own body. He overturns our understanding of death from the end of life to the beginning of new, risen Life. He overturns our very selves from an empty lot of unbelief to a beautiful structure of believers. We are God's new construction and God overturns all our challenges in order to build us into living signs of divine Presence and saving works.

By overturning those aspects of our human nature inclined to pride, self-centeredness, anger, envy, jealousy, greed, God builds us into living signs of his divine Presence and saving work. We become the new temple, the Body of Christ, open to humility, compassion, forgiveness, healing, service, love. What is at stake is bringing to beautiful completion the construction of God's new temple; the Church. What kind of living stone are we in this new Temple?

LENTEN SEASON REFLECTION

Correct answer from the last issue:

B. Penance can be expressed in many and various ways but above all in fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Explanation: See the Catechism of the Catholic Church Question 301.

This week's question:

What is the original meaning of the word "Lent"?

- A. Autumn
- B. Spring
- C. Fast
- D. Penance
- E. Forty days

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, March 2:
 Patty Clarke
 & Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, March 9:
 Mary Jane Schmidt
 & Patty Clarke

Saturday, March 16:
 Glenn Rovey
 & Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, March 23:
 Mary Ann Rimini
 & Glenn Rovey

LECTORS

Saturday, March 2:
 Carol Hupp

Saturday, March 9:
 Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, March 16:
 Tony Krager

Saturday, March 23:
 Dan Martin

Holy Thursday, March 28:
 Kathy Rovey

ST. RAYMOND

MARCH

LECTOR Jerry Wagahoff
 CANTOR Verne Pinkston
 HOSPITALITY Greg Beck
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Donna Wagahoff
 Carl Marten

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
 March 3 - Mary & Julie Krager
 March 10 - Dick Lyons
 March 17 - Carl Marten
 March 24 - Noller/Morehouse
 March 31 - Dick Lyons

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

LECTOR Dereke Dunkirk
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Charlie Golitko
 Gerry Goebel
 Larry Goebel

USHERS Steve DeBrun
 Mellisa DeBrun
 Mark Langen

SERVERS
 Nathaniel and Nicholas DeBrun

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

LECTOR Gerry Goebel
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Catherine O'Connell
 John Bergschneider
 Dale Brockamp

USHERS Steve DeBrun
 Mellisa DeBrun
 Mark Langen

SERVERS
 Macie Ferrill and Gentry Dunkirk

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

LECTOR Pat Wolf
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Larry Goebel
 Ed Goebel
 Charlie Golitko

USHERS Steve DeBrun
 Mellisa DeBrun
 Mark Langen

SERVER
 Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR FEBRUARY 24/25

St. Mary: not available at print

St. Raymond: \$2,200

St. Maurice: \$729

OUR PRAYER LIST

Bernard Jenkins, Margaret Jenkins, Jim Renner, Wyatt Spurgeon, Rosanne Olinger, Darke Lucas,
 Debbie Lucas, Greg Weitekamp, Jim Weitekamp, Wayne Angle, Danny Fark, Tricia Fark, Jason Fark,
 Vickie Norris, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Brant Weitekamp, Martha Kay Reed, Chuck Sale, Pam Bates,
 Paul Held, Donna Lemon, Randy Prange

Remember to pray for our seminarians and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

Choir Practice for Holy Week

Monday nights at 6:30 pm

March 4 - St. Mary

March 11 - St. Maurice

March 18 - St. Raymond

Please join us to help celebrate the Easter Triduum.

St. Raymond CCW Meeting

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 pm at the parish rectory

All the ladies of our parish are welcome to attend

Raymond K of C Weekly Lenten Fish Fry

Our HVAC system is in need of replacement before the summer cooling season, so we will be taking a special collection at the fish fries to help offset this cost. Our campaign goal is \$25,000. Any support is appreciated!

Dine In, Drive-Thru, or Carry Out
Every Friday, through March 22
Serving from 4:30 to 6:30 pm

Fried Fish, Potatoes Wedges, Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, and Cake

\$13.00 or 2/\$25.00

Kids Pricing (Indoor Dining Only):

Age 10 and under \$7.00

Preschool Free

Family of Faith

3rd Wednesday of the month

March 20, 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville

Other class dates: April 17, May 15

St. Raymond Pro-Life Prayer Group

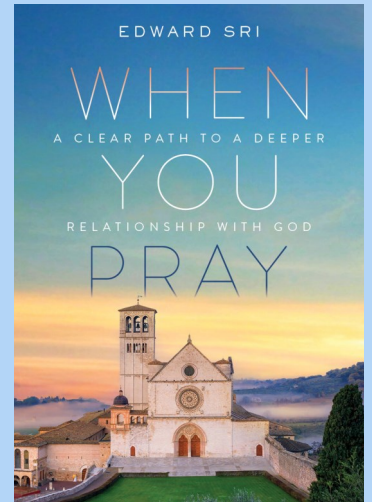
Friday mornings at 9:00 am

Registration Now for Our Upcoming Study on Prayer

You know that prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer too! They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.



Starts Tuesday March 19

Farmersville 10 am

Raymond 6:30 pm

Register now through March 10 via the sheets in the vestibules of our parishes. Study kits are \$15 each. Money can be dropped in the collection basket with a note, or brought to the first class. This study is 7 sessions long.

While the study kit is recommend, please do not let the thought of "homework" keep you from this study! If you are only able to come for the video presentation and group discussion, we would love for you to join us in learning about prayer!

Help Needed in Spring Cleaning at St. Maurice

K of C Council 1151 invites all brother knights, their families, and all St. Maurice parishioners to help deep clean our church on Saturday, March 9 beginning at 9 am. We will also be picking up sticks/branches around the church grounds in preparation for the mowing season. Everyone is needed. Tall people for the light fixtures. Short people for the kneelers. And everything in between. We will be cleaning the upper alters, stations of the cross, choir loft, sacristies, air registers, vigil candle prayer shrine, etc. Many hands make for light work. We will also be doing yard work around the church if the weather allows.

2023 Contribution Statements Available for all Parishes

St. Maurice:

Statements are available in the vestibule of the church.

If you would like yours mailed, please contact

Kateri (kmarten@stmrm.org) or Deb (dforbes@stmrm.org or 217-825-3129).

St. Raymond and St. Mary:

If you would like yours mailed, please contact

Kateri (kmarten@stmrm.org) or Marlene (mmarten@stmrm.org),

or call the Raymond parish office at 217-229-4435.