

# MARCH 2, 2025 | 8TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



## THE PARISHES OF

### ST. MARY

310 Nobbe St.  
Farmersville, IL 62533

### ST. RAYMOND

306 S McElroy  
Raymond, IL 62560

### ST. MAURICE

706 SE 4th St.  
Morrisonville, IL 62546

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End of Monday  
Parish Website:  
stmrm.org

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

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 1

5:00 pm St. Mary: Velma Langen

### SUNDAY, MARCH 2

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

10:00 am St. Maurice: Howard & Rita Fishburn

### TUESDAY, MARCH 4

8:00 am St. Mary: Dan Murphy

### ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 am St. Raymond: The Deceased Members of  
The Forones Family

5:30 pm St. Mary: Alicia Beard and Family

7:00 pm St. Maurice: Lawrence "Tuffy" Held

### FRIDAY, MARCH 7

8:00 am St. Maurice: Dorothy Held

### SATURDAY, MARCH 8

5:00 pm St. Mary: Ruthie Aherin

### SUNDAY, MARCH 9

8:00 am St. Raymond: Roy & Fran Weitekamp

10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### STATIONS ON FRIDAYS OF LENT AT 5:00 PM

Rotating between our Parishes

March 7 St. Raymond

March 14 St. Mary

March 21 St. Maurice

March 28 St. Raymond

April 4 St. Mary

April 11 St. Maurice

## 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

*Adoration will be held in the main church while our chapel is having repair work done*

### ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday

## FATHER'S COLUMN

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,  
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.  
For every tree is known by its own fruit. "

It is said that, when you do one good deed, your reward usually is to be bound to do another harder and better one, and many others and better ones. As followers of Jesus Christ, we live lives that are rooted in more than just words. Jesus Christ shows us by example that discipleship is a way of life that involves not only thinking and speaking, but also acting.

The first reading from the book of Ben Sirach tells us that a person is known by his words and actions. "The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind." Likewise, Jesus proclaims in the Gospel: "Every tree is known by its own fruit." This metaphor helps us understand exactly what Jesus says, so that there might be little to no confusion. The ways we grow, what nurtures and nourishes us, directly affect how we live. Our words and actions reveal what is on our hearts, and the more we repeat them, the more we know who we are, for "a good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil." If our hearts are not in relationship with Christ, it will be revealed through our words and our actions.

With Ash Wednesday only a few days away, how will you make time to prioritize your relationship with the Lord? Jesus' words today offer us one possibility: "Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye."

In what ways do we need to grow in our relationship with God and others so that we may identify and remove the beams from our own eyes? While we belong to a community and we care for each other, we must first recognize our own shortcomings before being critical of others.

## QUIZ TIME WITH FATHER

There was not enough room in this week's bulletin to fit last week's quiz answer. It will appear in next week's bulletin, space allowing.

# MINISTRY SCHEDULES

## ST. MARY

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, March 1:  
John &  
Mary Jo Brown

Ash Wednesday, March 5:  
Mary Ann Rimini  
& Emily Martin

Saturday, March 8:  
Patty Clarke  
Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, March 15:  
Mary Jane Schmidt  
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, March 22:  
Emily Martin  
& Mary Jane Schmidt

### LECTORS

Saturday, March 1:  
Dan Martin

Ash Wednesday, March 5:  
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, March 8:  
Carol Hupp

Saturday, March 15:  
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, March 22:  
Tony Krager

## ST. RAYMOND

### MARCH

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

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:  
March 2: Hocking/Krager  
March 9: Dick Lyons  
March 16: Carl Marten  
March 23: Noller/Morehouse  
March 30: Dick Lyons

SERVERS:  
Sun, March 2: Denny Held  
Ash Wednesday, March 5:

Sun, March 9: Avery & Luke Pope  
Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff  
Sun, March 16: Dan Held  
Sun, March 23: Avery & Luke Pope  
Austin & Addy Nicol  
Sun, March 30: Denny Held

## ST. MAURICE

### SUNDAY, MARCH 2

LECTOR ..... Diane McWard-Sullivan  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS .....  
Charlie Golitko  
Gerry Goebel  
Larry Goebel

USHERS ..... Mark Langen  
Eric & Becky O'Brien

SERVER .....  
Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

### ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

LECTOR ..... Rita Sloan  
Volunteers Needed

### SUNDAY, MARCH 9

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

USHERS ..... Mark Langen  
Steve & Mellisa DeBrun

SERVERS ..... Nathaniel DeBrun  
Rian Dearnorff

## COLLECTION TOTALS FOR FEBRUARY 22/23

St. Mary: \$4,703

St. Raymond: \$855

St. Maurice: \$1,153

## OUR PRAYER CORNER

Virginia Murphy, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Millie Olsen, Greg Weitekamp, Georgetta Dean, Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Gail Meisner, Larry Lanter, Trent Boston, Albert Emery, Jim Weitekamp, Brant Weitekamp, Enriqueta Hernandez, Mike Sheedy

Remember to pray for our Pope, Bishop, priests and seminarians, and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

March 3: St. Cunegunda  
March 4: St. Casimir  
March 5: St. Lucius I, Pope  
March 6: St. Colette, Virgin  
March 7: Sts. Perpetua and Felicitas, Martyrs  
March 8: St. John of God  
March 9: St. Francesca Romana

## St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us today, Sunday, March 2 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

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## St. Raymond Food Pantry Service Project

Totes will be available today, Sunday, March 2 to take home and fill with food for our local food pantry.

Please bring your filled totes back to the church next Sunday, March 9.

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## Study on The Gospel of Matthew

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:

- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the Parish Rectory
- 6:30 pm in Raymond at the CCD Hall

*Please note: our 2 locations are not in sync on sessions.*

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## Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

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## St. Mary Extraordinary Ministers Workshop

Thursday, March 13 at 6:00 pm  
in the St. Mary church basement

All Extraordinary Ministers, whether you have just started in the ministry or have been serving for many years, are invited and strongly encouraged to attend this workshop which will be led by Fr. Florent.

If you are at all interested in joining this ministry, please come join us as well. We are always happy to welcome new ministers!

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## Farmersville KC Monthly Sunday Breakfast Schedule Update

There will be no breakfast in March, or April.

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## Family of Faith

Classes are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville starting at 6:00 pm

## New Winter Weather Weekday Mass Policy

Our parish unit will no longer be using school cancellations to determine if weekday Mass will be cancelled. Going forward, there will be Mass unless you are otherwise contacted. Please use personal discretion to determine if it is too cold or unsafe for you to attend weekday Mass. If you would like to be contacted in case of a weekday Mass cancellation and have not already been on a list for this in the recent past, please let your parish sacristan know or contact Kateri at [kmarten@stmrm.org](mailto:kmarten@stmrm.org).

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## 2024 Contribution Statements

If you did not receive an emailed statement and would like one, please contact Kateri at [kmarten@stmrm.org](mailto:kmarten@stmrm.org) or call the St. Raymond office and leave a message at 217-229-4435 and we will be happy to get you a printed copy.

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## Email Bulletin

If you would like to receive our weekly email bulletin, please let Kateri know at [kmarten@stmrm.org](mailto:kmarten@stmrm.org)

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## CCW Springfield Deanery Meeting

Tuesday, March 18, 10:00 am  
at St Cabrini Parish (1020 N. Milton, Springfield)  
Our guest speaker is Erica Smith, Executive Director of Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach Program

Lunch will be provided by Linda Denny, a St. Cabrini parishioner. A \$5 donation for lunch is suggested.

Please RSVP by March 12 to  
Linda Denny at [dennym1@comcast.net](mailto:dennym1@comcast.net) or  
Deborah Pilapil at [debpil@yahoo.com](mailto:debpil@yahoo.com)

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## SDCCW Lenten Retreat

All women of our diocese are invited to the Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's annual Lenten Retreat "Walking with Jesus through Holy Week"

At the Villa Maria in Springfield  
With Deacon Jeff Beals as retreat master  
Begins with lunch at noon on Tuesday, March 25  
and concludes at 3:30 pm on Wednesday, March 26.

Registration form with cost are available in the church vestibule. Registration deadline is March 15.  
Contact Mary Ann Sullivan: [gma.sullivan80@gmail.com](mailto:gma.sullivan80@gmail.com)