MARCH 30, 2025 | 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



THE PARISHES OF

St. Mary

310 Nobbe St. Farmersville, IL 62533

St. Raymond

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

5:00 pm St. Mary: Margaret "Peggy" Keller

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

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

10:00 am St. Maurice: Bob Mundhenke

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 am St. Mary: Mary & Michael Zsiros

and Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

8:00 am St. Raymond: The Poor Souls

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

8:00 am St. Maurice: Mick Sheedy

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

8:00 am St. Raymond: Richard Uhrig

10:00 am St. Maurice: Donnie Harris and Billy Harris

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

STATIONS ON FRIDAYS OF LENT AT 5:00 PM

Rotating between our Parishes:

April 4 St. Mary April 11 St. Maurice

STATIONS BEFORE MASS ON SUNDAYS OF LENT

4:15 pm St. Mary 7:20 am St. Raymond 9:35 am 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

He said to him: "....we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

In the parable from the Gospel of this 4th Sunday of Lent, it is easy to exclusively focus on the characters of the two sons. We can relate with the younger son, stuck in sin, who realizes his need for repentance, or with the older son who is so focused on comparing his behavior with his brother's that he is unable to appreciate the love his father continues to give him day after day. But what happens if we turn our attention instead to the father?

Everything changes when we consider the father as the central character of the parable today. Instead of the shame of the younger son or the bitterness of the elder one taking center stage, our attention is focused on the tender love of the father who yearns for his children to be close to him. In fact, it is the remembrance of his father's love and care for his servants, which leads the younger son to repentance. And hopefully it will be the father's gentle invitation to join the celebration that will get the older son to be reconciled to father and brother alike.

Pope Francis wrote in his apostolic exhortation, Evangelii Gaudium, "God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." We are human and sinful.. And it is disheartening when we fall into sin (sometimes the same one) again and again. And yet our God continues to watch and wait for us to "come to ourselves," as the younger son did, and return to him. Let us pray for perseverance in the way of repentance this remainder of the Season of Lent. Amen!

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

7:00 pm St. Raymond

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

- No morning Mass at St. Maurice -

12:00 pm St. Mary: Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm St. Raymond: Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm St. Maurice: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, MARCH 30

- No 5:00 pm Mass at St. Mary -

8:00 pm St. Mary

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 am St. Raymond

8:00 am St. Mary (Fr. Daniel McGrath Presiding)

10:00 am St. Maurice

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

St. Raymond

ST. MAURICE

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, March 29: John &

Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, April 5:

Mary Ann Rimini & Emily Martin

Saturday, April 12:

Patty Clarke Mary Ann Rimini

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19:

Mary Jane Schmidt

& Patty Clarke Saturday, April 26:

Emily Martin

& Mary Jane Schmidt

LECTORS

Saturday, March 29: Dan Martin

Saturday, April 5:

Kathy Rovey

Saturday, April 12: Carol Hupp

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19: Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, April 26: Tony Krager

APRIL

LECTOR Christine Meisner
CANTOR Chris Mizera
HOSPITALITY Joe Pope

EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Larry Weitekamp Dianne Hampton

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

April 6: Hocking/Krager

April 13: Dick Lyons April 20: Carl Marten

April 27: Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

Sun, April 6: Avery Pope

Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff

Sun, April 13: Dan Held

Holy Thursday, April 17:

TBD

Easter Sunday, April 20:

Avery & Luke Pope Austin & Addy Nicol

Sun, April 27: Denny Held

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

LECTOR Pat Wolf EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Dale Brockamp John Bergschneider Catherine O'Connell

USHERS Mark Langen
Steve & Mellisa DeBrun

SERVERLucas, Noah, and Emma Grundv

OUR PRAYER LIST

Trent Boston, Ron Painter, Mike Colbrook, Carol Ann Harding, Martha Reed, Deanne Kirby, Heather Miller, Virginia Murphy, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Millie Olsen, Greg Weitekamp, Georgetta Dean, Jim Weitekamp, Brant Weitekamp, Mike Sheedy

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR MARCH 22/23

Quiz Time with Father

Last Week's Answer:

How many people appear by name in the Stations of the Cross? Who are they?

Four people appear by name in the Stations of the Cross: Pilate (1st Station), Mary, the mother of Jesus (4th Station), Simon of Cyrene (5th Station), and Veronica (6th Station).

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Maurice Thank You

Thank you to the men of KC Council 1151 and their families for their work day around the parish grounds and cemetery. On Saturday, March 23, several loads of leaves and tree limbs were removed from the fence lines, around the church, and all landscaping.

Parish & Community News & Events

St. Raymond Centennial Campaign Meeting

Monday, March 31 at 4 pm in the CCD Hall

Katie Price from the diocese will give an overview of the Centennial Campaign, present data about the state of our parish, and answer questions about our next steps for the campaign.

Please attend if you may be interested in serving on the planning committee for our campaign.

Easter Triduum Parish Unit Choir Practice

Practices will rotate between our parishes on Mondays starting at 6:30 pm

March 31 - St. Maurice April 7 - St. Mary

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.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

Raymond KC Fish Frys

Every Friday from March 7 to April 11, 4:30 to 6:30 Inside Dining, Drive-Thru, and Carryout

\$15 meal includes: fried fish (pollock fillets), potato wedges, baked potato, baked beans, coleslaw, and cake.

Farmersville KC Monthly Sunday Breakfast

There will be no breakfast in April

St. Maurice Extraordinary Minister Training

Thursday, April 3 at 6 pm at St. Maurice church

Parish Unit Altar Server Training

Saturday, April 5 at 10:30 am at St. Raymond church

St. Raymond Food Pantry Service Project

Totes will be available next Sunday, April 6 to take home and fill with food for our local food pantry.

St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us Sunday, April 6 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

St. Maurice Senior Citizens Event

Join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship and bingo. Invite your senior friends, family and neighbors!

Sunday, April 6, starting at 2:00 pm at The Fuller Street Building Desserts and drinks will be provided.

Questions? Contact Marietta Dunkirk at 217-825-6018

If you need a ride to this event, we are happy to assist! Just contact Brian Grundy at 217-823-9874

St. Raymond CCW Ladies Spring Fling

Wednesday, April 9 at the Raymond KC Hall Dinner begins at 6 pm Entertainment by the LHS Drama Club with song selections from Willy Wonka, Jr.

Please RSVP by April 4 to Rita Bruntjen at 217-259-3605, Kathey Rovey at 218-820-3375, Micki Goebel at 217-827-1209, or Pat Pope at 217-825-3360

Donations will be accepted at the door

St. Maurice Cemetery Decorations Notice

Please remove all ground decorations by April 13 in preparation for the mowing season. Thank You!

Morrisonville KC 11th Annual Adult Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday night, April 12

Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Special offer for 8 tickets at \$125.

Over 40 prizes will be given away with the grand prize being \$1,000 cash. Must be 21+ to claim a prize.

Tickets available at 6th Street Market, and Lowe's Hardware or from Dale Brockamp, Craig Moore, or Steve DeBrun.

Grab your friends and come support your local K of C!