

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Saturday, February 19, 2022**

**4:00 PM Dorothy Brill-Mike & Rose Lyons**

**Sunday, February 20, 2022**

**10 :00 AM St. Patrick Parishioners (Pro Populo)**

**Tuesday, February 22, 2022**

**8:00 AM Margaret Pugh-The Jacque Family**

**Saturday, February 26, 2022**

**4:00 PM St. Patrick Parishioners (Pro Populo)**

**Sunday, February 27, 2022**

**10:00 AM Pat Muter-Fr Shawn Landenwich**

**Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)**

We thank everyone who has participated in the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our generous gifts let us impact the stories of thousands through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will go to the support of a parish ministry here in our parish, so please be as generous as you can. For more information or to donate online, please visit [CatholicAOC.org/CMA](http://CatholicAOC.org/CMA). Thank you!

**For February 12 and 13, 2022**

**Attendance at Masses: 354**

<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 5,783.57</b>
<b>Improvement Fund</b>	<b>\$ 1,081.00</b>
<b>Assessment</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Cost of Envelopes</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>PFF Fees</b>	<b>\$ 52.00</b>
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$6,951.57</b>

**Lay Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday February 26, 2022 @ 4 PM**

**Servers: M., N., & U. Coleman**

**Readers: Sharon Hess, Wendy Miller**

**EEM: Deb Baker**

**Sunday February 27, 2022 @ 10 AM**

**Servers: S., S., & S., Stolly**

**Readers: Sharon Traul, Mindy Bailey**

**EEM: Catherine Oder**

*Your parish thanks you for giving of your time and devotion. May God bless you as you serve..*

**Read bulletins & calendars online:**

**St Patrick Church: [www.catholicbellefontaine.org](http://www.catholicbellefontaine.org)**

**St Mary of the Woods:  
[www.saintmaryofthewoods.com](http://www.saintmaryofthewoods.com)**

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

**Thursdays: after the 6:15 PM Mass**

**Fridays: 8:45 AM at SMOW**

**Saturdays: 3:00-3:30 PM at St. Pat's**

**St. Vincent de Paul Society (937-592-9455)**

**Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 AM -12:00 PM**

**Wednesday: 5:00-7:00 PM**

**Dates: Week of February 25, 2022**

**Money Spent: \$511.00 Clients: 27**

**Needs: SPAGHETTI SAUCE, TOILET PAPER, SMALL LAUNDRY DETERGENT, WOMENS' DEODERANT, CANNED SOUP**

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please, fill out the form below and drop in the collection basket or mail to the office. There is a \$5 stipend for each Mass requested. **PLEASE, PRINT!**

**Intention:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Offered by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date requested:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mass requested:** \_\_\_\_\_

We will make every attempt to get them on the date you request; however, funerals, prior requests and other events may prevent this, first-come, first-served.

***BECAUSE OF THE HIGH DEMAND FOR CERTAIN DATES AND FATHER SHAWN'S LIMITED AVAILABILITY, MASSES WILL BE SCHEDULED SEVERAL MONTHS OUT.***

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK:**

Mon. Feb 21: Jas 3:13-18 Ps 19:8-10,15 Mk 9:14-29

Tues. Feb. 22: 1Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 16:13-19

Wed. Feb. 23: Jas 4:13-17 Ps 49:2-3,6-11 Mk 9:38-40

Thurs. Feb. 24: Jas 5:1-6 Ps 49:14-20 Mk 9:41-50

Fri. Feb. 25: Jas 5:9-12 Ps 103: 1-4,8-9,11-12 Mk 10:1-12

Sat. Feb 26: Jas 5:13-20 Ps 141:1-3,8 Mk 10:13-16



**Sun. Feb. 27**

*Sir 27:4-7*

*Ps 92:2-3,13-16*

*1 Cor15:54-58*

*Lk 6:39-45*

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

That Man is You, (RCIA RM) 7:00 am, Saturdays.  
Every Wed 7:00 pm Choir Practice for Lent & Easter

**The Rosary** will be recited Saturday at 3:30 pm,  
and Sunday at 9:20 am before Mass.  
Volunteers are needed. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**Parish Prayer Line: Tammy Bauer, 937-441-0645**

### **COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:**

If you are or know of parishioner who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the office.

### **What is Lent?**

The season of Lent is a Catholic liturgical season consisting of forty days of fasting, prayer, and penitence beginning at [Ash Wednesday](#) and concluding at sundown on Holy Thursday.

The official liturgical color for the season of Lent is violet.

**Ash Wednesday** There is no doubt that the custom of distributing ashes to everyone on Ash Wednesday came from imitation of the practice of wearing ashes by public penitents. Public penitents were those doing penance for sins such as murder, apostasy, and adultery. When they completed their public penance, they were able to be readmitted to communion with the Church. As Lent increasingly focused on the themes of repentance and renewal, Christians sensed their own need for repentance. The practice of [distribution of ashes](#) to all members of the community is mentioned in official documents of 1091 (Cf. Synod of Benventum, 1091 Manse, XX, 739) although nearly a hundred years earlier it is already assumed in a homily of the period.

### **Lenten Regulations**

The Catholic Church, in an attempt to help Catholics do at least a minimum during Lent, asks all Catholics to [fast and abstain](#) from meat on certain days. Fasting means to limit food to one full meal a day with the possibility of two smaller meals (not adding up to a full meal) as needed. Abstinence means not eating meat, although fish is allowed. Catholics are required to observe all days of fasting and abstinence which is one of [the precepts of the Church](#). Those 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. Catholics between the ages of 16 and 59 are also to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. They may eat one full meal on these days, and two small meals to maintain strength. The two small meals together must not equal the size of one full meal. If one's work or health make it inadvisable to fast or abstain from meat, they are not obligated to do so. This includes mental health: Fasting may be harmful for someone who struggles with an eating disorder. Such a person might do an alternate penance on the days of fasting. Pregnant and nursing women are exempt from the fast.

Many Catholics were taught as children to "[give up something](#)" for Lent. The sacrifices in Lent are really penance, in the same spirit as the Ninevites that repented at the preaching of Jonah. Throughout our history, Christians have found prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to be an important part of repentance and renewal. Many Catholics now add something during Lent rather than giving up something, either to address personal habits that need work or to add some outreach to others in need.

The Church does not specifically require that we do something beyond the requirements of fasting and abstinence. To do nothing, however, would certainly not be in keeping with the spirit of Lent. Furthermore, the sacrifices and extra things we do for Lent help us grow closer to Christ. We are missing out on so many graces if we do not participate fully in Lent. It is not necessary to be perfect, but we should put forth a good effort.

A good practice is to do something extra in prayer, something involving fasting (whether limiting our intake of food or giving up something non food-related), and something involving almsgiving (giving money or goods to the needy or doing extra acts of charity).

### March 2022 Lay Ministry Schedule

<b>Mass Dates &amp; Times</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>EEM</b>
<b>Wed. Mar. 2 @ 7 p.m.</b>	Matthew Dearwester Olivia Dearwester McKenzie Vaido	Sharon Traul Jeneile Matthews	Deb Baker
<b>Sat. Mar. 5 @ 4 p.m.</b>	Rowen Daring Sutton Daring Mason Marcinko	Lisa Brandel Cathy Dinovo	Mike Dinovo
<b>Sun. Mar. 6 @ 10 a.m.</b>	Aaron Campbell Alivia Campbell Patrick Stolly***	Kelsey Conklin Steve Oder	Emily Baughman
<b>Sat. Mar. 12 @ 4 p.m.</b>	Della Baker Lexi McKirahan Kaije Snider	Brant Dunn Theresa Dunn	Rose Lyons
<b>Sun. Mar. 13 @ 10 a.m.</b>	Brenden Eckstein Conner Eckstein Ruth Eckstein	Keith LeVan Bob Rhoades	Lacey Campbell
<b>Thurs. Mar. 17 @ 6:15 p.m. St. Patrick's Day</b>			
	Mason Marcinko Winner Family	Rose Lyons	Brant Dunn
<b>Sat. Mar. 19 @ 4 p.m.</b>	Matthew Dearwester Olivia Dearwester McKenzie Vaido	Jeneile Matthews Wendy Miller	Theresa Dunn
<b>Sun. Mar. 20 @ 10 a.m.</b>	Lucy Johns Ruby Johns Cale Kline	Mindy Bailey Sharon Traul	Keith LeVan
<b>Sat. Mar. 26 @ 4 p.m.</b>	Montana Coleman Nevada Coleman Utah Coleman	Deb Baker Tim Smith	Mary Smith
<b>Sun. Mar. 27 @ 10 a.m.</b>	Carter Buck Cayde Buck Cooper Buck	Mary Giannola Kelsey Conklin	Catherine Oder