

Mass Intentions This Week

Sunday, February 28

9:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners (pro populo)

11:30 AM †Tom Peck—Altstaetter Family

Tuesday, March 1

12:15 PM †John Carr—Chris & Barb Petty

Wednesday, March 2

7:00 PM †John Ross—K.C. Steggeman

Sunday, March 6

9:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners (pro populo)

11:30 PM Special Intention—Anita Macky

WAY OF CROSS: Mar 4, 11, 18, 5:00 P.M.

before the Fish Fry

FISH FRY: Mar 4,11,18 5:00-7:00 P.M.

Weekend Mass Attendance: 367

Parish Offering Weekend: 21 February 2016

*St Mary of Woods Mass Schedule: Monday and Friday 12:10 a.m.
Saturday, 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.*

Sunday Offering:	\$ 6,320.60
Improvement Fund	\$ 257.00
Assessment	\$ 377.00
Lent	\$ 836.00
Ash Wed (Central & Eastern Europe)	\$ 45.00
Faith Formation	\$ 20.00

TOTAL COLLECTIONS \$ 7,855.60

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MUSICIANS/CANTOR SERVERS LEC/READERS EX/MINISTERS
SEE INSERT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

Rest in the Peace of Christ *We remember our parishioner: Rita Goeke, who passed on to glory and is remembered with love and held in our prayers.*

COMMISSIONS:

Finance/Stewardship

Keith Krieger 599-5306

Parish Property Maintenance & Development

Tim O'Rielley 593-2365

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: The names that you inscribe in our Parish Book of Prayer located below the icon of the Risen Christ, in the rear alcove. Pray, especially for those preparing to serve the Church as priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, and all lay ministers.

PARISH PRAYER LINE: Tammy Bauer 937.441.0645

Marriage, Youth & Family News

Prayers for Teens: Third Sunday of Lent 2/28

Jesus uses stories like this one to help people understand the nature and love of God. Here he teaches that God always grants second chances. As the orchard owner, god plants seeds that are expected to be useful and bear fruit. As the fig tree that are cultivated and grow, so are we cared for and given every opportunity to produce fruit. Even if we have been lousy at following him, even if we have sinned or been lazy in our spiritual lives, or been uncertain in our belief, Jesus wants us to know that we always get another shot. Bearing good fruit means recognizing what God calls us to do, and helping others. In what practical ways might you produce good fruit.? Luke 13: 6-9, (Sunday Prayers for Teens, LTP 2015-2016)

On the Way Home from Mass - Do our sins bring about negative consequences? Does that mean God is punishing us for them? (Celebrating Sunday's for Catholic Families 2015-16, LTP

Lenten Mission 2016 - Share Your Light

Your Luminary Jars is located in the back of church. Please help us, help others in need. Use this jar as a Lenten sacrifice. Place your change in the jar and bring it back on Palm Sunday, March 20. Help our 5th/6th Grade students make a difference for the people in San Luis, Peten, Guatemala

Saint Patrick Parish is Happy to Celebrate with the following couples who have Wedding Anniversaries in March:

Mark & Gay Brunswick 3-1-96

Philip & Brandi Altstaetter 3-13-04

John & Sandy Aler 3-17-79

Landon & Maria Coate 3-26-11

Jon & Ashley Sidder 3-26-11

Red Cross Blood Drive - Thursday March 10th
Noon - 6PM Makely Hall

Join us as we work together to Save Lives.

1-800-RED CROSS 41-6177
today
:redcrossblood.org



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

Care for Creation. *That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations.*



Life is a gift. Our very existence is a gift. We did not create ourselves nor are we chance products of blind forces of nature. And we are not God.

That may seem obvious, but from the beginning of human history, people have tried to be God. We see that even today in the way human beings use creation in ways that are contrary to God’s will. According to Genesis 2: 15, humanity was created to work with God, “to cultivate and care for” the earth. Pope Francis wrote in his encyclical *Laudato Si*: “Once we lose our humility and become enthralled with the possibility of limitless mastery over everything, we inevitably end up harming society and the environment. It is not easy to promote this kind of healthy humility when we exclude God from our lives or replace him with our own ego and think that our subjective feelings can define what is right and what is wrong.”

This month we begin Lent, a time of conversion. Let’s consider how we can be humble stewards and not exploiters of creation. As a start, Pope Francis proposes we simply “stop and give thanks to God before and after meals.” Doing so “reminds us of our dependence on God for life; it strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation; it knowledge's those who by their labors provide us with these goods; and it reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need.”

Reflection

How do I experience creation as a gift that God has given me?

Scripture

Psalm 148 Praise the Lord from the heavens and from the earth!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (592-9455)

Hours.: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Tues. & Thurs.; 5:00-7:00 p.m., Wed.

Dates: 17,18,23, February 2016

Clients served: 112

Money spent on assistance: \$1,884.00

Items needed: tooth paste, shampoo

Lenten Series: Why Be Catholic?

Does it matter if we are Catholic or not?

Join Fr. Landenwicht this Lent as we dive into Scripture and the writings of the early Christians. Be inspired as we uncover Christ’s glorious vision for His Church.

Join us at the Winner Family Barn (7317 St. Rt. 47 W) on Sundays from 6:30-7:30 PM: February 28, March 6, and March 13. **Bring a Bible.**

Cabin Fever Raffle

\$15.00/ticket, only 1,000 tickets sold!

The drawing is Saturday, March 5, 2016

at the St. Mary of the Woods Church Hall.

You need not be present to win. Call or visit the St. Mary of the Woods Parish Office for tickets. (937) 843-3127

ALL ARE WELCOME: March 17, 2016, a dinner will be offered to start the celebration of our patron saint, Saint Patrick. Dinner is a 5:30 P.M. in Makley Hall and Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 P.M. by Father Ken Baker. Coopers are making their famous corned beef and we add in fried chicken, coleslaw, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cake and cookies and drinks. Help with clean up is appreciated!

THIS WEEK’S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon., Feb 29: Psalms 42:2-3;43:3-4	2 Kings 5:1-15b Luke 4:24-30
Tues., Mar 1: Psalm 25:4-5b,6,7bc,8-9	Deuteronomy 3:25,34-43 Matthew 18:21-35
Wed., Mar 2: Psalm 147:12-13,15-16,19-20	Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9 Matthew 5:17-19
Thurs., Mar 3: Psalm 95:1-2,6-9	Jeremiah 7:23-28 Luke 11:14-23
Fri., Mar 4: Psalm 81:6c-11b,14,17	Hosea 14:2-10 Mark 12:28-34
Sat., Mar 5: Psalm 51:3-4,18-21b	Hosea 6:1-6 Luke 18:9-14



Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
Psalm 34:2-7
2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3,11-32