Mass Intentions This Week

Sunday, March 13

9:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners (pro populo)

11:30 AM Rita Goeke—Altstaetter Family

Tuesday, March 15

12:10 PM †Maxine Wingo—K.C. & Ethel

Wednesday, March 16

7:00 PM † Mary Steggeman—K.C.

Sunday, March 20

9:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners (pro populo)

11:30 PM † Sam "Diamond" Rose—Marj

WAY OF CROSS: Mar 18, 5:00 P.M. before the Fish Fry

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

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

Parish Offering Weekend: 6 March 2016

 Sunday Offering
 \$8,477.27

 Improvement Fund
 \$ 15.00

 Assessment
 \$ 50.00

 Easter
 \$ 50.00

 Lent
 \$1,264.00

 Good Friday (Holy Land Shrines)
 \$ 25.00

TOTAL COLLECTIONS \$9,881.27

Weekend Mass Attendance: 393

<u>PULPIT ANNOUNCMENT</u>: Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Hold Land. Through the Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace. Your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build houses for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land.

Christians, along with all of the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for 20 March 2016

9:00 Mass	MUSICIANS/CANTOR	SERVERS	LEC/READERS	EX/MINISTERS
	Leanna/Adult Choir	M. Miller	B. O'Connor	Rick Schrader
	B. Rhoades	T. Miller	Deacon	M. Smith
	C. Rhoades	T. Sciesky		J. Vicario
11:30 Mass	T. Bauer	M. Dillion	S. Coakley	K. Steggeman
	S.Bauer	J. Dillion	Deacon	M. Woolf
	K.Levan	J. Dillon		B.Woolf

COMMISSIONS: Finance/Stewardship Keith Krieger 599-5306 **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: Fifth Sunday of Lent 3/13

The feeling we're left with when we're the victim of gossip, bullying, or harsh criticism is pretty awful. The woman in

today's Gospel is a pawn. The men who bring her to Jesus don't care about her or her sin. They just want to trap Jesus. But Jesus (who, by the way, is the only one who could throw a stone) doesn't condemn her. Realize that we all make judgments. But this week, notice when you do it, and then think about seeing the other person through Jesus' eyes. John 8:3-7. (Sunday Prayers for Teens, LTP 2015-2016)

On the Way Home from Mass - Does Jesus want to punish us for our sins? Why is he so willing to forgive us? (Celebrating Sunday's for Catholic Families 2015-16, LTP)

Way of the Cross
For Married Couples
Sunday March 13 10:15
(During PFF)
Come join us, as we reflect
Jesus took for each of us.
Please consider being one of needed on Sunday for the Sta
For Married Couples.

Mark your calendar:

Saturday, March 19, 5:00 PM
<u>Family Fun Night</u>-pot luck carry in and playing games

Sunday, March 20— "Easter Flower Orders" are due today.

Tuesday, March 29, VIRTUS Training.

This training will be at Saint Mary of the Woods, Beginning at 6:30 PM (if information is needed, please call Anne Reams, 592.1656)

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

Discovering Our Faith...

ARE YOU THE NEXT MATTHIAS? Joe Ollier

The first act of the apostles after Jesus' Ascension was to find a replacement for Judas. Of all the things they could do, they chose to focus their attention on finding a twelfth apostle. Why? Twelve was a very significant number to the Jews, representing completeness. There were twelve tribes of Israel, so if the disciples of Jesus were to symbolize a new Israel capable of evangelizing the whole world, a twelfth apostle was needed. But Jesus had chosen the original twelve. Now that he was gone, how would they know whom to choose? In the upper room 120 people gathered for prayer and reflection, when Peter stood up to propose a solution. Peter had one criterion, that the new apostle be someone who had been a disciple of Jesus from the very beginning, from his baptism by John until the Ascension. Peter reasoned that the new apostle must be able to witness to Jesus' entire ministry. He must have followed Jesus before anyone knew him, stayed with him when he made enemies, and believed in him when he spoke of the cross and of eating his body — teachings that had made others melt away.

This short account in Acts 1 is the one and only time we hear of Matthias in Scripture. There is no other mention of him in all the New Testament, although some other ancient texts speak about Matthias' enthusiastic embrace of his new role, including evangelization, persecution, and death in the service of the Lord. So how does one qualify to be an apostle? Clement of Alexandria said that Jesus chose Matthias, like all the other apostles, not for what he already was, but for what Jesus foresaw he would become. He was elected not because he was worthy but because he would become worthy. Jesus chooses all of us in the same way, from our Baptism. That's why I don't like to talk about being "ready" to receive Sacraments like Confirmation. Let's face it – no one is really "ready" to receive the awesome power of the Holy Spirit. The fact is, through the grace of the Sacraments, God makes us ready to be who he has called us to be. That means that the only way we'll ever reach our fullest potential is by receiving the Holy Spirit in Baptism and Confirmation and by continuing to receive Christ in the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation. So what is Jesus calling you to become? Come to Mass and find out!

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: 2,3,8, Mar 2016

Clients served: 96

Money spent on assistance: \$1,978.15

Items needed: canned fruit

Lenten Series: Why Be Catholic?

Does it matter if we are Catholic or not? Join Fr. Landenwitch 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: March 13. **Bring a Bible**.

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!

<u>UNITY:</u> May you be made holy when you feel *fragmented* and pulled, scattered and strewn in the reality of your life. May God gather you up into hands that knead and mold all things together to work for good. May God hold each piece of you and may you let each piece be held by God as you are once again made whole by unconditional love. May the God of UNITY, who hold all things together, bless you. By Sr Maxine Shonk, OP

Is your marriage hurting in anyway? Has your marriage grown cold, distant, unloving or uncaring? Then please consider Retrouvaille (ret ro vi)—a program designed to help heal and renew marriages. Retrouvaille is for marriages hat have lost some of their spark, for marriages having difficulties in communication, and even those marriages on the edge of separation or divorce. The next program in Cincinnati is April 1,2, & 3, 2016. For more information call 513.456.5413 or go to Retrouvaille.ord. Other weekends & locations are available—call for details.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Mon., Mar 14: Deuteronomy 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 Psalms 23:1-6 John 8:12-20

Tues., Mar 15: Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 102:2-3,16-21 John 8:21-30

Wed., Mar 16: Deuteronomy 3:14-20,91-92,95 (Ps) Deuteronomy 3:52-56 John 8:31-42

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 <u>Thurs., Mar 17:</u>
 Genesis 17:3-9

 Psalm 105:4-9
 John 8:51-59

 <u>Fri., Mar 18:</u>
 Jeremiah 20:10-13

 Psalm 18:2-7
 John 10:31-42

<u>Sat., Mar 19</u>: 2 Samuel 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 Psalm 89:2-5,27,29 Romans 4:13,16-1 Matthew 1:16,18-21,24a



Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14—23:56