

VEILING OF STATUES AND ICONS DURING PASSIONTIDE

Beginning the 5th Sunday of Lent

Traditionally, the two weeks of "Passiontide" begin the fifth Sunday of Lent. The first week is Passion Week, and the second week is Holy Week.

In the Roman Missal we find the instruction, "*In the Dioceses of the United States, the practice of covering crosses and images throughout the church from [the fifth] Sunday [of Lent] may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, but images [and statues] remain covered until the beginning of Easter Vigil.*"

The veiling of crosses and images is a sort of "fasting" from sacred depictions which represent the paschal glory of our salvation. Just as the Lenten fast concludes with the Paschal feast, so too, our fasting from the cross culminates in an adoration of the holy wood on which the sacrifice of Calvary was offered for our sins. Likewise, a fasting from the glorious images of the mysteries of faith and the saints in glory, culminates on Easter night with a renewed appreciation of the glorious victory won by Christ, risen from the tomb to win for us eternal life.

-excerpts from the USCCB Committee on Divine Worship

VOCATIONS – Fifth Sunday of Lent

"The Father will honor whoever serves me." Are you called to belong to serve Christ alone as a priest or through consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the **Diocese of Peoria Office of Vocations** at **(309) 671-1550**.



Local Friday Lenten Fish Frys
St. Mary Church, Downs March 22
Knights of Columbus - Council #10967
5:00-7:30 p.m. Dine-In & Carry-Out

\$11 Adults; \$5 Kids (age 6-12);
Free for Children 5 & under.

Menu: walleye, cheese pizza, grilled cheese, french fries, green beans, coleslaw, homemade dessert.

Questions? Contact Dave Szymkiewicz.
(217) 620-5561 (St. Patrick parishioner & KC Member)
St. John the Baptist Parish Hall, Clinton
5:00-7:00 p.m. March 15 & 22
Meal includes two sides, dessert, and beverage.
\$9 Fish; \$10 Fish & Shrimp; \$11 Shrimp.

HOLY WEEK 2024

9:00 a.m. March 24 - Palm Sunday
9:00 a.m. March 25, 26, 27 - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of Holy Week
7:00 p.m. March 28 - Holy Thursday
3:00 p.m. March 29 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) followed by Stations of the Cross
8:00 p.m. March 30 - Holy Saturday
9:00 a.m. March 31 - Easter Sunday

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, March 19

Men's Group 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 22

Decorate for Palm Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Sundays of March 24 & March 31

No CCD classes: Spring Break & Easter

Monday, March 25

Change altar cloths to white 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27

Decorate for Holy Thursday and set up Garden of Gethsemane / Altar of Repose in the parish hall 6:00 p.m.

Friday, March 29

Decorate for Good Friday 8:30 a.m.
Holy Land Collection at the 3:00 p.m. Liturgy

Wednesday, April 3

Parish hall - Take down Altar of Repose; Set up CCD classrooms 12:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 21

St. Patrick Students' Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Mary, Peoria 4:00 p.m.

Monday, April 22

Altar & Rosary Society Meeting 6:15 p.m.

Sunday, April 28

First Communion Mass followed by brunch for the parish to honor First Communicants and those Confirmed this spring.

Sunday, May 12

May Crowning / Alex Romer Confirmation



The Catholic Spirit Radio Network Never Sleeps... so you can listen any time!

During Lent, you may want to call in with questions about your faith or how to build better relationships or how to increase effective parenting skills. Hear advice with a Catholic perspective online at catholicspiritradio.com, using the free app "Catholic Spirit Talk Radio," or 89.5 FM.



Bring In Last Year's Blessed Palms

A container is located in the vestibule to collect your palms from previous years. They will be burned in the Easter Vigil holy fire.

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ADMINISTRATOR – FR. DERICK MWESIGA

MARCH 17, 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Stations of the Cross

- Friday, March 15; Friday, March 22 at 5:00 p.m.
 - Friday, March 29 close to 4:00 p.m.
- Stations begin immediately after the 3:00 p.m. Passion Liturgy.

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions

- Sunday, March 17; Sunday, March 24 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. following 9:00 a.m. Mass
- Confessions will be available during Sunday Holy Hours as well.

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Administrative Assistant Pam Elliott

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Bulletin items due by Tuesday 12:00 p.m.

Parish Office and Sacramental Emergencies
(217) 935-8510 (24-hour answering service)

Directors of Religious Education
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Parish Pastoral Council President
Greg Luebbering

Parish Trustees Patty Hermes / Mark Kingery

Cemetery Trustees
Randy Toohill / Neil Whitted /
Maryellen Nommensen

Sacraments Contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
30 minutes before Sunday Mass
15 minutes before weekday Mass

PRAYER LIST



FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Sue Brown, Beth Fryman,
Dawn Hawkins, Millie
Humes, Bethany Finnigan
Jackson, Randie Livingood,
Bryan Lonergan, Jen Lonergan, Dan Millman,
Joan Morris, Paul Parsons, Francis & Danna
Powers, Marilyn Quaid, Gary Riegel, Alex
Romer, and all parishioners dealing with
illness and health conditions.

FOR HOLY SOULS & THEIR FAMILIES

Richard F. Orthen, Jr. 2/21/23, John Leo
Walsh 3/4/23, Roger G. Weber 3/5/23,
William "Ben" Hale 4/2/23, Johanna Meyer
Horton 5/13/23, Mary Evelyn Hale 5/21/23,
Jose Jesus Munoz Gomez 9/5/23, Jeffrey
Martin Toohill 11/10/23, Lawrence Patrick
Toohill 11/21/23.

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Robert Wilson
Offered by Terry & Polly Daugherty
10:00 a.m. CCD Classes
10:00-11:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration &
Confession

March 19 - Tuesday - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass + Kathryn Zambo
6:00-7:30 p.m. Men's Group

March 21 - Thursday - Lenten Weekday

6:45 a.m. Confessions
7:00 a.m. Mass + Jeff Toohill
Offered by Mike & Mary Pat Killian

March 22 - Friday / Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

March 24 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:45 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass - For the people of Saint
Patrick Parish & Central Catholic
High School (Pro Populo)
NO CCD Classes - Spring Break
10:00-11:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration &
Confession

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 17

No Deacon

Reader

Jim Powers

Altar Servers

Alex Maas

Camden Denning

Jocelynn Rutherford

March 24

Reader

TBD

Altar Servers

TBD

MARCH 10TH COLLECTIONS



Sunday - - - - - \$1,701.00

Children's - - - - - \$16.00

Catholic Relief Services - - - \$668.00

TOTAL \$2,385.00



Growing Disciples: Model 3 for the Bloomington-Lincoln Vicariate

Posted March 10, 2024

Primary Church (P) - St. John the Baptist, Clinton --- the primary church is the principal worship site for the parish. Full pastoral care will be provided at the primary church, including Sunday and other Masses, confessions, and the other sacraments. The primary church is generally where the parish office is located, the parish records are kept, and often where the priest(s) will reside.

Secondary Church (S) - St. Patrick, Wapella --- a church under the care of the parish where some pastoral care will be provided. This would include Sunday Mass and other sacraments in so far as possible, as determined by the pastor.

Not in Use (N) - Sacred Heart, Farmer City in this model. St John the Evangelist, Bellflower merged into Sacred Heart, Farmer City January 15, 2017.

The time for Bishop Lou's discernment has begun. He will take everything he has heard and seen, revisit notes and letters, and bring it all to prayer. **Please pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide him and the Growing Disciples process.**

Bloomington-Lincoln Recommendation



St Patrick of Merna - Bloomington (P)

St Mary - Downs (S)

- Merger of parishes
- 2 Priests assigned

St Mary - Bloomington (P)

- 1 Priest assigned

Historic St Patrick - Bloomington (P)

Holy Trinity - Bloomington (P)

- Separate canonical parishes under common pastor
- 2 Priests assigned
- Recommend the pastor discern and develop long term facilities and funding plan within 2 years.

Recommend Bloomington parishes coordinate Mass times and ministry.

Epiphany - Normal (P)

- 2 Priests assigned

St John the Baptist - Clinton (P)

St John the Evangelist - Bellflower site (N)

St Patrick - Wapella (S)

Sacred Heart - Farmer City (N)

- Merger of parishes
- 1 Priest assigned

Holy Family - Lincoln (P)

St Mary - Atlanta (S)

St Patrick - Elkhart (S)

St Thomas Aquinas - Mt Pulaski (N)

- Merger of parishes
- 2 Priests assigned

Priest assignments are based on the current available priests. Final decisions will be made by the Bishop.

P = Primary Location

S = Secondary Location

N = Not in Use

What is almsgiving?

"Money or goods given to the poor as an act of penance or fraternal charity."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Delicious Donations

The March suggestion is **hygiene products** ... shampoo, soap, facial cleanser, facial and body lotion, baby soap, kids' shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shaving needs, kleenex, toilet tissue, etc. Non-perishable foods or personal care items are always welcome!



NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress

The Healing You Long For

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God wants MORE for you! He wants you to be whole...to bind your wounds...to remind you of your true identity. When we restore the Eucharist as the center of our lives, His presence will restore us. Open your heart to His healing grace at the National Eucharistic Congress. Your life - and our world - will never be the same. Learn more at [EucharisticCongress.org](https://www.eucharisticcongress.org).

**What:** 10th National Eucharistic Congress

**When:** July 17-21, 2024

**Where:** Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis IN

Questions? [Contact Maryellen Nommensen - \(916\) 801-0741](mailto:Maryellen.Nommensen@dioceseofpeoria.org).



## National Eucharistic Revival

"The Eucharist is the highway to heaven."

*Blessed Carlos Acutis*