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Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4:30p.m. or by appointment

Weddings: Six months advance notice

### Mass Schedule:

Weekday Mass: Tues: 6:00 PM; Wed. & Fri: 8:00 AM; Thurs. 7:00 AM

Saturday: 7:30 AM; Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

## March 8th, 2015



Lenten Prayer: I pray to you, O Lord, for a time of your favor. In your great mercy, answer me, O God, with your salvation that never fails. Psalm 69

The Parish theme for Lent 2015 is LET

US PRAY - OREMUS. Please continue following the "OREMUS" sessions authored by Fr. Mark Topus every Friday evening. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be at 6:00 PM followed by OREMUS all in our Church. All are welcome.

FOR FREE BABYSITTING for the OREMUS sessions, please call Cindy Hemman and family at 336-3630.

Please include the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 2:00 PM in your Lenten devotions; The Lenten Bulletin Insert this weekend again features a Family Activity, along with other Lenten insights and Prayers. For this week's Family Activity, you will be making a crown of thorns. Find out what it takes to remove the "thorns" out of the "crown". Have you done your Work Of Mercy yet? See insert for more.

It is time for the Paper Drive again! On Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, bring all your papers and magazines to the Church parking lot between 8:30 and 10:00 AM for recycling.

Anyone wishing to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, please call Seneca Florist at 336-6186.

## The Third Sunday of Lent

Confession -Join Pope Francis and millions of Catholics around the world this Lent and "make your appointment with Jesus". Kansas Catholic Churches are open for Confession every Wednesday of Lent from 6-7 PM (also 2:30 - 3:30 PM this Saturday, March 7 at SPPC).

Living in Love Everyday - a follow-up weekend will be Saturday March 21 from 9 AM-5:30 PM and Sunday, March 22 from 10 AM-3 PM in the St Peter & Paul Youth Center. This is open to anyone in the area who has made Living in Love. All are invited

In Memoriam - The Rite of Christian Burial was celebrated on Monday, March 2 for Regis Tanking. Let us remember him and his loved ones in our prayers.

Thank You - The family of Regis Tanking would like to thank the Altar Society Circles who donated food and the Funeral Committee ladies who organized and served the funeral meal for their loved ones.

PLEASE NOTE: Daylight Savings Time began today, thus changing the Saturday evening Mass to 5:00 PM next Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.

For Special Envelope Mission donations, please make your check out to Sts. Peter & Paul Church, stating Mission name on MEMO area of your check. Donations for each specific Mission are then sent in total to the Mission. The following totals have been sent in 2015: Capital Campaign for Human Development \$1,089.00 Religious Retirement \$939.00 Latin America \$665.00 Thank you for your continuing generosity.

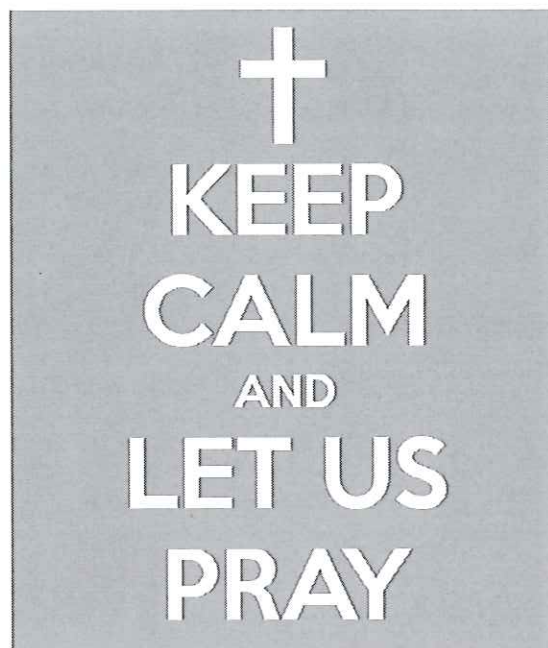




## *Masses for Mar 9 to March 15*

### *The Third Sunday of Lent*

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mar 9 – St Frances of Rome</b> 7:00 AM – Communion Service
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mar 10 - 3rd Tuesday of Lent</b> 6:00 PM – L/D Carl & Theresa Heideman Family 11:00 AM – Lifecare – Fr Ed
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mar 11 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Lent</b> 8:00 AM – Maurice Haug
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mar 12 – 3rd Thursday of Lent</b> 7:00 AM – L/D Lawrence & Loretta Otting Family
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Mar 13–3rd Friday of Lent</b> 8:00 AM – Elmer Skoch (Anniv) 11:15 AM – County Place - Everett Callaghan 2:00 PM – Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM – Chaplet of Divine Mercy 6:30 PM – Oremus “Let us Pray”
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Mar 14- 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Lent</b> 7:30 AM – Ty Korte 5:00 PM - Ralph Schiffbauer (Anniv)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 15– Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> 7:00 AM - For our Parish 9:00 AM – Marceil Haverkamp (Anniv) 11:00 AM – Evelyn Ronnebaum



**Weekday Servers:** Tues 6PM, Thurs 7AM, Sat 7:30 AM Nicholas & Sarah Hemman  
**Servers:** Wed & Friday 8:00 AM SPPS Students

<u>Sat 5PM</u>	<u>Sun 7 AM</u>	<u>9 AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Miles Stueve	Allison Schmelzle	Bryce Uphaus	John Strathman
Heather Suther	Angela Sudbeck	Will Bartkoski	Taegen Duryea
Ainsley Nordhus	Corley Becker	Anna Bartkoski	Gavin Duryea
Adrienne Koehler	Jessica Deters	Emma Elder	Jackson Holthaus

#### Assistants at The Eucharist for Mar 14 & 15th

	<u>Lector/*Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Organist</u>
<u>5:00 PM</u>	Joan Henry *Bob Niehues	Rick Henry Mary Sack	Lori Carlson Annie Haverkamp	Katie Nordhus	Terry Nordhus
<u>7:00 AM</u>	Dean Becker *Myra Runnebaum	Kirby Schmelzle Leon Feldkamp	Anthony Hemman Carrie Young	Stacy Rethman	Jan Rottinghaus
<u>9:00 AM</u>	Aimee Rottinghaus * Josh Haverkamp	Marian Rottinghaus Margie Shinn	Ray Rottinghaus Blake Uphaus	Adult choir	Owen Zinke
<u>11:00 AM</u>	Shannon Holthaus * John Rottinghaus	Mike Stallbaumer Lynda Cross	Mary Rottinghaus Aaron Duryea	Moriah Rottinghaus	Emily Altenhofen

**ROSARY LEADERS:** 5:00 PM Marilyn Carlson 9:00 AM Dennis Henry



**\*\*Today, March 8 CHWC Roast Beef Sandwich meal at Cigna Center, Frankfort 11:00 to 1:00PM.**

**\*\*2015 Lenten Dinners at St. Dominic/Holton March 20, St Francis Xavier/Mayetta March 13, and March 27. All are at 5-7 PM. Free will offering.**

**\*\*St Patrick's Parish, Corning pancake breakfast on March 15 from 7AM-1PM at the Corning Community Center. Free will offering. Raffle & Country Store.**

**\*\*St Michael's Church in Axtell St. Patrick's Day Soup Supper on Sunday, March 15, 5-8 PM. Meal prices Adults-\$6.00, Age 6-12-\$3.00, Preschool \$1.00.**

**\*\*Come to "Adore" praise & worship music at Sacred Heart Parish Sabetha on Sunday, March 22nd from 6:00 to 7:00 PM featuring Wade Talley as vocalist.**



The Third Week of Lent

# REPENT

Meditations for the  
Season of Lent

## AND BELIEVE

### Out of the Temple

John 2:13-25

*When Jesus saw the moneychangers, merchants, sheep, oxen, and doves at the Temple, he became angered, not because of what they were doing, but because of where they were doing it. The old law required animal sacrifice, so the availability of the proper animals for purchase wasn't at issue. But making the act of worship into a commercial, for-profit enterprise by selling those animals within the Temple itself made a mockery of a sacred duty.*



Bottom right: The Croisiers, Bridgeman Images, Above: Thinkstock

Although we no longer purchase animals for sacrifice on the steps of our churches, the temptation to turn faith into profit is still with us. Today, as in Jesus' time, there is wealth to be made in religion and spirituality. But even for those of us who don't profit directly from our faith, there is a pull to make it into just another thing we do every week, instead of a true act of worship.

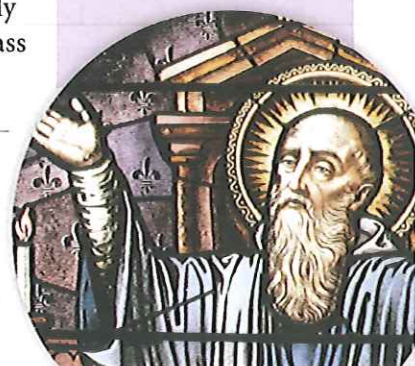
When we come to Mass, we can be distracted by worldly affairs, more concerned with what we (or someone else) is wearing, even slipping out early so that we can get on with "real life." In today's Gospel, Jesus is showing us that the time we give to God needs to be given freely and fully — without being compromised by anything else. This Lent, let us make the time we spend at Mass a highlight of our week.

#### POINTS TO PONDER

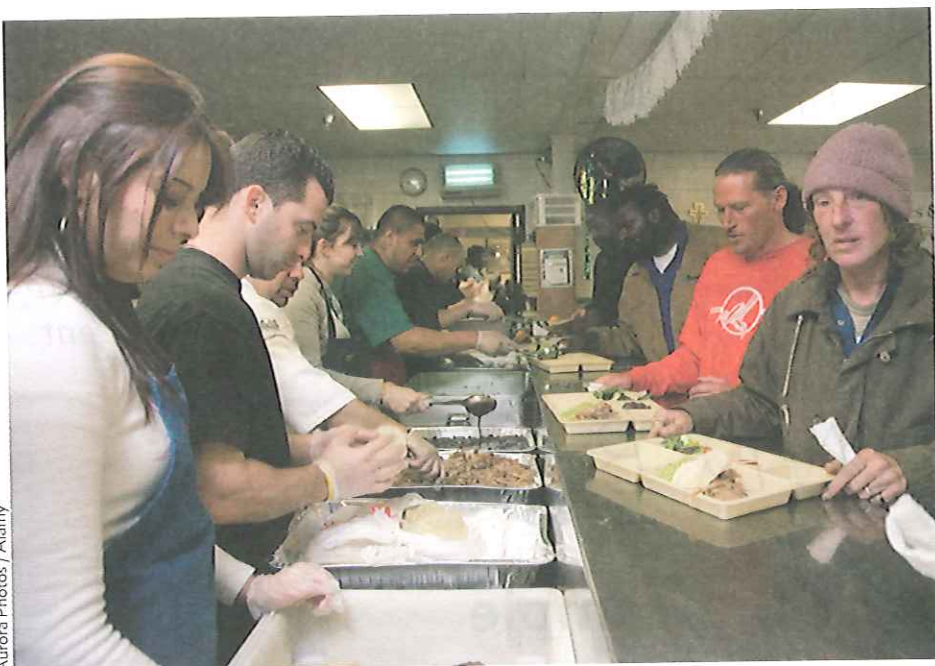
- When I attend Mass, am I fully aware that I am in the presence of God during that time?
- When was the last time I went to confession?
- As we enter the third week of Lent, what progress have I made spiritually? Do I need to make a "course correction" for the remaining weeks?

“Renounce yourself in order to follow Christ; discipline your body; do not pamper yourself, but love fasting.”

— St. Benedict







## CATHOLIC INSIGHTS

# Works of Mercy

Along with prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we are encouraged to perform both corporal and spiritual acts of mercy during Lent. During the next few weeks, try to do at least one act of mercy.

### The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

### The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead

## FamilyActivity

### Crown of Thorns

To encourage children to perform good deeds and make small sacrifices during Lent, make a "crown of thorns." Twist a rope of tan modeling clay into a circle and then stud it with toothpicks. Each time someone in the family makes a sacrifice or does a good deed, pull one of the toothpick "thorns" out of the "crown." Try to remove all the "thorns" by Good Friday.



## SIGNS OF THE SEASON *The Scrutinies*

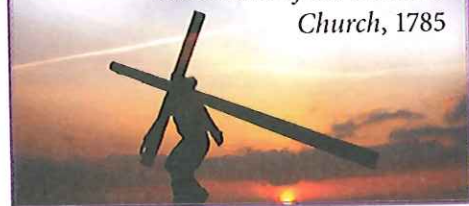
This week and the two following weeks, we celebrate the Scrutinies. Their purpose is "to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good" (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, 141).

While specifically designed for those who are entering the Church, all of us can benefit from the Scrutinies by examining our hearts and consciences for both healing and strengthening.

### Catechism CONNECTION

"In the formation of conscience the Word of God is the light for our path (Cf. Ps 119:105), we must assimilate it in faith and prayer and put it into practice. We must also examine our conscience before the Lord's Cross."

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1785



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### LENT PRAYER

*Unto to you, I cry, my God!*

"As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God."  
— Psalm 42:1

*My Lord, as we enter into the third week of Lent, help me to put aside worldly concerns and focus more deeply and completely on you.*



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