



# Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church

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## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses  
Saturday | 4:15pm  
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday | 6:30pm  
Wed, Thur, Fri | 8:30am

## Holy Days & Holidays

Consult bulletin.

## Eucharist Adoration

Wednesday | 9:00am - 10:00pm  
Available 24 hours / 7 days a week

## SACRAMENTS

**Sacrament of Confession**  
30 mins prior to Mass.

**Sacrament of Marriage**  
Make arrangements with the Parish Office six months prior to proposed wedding date.

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
Congratulations! Thank you for accepting and caring for one of God's greatest gifts. As part of Baptism preparation, expectant parents are required to attend Mass weekly. Please contact the Parish Office (952) 873-6564. We look forward to getting to know you and your baby.

## Bulletin Announcements

If you would like to post in the bulletin, please send an email to: [bulletineditor@olp.church](mailto:bulletineditor@olp.church) by noon on Monday for the following Sunday (Holidays may have earlier deadlines).

## In Case of an Emergency

Please contact 952-992-0140

## March 01, 2026



## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5



The faithful gather to pray together, uniting their personal struggles with the universal mission of the Church. This Sunday invites Catholics to deepen their prayer, fasting, and acts of charity, fostering spiritual renewal and growth in faith.

*2nd Sunday  
OF LENT*

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Susan Cole, Greg O'Brien, Jim Glisczinski,  
Tom Otto, Mona Altman, Edsel Faunillan

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Jerome Flaherty, Joe Vandermark



CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program for families and faith communities in the United States who want to bring Lent to life. Your donation to CRS Rice

Bowl helps provide lifesaving support to more than 200 million people in more than 120 countries. But did you know your support also helps your local diocese? Twenty-five percent of every donation stays in your community to fight hunger and poverty, while 75% supports Catholic Relief Services programming around the world.

**Pick up a rice bowl from the back of the church for your family!**

Visit the [CRS Rice Bowl website](http://CRS Rice Bowl website) to learn more.



**MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .**



The story of Christ's Transfiguration helps to make us aware of where we are supposed to be going – up the mountain to see the transfigured Lord in his glory, splendor and majesty. The penance, self-denial and sacrifice of this holy season of Lent only make sense because we have reason to believe that we have somewhere to go, that we are being called to make our way up the mountain to God. Lent is a season of growing light and life by immersing ourselves in God's love through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we grow to be what God has called us to be, sons and daughters of the living God, we grow ever closer to the image of Christ in the fullness of his humanity and divinity.

During Lent, we also pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday to remember that journey that Jesus made for our salvation. Please make room for that important devotion in your family schedule each Friday morning at 9 a.m. or each Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. The way of the cross leads to glory and the story of the Transfiguration inspires us to do great things for God and something beautiful for Our Lady of the Prairie!

God bless you,

Father Michael Kaluza



**IN CHRIST WE LIVE FOREVER**

Please remember in your prayers

**Michael John Koenig**

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family, friends, and loved ones, and pray for his eternal peace.



Please pray for . . .

Bud Steen

Deacon Bob Raleigh

Mona Bentfield

Don Morrison

Doris Fahey

Dan Flynn

Pat Sexe

Betty Wolf

Briar Fritz

Fred Welsch

Katie Lowe

Joan Larson

Mary Ann Bigaouette

Kelly Scott

Ron (Franny) Gerres

Annette Schmit Mann

Melissa Kjonaas

Maureen Millard

Barb Wentworth

Elmer Lambrecht

Katie Cates

Jim Turek

Hubert Jeurissen

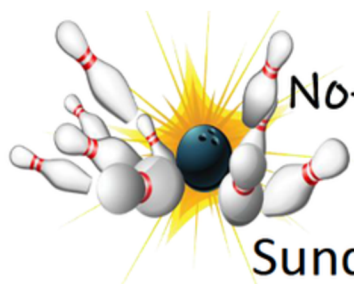
If you know of someone you would like added to the prayer list, please notify the bulletin editor or Parish Office. Obtain the permission of the person you wish to add before calling or emailing. Names will remain on the list for at least four weeks.



**Join Our Lady of the Prairie**  
 for a Lenten Book Club & Do-It-Yourself Retreat  
**"33 Days to Merciful Love"**  
 A Preparation for April 12<sup>th</sup> Consecration to Divine Mercy  
**Begins February 26th**  
**Books available through Parish Office**  
**Lead By: Maureen Daly & Leticia Fogarty**  
**Meeting times: Thursdays @6:30**  
**If you're interested Contact: Maureen Daly 952-687-1501 Leticia Fogarty 612-708-1491**

**Southwest Deanery**  
**CCW Spiritual Day**  
 St. Patrick, Shieldsville  
 Saturday, March 14 at 8am  
 Registration \$10 by Mar. 7  
 RSVP: (507) 514-7483

**St. Wenceslaus**  
**Spring Market**  
 Parish Activity Center  
 New Prague, MN  
 Saturday, March 21  
 9am-2pm



**No-Tap Bowling Tournament**  
**Sunday, March 15**

**Prairie Grille & Bowl**  
**Belle Plaine**

Shifts offered at  
 11am, 2pm, and 5pm.  
 5 bowlers per team.  
 Up to 8 teams per shift.

Registration begins ½ hour prior to shift.  
Text 952.367.6844 to pre-register your team!

**Team entry: \$125**  
 Includes 3 games of bowling and shoe rental for up to 5 people.  
**Payment required at time of pre-registration!**  
 Door Prizes & Raffles throughout event!

This event is sponsored by a grant from Catholic United Financial, made possible by OLP CUF Parish Volunteer Team.  
 Catholic United is a member-owned, not-for-profit financial services company, connecting people of faith, protecting their future and generously impacting parishes, schools and communities.



**BASKET COLLECTIONS**

Weekly Collection Goal: \$8,344

Date	Amount	(+/-) Goal
Operation Rice Bowl	\$2,108	
Sunday, February 22, 2026	\$7,426	-\$918
Cemetery Fund	\$1,402	

**ATTENDANCE**

Ash Wednesday	8:30 am	230
	6:30 pm	170
Saturday, February 21, 2026	4:15 pm	252
Sunday, February 22, 2026	8:00 am	162
	10:00 am	191
Livestreamed		35

Total Registered Active Families . . . . . 512  
 Total Registered Active Members . . . . . 1,301

**Automatic Contributions**

Did you know your contributions can be automatically deducted from your checking, savings, or credit card account? For more information call the parish office at 952-873-6564 or check out our website.

Please notify the Parish Office if your address or phone number has changed since registering, or you no longer use a land line.

**Mass Intentions** in 2026 are filled.  
 2027 calendar will open in June, 2026.  
 Limit six per year.



*Pray For Our Military*

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|---|-----------------|
| Natalie (Covington) Ruiz                                | David May       |
| Jordan Ruiz   | Dylan May       |
| Carson Lange (Official US Naval Ceremonial Color Guard) | Sean Alander    |
| Levi Lane (Marines)                                     | Alex Vandermark |
|   | Grace Halloran  |



**Knights of Columbus**



*Lenten Fish Dinners*

**Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church**  
200 East Church St.  
Belle Plaine, MN  
**March**  
6, 13, 20, 27  
Free will donation.  
Proceeds will go towards  
the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus  
of St. Paul.

— Menu —	
Salad	
Dinner Roll	
Baked Fish (breaded & unbreaded)	
Au-Gratin Potatoes	
Dessert	
Coffee	

**Serving:** 4:30 - 6:30 pm | Take out available

**Caring for One Another**

*Through our Ministries*



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**Irish BINGO**  
Sunday, March 15th, 2026, 2:00 pm  
at River Bottom Tavern and Brewhouse  
514 Main St, Henderson, MN 56044

- 15 games of regular BINGO
- 3 games of Cover-all Bingo
- \$25 at the door. Cash Prizes!

Door prizes, Raffle, and silent auction.  
Lunch to follow. Cash bar

Sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Shamrock Division.  
All proceeds go to the Ancient Order of Hibernians a 501c3 non profit group.



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Retreat** is an enrichment for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller lifetogether. Please join us at **Our Lady of Grace Parish** in Edina

2-day Weekend Retreat on **March 7-8, 2026.**  
Go home Saturday evening and return Sunday morning.  
*Take time to connect with your spouse, work through common themes together and renew your marriage.*  
To apply or for info: call 612-334-7440 or WWME.org.



**Weather Policy**

If school is delayed, closes early or is closed due to poor weather conditions the following activities will not meet:

- All meetings (e.g. CCW, Knights of Columbus, Marriage Encounter).

The following activities will continue unless further notification is provided:

- Daily Mass: Mass is always celebrated Tuesday – Sunday
- Religious Education classes and Adoration.



We will be collecting baby items for Birthright of Mankato throughout the **Lenten season**. Please place your donations in the wooden cradle at the back of church.

**Here is a partial list of needed NEW items:**

- Diapers
- Sleepers
- Onesies
- Receiving blankets
- Fitted sheets for Pack 'N Plays
- Hooded bath towels
- Baby wipes (preferably unscented), diaper cream, baby lotion, baby shampoo, baby wash
- Jackets/coats 18 months to size 2T
- Baby board books, infant rattles or teethingers, washcloth sets
- Personal care items for moms, such as: travel-size lotion, fuzzy socks, facial sheet masks, lip balm/Chapstick, travel-size hand sanitizer, travel-size tissue packs, new nail polish, hair accessories, etc..

Please keep this list and watch future bulletins for any updates.

**God bless you for helping moms and their babies!**



*Stations of the Cross*

every Friday in Lent  
9:00 am & 6:30 pm

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
<b>Monday, March 2</b>	
7:00-9:00 pm	Catechetical Institute
<b>Tuesday, March 3</b>	
6:30 pm	Mass
7:00 pm	KC Meeting in Parish Hall
<b>Wednesday, March 4</b>	
8:30 am	Mass - donuts & coffee after mass
12:00 pm	Ecumenical Lunch
3:30-7:30pm	Net Retreat - Grades 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> No Religious Ed Class K-6
<b>Thursday, March 5</b>	
8:30 am	Mass
10:30am	Funeral for Michael Koenig
6:30-7:30pm	Men's Small Group in Roedel Hall
<b>Friday, March 6</b>	
8:30 am	Mass
9:00 am	Stations of the Cross
4:30-6:30 pm	KC Fish Dinner in Parish Hall
6:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday, March 7</b>	
4:15 pm	Mass
<b>Sunday, March 8 3rd Sunday of Lent</b>	
Daylight Savings Time Begins	
8:00 am	Mass
9:00 am	Choir Practice
10:00 am	Mass Treats & Fellowship after both Masses - hosted by Catholic United Financial
7:00 pm	Marriage Encounter in Roedel Hall

<b>Saturday, March 7, 4:15 pm</b>	
Greeters	Volunteers (2)
Lector	Joe Shimota
EMHC	Betty Weldon, Dan Flynn Joe Shimota, Sarah Williams
Ushers	Jim Fogarty, Joe Hartmann Chris Weldon, Scott Williams
Servers	Eli Williams Volunteers (3)
Gift Bearers	Volunteers (2)
<b>Sunday, March 8, 8:00 am</b>	
Greeters	Eric & Lisa May
Lector	Gwen Case
EMHC	Susan Cole, Janice Teal, Volunteers (2)
Ushers	Mark Hartman, Calvin Hartman, Volunteers (2)
Servers	Luke Hennen, Henry Hennen, Peter Hennen, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteers (2)
<b>Sunday, March 8, 10:00 am</b>	
Greeters	Pat & Sandy Schroers
Lector	Carly Werner
EMHC	Edsel Faunillan, Rick Morgan Sheila Schmitz, Jason Palo
Ushers	Jim Covington, Jim Gerres Jeff Klein, Volunteer
Servers	Kaiden Palo, Jaxson Palo, Gabriel Vandermark, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteers (2)
EMHC	Pat Schroers (Kingsway) Edsel Faunillan (Lutheran Home)

“Be now my vision; open these eyes, showing me all that I must see. Christ in me arise and I shall rise with you.”

MASS INTENTIONS				
MON	2	MAR	No Mass	
TUE	3	MAR	6:30 pm	† d. Irene Fitzgarald
WED	4	MAR	8:30 am	† d. Art & Ella Berger
THU	5	MAR	8:30 am	† d. Jerry Gill
FRI	6	MAR	8:30 am	† d. Rev. Orlando G. Tatel
SAT	7	MAR	4:15 pm	† d. Connie Steuwe
Sun	8	MAR	8:00 am	† d. Brent Meyer
		MAR	10:00 am	† For the Parish

READINGS
<b>Readings for the week of March 1, 2026</b>
<b>Sunday:</b> Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/ 2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
<b>Monday:</b> Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
<b>Tuesday:</b> Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
<b>Wednesday:</b> Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/ Mt 20:17-28
<b>Thursday:</b> Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
<b>Friday:</b> Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
<b>Saturday:</b> Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



# & CLASSROOM REPORT

# O.L.P. School News

IN CHRIST WE GROW

200 East Church Street, Belle Plaine, Minnesota 56011

FEBRUARY, 2026

## A Message From The Principal . . .

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to our students who made their First Reconciliation on Tuesday, February 24. A special grace is given each time we receive this wonderful Sacrament. It is important for families to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on a regular basis (monthly is a good start).

### Lent

- Fridays during Lent (Feb 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27) you are invited to join us for Stations of the Cross immediately following 8:30 am mass.
- Prayers are sent that each student, family, and faculty and staff have a meaningful Lent.

Pope Leo XIV offers sound advice: *"I would like to invite you to a very practical and frequently unappreciated form of abstinence: that of refraining from words that offend and hurt our neighbor. Let us begin by disarming our language, avoiding harsh words and rash judgement, refraining from slander and speaking ill of those who are not present and cannot defend themselves. Instead, let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect in our families, among our friends, at work, on social media, in political debates, in the media and in Christian communities. In this way, words of hatred will give way to words of hope and peace"* (Pope Leo XIV).

### Baby Chicks

Thank you to the Thoennes family for sharing the chick eggs and incubators. Four baby chicks have arrived, two in the preschool room, and two in the Kindergarten room. Very exciting to witness God's creation in the baby chicks.



### February Saint of the Month:

Saint Gabriel the Archangel, was brave in sharing God's message and joyful in bringing the Good News to Mary. He listened carefully, spoke with courage, and taught us to trust that God will give us strength.

### Student Saints of the Month:

Rory Smith, Kindergarten  
Evie Simon, 1st-2nd grade  
Kora Krautkremer, 3rd grade  
Saint Gabriel the Archangel, Pray for us.

## A Word from Father . . .

### 40 Days

I recently learned that the English word "Lent" is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word "lencten", which means spring. During this time of preparation for Easter, we look forward to the arrival of spring, especially after a recent cold snap!

The 40 days of Lent are preparation for the greatest of all events – the Easter resurrection! Without Easter, our faith would be in vain. Easter is central to the Christian faith and the holiest of all holy days! The number 40 often appears as a significant number in the bible and it always results in something extraordinarily awesome!

- The great flood lasted for 40 days with Noah and his family on the ark before the flood receded.
- Moses fasted on Mount Sinai for 40 days and nights prior to receiving the ten commandments.
- The Jews wandered for 40 years during the exodus prior to their arrival in the promised land.
- The prophet Elijah fasted for 40 days on Mount Horeb and then has an encounter with an angel.
- Jesus fasted for 40 days and nights prior to starting his public ministry.

We live these forty days with great expectation and use them to make changes and increase our faith and devotion. Spending this time well will bring great results!

God bless you,

Father Michael Kaluza

## Here's what's happening in the classrooms . . .

### Preschool

This month of February we celebrate Saint Valentine's Day. We continue to inspire love for learning in our students. with many fun activities, letters, numbers, art and more, including Dental Health and I Love to Read month. Thank you, to those who read to the children they enjoyed many different stories. Students also have the opportunity to witness the development of baby chickens, we will be seeing baby chicks soon.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Smith



### Kindergarten

February has been a joyful and busy month in Kindergarten! We celebrated Groundhog's Day, Saint Valentine's Day, and the 100th Day of School- a celebration of how much we have learned and grown together. Our chick-hatching project has been one of the most exciting parts of our month in our classroom. After placing new eggs in the incubator and observing their growth, our first two chicks hatched this week! It has been a wonderful hands-on experience and a truly joyful time for the students. As we begin Lent, we are preparing our hearts and minds for the great feast of Easter, starting with Ash Wednesday at school. In Catechesis, we are reflecting on the parables of the Mustard Seed, the Precious Pearl, and the Good Shepherd, learning more about God's Kingdom and Jesus' love for us. God Bless, Ms. Schroers



### 1st & 2nd Grades

Our first and second graders have been busy learning about Lent and the Sacraments. Students enjoy participating in Mass each week. Second graders are excited to receive their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Even the first graders are watching them prepare and are anxiously waiting their turn. Both classes are learning about place value with the 1st grade adding two-digit numbers and 2nd grade adding and subtracting three-digit numbers.

In our reading curriculum 2nd grade is learning about prefixes and root words as the 1st grade is learning to divide syllables in a multi-syllable word.

We have lots of fun with our science activities that help us understand the meaning of Material Properties such as if it is absorbent, opaque, hard, soft, etc. We designed hats with various materials to see what would keep us from being sunburned. We also learned about stopping erosion in our last lesson.

In Social Studies we just finished our unit about using our natural resources and will be focusing on People Long Ago.

Blessings and have a great lenten season, Mrs. Hennen



### 3rd Grade

In February, the third grade class participated in an outdoor learning enrichment activity. Students explored the subject of camping with the focus on preparation, materials needed to camp, and the skills needed while on a camping trip.

At the outside classroom, students made a bonfire to cook fruit stew. While the stew was boiled in water, students learned how to tie knots that are needed for outdoor camping. The students' reader content came to life in the outdoor classroom; a magical learning experience occurred for 3rd Grade students.

In reading, students learned about harvesting wild rice, the Mississippi River, the space program, the space race, and Benjamin Franklin.

In math, students continued to learn division facts, and how to solve math word problems. Fractions were introduced this past month.

In science, students learned about fruit seeds, plant reproduction, the plant life cycle, and the traits and inheritance in plants and animals. Students had the opportunity to extend the content of the lesson through hands-on science activities and science games.



In social studies, students explored camping, canoeing, the Mississippi River, Space, and Benjamin Franklin's inventions. Students read Scholastic News articles twice a month.

In religion students planned and participated in school Mass, went to confession, attended Divine Mercy and school Rosary prayer time. Students attended CGS weekly.

Students prepared for Lent through study and prayer. Students learned about Saint Gabriel the Archangel and Saint Valentine during the month of February.

Blessings, Mrs. Eischens

### 5th/6th Grades

**Mrs. Moonen's Stars** had an exciting February!

Students stretched their writing skills by participating in two essay contests and two poetry contests, giving everyone a chance to shine creatively and academically.

In math, they worked hard to become fraction masters - building confidence with adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. Our geography studies continue as students practice state and region memorization to strengthen their understanding of the United States. During science, we explored the frozen pond at the Ney Center and reviewed ice safety. We also discovered how kicksleds are used in snowy regions and studied the fascinating and wily coyote.

Finally, we recognized Shrove Tuesday and prepared our hearts, minds, and stomachs for this season of lent.



## Art

In K-3, our February Famous Artist is **Robert Indiana**, an American artist best known for his iconic LOVE image that can be seen everywhere from giant sculptures to postage stamps. Students explored typography as art and created word sculptures with popsicle sticks, watercolors and Model Magic.

In our Global Art series, 6th grade learned about contemporary **Aboriginal Dot Painting** from Australia, which combines ancient storytelling with modern painting. Using the Aboriginal “over-dotting” technique, students concealed a map of a meaningful place with hundreds of small dots, hiding it in plain sight.

Blessings, Mrs. Vandermark



## Music

Our preschoolers have been identifying instruments that make high and low sounds. We have been playing boomwhackers and discussing how they make different pitches. Kindergarten students also have been playing songs on the boomwhackers and analyzing their pitches. We decided to visit the church organ in our choir loft and compared the pipe sizes to the boomwhackers. They loved seeing the foot pedals! 1st and 2nd graders are working on sight singing (Mi-Sol) and Identifying more complex rhythms. 3rd-6th graders are starting to prepare for a shadow performance of the Stations of the Cross. The performances will be on Friday, March 20th at 9am and 6:30pm.

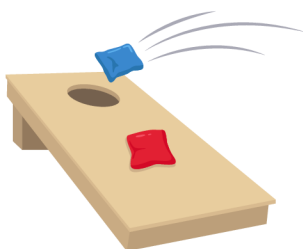
Carolyn Gleason,  
School Music Instructor



## Physical Education

Students were able to take advantage of the beautiful weather to enjoy physical education outdoors.

Mr. Palo





Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic School

IN CHRIST WE GROW

# We're Hiring Kindergarten Teacher 2026-27 School Year



## Join Our Team

Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic School is seeking a faith-filled, child-centered Kindergarten Teacher who loves helping students learn, grow, and thrive. In Christ We Grow.



## Qualifications

- Build a positive, well-managed classroom
- Plan engaging lessons in literacy, math, and social-emotional learning
- Partner with families and staff to support each student
- Integrate Catholic identity into daily learning
- Strong communication, organization, and teamwork
- Committed to the whole child: mind, heart, and spirit
- Practicing Catholic; current elementary teaching license
- VIRTUS Essential 3 compliant; background check required



## Apply Now

Send your resume & cover letter to Sheila Hendricks, principal



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# MARCH 2026 - Updated

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b> 8:00am d. Robert Koenig 10:00am For the Parish Treats & Fellowship following Masses - hosted by CCW	2 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	3 6:30pm d. Irene Fitzgerald 7:00pm KC Meeting (PH)	4 8:30am d. Art & Ella Berger 12:00 Ecumenical Lunch 3:30pm-7:30pm Net Retreat (Grade 7&8) <b>No Religious Ed Class (K-6)</b>	5 8:30am d. Jerry Gill 10:30 Funeral for Michael Koenig 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	6 8:30am d. Rev. Orlando G. Tate 9:00am Stations of the Cross 4:30-6:30pm KC Fish Dinner(PH) 6:30pm Stations of the Cross	7 4:15pm d. Connie Steuwe
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins <b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b> 8:00am d. Brent Meyer 10:00am For the Parish Treats & Fellowship - hosted by CUF 7:00pm Marriage Encounte(RH)	9 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	10 6:30pm d. Rev. Victor C. Valencia	11 8:30am d. Mike Fogarty 2:00pm Staff Meeting 6:20pm Religious Ed Class(K-8)	12 8:30am d. Leon Luce 2:00pm Lutheran Home Mass 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	13 8:30am d. Pat Bigaouette 9:00am Stations of the Cross 4:30-6:30pm KC Fish Dinner(PH) 6:30-9:00pm Youth Group. Grades 9-12/ Movie Night 6:30pm Stations of the Cross	14 8:00am SW Deenery Mtg. at St. Patrick's, Shieldsville 8:30-11:00am CI Formative Session begins with Mass @ Winsted 12:00pm Irish Mass Parade line up in Church Parking Lot 12:00pm liv.&d. Leo & Mag Sullivan Family 1:00-2:00pm Crowning of Miss Shamrock by Irish Committee(RH) 4:15pm For the Parish 8:00am
15 <b>4th Sunday of Lent</b> 8:00am d. Florence Leonard 10:00am d. Bob, Laura, & John Worm	16 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	17 6:30pm liv & d. Woodtke Family	18 8:30am d. Phil Miron After Mass OLP 3rd & 6th Grades Reconciliation 3:10pm Teacher Staff Meeting 6:20pm Religious Ed Class(K-8)	19 <b>St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 8:30am d. Dick Klehr 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	20 8:30am Bob Bigaouette 9:00am Stations of the Cross - OLP Student Shadow Stations 4:30-6:30pm KC Fish Dinner(PH) 6:30pm Stations of the Cross - OLP Student Shadow Stations	21 4:15pm CCW Members
22 <b>5th Sunday of Lent</b> 8:00am d. Mark Kirsch(46a) 10:00am d. Loy Eyrich Treats & Fellowship hosted by KC's Banns of Marriage Rachel Schroers & Martin Schneider Wedding (April 11)	23 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	24 1:30pm Kingsway 6:30pm School Children & all involved in Annunciation Tragedy 7:00pm Church Night	25 <b>The Annunciation of Our Lord</b> 8:30am Father Eugene Carp 6:20pm Religious Ed - Way of the Cross (K-8)	26 8:30am d. Joseph & Thelma Ott 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	27 8:30am d. Michael John Leuwer 9:00am Stations of the Cross 4:30-6:30pm KC Fish Dinner(PH) 6:30pm Stations of the Cross	28 4:15pm d. Robert Koenig (AOD)
29 <b>Palm Sunday</b> 8:00am d. Mark Kirsch(46a) 10:00am For the Parish Banns of Marriage Rachel Schroers & Martin Schneider Wedding (April 11)	30 <b>No School - Spring Break</b> <b>No CI Class</b>	31 <b>No School - Spring Break</b> 1:30pm Kingsway 6:30pm d. Rita Goblirsch	1 8:30am d. Dick Hayden <b>No School - Spring Break</b> <b>No Religious Ed Class</b>	2 <b>Holy Thursday</b> <b>No School - Spring Break</b> 6:30pm d. Pat Schwartz	3 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>No School - Spring Break</b> 3:00pm Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Liturgy (No Mass)	4 <b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 8:00pm For the Parish
5 <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:00am Emmett & Helen McCue 10:00am Shannon & Lajeunesse Families	6 <b>No School - Easter Monday</b> (OLP Only) Office Closed <b>No CI Class</b>	Notes	Adoration: Every Wednesday 9:00 AM-10:00 PM Sacrament of Confession: Half Hour before mass each day *RH - Roedel Hall (Gathering Space) *PH - Parish Hall *CI - Catechetical Institute			

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