

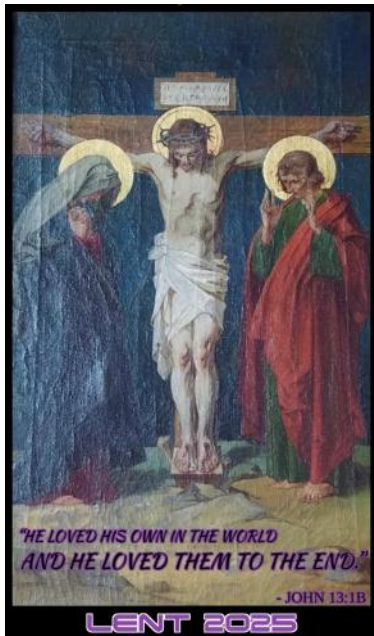
Diocese of Peoria  
**St. Malachy Church and School**

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Email: church@stmalgeneseo.org Website: www.saintmalachy.org

The Third Sunday  
Of Lent  
March 23, 2025



**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

**Reconciliation:**

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Lenten Reconciliation: Monday - Thursday 12:00 pm

**Noon Reconciliation is cancelled on**

**Monday, March 24 and Wednesday, March 26**

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

**Traveling?** [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) to find Masses

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**Hospital Visits:**.....Parish Office

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**Pastoral Care:**.....Ed Kemnitz, Dcn. Tom Mattan

**Bereavement:**.....Dcn. Art Ries

**Prayer Chain:**.....Parish Office

**Divorced Ministry:**.....Shannon Carroll

**OCIA:**.....Dcn. Mike Sigwalt

We warmly welcome new parishioners and invite them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, March 24

8:00 am Lorin Meade +

*Lenten Weekday*

### TUESDAY, March 25

8:00 am Freda Mroz +

*Annunciation of the Lord*

### WEDNESDAY, March 26

8:00 am Rachel VanMeenen +

*Lenten Weekday*

### THURSDAY, March 27

5:45 pm Living and deceased members of the Altar & Rosary

*Lenten Weekday*

### FRIDAY, March 28

8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

*Lenten Weekday*

### SATURDAY, March 29

5:00 pm Albert & Mary Jane Boelens +

*Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Lent*

### SUNDAY, March 30

8:15 am Rex Rogers +

10:30 am People of the Parish

*The Fourth Sunday of Lent*

**Please Note:** Noon Reconciliation is cancelled on Monday, March 24 and Wednesday, March 26

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

**March:**

8:15 am - Angie Maertens

10:30 am -

**Altar Servers: March 24-30**

**M-T-W:** Spring Break

**Saturday: 5:00 pm:** Delilah Hulsbrink, Declan Gillespie

**Sunday: 8:15 am:** Garren Boelens, Leona Werner

**Sunday: 10:30 am:** Camryn Hawkins, Lena Kempfer



### Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

**St. Anthony/Atkinson**

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

**Sacred Heart/Annawan**

8:00 am Sunday

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm,**  
**Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than*  
**Noon** on Tuesdays.

### Readings for Sunday, March 30, 2025

**The 4th Sunday of Lent**

#### 1st Reading: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

*The people of God entered the promised land and there kept the Passover.*

#### Responsorial: Psalm 34

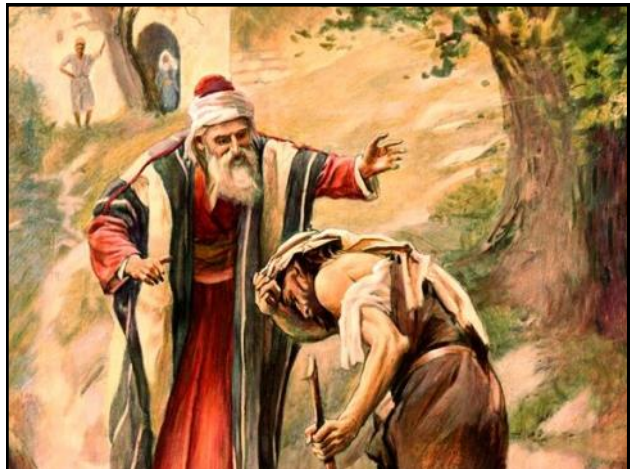
*R./: "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."*

#### 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

*God reconciled us to himself through Christ.*

#### Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

*Your brother was dead and has come to life again.*



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, March 24

Mass 8:00 am

Reconciliation 8:45 am

**Cancelled** - Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm

Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel

Wellness Committee 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Rm C

Parish Council 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm CR

### Tuesday, March 25

Mass 8:00 am

Reconciliation 8:45 am

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm

Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm YR

Women's Support Group 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Rm C

OCIA - Heaven, Hell, & Purgatory 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR

### Wednesday, March 26

Mass 8:00 am

**Cancelled** - Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm

K-5 CCD 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

The Rock 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm YR

Oasis 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm YR

Celebration Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

### Thursday, March 27

Circle 2 - 9:00 am - 10:00 am YR

Liturgy Committee 10:00 am - 12:00 pm CR

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm

Adoration 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Reconciliation 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Mass 5:45 pm

Buildings & Grounds 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm CR

Lenten Bible Study: Shroud of Turin 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Rm C

### Friday, March 28

Communion Service 8:00 am

Stations of the Cross 12:00 pm Church

Bottomless Soup Bowl Café 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm YR

Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR

Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm Church

### Saturday, March 29

Men's Lenten Breakfast 7:00 am at (First Methodist Church)

Reconciliation 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Mass 5:00 pm

### Sunday, March 30

Mass 8:15 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Knights of Columbus Coffee & Donuts - After both Masses

6th Grade CCD 9:30 am - 10:20 am

Confirmation Prep 9:30 am - 10:20 am

Unleashed: Study for High School Girls 9:30 am - 10:20 am VR

Mass 10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Living Stations Practice 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Church & YR

## LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Noon Stations:

March 28, April 4, 11

### 7:00 pm Stations:

March 28, April 4, 11

(April 11- Children's Stations, Everyone is welcome)

## LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

April 13 - 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

## Holy Week Ministry Help Needed!

There is a sign-up sheet in the parish office for individuals wishing to serve in any of these ministries.

### Holy Thursday Mass, 7:00 pm - We are in need of:

Lectors, Commentators, Communion Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. *(There will be a practice at 3:30 pm)*

**Holy Thursday Adoration** - We need people to sit with Jesus for the hours of: (8:00 pm - 9:00 pm, 9:00 pm - 10:00 pm, 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm, 11:00 pm - 12:00 am)

**Good Friday Service, 3:00 pm** - We need a Lector, and Ushers

**Easter Vigil, 8:00 pm** - We are in need of Lectors, Commentators, Communion Ministers, Ushers (5), and Altar Servers. *(There will be a practice at 10:30 am)*

**Please call the office if you are able to serve in any way.**



## EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to donate toward the cost of Easter flowers in the memory of a loved one, please do so, by **April 14th**, by dropping an extra envelope in the Sunday collection or at the Parish Office.

## Bottomless Soup Bowl Cafe



**March 28, April 4, 11, 2025**

after the Friday - Noon Stations of the Cross  
The Altar & Rosary Society will be sponsoring meatless, bottomless bowls of soup in the Youth Room.  
For a donation you can enjoy the soup until it is gone as well as the fellowship of others.

## *A Letter from the Pastor*



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

"He loved his own in the world and he loved them to the end." (John 13:1b). I can't help but wonder what it was like for Jesus to discover the plan that the Father had for Him.

What a fascinating mystery! It opens questions about the divine and human natures of Jesus, who was One with the Father and yet still had the capacity to learn, to grow and to discover. While we don't know when, where or how it became clear to Him, at some point, He understood that the Father had a plan for Him, which would lead Him... to the cross. The Merciful Heart of the Father was so filled with love for us and compassion for our suffering amidst the plague of sin that He sent His Son to rescue us. He sent His Son to bring us home, the children who had ungratefully run away from home and squandered our inheritance. And He did all of this, knowing that this would require His Son to lay down His life for us... for you and for me. Still, it gets better. The most amazing part is that when Jesus understood that this was the Father's plan for Him, He said YES! Saint John describes a moment when Jesus had reached this awareness and conviction with those words which serve as our Lenten theme verse for this year (John 13:1b). In the coming weeks, we will explore this theme verse more, including eventually exploring more how it points toward our theme: **Jesus, United in Love with the Father, in the Holy Spirit**. First, since we currently have hundreds of parishioners finishing up the Gospel of Luke Challenge, we will continue our series focused on helping us to pray with the Scriptures.

**LECTIO DIVINA LEADING TO RESOLUTION:** We have already begun to consider our reading of the Gospel of Luke as being simply the first step in the process of *Lectio Divina* (divine reading), which is simply prayerfully reading Scripture. Traditionally, we describe this process in five steps: Reading, Meditation, Prayer, Contemplation and Resolution. In the past four weeks, we have addressed Reading, Meditation, Prayer and Contemplation. These four steps are the traditional steps found in "Guigo's Ladder," from Guigo the Carthusian, which most Catholic teachers regard as the principal model for *Lectio Divina*. Some of those same teachers, such as Dr. Tim Gray in his series *Lectio: Prayer* (on Formed), also recommend this fifth and final step. It should be noted that these steps should not be understood as an order

to be rigidly followed. The movement between them may happen fluidly, over a single, slow and thoughtful reading or may happen over multiple readings in succession, with focus on a different step with each reading. This final step is pretty self-explanatory. Our reading and reflection will often call for a response, not only of prayer, but also of action. Whatever you recognize a call to do or change, resolve to do so with the help of God.

**MANY THANKS:** Thank you for welcoming Fr. John Baptist, as he makes an appeal for his home diocese this weekend (see his letter). Additionally, 2025 has been very busy so far and it is probably overdue for me to stop and offer some thanks. Most recently, I have the Car Party in mind. I am very grateful for all of the hard work of our Parents Club in hosting this great event as our largest annual fundraiser for our school. Likewise, I am very grateful to all who attended the event to support Saint Malachy School. But, I am also thinking of some of the other great events, which have required generous gifts of time, talent and treasure. In January, the Knights of Columbus held a Pancake Breakfast to support our local food pantry, which was well supported. The Welcome Committee offered a free Cinnamon Roll event in February to welcome new parishioners and build community. Finally, also in February, our youth worked very hard to present two events, which ended up being in the same week, due to cancellations for weather: the Kids Carnival and Confirmation Retreat. I am so thankful for the generous stewardship of our parishioners of all ages!

**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF SAINT PATRICK:** This past week, we celebrated the Feast of Saint Patrick. I would like to welcome you to consider joining me in a pilgrimage to the land of Saint Patrick, Saint Malachy and so many saints it earned the title "the Land of Saints and Scholars," not to mention the cite of Our Lady's appearance in 1879 (Knock, featured in our parish calendar this month). Our pilgrimage to Ireland and Northern Ireland will take place this summer on July 23-31, 2025. See this bulletin for more details and stay tuned for news about an informational meeting this spring.

In Christ through Mary,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Daniel P. Gifford".

Fr. Daniel P. Gifford  
St. Malachy, Pray for us



### Children's Mass:

2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

### Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays,  
depending on availability of volunteers.



## COFFEE & DONUTS

STEUBENVILLE TRIP SUPPORT WEEKEND



**Sunday March, 30  
After both Masses**

Sponsored by:

Knights of Columbus &  
Our High School Youth  
Proceeds to benefit the  
HS Youth Ministry  
Steubenville Trip

### The Three Pillars of Lent: Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving

**Prayer:** Often times the most overlooked pillar of Lent is prayer. There are so many wonderful ways to pray during Lent. More time given to prayer during Lent should draw us closer to the Lord. We might pray especially for the grace to live out our baptismal promises more fully. We might pray for the elect who will be baptized at Easter and support their conversion journey by our prayer. We might pray for all those who will celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation with us during Lent that they will be truly renewed in their baptismal commitment.

Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving lead us to the heart of what Lent is about - a deeper conversion.

## MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFASTS

**Saturday, March 29**

Geneseo First Methodist Church  
302 N State St



All men in the community are invited to  
enjoy a delicious breakfast at 7:00 am  
on the Saturday mornings listed above.

A free-will donation will be collected at  
each breakfast.

**Saturday, April 5**

Loraine Church  
28782 E 2000th St  
Prophetstown, IL

## Youth Groups

**Middle School Youth Group (The Rock)**

meets on Wednesdays from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

**High School Youth Group (Oasis)**

meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

Each week features a delicious meal, fun games/activities  
and the opportunity to grow in your walk with Jesus.

All are welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

## LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



**We are seeking teens ages eighth grade and up to  
participate in the Living Stations of the Cross.**

Teens will grow closer to Christ as they help to present a  
moving portrayal of his final hours. We are in need of: actors,  
readers, musicians and vocalists. Practices will be held on  
Sunday afternoons, with performance on Palm Sunday night.

**The next two practices will be on Sunday, March 23rd,  
and Sunday, March 30th from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

### St. Malachy Rosary Makers the Eddie DePauw Memorial Guild

The St. Malachy Rosary Makers are taking  
orders for handmade rosaries for First  
Communion and Confirmation. We are raising  
money for shipping to African and Asian countries.

For information or to place an order call:  
Jolene Thompson 309-269-8944



Have you noticed a beautiful flower garden display in the  
narthex? It's our CCD Prayer Garden! Throughout March &  
April the Kindergarten through 6th grade students are  
challenged to learn and recite formal Catholic prayers. They  
are very eager to add a flower to the garden for each prayer  
learned! The flowers are labeled with the prayer and the  
child's first name, so if you have a child/grandchild in CCD,  
encourage him/her to show off their flowers! We hope all  
parishioners enjoy watching it grow this spring, knowing that  
children are working hard to deepen their faith through prayer.



# STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

## Parish Sacrificial Giving:

1% donated to:  
**Rebuilding Together**

Week 37 - March 16, 2025							ADA 2024 (As of February 28th)		Month of January 2025	
	Weekly Goal	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Goal	YTD Actual	Variance	GOAL	\$ 102,404	Total Income	126,494
General Collection	\$ 14,731	\$ 9,054	(5,677)	\$ 545,047	\$ 520,827	(24,220)	PLEDGED	\$ 76,181	Total Expenses	117,342
School Endowment	\$ 577	\$ 89	(488)	\$ 21,349	\$ 16,103	(5,246)	VARIANCE	\$ (26,223)	NET	9,152
Paraclete Fund	\$ 577	\$ 479	(98)	\$ 21,349	\$ 16,599	(4,750)	July 2024 - January 2025			
Capital Improvement	\$ 577	\$ 191	(386)	\$ 21,349	\$ 19,285	(2,064)	COLLECTED	\$ 74,937	Total Income	881,282
Special Collections							VARIANCE	\$ (27,467)	Total Expenses	837,468
Eastern Europe		\$ 25			\$ 325		# of FAMILIES	159	NET	43,814



### Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Men's: October 16-19 2025

Women's: November 13-16, 2025

For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>



### Upcoming TEC Weekends

April 5-7, 2025 (Boys)

June 21-23, 2025 (Girls)

August 9-11, 2025 (Boys)

October 4-6, 2025 (Girls)

For information visit

[www.northwest-tec.com](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



### DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

**Please Pray for these Seminarians**

*Blake Miller*

*Brady DePoorter*

*Gerard Remmes*

*Luke Olson*

*Nate Devlin*

*Angel Garcia*

Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck:

309-671-1550 or email him: [fr\\_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

*He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."*

### Fr. Pakula Memorial Food Pantry Collection

In Memory of Father Pakula, St. Malachy Parish will have a monthly theme to collect items for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry.

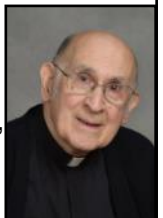
The theme for **March** is:

**"Breakfast Items"**

**Donations needed:** Cereal, Cereal Bars, Oatmeal, Instant Hot Cereal, Cream of Wheat...

Items can be placed on the shelves inside the front doors before entering the Narthex.

The current Food Pantry Newsletter can be found on the St. Malachy website, under the heading Parish Life then Social Justice.



## St. Malachy



**Friday, April 11, 2025**

**5:00-7:00 pm**

**MENU:** Fish fillet (fried or baked), baked potato, coleslaw, grilled cheese sandwiches, tater tots and dessert will be served. Dine-in or take-out will be available for a free will donation.

Proceeds will be used to provide college scholarships for St. Malachy high school students.



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# ST. JP II EXPERIENCE

**FOR TEENS 8-10TH GRADE**

**Make Christ  
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**5 Amazing  
Talks!**

**April 26 - 27, 2025**

**9 a.m. Saturday - 4 p.m. Sunday**

**THIS IS AN OVERNIGHT RETREAT**

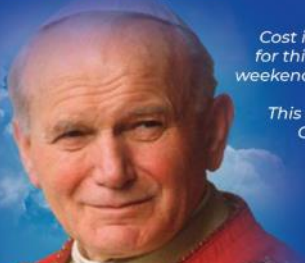
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**Register at [www.olgsilvis.com](http://www.olgsilvis.com)**

Registration is open Feb. 16 - April 8, 2025

Questions: Mike Wilshusen at 309-269-7686 or  
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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I am Father John Baptist Uwigaba, a priest now working in this Diocese of Peoria, at St. Dominic Church in Wyoming and St. John the Baptist Church in Bradford, but incardinated in the Diocese of Kabgayi in Rwanda.

The Bishop of the Diocese of Kabgayi, Bishop Balthazar Ntivuguruzwa, asked me if it would be possible to do a Mission Appeal in this Diocese of Peoria. I first and foremost thank Most Reverend Louis Tylka, Bishop of Peoria for having allowed me to do this Mission Appeal in his Diocese. I am very grateful for Father Daniel Gifford, the Pastor, for having welcomed me in this beautiful church. I also want to thank the faithful of this parish for its participation in the Missionary Cooperative Plan for this year 2025.

As many of you have heard, Rwanda is the country which had the hard times of the genocide that happened there and left enormous long-term damage to the pastoral infrastructures and ministries in our country and Diocese.

It is in this regard that on the Third Week of Lenten Season, on March 22nd & 23rd, I will come to your parish to pray together, share with you some of the challenges this Diocese of Kabgayi is facing. Allow me to express to you my sincere gratitude for your prayers and generous support for the Diocese of Kabgayi, Rwanda.

May God bless you and all your efforts in supporting His Church.

Sincerely Yours,  
Fr. John Baptist Uwigaba

## Mission Appeal

If you would like to donate toward the mission appeal, you can leave your donation at the parish office or pay online under mission appeals in online giving by the end of the day Wednesday.





St. Malachy Catholic Church

*Women at the Well*

Presents:

## *Mountain Top Journey*

**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

Jodi Stout, a grandmother who has lost two grandsons to preventable deaths, shares her deeply personal journey of finding strength through faith and community support.

Jodi, a former Geneseo resident, will share how her grief has led her to start two ministries that enable her to reach others who need the same hope she needed for their lives.

Come join us in learning more about her Mountain Top Journey!

**Reservations requested by April 6, 2025**

Contact Shannon Carroll:

WATWStMalachy@gmail.com

Phone or Text: 309.945.8607

Or for Online Reservations scan the QR Code

\$8.00 donation appreciated.



Pay online or  
at the door.

## **Men of the Parish**

If you would like to help with serving, kitchen duties, or clean up

Contact Marcia Swanson

GreggMarcia@gmail.com or 309.269.6897

In the Footsteps of Saint Patrick:  
Pilgrimage to

# IRELAND

& Northern Ireland  
with Fr. Daniel Gifford & Fr. Tom Gardner



**New Date: July 23 - 31, 2025**

**\$5,578 per person**

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Pricing available from any airport

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Booking Code: DG072125

### **Your pilgrimage includes:**

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- 7 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels as follows: (or similar)
  - \* 2 nights: Jul 24-26: Voco Belfast, Belfast
  - \* 1 night: Jul 26-27: Armagh City Hotel, Armagh
  - \* 1 night: July 27-28: Castlecourt Hotel, Knock
  - \* 1 night: July 28-29: Clayton hotel Galway, Galway
  - \* 2 nights: July 29-31: The Morgan Hotel, Dublin
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Wine with dinners
- Transfers as per itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Wireless headsets where needed
- Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Flight bag & Digital PDF confirmation of all travel documents

**Itinerary subject to change.**

**Copies of the full itinerary will be in the Narthex.**

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

### Mowing Coordinator

#### Duties include:

- Recruiting, training, & directing volunteers to trim and mow the parish grounds.
- Coordinating mowing times with the church & school.
- Buying gasoline for the mowers.
- Coordinating the maintenance and repairs of the mowers with B&B Equipment
- \* Training will be provided.

For more information  
please contact:  
Jeanne Ryan Hartsock  
at 309-944-5393



## SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS

The Social Justice Committee met on March 4th.

- We discussed facilitating parish involvement in our SJC efforts, including ideas for a Youth Group partnership.
- We will be adding a Social Justice prayer bookmark to the hymnals at church.
- Our group continues to support Alice's Farm (formerly the New Life Farm), which helps to rehabilitate women.
- We also continue to support the Food Pantry with donated funds from our parishioners. Our super shopper, Elaine Bouwens, checks out all of the sales at local stores to get the most for your money. We appreciate your donations and her hard work!

Our next meeting is April 1st at 4 pm in the Youth Room. All parishioners are welcome to attend!

## APRIL LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### GREETERS:

**5:00 pm** – Joyce Webb, Mary Ellen Doherty (**Front**); Karen Humbert, Mary Anne Peterson (**West**)

**8:15 am** – Ed & Anita Kemnitz (**Front**); Ilene Hamer, Colleen Reese (**West**)

**10:30 am** – Eric & Sue Gray (**Front**); Curt & Sara Dykstra (**West**)

#### USHERS:

**5:00 pm** – Mark Holevoet, Mark Roberts, Jason Snyder

**8:15 am** – Tom Curnyn, Dick Mattan, Jim Mattie

**10:30 am** – Steve Egert, David Hone, Jeff Hulsbrink, Monica Paxton

#### LECTOR/ COMMENTATOR

**5:00 pm** – Vicki Rowlands (**L**); Virgil Thurman (**C**)

**8:15 am** – Brian Seals (**L**); Jaxson Seals (**C**)

**10:30 am** – Winnie Kane (**L**); Joe Garrity (**C**)

#### EMHCs

**5:00 pm** – A.J. Wolak (**Chalice**); Chuck LoGiudice (**Chalice**); Mary LoGiudice, Mary Beth Peterson

**8:15 am** – Anita Kemnitz (**Chalice**); Mike Croegaert (**Chalice**); Shannon Carroll, Kathleen Repass

**10:30 am** – Nicole Freadhoff (**Chalice**); Steve Mroz (**Chalice**); Larry Vandersnick, Jim Luikart

## APRIL ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

**Saturday, April 5 - 5:00 pm** Charlee Cherry, Grady DeWolfe

**Sunday, April 6 - 8:15 am** Hayden Rahmus, Leona Werner **10:30 am** Avery Emmerson, Shawn Pobanz

**Saturday, April 12 - 5:00 pm** Blake Vandersnick, Aidan Daly

**Sunday, April 13 - 8:15 am** Colton Seals, Tucker Seals **10:30 am** Camryn Hawkins, Anna Vorac

**Saturday, April 19 - 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass – Please call the office to sign up**

**Sunday, April 20 - 8:15 am Easter Sunday Mass: Please call the office to sign up 10:30 am Please call the office to sign up**

**Saturday, April 26 - 5:00 pm** Trace Hager, Samantha Minnaert

**Sunday, April 27 - 8:15 am** Lenna Bolme, Lena Kempfer **10:30 am** Colin & Justin Roemer





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Thursday, April 3

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*Kimberly Souba*

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In the Parish Hall

As she embarks on a new journey (career and graduation in  
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