

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23
4:00PM (Red Bud)
Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday
8:00AM (P) Melvin Schawartz
10:00AM (Red Bud)
Thursday, March 28 Holy Thursday
7:00PM (Red Bud) Mass with Adoration
Friday, March 29 Good Friday
1:00PM (Red Bud) Passion of the Lord
7:00PM (P) Passion of the Lord
Saturday, March 30 Easter Vigil
7:30PM (Red Bud)
Sunday, March 31 Easter
8:00AM (P) Wayne Steibel
10:00AM (Red Bud)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Gift Bearers
3/24 Children’s/Young Adults
3/29 Good Friday…Volunteers
3/31 Larry & Cheryl Scherle Family
Lector
3/24 Children’s/Young Adults
3/29 Good Friday…Cheryl & Janis
3/31 Mary Havel
Eucharistic Ministers
3/24 Hope Dan, Liz
3/29 Good Friday…Volunteers
3/31 Dave K., Bev, Dave E.

Servers
Please volunteer

CHURCH SUPPORT- March 17th

Envelopes \$907 Loose \$145 Cath. Relief \$20
House Rent/Utilities \$850 Farm Rent \$2,156
Pledge Drive to date: \$13,810 Goal \$20,000
Year to Date 7/1/23-3/17/24
Env. \$64,380 Loose \$4,715 Avg. Wkly Env. \$1,740 (36wk)
CSMA…Parish Goal \$3,692. To date: \$1,735-19 households



PRAYER REQUEST

All homebound & nursing home, Our Military & their families, Ruth Henry, Doris Wilson, Lola Depper, Roger & Carol Hess, Ruby Dickinson, Joan Schaefer, Fred Deterding, Chris Schwartz, Verona Schwartz, Sandy Duvic, ASC Community, Ray & Gladys Hess, Cooper Craddock, Roger Groth. George Epplin, Keith Bauer

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Good Stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ, emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.

QUILTING-Wednesday’s beginning at 9AM and Thursday evenings beginning at 6PM.



NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH??

Contact Dave Eichenseer at 618-791-0504

READINGS



First Reading—The servant of the Lord God was rebuffed but did not turn back; he was beaten and spat upon. The suffering one knew the Lord God was with him.
Isaiah 50:4-7
Second Reading—Christ was in the form of God but did not consider equality with God a thing to be grasped at. He emptied himself, took the form of a slave, and was obedient unto death! Therefore, God exalted him, and all proclaim him Lord.
Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel—The story of Jesus' betrayal, condemnation, suffering, and death are recalled. There is no greater love than this.
Mark 14:1 -15:47

FROM THE DESK OF FR. DENNIS

We begin the celebration of Holy Week by calling down God’s blessing upon the symbol that today’s feast is named for: the Palm branches that were used to welcome our Lord to Jerusalem. “Hosanna!” the crowds accompanying him cried out, praising the Son of Man as he rode into the holy city. “Hosanna!” the residents called out, eager to witness firsthand what this miracle worker would do. We sing hosannas today, as we enter the holiest week of the year, the week when we recall Jesus’ passion, death, and resurrection. May the Scriptures we read this week remind us of the physical and emotional suffering that Our Lord endured for us in order to truly proclaim God’s Word in our midst. Have a blest Holy Week! I hope to see you all at these special services. Take one of the cards at the doors of Church and give it to family or friends inviting them to join you for the Holy Week Services.

Remember, don’t worry so much, and know that you are Loved! Fr. Dennis



LENT IN OUR PARTNERSHIP THIS WEEK

Sat./Sun.: Palm Sunday—Regular Mass Schedule
Tues.: 8:30am Bible Study in Church; No 10am Mass; 11:30am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
Wed.: No 8am Mass; 9:30am Living Stations with School students;
Thurs.: Morning Prayer at 8am; Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7 pm at St. John’s – Adoration till 9 pm
Fri.: Morning Prayer at 8am; Passion of the Lord at 1pm at St. John’s and at 7pm at St. Patrick’s
Sat.: Morning Prayer at 8am; 8:30am Servers Practice; 9am Children’s Choir practice; Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 7:30pm at St. John’s
Sun: Easter Sunday Masses at 8am-St. Patrick’s and at 10am-St. John’s

MEAT RAFFLE

Raffle	\$3,066
50/50	<u>\$302</u>
Gross	\$3,368
Expenses	<u>\$925</u>
Profit	\$2,422

To those that organized/worked/supported our Meat Raffle at The Bale Out. THANK YOU!!!



OUR FAITH

This “war” for some might literally be the state of war experienced in the Middle East, the Ukraine, throughout the world or on the streets of our cities. For others, this war might be the war between workers and employers, the war between parents and children or between spouses. This war can be the conflict between citizens and government for the rights that belong to the people. This war can point to the struggle within ourselves—trying to get control of our own lives.

The wars that we find ourselves in are the passion—they are our passion; they are Christ’s passion in us.

Jesus’ passion was excruciating, but it ended not in death but life. While he was enduring his passion, it was struggle, rejection, pain, and death. But because Jesus endured to the end, he was transformed into glory in the resurrection. As members of the body of Christ, our passion will also end in glory with Christ.



POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS TO OUR HEARTS

Why the Cross? Because Jesus takes upon himself the evil, the filth, the sin of the world, including the sin of all of us, and he cleanses it: he cleanses it with his blood, with the mercy and the love of God. Let us look around: how many wounds are inflicted upon humanity by evil! Wars, violence, economic conflicts that hit the weakest; greed for money that you can’t take with you and have to leave. When we were small, our grandmother used to say, “A shroud has no pocket.” Love of power, corruption, divisions, crimes against human life and against creation! And—as each one of us knows and is aware—our personal sins: our failures in love and respect toward God, toward our neighbor, and toward the whole of creation. Jesus on the Cross feels the whole weight of the evil, and with the force of God’s love he conquers it; he defeats it with his resurrection This is the good that Jesus does for us on the throne of the cross. Christ’s cross embraced with love never leads to sadness but to joy, to the joy of having been saved and of doing a little of what he did on the day of his death.



MONTHLY ASSISTANCE

St. Patrick’s Parish monthly takes a set amount (\$100) from the collection and donates it to a needy charity/family, locally or globally. **March/April’s donation will go to The Musketeer Market…an organization set up thru the Red Bud High School where kids can shop for everyday needed items…including food for lunch and supper.** If you would like to make a donation, please mark it and place it in the collection basket. Contact Sandy if you know of someone in need.

KUDOS

- To Krebel Plumbing, our bulletin advertiser of the week.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Austin Umbdenstock 3/26, Kathy Schmidt 3/26,
Nicholas Chambers 3/27, Nathaniel Simpson 3/28,
Ruth Menard 3/29, Amy Rohlfing 3/29,
Garrett Mudd 3/30

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Have you logged on to eucharisticcongress.org to see what will be happening this summer? Thousands of passionate Catholics will travel from every corner of the U.S. to experience the healing power of Jesus Christ. Why? Because the Holy Spirit has promised to revive his Church, and we believe in a God who keeps his promises! The dates are July 17-21, 2024 at Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN. **Prior to these days, come and join the Belleville Diocese for EMMAUS DAYS July 7 &8;** July 7th special events will be held at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows & on July 8th at the Cathedral of St. Peter. Watch the Messenger for time and additional information. The Diocesan Website also has more details about these days, go to www.diobelle.org.

RESPECT LIFE

“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life… Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’… We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (The Gospel of Life 86).



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, April 2nd at 7PM in the Red Brick School.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

JESUS SUFFERED, AS ANY MAN WOULD, AND THEN HE ROSE, AS ONLY GOD COULD.