

Notes from Barb!

- † Our last **Lenten Scripture and Supper** will be this Thursday. We will discuss moving forward with a monthly Scripture and Supper then.
- † You are also invited to join our students as they pray the Stations of the Cross on Sundays of Lent. Or join Sacred Heart for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6 p.m.
- † At Easter we will begin offering the Precious Blood. If you would like to be an extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, please let me know.
- † **Correction to Holy Week Schedule: Holy Thursday Mass will be at Sacred Heart at 6pm and Good Friday will be at the Village at 3pm.**



Don't forget the Palm Sunday Bake Sale
next Sunday!

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37:12-14

A Change of Heart

Are you still being faithful to your Lenten resolutions? No matter how firm or weak your resolve, you have come to face the mystery of sin, loss, and death. Changing old habits is hard. To change something is to lose something.

Those chosen for baptism this Easter will change their old habits. They will put to death whatever has kept them from life in Christ.

The faithful also will change old habits. They will put to death the sin that mars their faithfulness to God. All in the community need the prayerful and penitential support of their brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ezekiel addresses people who have lived in exile and oppression, far from the center of their social and religious life. They have lived in a tomb. Now God promises, "I will open your graves and have you rise from them." God will dwell with them and give them the divine spirit.

This Lent, the church has invited you to examine your life, to confront your sin, and to secure your intent to change. The season is nearly over. The day of promise draws near. God stands ready to open your grave and bring you forth to new life. If you die to whatever keeps you from God, you will grow from the lessons of loss.

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Teens invited to volunteer with Sisters of Providence

Teenagers! Come share your time and talents with the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana. Join us Saturday, April 22, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., to assist the sisters and health care residents to attend the Earth Day Festival at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. Register at TeenVolunteer.SistersofProvidence.org or contact Sister Joni Luna at 361-500-9505 or jluna@spsmw.org to

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March 26, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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Sacramental Life

Weekend Worship Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Fr. Darvin is available to hear confessions on Saturdays 4:00-4:20 at Sacred Heart or before Sunday Mass by appointment.

The sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony are arranged by calling the Parish Office to schedule preparation.

We welcome new members. To enroll call the Parish Office or contact Barb Black: plc@shjth.org or 812-240-8092.

Ministries		
Date	March 26	April 2
Lector	Carol Cummins	Caleb Fleschner
Gift Bearers	Mangia Family	Steve & Pam Norris
Ushers	Jodie Stafford & Tom McKinney	Matt Breneman & Charlie Cummins
Counters	Sarah Wyrick & Sheila Stultz	Sue Heck & Karen Harris
Cleaners	Off week	Sheila Stultz & Linda Dubois
Coffee & Donuts	Off week	Parish Bake Sale

Mass Intentions:

March 26 Sr. Peggy Lynch SP
 April 2 Andrew Arnold

If you wish to have a mass said, the suggested stipend is \$10.00. We are now scheduling masses for May through July.

Fundraising

Next week we will kick off our Gift Card Raffle. You will receive a letter detailing our goals and how you can help. You can start by picking up your letter from church. Those not picked up will be mailed.

There will also be a Spring Vendors Fair on May 6. Flyers are available in the rack at the church entrance

Finance Report			
	Mar. 19	Budgeted	Additional Donations
Sunday Collection	\$1928	\$2308	Easter Flowers \$100
Galvin Fund Donations	\$	\$ 115	Catholic Relief Services \$317



Don't miss the Resurrection Egg Hunt next Sunday!

Our Religious Education Program will be hosting a Spirit Day at Chick-Fil-A on Wednesday April 26. Please consider going to Chick-Fil-A anytime that day and be sure to mention St. Mary's Spirit Day! Proceeds will be used toward Vacation Bible School costs.

Did You Know?

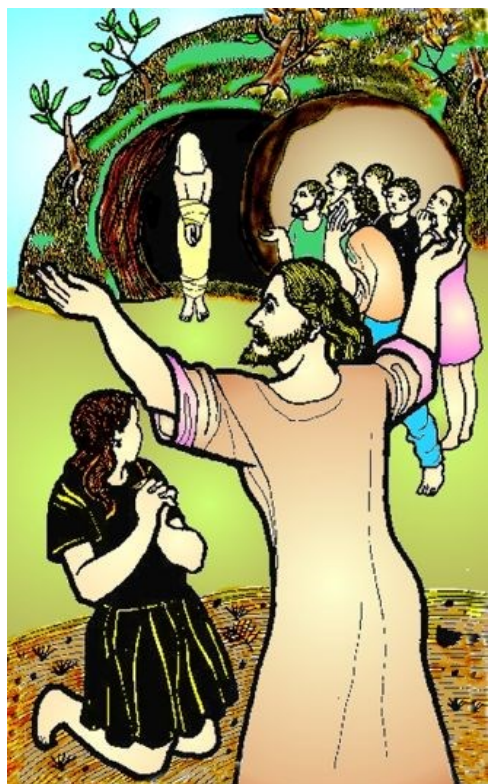
The Church uses three holy oils: the oil of the sick, the oil of the catechumens and the holy chrim oil. The first two are blessed and the chrim is consecrated by the archbishop during the annual Chrim Mass (April 4, 2023) at Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral.

The Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are pure olive oil. The Oil of the Sick is used for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick which can be administered at any time or place. The priest lays hands on the sick or elderly, says special prayers and anoints them by placing oil in the form of a cross on the forehead and hands. Through this sacrament God gives the sick person grace and strength to bear the illness or infirmity.

The Oil of the Catechumens is used to anoint both adults and infants prior to baptism.


Holy Chrim Oil is olive oil mixed with balsam and symbolized strength. The fragrant balsam represents the "aroma of Christ". Anointing with chrim oil signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is used to consecrate someone or something to God's service.

Chrim oil is used after a child's baptism and for the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is also used during the Sacrament of Holy Orders for the ordination of a priest or bishop. It is also used in the consecration of a church, blessing of an altar and the vessels used at Mass.



Prayers Please for:

Louise Arnold, Dick Stultz, Joe Mangia, John Kirkham, Jonnie Hooper, Ray Edwards, Mary Ann Whallon, Lou Ann Wake, Jim Callahan, John Heck, Terry Jatczak, Sr. Jane Iannaccone, Regina Crowell, Jane Frazier.



If you have people on the parish prayer list, please contact Barb to update her on their conditions.

Birthday Blessing to:

Steve Norris 3-25
 Tom McKinney 3-27
 Bryce Corbett 3-28
 Teresa Maher 3-30
 Morgan Ramsey 3-31

