

March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent
Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday	Mar. 10	5:00 p.m.	Richard Denning
Sunday	Mar. 11	8:00 a.m.	Anna Schutzenhofer
		10:00 a.m.	Jack Sauer
Monday	Mar. 12	8:00 a.m.	-----
Tuesday	Mar. 13	8:20 a.m.	Virginia Hankammer
Wednesday	Mar. 14	8:00 a.m.	Pauline Range
Thursday	Mar. 15	8:00 a.m.	Catholic Extension Society
Friday	Mar. 16	8:20 a.m.	Kenneth W. Vernier
Saturday	Mar. 17	5:00 p.m.	Gertrude Meehan
Sunday	Mar. 18	8:00 a.m.	Hilda Schaefer
		10:00 a.m.	Gary Feazel

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

The cluster parishes of Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, Holy Family and St. James will have a **Communal Penance Service here at St. James on Sunday, March 18** beginning at **3:00 p.m.** This is an opportunity to prepare for Holy Week and Easter by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. After a brief Scripture and Prayer Service, several priests will hear confessions.

SERVERS

Mar. 17	5:00 p.m.	Olivia Hinkle, Aubrey and Bryce Schaltenbrand
Mar. 18	8:00 a.m.	Regan Gerteisen
	10:00 a.m.	Nicole and Zoey Edmiaston, Gavin Sanders

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday	4:30 p.m.	Over 50
Monday	7:00 p.m.	School Board
Tuesday	4:30 p.m.	Quilting
	6:20 p.m.	PSR
	8:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Stations
Friday	2:30 p.m.	Stations led by Gr. 1 & 5
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Knights of Columbus
		Communion Breakfast
	3:00 p.m.	Communal Penance Service

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS
February 25, 2018

Loose	217.00
Adult Envelopes	7575.00

Black and Indian Missions	25.00
Cath. Relief Services	35.00
Easter	75.00
Easter Flowers	130.00
Holy Land	40.00
Sister Parish	80.00
Debt Reduction	397.00
Building Fund	112.00
School Endowment	45.00
Votive Candles	23.00

EARLY AND OFTEN

God acts with compassion, with mercy, with grace (and is grace). Early and often with love!

- *How will I love like Christ today?
- *To whom will I show compassion?
- *How will I be gracefully merciful?

PARISH NEWS

Special thank you to the students in Grades 2 and 6 and the Children's Choir for assisting at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Please note that on Tuesday, March 13, Mass will be celebrated at **8:20 a.m.** and on Wednesday, March 14, Mass will be celebrated at **8:00 a.m.**

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and on Friday 2:30 p.m.

Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. All who are 14 years of age or older should refrain from eating meat on these days.

During Lent items are collected for the Millstadt Food Pantry and Call for Help. To help with the collection a cross is in the back of church with hearts fastened to it. Please take one or more, purchase the items suggested and place them in the container in the back of church. Thank you.



The Spring Quilt/Cash Bingo will be held in the parish center on Sunday, March 25 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please fill in a basket for the Basket Boutique by using one of your own or a basket provided in the back of church. Baskets need to be handed in by March 18 or soon after. Please consider volunteering to help at the Bingo.

Anyone wishing to donate to the Easter Flower Fund, please use the envelope provided in your packet. The donation is due March 18. Thank you.

This week, we are taking up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief to struggling communities here and

around the world. An envelope is provided in your packet.

RICE BOWL-Encounter Andrise-We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community-and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit csrricebowls.org for more.



The Quilters would appreciate knowing how many parishioners want the Quilters to make their 2018 quilt Summer Picnic Quilt. It would be helpful if your payment of \$100 would be made by April 15. Cash or check made out to "St. James Quilters" should be inserted in an envelope marked "Quilters" and can be put in the collection basket. Be sure to include your name to receive credit for you donation. While this donation is ordinarily made on Solicitation Sunday it would be appreciated in advance as some of this money is also used to purchase finished "handmade" quilts. If you need further information contact Jovita Johns 476-1686.

Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Needs You!

Thank you to the households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church through your financial support of the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so. Please reflect prayerfully on how you and your family have been blessed and consider supporting this year's Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Its success depends on you!

NEEDED-YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS-If you are willing, please contact the rectory by using your email address, rectory@stjamesmillstadt.com . Thank you.

SCHOOL NEWS

The students in grades 2-8 will have an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, March 21.

OVER 50 CLUB

Over 50 Club will have the St. Pat's party this Sunday, March 11th. We will gather at 4:30 and eat at 5:00 with a meeting to follow.

The members will be going to the Senior Center on Mar. 12 (Roast Pork), Mar. 15 (Corned Beef), Mar. 21 (Chicken Tenders) and on Mar. 22 (BBQ Pork Steaks). If you plan to attend, call Darleen at 476-1542 or the Senior Center 476-3731.

SPIRITUAL/ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- * "I Thirst." Live Music and Story Event with Tatiana "Tajci" Cameron. Immaculate Conception, Columbia. Mar. 12. 7 PM. Free offering.
- *Mater Dei Winter Concert. Mater Dei Gym, Breese. Mar. 17. 7pm.
- *"We Were There" Way of the Cross. Our Lady of the Snows Church. Mar. 27. 7:30 PM.

SOCIALS, FESTIVALS AND MORE

- *Quilt Bingo. St. Liborius Parish held at American Legion Hall, St. Libory. Mar. 4. Doors open 11 AM. Bingo begins at 1 PM.
- *Noon Luncheon. St. Luke's Parish Center. Mar. 6. Play board games, cards and Bingo.
- *BBQ. Concordia UCC. Mar. 10. 11 AM-3 PM. Pork Steak, Bratwurst or Hot Dog Plate. Choice of two sides. Carry outs available.
- *Trivia Night/Silent Auction. Sponsored by Friends of the Old Millstadt Water Tower. St. James Parish Center. Mar. 10. Doors open 6:30. Trivia starts at 7 PM. Call Betty 476-7326 or email millstadtinman@gmail.com for info.
- *SVDP Dinner Theater. "No Gun Smoking." McCormick Center, Belleville. Mar. 10. Doors open 5:30 PM. For tickets call 394-0126.
- *Spaghetti Dinner. All You Can Eat. Trinity Lutheran, Millstadt. Mar. 11. 10:30 AM-3:00 PM.
- *Chicken Dinner. St. George, New Baden. March 11. 11AM-6 PM.
- *Quilt/Ham Bingo. St. John Baptist, Smithton. Mar. 11. Doors open 10:30 AM. Bingo at 1PM.
- *Rummage Sale. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Columbia. Mar. 17. 8AM-Noon.
- *Quilt/Cash Bingo. St. Joseph, Freeburg. Mar. 18. Lunch 11 AM Lightning Raffle 12:30. Bingo 1:30.
- *St. Patrick's Day Dinner. St. Stephen Church, Richwoods, MO. Mar. 18. Dinner served 11-3.
- *SGM Life Teen Fish Dinner. St. George, New Baden. 4-7PM.
- *Pancake/Sausage Breakfast. St. Joseph, Freeburg. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Mar. 25 7AM-12 Noon.