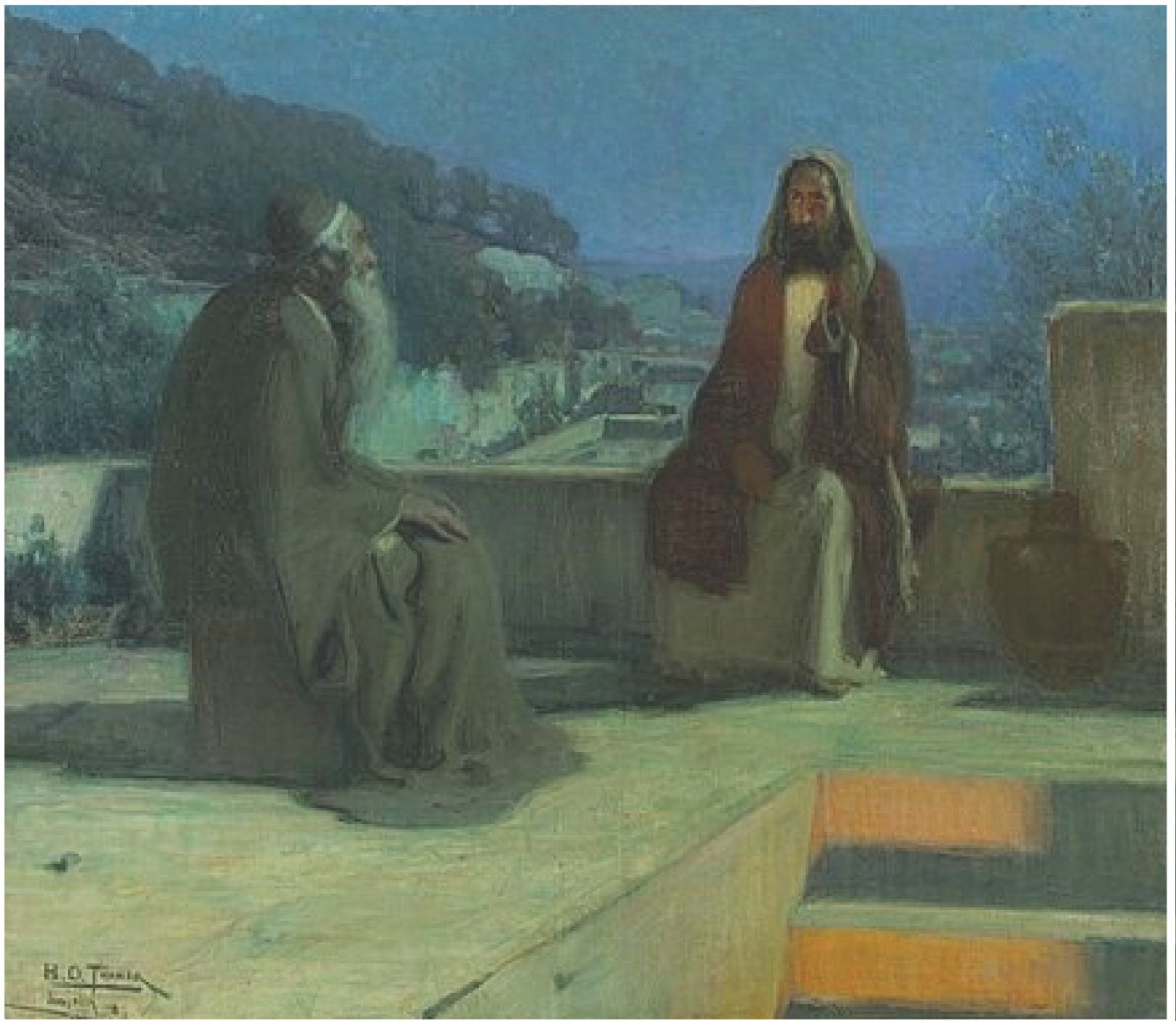


St. Mary's Church

303 W. St Mary's St. Minooka, IL



Henry Ossawa Tanner, *Nicodemus Visiting Christ*, 1899,
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts

March 10, 2024
4th Sunday of Lent

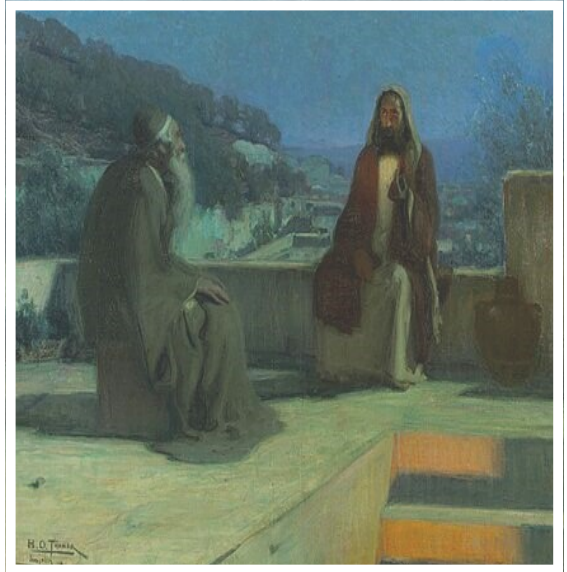
Meditations on Sunday Readings and Famous Art

Henry Ossawa Tanner, *Nicodemus Visiting Christ*, 1899, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts

In this image, Tanner employs light and darkness as theological symbols to reflect the gospel passage. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night, a prominent "ruler of the Jews" and Pharisee. Presumably, he does so out of fear of the Jews. Nicodemus engages in a mysterious conversation with Jesus, who illuminates him in a manner that prefigures catechumens being catechized and brought into the Church through baptism and the other sacraments of initiation. Being instructed in the ways of God illuminates our souls and creates space for God to dwell within us.

The backdrop of the image is bathed in blue moonlight, representing the darkness of the world. The primary source of light in this image emanates from the Sacred Heart of Jesus, illuminating the stairs. This illumination symbolizes the descent of the Son of Man from heaven to the cross, as depicted in today's Gospel. Jesus descends to the very depths of human experience to accomplish humanity's redemption. Ironically, this descent becomes the path to exaltation.

Nicodemus is a representative of us. We are invited out of darkness. Jesus is the only light which can bring us out of this darkness. Living with Him, illuminating us interiorly often means our own decent and crucifixion. This death with Christ in love, leads to resurrection with Him.



Fr. John

St. Mary's CCW invites all members of the Parish to attend Stations of the Cross Through the Eyes of Mary

Join us for this beautiful and meaningful presentation of the Stations of the Cross, focusing on the thoughts of our Holy Mother as she bears witness to her Son's suffering.

Thursday, March 14, 2024, 6:30 PM in the Church

Light refreshments to follow in the Parish Center.





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LENTEN FISH FRY IS BACK!



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Channahon, IL

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MARCH

23

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St. Mary's Grief Share Program

Monday evening parish center

Spring Session 04/1- 5/20

6:00 p.m - 7:30 p.m

To register call parish office

Mary 815-467-2233 or Kathy 467-4228



Lent and Easter Schedule



Recurring Events During Lent:

Weekend Masses:

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

Daily Mass:

Monday through Friday at 8:30am

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays at 9:00am at St. Mary's

Fridays at 12:00 PM & 6:30 PM at St. Ann's, Channahon

Confession:

Thursdays from 7:30am to 8:20am

Saturdays from 4:00pm to 4:45pm

Adoration:

Thursdays from 7:30am to 8:20am

Saturdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm

Holy Week Schedule:

Palm Sunday Masses - March 24, 2024:

7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

Confession with 6 priests present - March 26, 2024

Tuesday from 6:00pm to 7:00pm at St. Ann's, Channahon

Holy Thursday - March 28, 2024:

7:00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday - March 29, 2024:

3:00pm The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - March 30, 2024:

7:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday Masses - March 31, 2024:

7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

FAMILY FUN EVENT!!
EASTER EGG HUNT and PARTY

Sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women

Saturday, March 16th

10:00am – 12:00pm

Parish Center



Bring your own basket for eggs!

Area divided into age groups

The “hunt” starts at 10:30 for under 4 years

11:00am 5-7yr and 11:30 8 yr and up

Crafts, games, cookie decorating will be on going
until 12:00pm

The Easter Bunny will be there
for pictures so bring your camera!

	Mass Coordinator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
Saturday, March 16 5:00pm	Peg & Jim Furto	John Mooney	Jeanne Rapp John Mooney	Volunteer
Sunday, March 17 7:30am	Lucy Feeney	Rose Ruettiger	Marie Moretti Erin D'Angelo	Kevin Looney
Sunday, March 17 9:00am	Chris Gregory	Andrew Guzman	Sue Hulbert John Hulbert	Bridget Phillips
Sunday, March 17 11:00am	Kathy O'Hagan	Melina Lomeli	Jane Spray Kathy Williamson	Alex Folsom Sara Folsom

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9	5:00pm	+ Bill McDonough	Jim & Kathie Hibner
Sunday, March 10	7:30am	+ Timmy Harms Jr.	Deb & Bernie Bols
	9:00am	+ Cecilia Dollinger	John Hammel
	11:00am	Bishop Hicks & His Intentions	
Monday, March 11	8:30	+ Al & Marianne Keehl	The Family
Tuesday, March 12	8:30	+ Nancy Reichen	Peg Francisco
Wednesday, March 13	8:30	+ Mitzi Haley	Friends
Thursday, March 14	8:30	+ Ed & Helen Vercelli	The Family
Friday, March 15	8:30	+ Fr. Jim Lennon	Friends
Saturday, March 16	5:00	+ Russell & Marie Starks	The O'Hagan Family
Sunday, March 17	7:30	+Raymond & Audrey Tierney + Bill McDonough	The Family John & Sheri Horvat
	9:00	+ Al & Eileen McKenzie	The Family
	11:00	+ Bob Guedel Bishop Hicks Intentions	The Family



Man Does Not Live By Bread Alone

Homilies from Fr. John

To listen to Fr. John's
weekly homilies,
search "Honiotes" on any
major podcast app

Some Pictures from Our Corned Beef Dinner 2024



Delicious Desserts



The Quilters sold many tickets



Police & Firefighters
Special Intention
Leonard & Winona Bols

If you would like a
candle lit outside for a
Special Intention, please
call the Parish Office
At 815-467-2233.



Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish Family

Denise Tonarelli
Kimberly Gaydula
Paul Thien Phu
Bill Reed
Larry Goodwin
Karen Lombardo

Sara Lovell
Wren Wagoner
Baker Family
Bayley Webb
Aberie Skiba
Kathy Ly
Fred Lotarski

Lorenzo Benitez
Marlena Benitez
Judy Stafford
Ruth Kesselring
Olivia Arenella
Lisa Pelton

Robert Fonck
Marilyn Wilkens
Gerald Magolan
Joe Overbeck
Sheila Tonger

Jerry Moreno
Connie Hamilton
Jim Novotny
Ralph Westbrook
Phill Wizorek
John Prell

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email
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MASSES:

Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am (simple chant)
9am and 11am

Weekday - daily at 8:30am

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Wed 8am-4pm

Thurs- 10:30am-4:00pm

Fri- 8am-12pm

OFFICE PHONE: (815) 467-2233

NEW PARISHIONERS:

St. Mary's Parish warmly welcomes everyone to our community. Please call the Parish office to register at

815-467-2233 or

Office@stmarysminooka.com

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays at 4:00pm - 4:45pm

And upon request

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT:**

Thursdays - 7:30am-8:30am

Saturdays - 4:00pm-5:00

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

2nd & 4th Sunday of each Month

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Six months preparation required.

Visit the website for more information.

**SICK, HOMEBOUND AND
HOSPITAL VISITS:**

Contact the parish office if you would like communion, if you would like someone from St. Mary's to visit you in the hospital, or if we can help you in any other way. Privacy policies do not permit the hospital to contact us directly.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK - Please call the parish office at 815-467-2233.