

St. Mary's Church

303 St. Mary Street Minooka, IL



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**3rd Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024**

Meditations on Sunday Readings and Famous Art

"Christ Driving the Traders from the Temple" by: Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1566

While the artist behind this painting is uncertain, most speculate it was painted by Pieter Bruegel the Elder. The image is replete with action unfolding in and around the Jewish Second Temple. The Jewish Temple, destroyed by the Romans in 70 AD and never rebuilt, stood as the epicenter of Jewish religious, social, cultural, and economic life. Symbolically, the Temple was perceived as a microcosm of all creation.

Every element in the image revolves around Jesus. As God incarnate, Jesus serves as the central reference point in the entire created universe. He embodies the ordering principle of reality and initiates the reordering of creation beginning with the Temple. Statues of Elijah and Moses stand above Jesus, signifying their prophetic anticipation of the long-awaited Messiah, who would establish proper order in the cosmos.

Jesus is not depicted as angry, but rather carries a pleasantly prayerful demeanor. Amidst the chaos of the scene, he establishes proper order. Jesus is understood to properly order humanity's relationship with both God and man in his very person as the God-man. To fulfill this objective, Jesus initiates the restoration of the Holy by removing the profane and replacing it with Himself.

Vicious and immoral acts litter the Temple area, symbolizing the intrusion of the unholy into the sacred space. The presence of swine on the right side of the painting further symbolizes the displacement of God by the profane. When Jesus points to the statue of Elijah with his staff, we recall Elijah's exorcism of the false prophets of Baal from Israel.



Fr. Tom

Stations of the Cross every Friday Morning after 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Minooka
Stations of the Cross every Friday at Noon and 6:30pm at St Ann's, Channahon



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

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

St. Mary's Catholic Church
**CORNERED BEEF &
CABBAGE DINNER**

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER



SUNDAY

PARISH CENTER

300 W. ST. MARY'S ST.
MINOOKA, IL 60447

MARCH 3, 2024

QUILTERS' RAFFLE

\$1 per ticket & for \$6

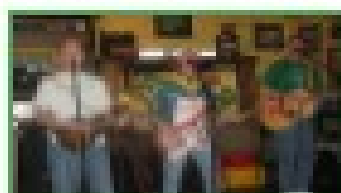
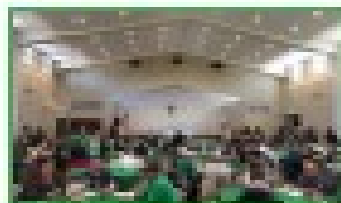
*'SEASON'S of
St. Mary's'*

SERVING FROM NOON - 6:00PM

Great food & desserts,

LOCAL CRAFT BEER,

WINE & BOTTLED WATER AVAILABLE FOR DONATION



*Great line up of Irish Music and
entertainment all afternoon!*

Special Thank You To:

Jewel-Osco

FAMILY FUN EVENT!!

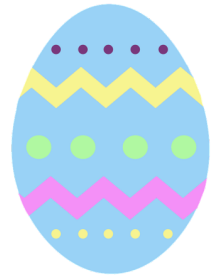
EASTER EGG HUNT and PARTY

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!

Easter Bunny Needs Help!!

The Easter Bunny is asking for
Easter Candy donations by
March 3rd. SMALL WRAPPED candy
may be dropped off at
the back of church
or
at the KC February Breakfast.





**Knights of
Columbus**

CHANNAHON COUNCIL 12863 ST. ANN PARISH

LENTEN FISH FRY IS BACK!



— EVERY FRIDAY —

**February 16TH Through March 22ND
4:00 to 7:00 PM**

**St. Ann Parish Hall
24500 S. Navajo Drive
Channahon, IL**

	Mass Coordinator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
Saturday, March 9 5:00pm	Pat Favero Jeanne Rapp	Pete Quirk	Mike Healy Marie Mooney	Brooklyn Lehner
Sunday, March 10 7:30am	Nita Caruso	Terry Danek	Cindy Creasman Mary Ann Lofky	Bridget Phillips
Sunday, March 10 9:00am	John & Sue Hulbert	Sue Gregory	Vic DelMastro Meagen Galloway	Alex Folsom Sara Folsom
Sunday, March 10 11:00am	Kathy Williamson	Kelly Klepec	Glenda Smith Jessica Folsom	Teagan Saelens

Entering Holy Week through the Spiritual Exercises



BELLARMINE

Jesuit Retreat House

March 22-24, 2024

**Ignatian, Silent
Weekend Retreat for Men
(Palm Sunday)**

Our retreat, ending on Palm Sunday, will prepare us to enter Holy Week and engage the graces of the upcoming Triduum.

The *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius will provide us path for this journey.



Retreat Leader: Fr. Mark Carr, SJ
Executive Director of the Jesuit Retreat
House on Lake Winnebago (Oshkosh, WI)



Scan the
QR Code to
register!



847-381-1261 | JesuitRetreat.org

Two Scholarship Opportunities from the Council of Catholic Women

The Bishop Blanchette Scholarship is for students attending a Catholic High School in the Joliet Diocese. 8 -11 graders may apply. Parents MUST complete FACTS online.

The deadline to return the application packet to the Parish Office is March 27th.

The Fr. John Sebahar Servant Leadership Award is based on service and no financial information is needed.

It's for graduating high school Seniors going on to college.

The deadline for this application is due by March 27th.

Both of these Scholarship Applications are available to pick up on the Parish Office Porch.

Any questions call Kathy at (815) 941-4419



Bes-TEA Party Celebrating Friendship



CCW 3rd Annual Tea Party

Sunday, April 14 1:00 – 3:00pm

Doors open at 12:30p

Sweet treats, finger sandwiches,
cheese and crackers, and fruit.

Beverages will be a variety of tea, ice tea,
coffee and pink lemonade.

Midwest Chorus will entertain us!

Gather all the important girls and women in your life and come celebrate with them at our 3rd Annual Tea Party. We will have Basket Raffles and Split the Pot

Wear a hat and get a free raffle ticket!!

Tickets go on sale on March 10th at Donut Sunday
Deadline for tickets is April 7th or until sold out

No tickets will be sold at the door.

Ticket prices: 14 year – and up \$10.00

13 year – 5 year \$5.00

4 and under Free

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



Monday - Wednesday & Friday
Rosary at 8:00am

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday March 2	5:00pm	+Gary Stith	The Family
Sunday, March 3	7:30am	+Tom Walsh	Nita Caruso
		Megan & Baby	
	9:00am	+Francis R. Dollinger	St. Mary's Church
	11:00am	+Ken Kinsella	Debbie Jo & Family
Monday, March 4	8:30am	Parishioners	
Tuesday, March 5	8:30am	+Harriet McDonald	Douglas & Pamela Punke
Wednesday, March 6	8:30am	+Sr. Rosemary Small	
Thursday, March 7	8:30am	+Mitzi Haley	
Friday, March 8	8:30am	+Ray & Pauline Maubach	The Family
		+Bill Stafford	The Family
Saturday, March 9	5:00pm	+Bill McDonough	Jim & Kathie Hibner
Sunday, March 10	7:30am	+Timmy Harms Jr. + William Chivatero	Deb & Bernie Bols Dave & June Battey
	9:00am	+Cecelia Dollinger	John Hammel
	11:00am	Bishop Hicks & His Intentions	



Scout Sunday
February 25th



CMAA

Your gift to CMAA makes an impact!

If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! If we all join together, we can meet our parish's goal of \$45,300. Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly matters and makes a difference.

If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can support the CMAA this year to help those in need throughout our diocese, *For the Glory of God*. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org

Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70 percent of the amount over goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing!

Collection Totals for the Weekend of: Feb 17/18, 2024
Collections are counted bi-weekly

		2/10-2/11	2/17-2/18	
	Collected	Online	Online	Total
Weekly Offering	\$10,221.00	\$2,377.00	\$3,509.00	\$16,107.00
Foundation for Faith	\$16.00	\$65.00	\$570.00	\$651.00
Major Maintenance	\$426.00	\$50.00	\$95.00	\$571.00
Needy in Community	\$311.00	\$120.00	\$70.00	\$501.00
YTD Weekly Offering Collected	\$298,752.50			
YTD Weekly Offering Needed	\$301,999.90			



Police & Firefighters
 Special Intention

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
 Cheryl Goodwin

Jerry Moreno
 Connie Hamilton
 Jim Novotny
 Ralph Westbrook
 Phill Wizorek
 Special Intention

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email
office@stmarysminooka.com or call the parish office at 815-467-2233.

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<p><u>MASSES:</u> Saturday- 5:00pm Sunday- 7:30am (simple chant) 9am and 11am Weekday - daily at 8:30am <u>OFFICE HOURS:</u> Mon-Wed 8am-4pm Thurs- 10:30am-4:00pm Fri- 8am-12pm <u>OFFICE PHONE:</u> (815) 467-2233 <u>NEW PARISHIONERS:</u> St. Mary's Parish warmly welcomes everyone to our community. Please call the</p>	<p>Parish office to register at 815-467-2233 or Office@stmarysminooka.com <u>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:</u> Saturdays at 4:00pm - 4:45pm And upon request <u>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED</u> <u>SACRAMENT:</u> Thursdays - 7:30am-8:30am Saturdays - 4:00pm-5:00 <u>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:</u> 2nd & 4th Sunday of each Month <u>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:</u></p>	<p><i>Six months preparation required.</i> <i>Visit the website for more information.</i> <u>SICK, HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITAL VISITS:</u> 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. <u>ANNOINTING OF THE SICK</u> - Please call the parish office at 815-467-2233.</p>