**COLLECTION** – Feb 25: Env \$1083; Plate \$316; Votive \$21=\$1420

Ministry Schedule	Acolyte	Lector	Server
Sat Mar 09	Steve Conroy	Lloyd Ogorzolka	
Sun Mar 10	Roger Buschkoette	r Denise McConville	Braxton/Hunter
Sat Mar 16	Tim Cornwell	Skip Marsh	
Sun Mar 17	Jack Ryan	Millie Cuellar	Brody/Callan
Sat Mar 23	Tom Davidson	Dale Stritt/Lloyd O	
Palm Sun Mar 24	Rick Teel	Denise M/Rick M	Gage/Joseph

Date	Servers of Coffee and	Roll Runner	
Mar 10	Les/Deanna Schmidt	Rick/Ann Teel	Mike/Millie
Mar 17	Tim/Janet Cornwell	Shelly/Shawn Daffer	Gale/Claudia
Mar 24	Lloyd/Mary Ogorzolka	Dale Stritt	Dick/Jane

## Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm

**Prayer Intentions:** Eugene Thomas (Peach); Jim Helm; Elizabeth Conely; Riley Cure; Nolan Davidson; Jeff Dudensing (deployed in Egypt)

Sisters Vocation and Seminary Prayer List: Please pray for seminary Tyler Johnson

The Knights of Columbus Scholarship is available to boys that will graduate in 2024. Application must be completed and returned by April 15, 2024. Contact the guidance Counselor at South West High School.

**Senior Girls: Don't forget to apply for your Scholarship**. Pick up your application at the Guidance Counselor's Office at South West High School. Directions on the application. To be considered, application MUST be turned in on or before April 1st.

**54 Day Novena For Life, Feb 14 Ash Wednesday through April 7 Divine Mercy Sunday.** The first 27 days are in petition for conversion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and protection of life in Nebraska. The final 27 days are in thanksgiving, including the final nine day Divine Mercy novena from March 29 Good Friday to April 7 Divine Mercy Sunday. Make the novena intentions as part of your daily rosary. Join many participating organizations, businesses, and ministries across Nebraska. Prayer and fasting is our most effective way to stop the "abortion rights" amendment collecting signatures for the November ballot. We are begging God for mercy, and His inspiration for action. Please join us and learn more at <a href="https://www.54DayNovenaForLife.com">www.54DayNovenaForLife.com</a>.

First Sunday Prayer right after Mass this Sunday, March 3rd

### **Meetings and Events**

March 03 – First Sunday Prayer after mass

March 16 & 23 – Easter Cleaning Days

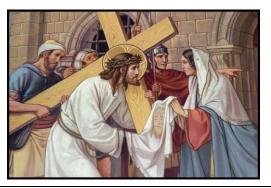
March 24 – Palm Sunday

March 29 – Good Friday

March 31 – Easter

April 1 – Senior Girls Scholarship Deadline

April 15 – Senior Boys Scholarship Deadline



Jason and Stephanie Neseth were chosen as the family of the year, at the Knights of Columbus valentine party. They were married at St. Catherine's on Nov 27, 2004. Jason and Stephanie have five lovely daughters, Elizabeth, Natalie, Abigail, Lorraine and Monica. Jason is a member of the Knights of Columbus, responsible for the Knights Free Throw competition held each year. Jason and Steph also teach 11 and 12 CCD. Stephanie was also a big help with the Church Directory that was completed last year. Congratulations Jaxon and Stephanie.

Charles Tines was also chosen as the Knight of the year. He is the Treasure for the Knights of Columbus.

**CLEANING DAY BEFORE EASTER:** March 16th & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. **Need lots of help**: welcoming: Women - Men – Children. May bring cleaning supplies and rags.

Myrna is beginning work on the **Coffee and Rolls schedule** for the next year. Please contact her if you would like to be added to this list of volunteers to serve coffee and rolls. If you are currently on the list, she will assume you are willing to continue to serve. Also, due to the retirement of one of our roll runner volunteers, we are in need of a new volunteer. Call or text Myrna at 308-350-0060 for more information.

**St Patrick's Legion of Mary** is hosting a video on Our Lady of Akita, by Father Chris Alar of the Marian Fathers, Stockbridge MA, in the church basement, March 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:30 pm. Everyone is Welcome. Refreshments provided.

Attention Junior High, High School, and Adults! Please contact Debbie if you are interested in singing for Easter choir. 308-340-8441

#### **Pastor's Notes:**

Thanks to all the people who are going to daily Mass. This is a great way to use the time in our "Lenten spring" to get ready to celebrate the Paschal Mystery in Holy Week. Stations of the Cross are also a great practice, especially during this time. We have Stations with the CCD students at 5:30 on Wednesdays and at 7 P.M. on Fridays during Lent. If school is cancelled due to weather, the Wednesday Stations are also cancelled. God bless you all!

We abstain from flesh (at least land animal flesh) on the Fridays of Lent because it is the day that the Word Who became Flesh and made His dwelling among us died for all flesh (especially the human race). All who are 14 years of age and over are expected to observe this special law of the Church. It is one of those things--as those Catholics who are old enough to remember abstinence on every Friday of the year will recall--that made us feel that we belonged to something special (the Church) and that we had an important part to play. That part has not changed even though the laws of fast and abstinence have been greatly relaxed in the past fifty years or so. Fasting and abstinence are our way of sharing in the Passion of the Lord, Who gave Himself for us. As Fr. John Prachar (the pastor here from 1980-91) used to say—"Have a miserable Lent, so that you will have a glorious Easter." It does not have to be "miserable" in the sense of being unhappy, but it does mean entering into the spirit of being one of the "little ones," the "poor ones" who will inherit the Kingdom of God.

Thanks to Lloyd Ogorzolka for changing a filter in the rectory and to Skip Marsh and Roger Buschkoetter for installing a handrail in the "upper regions" of the church so that the people using the choir loft will have some good support. They are also working on putting a door in the confessional, to keep us in line with diocesan and universal guidelines for confessionals. We will still have the option of "face-to-face," but not "knee-to-knee." The idea is to protect both priest and penitent from any awkward or questionable behavior—not that any of us now would ever be guilty of that, but we need to look to the future always.

# St. Catherine's Catholic Parish

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Parish website: https://www.stcatherineindianola.org
Online Giving: https://www.osvhub.com/stcatherineindianola/funds (new address)
Parish Hall 308-364-2228

Mass Schedule: Sat 5pm Sun 9am Confessions: Sat 3:30-4:30pm Sun 8:15-8:45 or on request

**Parish Council Members:** Skip Marsh, Steve Conroy, Janet Cornwell, Kyle Teel, Rick McConville, Roger Buschkoetter, Lloyd Ogorzolka and Nanci Stritt.

Altar Society, meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun, 10:15 am, Knights of Columbus, meets 2nd Sun, 10:15 am

Misa, Domingo- 4:00pm, Iglesia de San Patricio, McCook Fr Lorenz 308-414-1195

**Weddings** - Call 8 months in advance (Engaged Encounter weekend and Fertility Care required)

**Fertility Care Instructors:** *McCook* Kate Siegfried, 345-5812

ABC Pregnancy Help Center, McCook- 308-350-0126

**Grief Support Group** (Community Hospital, McCook) 308-344-2650.

**Newcomers:** If you have moved into our parish, please register by filling out a form in back of Church, or call the rectory at 308-364-2428.

# 3rd Sunday of Lent- March 3, 2024

#### DAY DATE TIME MASS INTENTION 03/02 5:00pm People of the parish 03/03 9:00am St. Catherine Altar Society Sun. L&D. 03/04 7:30am Vonda Malleck Parrott + Mon. Tues. 03/05 7:30am Dennis Malleck + 03/06 6:30pm Spencer Neely + Wed. Thurs. 03/07 7:30am Marilyn Vontz + Fri. 03/08 7:30am Dan Linegar + 03/09 5:00pm Don High + Sat.

03/10 9:00am People of the parish

Sun.

