

March 9 & 10 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

Many of us are committed to certain Lenten practices this holy season. Perhaps we are working to add more or certain types of prayer into our faith life. Perhaps we have given something up. Whatever they are, each could be categorized as a certain type of gift. We are giving God our time or giving up something out of love for him. Any good Lenten practice is, in some way, a giving of ourselves, our desires, our effort, to God.

It is but a small gesture of love in return for the love we have been given. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. Let us be clear. God does not "need" anything from us, but he wants us. He created us, he loves us, and he desires to be in relationship with us for eternity.

And so our Church asks us to offer these gifts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to him. Why?

One reason is that these gifts are acts of love. They are acts of relationship. Just as a child gives a parent a thousand gifts – wilted dandelions, scraps of paper, or bits of nature found outside – it is not the gift that matters, but the love with which it is given. The parent does not need that half a seashell, but oh, the love that it contains! These gifts are beautiful and good, not for any utilitarian value, but because of the way they bind us together in relationship.

Another reason we are asked to offer these gifts is this: Anything we give to God rebounds back to us, transformed by his perfect goodness. Anything we give to God is poured back out on earth, filled with his glory. Therefore, our small spiritual sacrifices can be poured back out on us and others for the sanctification of the world.

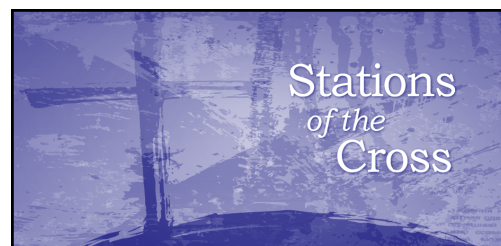
One final reason we offer our humble gifts to God is simply gratitude. We recognize that all is gift. As the Letter to the Ephesians reminds us, God has poured out the immeasurable riches of his grace. It is not from you; it is the gift of God. And so, in gratitude, we offer back what was given to us. We recognize the source of all these good things, the source of strength who helps us reject any bad things we are giving up, and we joyfully draw near to the giver of all these good gifts in the spiritual practices we take up in this season.

As we approach the most precious of all of these gifts in this Eucharist, may we be strengthened for our Lenten journey. May we be filled with the gratitude and the love which can strengthen us in our Lenten practices. And may we be drawn closer to God who loved us so much that he gave us his only Son.

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You can find all the weekday and weekend Mass times at: pastorate7.com

Pastorate 7 Stations of the Cross Lenten Schedule 2024



Holy Family:

*Friday after 9:15 am Mass led by priest

Sacred Heart:

*Tuesdays in Lent after 5:15 pm Mass led by priest *Fridays in Lent at 2:20 pm led by SHS

St Joseph:

*Thursdays in Lent after 5:15 pm Mass led by priest *Fridays in Lent at 2:20 pm led by SJS

St. Cecilia:

*Tuesdays in Lent after 5:15 pm Mass priest or lay led *Fridays in Lent at 3:00 pm priest or lay led

Lenten Communal Penance: Saturday, March 16, 2024 9:00 am at St. Cecilia following 8:15 am Mass. All priests will be present.



Pastorate 7 Holy Week/Easter 2024 Schedule

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper March 28, 2024

Sacred Heart - 7:00 pm w/ adoration at altar of repose till midnight St. Cecilia - 7:00 pm w/ adoration at altar of repose till midnight St. Joseph - 7:00 pm w/ adoration at altar of repose till 10:00 pm

Good Friday service, Passion and Veneration of the Cross March 29, 2024

Holy Angels - 12:30 pm Sacred Heart - 12:00 pm and 3:00 pm (Spanish) St. Joseph - 12:15 pm St. Cecilia - 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm Solemn Stations of the Cross (with multiple confessors available)

All Pastorate Easter Vigil March 30, 2024

St. Cecilia 8:00 pm with combined Initiation Rites

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

Holy Angels - 8:00 am am Sacred Heart- 8:00 am and 10:30am St. Cecilia - 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 6:00 pm (Spanish) St. Joseph -7:30 am and 10:00 am

Holy Angels Parish Masses This Week

Tue 3/12 Holy Family 9:00 am Adoration
Fri 3/15 Holy Family 9:15 am Mass-Anton & Magdelana Zimmermann Stations of the Cross after Mass Holy Family 10:00 am Confessions
Sat 3/16 Our Lady of Refuge Chapel, Sacred Heart Million of Monicas 9:00 am Holy Family 3:00 pm Confessions Holy Family 4:00 pm Mass-All Parents Under Stress

Pastorate 7 Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Masses

3:00 pm Confession - Holy Family, La Valle 4:00 pm Mass - Holy Family, La Valle 4:30 pm Mass - St. Joseph, Baraboo 5:30 pm Mass - St. Cecilia, WI Dells
Sunday Schedule
7:30 am Mass - St. Joseph, Baraboo 8:00 am Mass - Sacred Heart, Reedsburg 8:00 am Mass - St. Cecilia, WI Dells 10:00 am Mass - St. Cecilia, WI Dells 10:00 am Mass - St. Joseph, Baraboo 10:30 am Mass - Sacred Heart, Reedsburg 3:00 pm Mass (Polish TBD) - St. Cecilia, WI Dells 6:00 pm Mass (Spanish) - St. Cecilia, WI Dells

Helping Christians in the Holy Land

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please consider what you can do to help.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org
Friday, March 29, 2024 Good Friday service, Passion and Veneration of the Cross will be at Holy Angels, Holy Family, La Valle at 12:30 pm.

Parish Support 3/22024 Holy Angels

Offertory \$3103.00

Thank you.

Rice Bowl: Increasing Disasters, Increasing Resilience

Located in Southeast Asia between the Pacific and Indian Oceans, Indonesia has beautiful beaches, diverse cultures and the world's fourth largest population. Many of the country's more than 17,000 islands are in the Ring of Fire, where volcanic eruptions and earthquakes are common. Climate-related disasters such as cyclones are also becoming more frequent and destructive. Find out how—with the support of Catholic Relief Services and generous communities like yours—Evita and her disaster preparedness group are working to keep their community safe. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope.

Return your Rice Bowl by Saturday, March 23, be sure you print your name & address on the Rice Bowl so we can include it in your 2024 contribution statement.

Healing from Abortion

Upcoming retreat: March 15-17. Confidential. Contact Mary: rachel@madisondiocese.org or 608-821-3177. Visit: www.madisondiocese.org/rachel For women or men who struggle after an abortion.

Reedsburg Area Helping Hands Easter Collection at Holy Family, La Valle Drop Off Date: No later than Monday, March 18, 2024. Hygiene and Easter Basket items needed.

Euchre Card Party St. Joseph, Baraboo



Sunday, March 17, 2024 at 1:00 pm. St. Joseph's School Gym, 310 Second Street. \$3.00 admission, snacks available. Doors open at 12:30 pm. Sponsored by St. Joe's CCW. Proceeds Benefit Parish Projects Be sure to join us!




Angel Farmer Network Sunday, March 17 Reedsburg's CAL Center Auditorium 5 Year Reception & The S Word Film

Farmer Angel Network has been in existence 5 years. Join us for a reception, program and view The S Word film. The Farmer Angel Network builds strong rural communities that support agriculture by providing education, resources, and fellowship with a focus on mental wellness and suicide prevention in and around Sauk County, Wisconsin.

Registration closes March 17, 2024, 1:00 pm

Register by at: https://www.farmerangelnetwork.com/event-details-registration/5-year-reception

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Saturday
Confession 3:00 pm Holy Family, La Valle
Mass 4:00 pm Holy Family, La Valle

Weekday Mass Schedule
Friday
Confession 8:30 am Holy Family
Mass 9:15 am Holy Family, La Valle



Sacraments

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