

# One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

(Matthew 4:4b)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

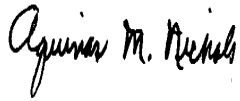
In today's holy Gospel we have the account of the Lord's interaction with the devil. The devil tries to tempt the Lord away from his mission by appealing to his mere human appetites. But the Lord resists the devil and shows us that it is also possible for us, with God's grace, to overcome the snares and wickedness of the great Tempter. During this holy season let us carefully prepare ourselves to enter into the mysteries of our new life in Christ. Let us reform our lives where we need to, and with God's grace let us strive for a deeper awareness of the presence of God in our lives.

Come and join us for our Fish Fry Suppers on the Fridays of Lent. These will be followed by the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. It is an excellent way to support the parish and also to deepen our spiritual lives as we meditate on the Lord's Passion.

Recently someone set up a false E-Mail account in my name, even including my picture, which they got off the diocesan website. They were asking for gift cards and/or money. Please know that I will **NEVER** solicit **ANYTHING** from any parishioner using an E-Mail. If you receive any such request like this on the internet please delete it and do not respond to it. A number of other priests in the diocese have had the same thing happen to them. If I need anything from any parishioner I will speak to you in person by phone or face to face.

Let us journey with the Lord towards Easter in this holy season. May he bless you with many graces!

Devotedly in the Lord,



Pastor

## WEEKLY INCOME – 3/3/19

**Total - \$19,060.97**

**Need - \$21,198.08**

**Year to Date (YTD) – Fiscal Year July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019**

**YTD Total - \$729,416.71**

**YTD Need - \$763,130.88**

**REMAINING ELEVATOR DEBT: \$164,830.00**

**DEBT TO FOUNDATION: \$24,000.00**

**LOST & FOUND:** If anyone has seen a large grey Missal titled, "Saint Edmund Campion Missal & Hymnal" in the Sacristy or Adoration Chapel please call John at 515-333-8600. It was left in the Sacristy last Fall and was never returned.

**THANK YOU:** To Beverly Chicchelly for donating the Kings Cakes for the door prize at the Mardi Gras Party last Tuesday, March 5. The winners of the cakes were Steve Tatz and Kathryn Mosby. A big thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the event and to all those who attended. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the wonderful Jazz band. Plan for it again next year!!

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MARCH 9 TO MARCH 17

### TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

**SAT 09**    4:00PM    Intentions of Charlotte Brien  
              6:00PM    Spanish Mass

**SUN 10**    8:30AM    +Kathryn Mauro  
              10:30AM    Parish & Benefactors

**MON 11**    12:00PM    +Anna & Mylo Leporte

**TUE 12**    12:00PM    +Deery & Robson Families

**WED 13**    12:00PM    +Marietta Blanchet

**THU 14**    12:00PM    +Sharon Blacksmith-Sakaguchi

**FRI 15**    12:00PM    +Charles Gilmore  
              7:00PM    **Stations of the Cross**

**SAT 16**    9:00AM    +Brenda Smith

**(Vigil Mass)**  
              4:00PM    +Lucille Molloy

**SUN 17**    8:30AM    Parish & Benefactors  
              10:30AM    +Mark Morris

**THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:**  
**[www.BasilicaofStJohn.org](http://www.BasilicaofStJohn.org) and click on the link...**  
..... "LIVE TELECAST" tab

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Do you know someone who is in need of prayer? The Basilica Prayer Chain can help. To request prayers email Deacon Luke Tieskoetter at tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com or Terri at 321-2743 or sinc2@aol.com.

### **CATECHISM CORNER:**

*Question: How does the laity participate in the kingly office?*

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church. (Look for the answer in next weeks bulletin)

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Congratulations to Meztly Rojas-Gardono, Ja'Voni Jackson, Henry Selgrade, Zaidon McGregor, Eliana McGregor, Lana Truong, & Yareli Colin and their families on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** Jessica Heinz, John Paul Sevcik, David Reising, Katelyn Stein, Austin Quick, Josefa Tapiz, Janeth Adame, Michael Truong & Trang Tran and Mateso Mutula.



*The Basilica of St. John*  
*First Sunday of Lent*  
*March 10, 2019*

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Life



**YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK**  
**MARCH 11 THRU MARCH 17**

MON 9:00AM Adoration Begins@  
 11 4:00PM Organ Practice  
 6:30PM RCIA\*\*  
 5:30PM Finance Council Meeting%  
 6:30PM KC Council Meeting+

TUE 8:00AM Organ Practice+++  
 12 10:00AM Youth Choir  
 5:00PM H.S. Humanities Class\*\*  
 5:00PM Organ Practice+++  
 6:30PM Divine Mercy Study+

WED 9:00AM Adoration Begins@  
 13 9:00AM Catholic School House\*\*  
 10:00 AM Bible Study+  
 6:15PM Religious Ed.\*\*+  
 7:30PM St. Jude's R.E.\*\*+

THU 8:00AM Organ Practice  
 14 10:00AM Catechesis Class\*\*  
 10:00AM Divine Mercy Study\*\*  
 10:30AM Organ Practice+++  
 5:45PM Choir Room in use+++  
 7:00PM Choir Practice+++

FRI 9:00AM Adoration Begins@  
 15 9:30AM H.S. Humanities Class\*\*  
**4:45PM Lenten Fish Fry until 6:45PM**  
 6:30PM Hispanic Baptism Class\*\*

SAT 8:30AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy##  
 16 10:00AM Secular Franciscan Meeting\*\*

SUN 8:00AM Vietnamese Prayer Group+  
 17 12:00PM Pastoral Council Meeting+

**Daily Scripture Readings for the week of March 11, 2019:**

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46  
**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15  
**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32  
**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12  
**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26  
**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48  
**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

**LIFELINES:** A *human pesticide*, the chemical **ABORTION** drug **RU486**, is produced by the *same company* which developed **ZYKLON-B**, the chemical used by **NAZIS** to mass-kill millions of Jews and others in **GAS CHAMBERS** during **World War II**. "*Lime 5, Exploited by Choice*", Mark Crutcher/ EWTN

**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL:** Parent/student/teacher conferences will be held this week on March 13 and 14. If you have not received notification of a conference time, please call Mrs. Lechuga at the school to make an appointment. Classes will be dismissed early at 1:00pm on Thursday, March 14 for conferences. Please be at the school to pick up your child at that time. There will be no school on Friday, March 15. There will be no classes March 18 through 25. Students and staff are on Spring Break. Classes will resume Tuesday, March 26, 8:00 a.m. Holy Family staff and students celebrate Lent with weekly prayer services each Monday morning at 8:15am in the school gym. Parents are welcome to join us on our Lenten journey.

**THANK YOU:** The Knights of Columbus, Council #644 at St. John's would like to extend a huge thank you for your participation in the InnerVisions Baby Bottle Campaign, which raised over \$4,136!! A special thanks to Selgrade Construction for matching the first \$500 towards the campaign!! This will go a long way in helping the women and babies who are served by the compassionate medical staff at InnerVisions on a daily basis. If you have any additional bottles, please deliver them directly to InnerVisions HealthCare in West Des Moines. God bless you for your generosity!

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**Annual Diocesan Appeal:** Thank you to the families who have made a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please prayerfully consider doing so. Your gift can make a real difference by supporting the healthcare costs for our active and retired priests, faith formation and education of our youth plus the education of our future priests who are in the seminary right now. Pledge cards and envelopes are available in the pews. They can be placed in the collection basket, brought to our parish office, or mailed to our parish. Thank you for your generosity!

**Theology on Tap:** Chances are someone you know is struggling with or has struggled with the cross of infertility, secondary infertility, miscarriage or infant loss. It can be isolating and confusing. What are the best medical options? What does the Catholic Church teach about these heartbreaking topics? How can you help support your family and friends who are struggling? Come hear Elisabeth Sheaff, a teacher at Dowling Catholic High School, address these issues at Theology on Tap this Thursday, March 14 at the Sherwood Forest Event Center on Hickman Road in Windsor Heights. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., presentation is at 7p.m, Q&A and social follow. Questions? Contact Justin at [jwhite@dmdiocese.org](mailto:jwhite@dmdiocese.org) or 515-237-5098.

**Summer Mission Trip:** If you know a teenager looking for a unique way to spend a week this summer, invite them to consider Prayer & Action. Launching this summer right here in our diocese, Prayer & Action is a week of faith and service to those most in need in our communities. Interested in learning more? Contact Justin White at 515-237-5098 or email him at [jwhite@dmdiocese.org](mailto:jwhite@dmdiocese.org).

**Concert & Book Tour "I Will Bring You Home":** Join us and David Haas for this extraordinary event on May 2, 2019 at Saint Pius X Catholic Church, 3663 66th Street Urbandale, Ia. David will take you on a musical Journey of songs and reflections born from over 40 years of liturgical composition. Visit [davidhaas.us/calendar/](http://davidhaas.us/calendar/) to see when David will be near you! A free will offering will be accepted at the door.

**Seminary Visits Planned:** If you've been thinking about whether you're called to be a priest, take the time to visit a seminary and talk with our seminarians. Father Ross Parker is taking men ages 16-24 to visit Conception Seminary in Missouri April 6- 8. Contact Father Ross at [vocations@dmdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@dmdiocese.org) or 515-237-5050 and tell him you'd like to come along!