

St. John Vianney Church

March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Lent



Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA, Pastor

Fr. Chris Haake, Parochial Vicar

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM Wednesday 5:00 PM-(during Lent)

Reconciliation: Sunday 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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Mass Sunday 5:00 PM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Mar 17 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Jim Dobbels	By: Bruce Beuseling Family
Mar 20 5:00 PM Note time change	For: Richard Nichols	By: Dwaine & Janice VanMeenen
Mar 24 8:00 AM Sunday	For: All the Parishioners of the St. John Vianney Parish	
Mar 27 5:00 PM Note time change	For: Joan Dobbels	By: Carol Dobbels

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for March 17- March 27, 2024

Sunday, March 17 8:00 AM
 Extra Min: Chris DeKezel & Mary Kay Newman
 Lector: Trent Taber
 Servers: John & Nora Gibson

Wednesday, March 20 5:00 PM **Note time change during Lent**
 Lector & Server Volunteers

Sunday, March 24 8:00 AM
 Extra Min: Don & Sharon Hulin
 Lector: Bill Taylor
 Servers: Jack Gibson & Suzy Mings

Wednesday, March 27 5:00 PM **Note time change during Lent**
 Lector & Server Volunteers

USHERS

March: Randy Borkgren & Christian Jackson
 April: George Bowman & Mark Skelton

COUNTERS

March: Joe Borkgren & Ron Koenigs
 April: Brian Boberg & Carol Dobbels

Other Weekday Masses:

Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday

For Prayer Chain requests contact:

Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627

Dates to Remember:

Today: Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

Deadline for Memorial flower order

Mar 21: Red Cross Blood Drive 2-6 PM

Apr 07: Confirmation at Cathedral in Peoria

Last Week's Gifts to God

March 10, 2024

Collection: \$ 711.00

Building Fund: 620.00

Sunday Total: \$1331.00

In Cambridge During Lent

on Wednesdays during Lent there will be a **5 PM Mass** followed by Stations of the Cross and a potluck. Please join us for prayer, food, and fellowship.

Lenten Penance Services

Thurs, March 21st in Kewanee 6-7:30 PM

Friday, March 22nd in Woodhull 6-7 PM

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

March 28th Holy Thursday Mass

7:00 PM Kewanee 5:30 Woodhull

March 29th Good Friday

3:00 PM Kewanee 5:00 PM Galva

March 30th Holy Saturday

8:00 PM Kewanee

March 31st Easter Sunday Mass

8:00 AM Cambridge 9:00 AM Kewanee

10:00 AM Galva 10:00 AM Woodhull

11 AM Kewanee (Spanish)



Let's Pack the Church!

On May 5th, Bishop Tylka will be joining us for our 8 AM Mass and breakfast afterwards to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the beginning of our St. John Vianney parish. This will be our last chance to show the Bishop our commitment, dedication, and hope for our church to remain open. Please join us.



Thank You to the March A & R Committee for providing the delicious food at the Coffee Hour last Sunday. The food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.



In Memory of Your Loved Ones

Deadline is today for ordering an Easter flower in memory of your loved ones. Price is \$12. Envelopes are at the entrances of the church.



ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Before going into the hospital, please call Fr. Ghislain at 309-852-4549. If you are admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr. Ghislain anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic. They will arrange for the designated chaplain to anoint you and will notify Fr. Ghislain.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Tom Montgomery, Ron Swanson, Mary Lou Robinson, Robert Franck & Judy Brockway Skelton. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, March 21, 2024
2 to 6 PM

St John Vianney Church Hall
Contact: Don Hulin 937-2648



The new Living Faith booklets for March-May are available at each door. Everyone is invited to take one home.



Lenten Prayer

God of the covenant, in the glory of the cross your Son embraced the power of death and broke its hold over your people. In this time of repentance, draw all people to yourself, that we who confess Jesus as Lord, may put aside the deeds of death and accept the life of your kingdom. Amen.

Trivia Question (answer on last page)

Who is the patron saint of the Universal Church?

a) St. Peter b) St. Mark c) St. Padre Pio d) St. Joseph

Our Covenant with God

As we are nearing the end of our Lenten journey, our readings today remind us of the goodness that our God has to offer us.

Our First Reading, from the prophet Jeremiah, foretells the coming of the new covenant. Because man failed to remain faithful to God's covenant requirements, the Lord declares that a new covenant will be made. This covenant is unique because it will be written within the hearts of man, as the Lord says, "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts." This covenant will transform man's relationship with God and it will be through our Mediator, Jesus Christ. Once we begin Holy Week, we receive the sign of this new covenant at the Last Supper — the Eucharist. And it is in the Eucharist that we commemorate Jesus' sacrifice on the cross — the moment when God "forgives our evildoing and remembers our sin no more." And although this covenant was established many years ago, it is still new for us today. As this Lenten season comes to a close, let us strive to partake in the richness God has offered to us through this covenant by more faithfully living out our call as disciples of Christ through prayer, frequent reception of the sacraments, and service to our families and neighbors.

In our Gospel today, Jesus announces that the "hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." All that He came to do on this earth was soon to be fulfilled. When we reflect on what Jesus says in this passage, He tells us a great deal about how we should be living as disciples of Christ. He states clearly, "unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

We are called to "die" to ourselves by detaching from our own desires and entrusting our lives to all that God has in store for us. Without this practice of self-denial, we might miss occasions God has given us to produce good fruit. We have been practicing this throughout our Lenten season through fasting. One way to continue this effort after Lent is by taking advantage of the countless opportunities God presents to us to sacrifice our desires for something much greater — whether it be waking up 15 minutes earlier to spend time in prayer with the Lord, fasting from a favorite comfort on a weekly basis, or taking the time to call to check in on a friend or family member instead of turning on the TV, just to name a few. It is important to die to ourselves so that we might continue to make room for God and the good things He wants to produce in us all year long. Jesus also states, "whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life." God should have our entire heart, not just a portion of it. When we regularly practice the discipline of detachment by offering small, daily sacrifices to the Lord, we are also better preparing our hearts for the ultimate happiness in eternal life.

As our Lenten journey soon concludes, let us strive to more faithfully live out our covenant with God by actively living as disciples of Christ. And may we consider the ways in which we might continue the practice of self-denial by offering small, daily sacrifices to the Lord.

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