

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

This ministry is helping us improve the look and upkeep of our parish. We started over on July 1st and our goal this fiscal year is \$11,000. Second collection for this account is held the third weekend of the month. To date we have collected \$11,828.75 Monthly Movie Nights support this campaign. Car wash gift card sales support our efforts too! (See Joe/Brenda Mueller to get your cards!)

CONGRATULATIONS

*Volunteer of the Month for March **Mike Winner** Thanks for all you do for St. Louis!!

PARISH WORKDAY

March 17 at 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 noon. All helpers needed!

FARM SHARE

March 24 at 8:00-11:30 a.m.. Workers should report at 7:00 a.m. **KEEPING THE CHURCH PROPERTY CLEAN**

Please remember to place all aluminum can donations in the receptacles located in the dumpster

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
 March 11
 Parish Hall
 8:45 – 10:15 a.m.
 Pancakes/Bradley's Sausage
 /Orange Juice
 Cost: \$5.00 (\$3.00 Children)

area. Bags of cans should not be left around the church or parish hall. In addition, please guide your children that the landscape rocks are not play things. Significant numbers of rocks were found in the grass area between the church and parish hall and these could be a hazard if a lawn mower were to go over them.

LENTEN MEALS

Knights of Columbus Council 12929 is hosting the annual Lenten

Meals on Fridays of Lent through March 23rd. The drive-thru is open from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Dine-in starts at 6:00 p.m. in the hall, followed by the Stations of the Cross in the church at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$9 per meal. Thank you for your continued support.

THE SISTERHOOD

The Sisterhood is raffling a beautiful blanket. Ticket donations are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. The winning ticket will be drawn on Sunday, March 11. See any sisterhood member for tickets at any weekend Mass. For more information e-mail Lori Hocking at lorihocking@comcast.net or call Lori at 570-1237.

CRS RICE BOWL Encounter Safiata

In Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can our purchases this Lent support farmers and artisans? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Just visit crsricebowl.org for more.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Our parish is being asked to try and "fill the big box" (located in the parish hall) each month! Please purchase non-perishable items as you are able and add them to the box. Items will be picked up once a month. Thanks a bunch to the Boy Scouts for assistance with the food drive!

HOMELESS SHELTER MINISTRY

A scrumptious Shepard's Pie Dinner with salad, desert, and lemonade were served to the Shelter's Homeless guests on Saturday. Please consider becoming part of our group, on a one time or regular basis. Multiple benefits are assured

to all who participate! May God bless each of you.

Brenda Mueller and Mary Balkcom

THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The 40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign continues until March 25th. Help stop the ongoing destruction of as many as 2,000 babies each year in Tallahassee. 40 Days for Life is the *most effective* way. Join us for prayers at the Abortion Industry Center, 1345 Cross Creek Circle, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily, and for Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. each Tuesday. Find out more at 40daysforlife.com or call Toni Hepburn, 021-6526 or David Hill, 567-1460, for information.

RETREAT

The St. John Neumann Retreat Center is hosting *Thriving After Divorce: Living in Peace and Grace* on Saturday, March 24th from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. The workshop will be led by Jane Springer, Certified Life and Style Coach. The cost of attendance is \$50 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch. For more information or to register, please visit neumanncenter.org.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 3

6:00 p.m.
Dorothy Berwager (D)

Sunday, March 4

8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish

10:30 a.m.
PA Julius Awotu Edemo (D)

Monday, March 5

Tuesday, March 6

8:30 a.m.
(Communion Service only)

6:00 p.m.
Mary Manns (D)

Wednesday, March 7

8:30 a.m.
Pullen Family (L)

Thursday, March 8

8:30 a.m.
(Communion Service only)

6:00 p.m. (Latin Mass)
Balkcom Family (L)

Friday, March 9

8:30 a.m.
Gloria Pugals (D)

Saturday, March 10

6:00 p.m.
Mary and Lawrence Manns (D)

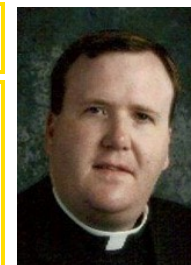
Sunday, March 11

8:00 a.m.
St. Louis Parish

10:30 a.m.
Edward Veccia (D)

Richard Sullivan (D)

No memorial altar flowers will be requested until after Easter Sunday.



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

Throughout the Gospels, there are only a few times when Jesus acts out in righteous anger. Each of those times, he does so to condemn hypocrisy. Hypocrisy is what Jesus hates: appearing to be one thing on the outside, but actually being something else entirely on the inside and that's exactly what the Temple officials, were doing.

By all appearances, the Temple officials were directing their fellow Jews in proper rituals of worship.

In actual fact, however, they were interfering with that worship.

God had given his people the Temple to be a house of prayer and worship, a place of encountering God's mercy.

The buying, selling, and money-changing that went on in the Temple area had long been happening there, and for good reason.

According to Old Testament law, pilgrims to the Temple had to make animal offerings to the priests, who would sacrifice them on the pilgrims' behalf. Strict rules governed the qualifications of these animal victims - not just any animal would do.

Therefore, businesses cropped up that specialized in making the right beasts easily available.

Likewise, pilgrims came from all over the civilized world, and brought money of different currencies.

These had to be weighed, valued, and exchanged in order to be used for purchasing the sacrificial victims.

But through the years, gradually, greed and corruption had infiltrated even these sacred services, just as the selling posts had infiltrated the Temple's sacred precincts. By the time of Christ, the money-changers were demanding excessive fees, and the animal vendors were wildly overcharging. In this way, what was meant to be heartfelt service to God had become a path to worldly success.

The Temple officials appeared to be good religious examples, but actually they were greedy merchants.

That contradiction between appearances and reality is hypocrisy - the thing Jesus hates most of all.

Let us strive not to be hypocrites!
Peace to you and yours,

Fr. Stevens

Assignment for **Biblical Walk Through the Mass.**

Session Two: Liturgy of the Word, Read Part III, pages 52-81 in "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass"

TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
March, 10/11

| Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion | |
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| 6:00 p.m. | B. Mueller, M. Jones |
| 8:00 a.m. | J. Piotrowski, L. Ogbodo |
| 10:30 a.m. | M. Jimenez, B. Woolley |
| Lectors | |
| 6:00 p.m. | H. Mueller, R. O'Leary |
| 8:00 a.m. | S. Ball, V. Laurienzo |
| 10:30 a.m. | Youth Mass |
| Sacristans | |
| 6:00 p.m. | J. Larson |
| 8:00 a.m. | M. D'Souza |
| 10:30 a.m. | L. Davis |
| Altar Servers | |
| 6:00 p.m. | (Open), (Open) |
| 8:00 a.m. | J. Lara, (Open) |
| 10:30 a.m. | Youth Mass |
| Liturgical Assistants | |
| 6:00 p.m. | J. Mueller |
| 8:00 a.m. | G. Brown |
| 10:30 a.m. | P. Johnson |

| For Sunday, February 25 | |
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| Offertory this week: | \$4,779.00 |
| Target: | \$4,454.19 |
| Collected vs Target for month | \$2,013.28 |
| Collected vs Target since July | -\$3,322.78 |
| Projected Offertory for year: | \$245,174.76 |
| Annual Budget: | \$250,000.00 |
| Building Fund this week: | \$141.00 |
| Collected this month: | \$2,170.00 |
| Target for the month: | \$2,713.00 |
| Collected since July 1: | \$20,896.00 |
| Collected vs Target since July 1: | -\$808.00 |
| Improvements Collections: | \$2,079.00 |
| Total collected to date: | \$11,628.00 |