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## MASS SCHEDULE

TUE: 6:00 PM at St. Maurice WED: 8:00 AM at St. John THUR: 6:00 PM at IC FRI: 8:00 AM at St. John SAT: 8:00 AM at St. John (Holy Hour One Hour Prior to All Masses Listed Above.)

SATURDAY VIGIL 4:00 PM at St. Maurice 5:00 PM at St. John

SUNDAY OBLIGATION 7:30 AM at St. John 9:00 AM at IC 10:00 AM at St. Maurice

#### **ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY**

9:00 AM-12:00 PM at St. Maurice 12:00 PM-3:00 PM at IC 3:00 PM-6:00 PM at St. John

> **ROSARY** Mondays 10:30 AM at Immaculate Conception

#### **CONFESSION TIMES**

ST. JOHN: Friday 3:00–4:00 PM Saturday 4:45 PM

IC: Thursday 5:10 PM-5:25 PM After Sunday Mass

ST. MAURICE: 15 minutes before weekend Masses

+  ${\bf Baptism}$  is scheduled by appointment. Call your parish office for information about sacramental preparation.

+ The Sacrament of Marriage requires at least six months of preparation. Call your parish office before setting your wedding date.
+ The Sacrament of Anointing is available upon request. Please call your parish office to schedule a visit.

## **AREA CHURCH NEWS**

DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN DINNER ST. PETER'S, BROOKVILLE SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

St. Peter's Ladies Sodality will hold a Drive-Thru Fried Chicken Dinner. The cost of a dinner will be \$15. 1207 East Road, St. Peter (Brookville) - School Building – not gym. For more information, please call 812-623-2878 or 812-576-3153. Please be aware St. Peter's Road is closed at Bulach Road/Lawrenceville. Official Detour is Trackville Road. We would love to see you there!

So that we may enter this season of Lent with minds open to hear your word, and hearts open to the promise of Easter, we pray—Lord, let us be like you. Amen. ~ The Redemptorists

## FEBRUARY 18 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



WHERE DO YOU LOOK FOR GOD WHEN LIFE SEEMS UNFAIR? DO YOU ASK FOR THE GRACE TO RESIST TEMPTATION?

**Rita Kress** 

### LOST AT SEA

We often think that Lent is a time to concentrate on the sufferings of Jesus. Actually, that is the theme of Holy Week. The other readings of Lent suggest another theme—covenant-making. God initiates an intimate relationship with us and calls us to be faithful. This is the good news. Moreover, when we are unfaithful, God gives us another chance.

The first reading recounts God's graciousness in saving humankind from destruction. Noah and his family must have felt that they really were lost at sea. However, God's protection was always there. In fact, the waters they so feared were destructive only to what was evil. They had been saved and now, through the covenant, all of creation was given a second chance.

One might think that Jesus wouldn't have struggled with temptation. After all, he was God. However, today's Gospel says that he was tempted. He was in the wilderness, a place long known to be a place of temptation because there the supports of normal life are gone. After forty days of fasting, one's defenses would be significantly weakened, if not broken down. In such a situation, the primary thought is survival. This Gospel does not describe the temptation itself, but it does present Jesus as someone like us— weakened, tempted, and perhaps even "lost at sea." However, God's protection was with him, in the guise of angels.

Both stories assure us that God's covenantal care is there supporting us, regardless of the difficulty or our apparent weakness. **+** Sr. Dianne Bergant

	SANCTUARY LIGHT INTE	NTIONS	PARISH SUPPORT		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	18 FEBRUARY 25	MARCH 3	Adult Envelopes	\$4307.00	
Delmar & Eve	elyn Paul & Marjorie	Lawrence & Lillian	Children's Envelopes	\$ 16.01	
Fry	Haunert	Lustig	Loose Collection	<u>\$ 373.00</u>	
		Total Regular Collection	\$4696.01		
	MASS INTENTION	S	Deligious Education	¢100.00	
Saturda	y, Feb. 17 – Family of Henry a	Religious Education Criterion	\$100.00		
	Sunday, Feb. 18 - Amelia	Share Your Faith	\$40.00 \$20.00 \$20.00 \$50.00		
	Tuesday, Feb. 20 – Maurice	Utility Fund			
Sati	urday, Feb. 24 – Paul and Ma	Capital Improvement			
_	Sunday, Feb. 25 - Gene	Central & Eastern Europe \$608			
	uesday, Feb. 27 – Marita (Tu	nny) Carter		\$000100	
	Sat., Feb. 24 - 4:00 PM	Sun., Feb. 25 - 10:00 AM	Sat., March 2 - 4:00 PM	Sun., March 3 - 10:00 AM	
GREETERS	Ken Harmeyer Eric Busch	Paul & Arlene Gehl	Gary Wagner Brian Horan	Paul & Arlene Gehl	
SERVER(S)	Morgan Busch	Mason Ryder	Sam Simon	Mason Ryder	
LECTOR(S)	Tara Johannigman	Cindy Weisenbach Donna Harlemert	Judy Steuri	Susan Schutte Grace Truesdell	
GIFTS	Mitchell & Lindsay Wagner	Ben & Olivia Shadday	Kevin & Kara Huff	Jayson & Torie Purdy	
	Beth Simon     Beth Simon     Simon		Terry Harmeyer	① Cindy Weisenbach	
EUCHARIST	Roseann Wirth (Hall)	Dana Newhart (Hall)	Beth Simon (Hall)	Vicki Wagner (Hall)	
MINISTERS	Judy Steuri Kevin Tunny		Janet Wagner	Katie Spreckelson	



**Please Remember in Prayer**: Rosemary Mistler, Lou Wolter, Frances Borgman, Frances Werner, Eileen Wagner, Sue Tunny, Sandy Wenning, Evette Jackson, Donnie Kohlman, Kathy Bedel, Dana Newhart, Jane Pictor, and Janice Vawter.

**Rita Kress** 

**Leslie Hicks** 

Susan Schutte

If you would like to add someone to the prayer line, please call Arlene Gehl (812-614-3388) or Marita Billman (812-593-4674).

BLACK & INDIAN COLLECTION - This weekend, parishes in the Archdiocese will take up the annual collection for Black and Indian Missions. This focuses on building up the Church in the African American, Native American, and Native Alaskan communities. Your contribution allows the Black and Indian Mission Office to fund a wide variety of ministry grants across the United States. Here in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, 25 students received tuition assistance to attend the Mother Theodore Catholic Academies, and Black Catholic adults and youth were able to attend faith-building events sponsored by the Intercultural Ministry Office. Thank you for your generous support of the mission of evangelization, opening the door of faith in Jesus Christ.

<u>WAY OF THE CROSS</u> – The Way of the Cross will be held Friday, February 23, 6:00 PM, at St. Maurice.

**LADIES' MEETING** – The Mary & Martha Circle will meet on Monday, March 4, at 4:00 PM. All women and girls are encouraged to attend!

**BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE** – Parish Council is forming a Building and Grounds Committee and is looking for four persons willing to serve. They are also seeking to form a subgroup to serve under the Building and Grounds Committee that could be called in to assist for small projects. If you are willing to serve on either of these committees, please contact Greg Kinker at 812-614-8121. Thank you.

**LIBRARY** – The Library in the St. Francis Room has many wonderful books to be checked out and brought back. We have a couple of new hardcover books just for Lent. The book *Women Who Followed Jesus* can be borrowed for the whole of Lent, as there is a reading for each day of Lent. We also have three copies of the children's book *Journey with Jesus* that you can take home to read as a family and bring back the next week for some other family to enjoy during Lent. The library will be open before and after Mass.

**ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS ED** – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5 on Wednesday, February 21, 6:45 PM. Pennies for Posterity project will begin.

JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED – Classes for Grades 6 through 11 next Sunday, February 25, 8:30 AM.



**THANK YOU** – Thank you to all the donors who came to our Community Blood Drive. Through your generosity, 66 units of blood were collected to help heal and ease the suffering of hospital patients in Cincinnati, northern Kentucky, and Southeastern Indiana. Your sacrifice is deeply appreciated! Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for July 30.

**DANCING WITH ROYALTY EVENT** – In St. Maurice Parish Hall on March 2, 5:00-7:00 PM. Ages 5-9 years old. Join Miss Ripley County and her court! Dancing, creating crafts, photo booth. Snacks will be provided, and parents are welcome to stay. Money raised will go to the Ripley County Community Foundation. Contact Machaela Cobler at 812-612-8287 with any questions or to prepurchase tickets. Cost: \$15 per person and an additional \$15 per parent.

# February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3	
JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Last Day to Sign Up for Legacy Gala at Indianapolis		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM Pickpockets Blood Pressure Checks	
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JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Pickpockets Blood Pressure Checks	BLOOD DRIVE IN PARISH HALL 12:00-2:00 PM 3:30-6:00 PM	Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting 6:45 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon Legacy Gala at Indianapolis Honoring Sr. Shirley 5:30 PM	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	MASS AT ST. MAURICE AT 7:00 PM Religious Education Students Will Attend Mass		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross 6:00 PM Day of Abstinence	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM	* HAPPY * PRESIDENTS DAY	Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM	Hall Rented	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross 6:00 PM Day of Abstinence	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM	
25	26	27	28	29	1	2	
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Mass - 10:00 AM Soup Luncheon + Welcome Celebration for Fr. Binu After Mass		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM	F tr G	THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTHFOR 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.		