# March 26 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### **New Life Awaits**

Phil was recruiting fellow travelers for the missionary trip to Guatemala he made a few times a year. He wanted his friends and acquaintances at home to experience the discomforts of poverty in another part of the world. He wanted the poor of Guatemala to receive the compassion and help of the faithful from the North.

People who responded to him opened their wallets to provide water filtration systems and other projects, but Phil wanted more than their money. He wanted their hearts. He wanted to build relationships.

He succeeded. Over the years, he introduced hundreds of people to the plight of Guatemalans. He opened the eyes of people in the first world to the difficult demands of life in the third. People came home from his trips with a new sense of their priorities.

Once, when asked why he did this, Phil told a story. He was planning a trip with friends, and their connecting flight in Newark was delayed. The airline found seats on another flight for them to take. He doesn't know why, but the switch didn't feel right to him. He talked his friends out of getting on that plane.

It was United Airlines Flight 93. The day was September 11, 2001.

After escaping a horrifying death at the hands of terrorists, Phil decided he should do something positive with his life. He wanted others to have a chance at living better, too. He got inspired to help the poor in Guatemala. Once he made the trip, he fell in love with the country and its people. He knew that if he could get others to go, they would have the same experience. They did. Some people get a second chance at life. When that happens, they often suspect God has a grander purpose in mind for them.

When Jerusalem was ransacked by Babylon, the people went into exile, and their city was destroyed. But they were invited to return to their homeland to rebuild it again. Suddenly they had a new purpose. They began to spread God's word through a message of hope.

When we witness someone's loss, we mourn with them. When we witness their surprising gain, we rejoice. After a horrifying experience, when people have a new mission for their lives, they may extend an invitation for others to see the world as they do. It can open eyes.

We don't know what Lazarus did after he was brought out of the tomb. His home with Mary and Martha was a haven of hospitality for Jesus. Perhaps they continued to welcome Jesus' followers, disciples who needed rest and respite. We don't know, but it seems likely that it was a life well-lived. (Fr. Paul Turner)

#### **SANCTUARY LIGHT**

March 26 – Harry and Loretta Simon April 2 – Lawrence and Lillian Lustig April 9 – Timothy Walke

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

March 25 – Timothy Walke March 26 – Sheila Tunny April 1 – Charles Simon April 2 – Lynn Herbert

# **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

# Saturday – April 1 at 4:00 PM

Servers: Sam Simon, Morgan Busch Lector: Terry Harmeyer, Judy Steuri

Narrator: Jack Ferkinhoff, Speaker: Tara Johannigman

Gifts: Dennis and Flo Wagner

EM: Roseann Wirth (Hall), Beth Simon, Janet Wagner

# Palm Sunday – April 2 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Amanda Schutte, Amy Kinker

Narrator: David Hardesty, Speaker: Cindy Weisenbach

Gifts: Steve and Ann Wagner

*EM*: Kevin Tunny (*Hall*), Scott Simon, Leslie Hicks

#### Holy Thursday - April 6 at 6:00 PM

Lector: Terry Harmeyer, Arlene Gehl Gifts: Susan Schutte, Judy Steuri EM: Rita Kress, Scott Simon

#### **Good Friday** – April 7 at 4:00 PM

Lectors: Ron Bauerle, Julie Stephens

Narrator: Susan Schutte, Speaker: Amanda Schutte

#### PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2917.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 52.60
Loose Collection	\$ 379.00
Total Regular Collection	\$3348.60
Church in Africa	\$40.00
Capital Improvement	\$100.00
Catholic Relief	\$449.00

#### MAY YOUR LIFE BE A TREASURE TO GOD! THANK YOU.

"I invite you to think for a moment, in silence, here: Where is the dead part of my soul? Where is my tomb?...And to remove the stone, to take away the stone of shame and allow the Lord to say to us, as he said to Lazarus: 'Come out!'" ~ Pope Francis **EASTER PRACTICE** – The children singing on Easter morning will have practice after Mass this morning, 11:00-11:30.

<u>CEMETERY FENCING</u> – Samples of cemetery fencing will be at the cemetery TODAY. Council members will be there if you have further questions or comments.

<u>CEMETERY</u> – \*\*\*The last week of March every year is designated as "Clean Up Week." That is this week. Family members are asked to clean up around the family site. Anything left unattended or unsightly will be disposed of by the Cemetery Board.

We thank you for working with us in making these sacred grounds of your loved ones a place of beauty. We also thank **Dennis Wagner** for all his work as caretaker of the cemetery.

**SPRING SMORGASBORD** – Just a few weeks away, April 15! We need donations of frozen homegrown corn and 20 pounds of ground beef. If you can help with this, please see Judy or Susan.

<u>FAITH FORMATION</u> – Committee members will meet Wednesday, March 29, 4:30 PM.

<u>CHURCH CLEANING</u> – Committee #4 with Karen Hicks as chairperson will be cleaning church for the month of April. We appreciate the ladies for your cleaning!

<u>**BLOOD PRESSURE**</u> – Next weekend, you can get your blood pressure checked in the St. Anne Room following the Masses.

**EASTER EGG HUNT** – Don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday, April 8, at 10:00 AM, for all children ages 8 and younger.

**ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS ED** – Children in Preschool through Grade 5 will meet on Wednesday, March 29, 6:45 PM, for class. The Passion Play will be presented on Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 PM.

# JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED

- Classes for Grades 6 through 12 next Sunday, April 2, at 8:30 AM.

#### LENTEN SEASON

+ Adoration: Friday, March 31, 8:00 AM – Noon.

+ Way of the Cross and Holy Communion:

Friday, March 31, 6:00 PM.

+ Confessions: Before and After the Masses.

#### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

Palm Sunday - April 2 - Regular Mass Schedule Holy Thursday - April 6 - 6:00 PM Good Friday - April 7 - 4:00 PM Easter Vigil - April 8 - 4:00 PM Easter Sunday - April 9 - 10:00 AM

**EASTER CARDS OR THINKING OF YOU** – Our shutins so enjoyed and were grateful for your Christmas cards. What about sending them an Easter card? Here are their names and addresses:

Rosemary Mistler		Frances Borgman		
6569 N. Old Michigan Rd.		3518 W. Napoleon Wilson St.		
Osgood, IN 47037		Batesville, IN 47006		
Frances Werner		Eileen Wagner		
6568 S. Co. Rd. 700 E		3896 W. Co. Rd. 525 N		
Greensburg, IN 47240		Osgood, IN 47037		
Lou Wolter		Dot Stier		
Morning Breeze Healthcare Center		Morning Breeze Healthcare Center		
950 N. Lakeview Dr.		950 N. Lakeview Dr.		
Greensburg, IN 47240		Greensburg, IN 47240		
	Mary Scholl 5684 W. Co. Osgood, IN	Rd. 800 N		

#### 4:00 PM MASS GREETERS

April 1 – Joe Wagner, Brian Horan April 8 – Dennis Wagner, Gary Wagner April 15 – Eric Busch, Steve Gilland April 22 – Ken Harmeyer, Gary Wagner April 29 – Paul Simon, Ken Hellmich

#### 10:00 AM MASS GREETERS

April 2 – Kevin Tunny, Steve Wagner April 9 – George and Mary Bultman April 16 – Tom and Joyce Muckerheide April 23 – Kevin Tunny, Steve Wagner April 30 – Paul and Arlene Gehl

## **HOLY THURSDAY GREETERS**

April 6 – George and Mary Bultman

<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory. (Mark Twain)

# March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
THE POPE'S PR	THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH  For Victims of Abuse: We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.		RE Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM	Adoration 8:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross and Communion 6:00 PM DAY OF ABSTINENCE	Mass - 4:00 PM Pick Pockets Blood Pressure Checks Confessions Before & After Mass
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
175th Meeting 8:30 AM  RE Classes 8:30 - 9:45 AM  Mass - 10:00 AM  Pick Pockets  BP Checks  Donuts and Coffee		"Church's Ministry of Exorcism" by Fr. Vincent Lampert in Parish Hall 6:00 PM	RE Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM  Penance Service for Grades 2, 3, 4, and 5  Adoration at Millhousen begins at 7:00 PM	Adoration at Millhousen continues until 6:30 PM	Adoration 8:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross and Communion 6:00 PM DAY OF ABSTINENCE	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM Confessions Before & After Mass
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
NO RE Classes - Spring Break  Mass - 10:00 AM  Confessions Before & After Mass  Donuts and Coffee  Daylight Savings  Time Begins			NO RE Classes Spring Break	Finance Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	Adoration 8:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross and Communion 6:00 PM ST. PATRICK'S DAY	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM Confessions Before & After Mass
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
RE Classes 8:30 - 9:45 AM Mass - 10:00 AM Confessions Before & After Mass Donuts and Coffee FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH	FIRST DAY OF SPRING		NO RE Classes Spring Break Eucharistic Adoration at St. Louis, Batesville (See Bulletin)	Eucharistic Adoration at St. Louis, Batesville (See Bulletin)	Adoration 8:00 AM - Noon Way of the Cross and Communion 6:00 PM DAY OF ABSTINENCE	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM Confessions Before & After Mass
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