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3 MARCH, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

## FROM FATHER CHUCK

### Diocesan Appeal.

We are in the second week of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. I will repeat this several times. This years appeal goal of almost \$75,000.00 is the largest goal that has ever been set for Saint Peters. It is going to be our greatest challenge to see how close we can get to reaching our goal. The target amount for this years appeal is \$275.00. This is an increase of \$15.00 from last year. Please be as generous as possible. We did not reach our goal last year and were \$12,000.00 short. I am not certain if the Diocese will ask for the money from the short fall. What I said before is that this is a great challenge for us to meet this goal.

### Tuesday Evening Mass.

In writing this bulletin we had our first Tuesday evening mass, stations, soup supper and program. I am so pleased with the number of people who attended the Tuesday evening program. One of the things that I believe we need to be very mindful about is that the program is a wonderful way to learn more about our faith and the scriptures. We also do the study questions each week in the confirmation class. It is interesting to me to see how many treasures of our church are so quickly forgotten. I encourage you to come to review your knowledge of the church, Jesus' life and the scriptures. I have said so often that the genius of the Catholic Church is one of the treasures of our life and we only need to take the time to search for these treasures and the Tuesday night program help us in our search with a deeper understanding of the our church.

### Congratulations.

I wish to thank Coach Dick Wettengel and the Saint Albert Girls basketball team for playing in the state tournament this year. The girls had a tremendous season, 20 wins and 1 loss.

### Great Parents.

This year I have had the 9th and 10th grade confirmation students attend class for five more weeks for two reasons: First, we need to cover all of the materials in the confirmation program. This year confirmation preparation for the 9th and 10th students was shorter than normal so we need these extra classes to complete all of the materials. Second, we have a great tradition at Saint Peters where the confirmation students do the ministries at Holy Thursday mass. For these students it is important that they have the opportunity to experience this mass. I was worried about how many students would show up for the classes and I am pleased to tell you that all of them did and so I thank the parents for their dedication to the church and to the confirmation program.

### A Beautiful Story.

My niece Ann Thomas told me this story. She told me that when her son Trey was young he read a story about boy who studied hard and played football and was able to attend Harvard University to play football and Trey thought that would be neat if he was able to do the same thing. Trey's dream of playing football for Harvard has come true and he will play football for Harvard next year.

### A Beautiful Evening.

Last Sunday the Evening Musical was a wonderful concert. The best two parts of the evening were our Grace Veit playing the Oboe and our Steve Beck with the wonderful piano solo. It was a night to remember.

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Readings for March 10, 2024  
 1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23  
 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10  
 Gospel: John 3:14-21

## MASS SCHEDULE

Tue	3/5	8:00 am	Karen Mehsling
Wed	3/6	8:00 am	Bernie Erickson
Thur	3/7	5:30 pm	Arlene McDermott
Fri	3/8	8:00 am	Don Friedrichsen
Sat	3/9	4:00 pm	Robert & Joanne Thomas
Sun	3/10	8:00 am	Fran Beck
Sun		10:00 am	Eileen Taylor
Sun		Noon	Linda Schmitt

SATURDAY, 4PM March 9, 2024  
 ALTAR SERVERS: Bianca & Ellianna Cihacek, Rowan Jackson  
 LECTORS: Wally Bussey, Amy Rallis  
 EUCH MINISTER: Pat Shadden  
 USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, Brody Pellett

SUNDAY, 8 AM, March 10, 2024  
 ALTAR SERVERS: Velda Ring, Caroline Reineke, Oliver Juranek  
 LECTORS: Joan Goeser, Noah Smith  
 EUCH MINISTER: Roger Harvey  
 USHERS: Jeff Veit, Jonna & Lindsay Andersen, George Garst

SUNDAY, 10 AM March 10, 2024  
 ALTAR SERVERS: Alyssa & Kyla Brockelsby, Carter Rossbund  
 LECTORS: John Ross & Nathaniel Biederman  
 EUCH MINISTER: Barb Nielsen  
 USHERS: Jill & Zachary Clevenger, Margine Henry, Dan Lighthipe

SUNDAY, NOON March 10, 2024  
 ALTAR SERVERS: Keegan McCaffery, Mason Olson, Nolan Duitsman  
 LECTORS: Mike Noon, Aubree Brandau  
 EUCH MINISTER: Anne Rohling  
 USHERS: Chris Olson, Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich, Emry Honkomp

### FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

How is your Lent going? This is a question that we all have to ask ourselves since we will be in the third week of Lent and it is flying by. My thought for the week is for all of us to take a religious break from all that we are doing and spend ten minutes learning more about Jesus through our study and experiencing Jesus' presence in our hearts through our prayer life.

A Mount Loretto and friends get-together. Saturday, June 8 at 11:30 am Legends, 6920 Pacific St Omaha NE. Message Joan Spitznagle Bland, jbland112314@gmail.com or Rita Crom Laire, trprb8@yahoo.com to let them know if you plan to attend for a count for the restaurant.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas®, Court St. Anthony #330-Next meeting is Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at St. Patrick. Mass at 6:00 pm followed with dinner then meeting. GIK gift baskets for K of C convention. Please visit our website at [www.cda330.org](http://www.cda330.org). Women 18 years and older from all Council Bluffs parishes are welcome.

### LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- In the 70's I was riding my bike and fell off hurting my knee. I'm telling you this now because we didn't have social media back then.
- Today I learned that the average person consumes 9 cups of coffee a week. Today I also learned that I'm above average.
- Parenting tip: To keep the kids out of your stash of chocolate candy, hid it in the freezer in an empty vegetable bag.
- McDonalds should have a 3rd window where you can trade in all the wrong stuff they gave you at the 2nd window.
- Remember when you could lay in one position for hours, now you have to rotate like a rotisserie chicken every 15 minutes or a hip hurts.
- Wouldn't it be nice if there was a summer camp for adults where you just go and sleep for two weeks.
- People say nothing is impossible but I do it everyday.
- I am sweet, loveable, kind, shy, and innocent...oh for heaven's sake stop laughing.
- If you're happy and you know it, it's your meds.
- One benefit of old age is that your secrets are always safe with your friends...because they can't remember them.
- You only need two tools in life. WD-40 and Duct Tape. If it doesn't move and should use WD-40. If it moves and shouldn't, use Duct Tape.
- My sons have turned out just like me...Well played karma, well played.

HAVE A GREAT DAY, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, March 5-Mass at 5:30, Stations, soup supper, Program  
 Wednesday, March 6-Rel Ed 6:15 Worship Center, 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation 6:15 Hall  
 Thursday, March 7-Altar Society Meeting 6PM Hall  
 Friday, March 8-Benediction and Stations 5:30PM  
 Sunday, March 10-Coffee & Rolls after 8 & 10 Masses  
 Tuesday, March 12-Mass at 5:30, Stations, soup supper, Program  
 Wednesday, March 13-Rel Ed 6:15 Worship Center, 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation 6:15 Hall

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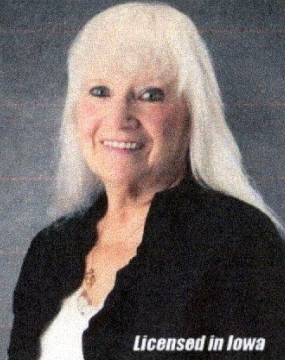
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