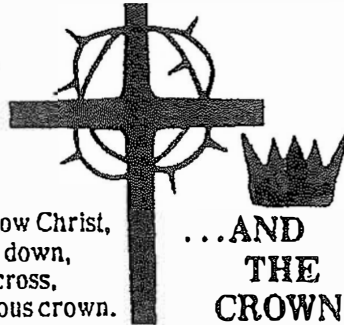


FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 22, 2026

LENT:
THE
CROSS...



Take up your cross and follow Christ,
Nor think till death to lay it down,
For only he who bears the cross,
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

...AND
THE
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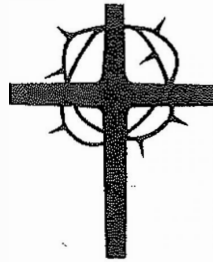
Holy Mass Intentions This Week

Mon	23	7:00 a.m. Communion Service (SL)
Tue	24	5:00 p.m. +Larry Dewitt (SL)
Wed	25	7:00 a.m. Health of Homann Family (SL) 8:45 a.m. +Rich Hamus (Rescheduled) By Mark Clark
Thu	26	7:00 a.m. +Mary Gerum (SL)
Fri	27	7:00 a.m. +Shane Sanders (SL) 8:45 a.m. +Jim Haupt by P Worzalla
Sat	28	4:00 p.m. +Bert Jagodzinski by M Hahn 6:00 p.m. +Ralph Diver (SL)
Sun	29	8:30 a.m. +Viola Joosten by R & B Bores 10:30 a.m. Parishioners in Fr. Barry's Care (SL)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS – March 28-29

Lectors:	4:00 p.m. Keith Wirtz 8:30 a.m. Becky Engstrand
Servers:	4:00 p.m. Avery & Easton Hartjes 8:30 a.m. Eric Van Asten-Peyton Grassl
Ushers:	4:00 p.m. Keith Wirtz-Harry Engstrand 8:30 a.m. R Moscinski-C Grassl
Eucharistic Ministers:	4:00 p.m. Sue Reber & Emma Joosten 8:30 a.m. B Engstrand-Cheryl Bliven

MARCH IS DEDICATED TO
ST. JOSEPH



STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held on all Saturdays of Lent immediately after 4:00 Mass. Offerings will be donated to **Project Milk**. There is a basket in back of church for these donations.

ADULT ESSENTIALS, BABY ITEMS & TOWELS can be left in the back of church.

RICE BOWLS with your Lenten offerings should be returned to church on Easter Sunday.

DAILY MASS... Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:45. Make this part of your Lenten journey.

ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 & older.

THE DEANERY LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE will be held on Sunday, March 29, 12:00-4:00 at Saints Peter & Paul with many priests available for confessions.

A SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK SERVICES at St. Philip, St. Lawrence and Our Lady Queen of Heaven is included in the bulletin today. Please make time to attend the Triduum on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, the most holy days of our Catholic church.

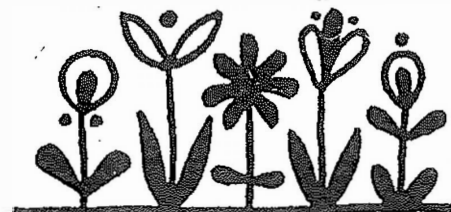
DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED... Please mark your envelope "Flowers." Thank you.



ST. PHILIP WILL BE HOSTING A VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE on Monday, May 11 in Wagner Hall from 1:30-6:00 p.m. Please consider donating this life saving

gift. You can schedule an appointment by calling 1-877-232-4376 or by visiting www.versiti.org/WI.

THE FRIENDS OF ST. PHILIP YOUTH will hold their Annual Rummage Sale on April 24-25 in Wagner Hall. **Please do not bring your donated items to church before April 19 as our storage space is limited.** Thank you.



Lent means Spring



SCRIP NEWS: The Scrip Office will be closed April 3 and April 6. Also, after Spring Break, the office will

only be open Monday, March 23 & 30. Regular hours will begin after April 7.

BINGO AT ASSUMPTION will be held Sunday, March 29, April 19 and May 3. Doors open at noon with play starting at 1:00. Stop in for a fun afternoon.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REFLECTIONS CONTINUED:

This week the children heard the remaining parable of Mercy in Luke 15. Most know this as **The Lost Son**; however, in CGS we call this parable **The Forgiving Father**. As opposed to focusing on how lost the son is, we lift up the unconditional forgiveness of the father.

Here we find an example of how to make a good confession. In Luke 15:18 we hear the son examine the ways he has not lived well just before going back to his father. The father then 'ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him' even before the son apologized, so much love and joy! So much so that he begins planning for the great celebration! Every day we have the opportunity to take part in this celebration – reconciling with our Heavenly Father and being invited to the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Our God is such a generous Father!

COMING UP:

- **St. Lawrence Fish Fry** – Friday, March 27, Serving 4:00-7:00 – Adults \$15
- **Drive-thru Fish Fry at Sacred Heart, Nekoosa** Friday, March 27, 3:00-6:00 – Price: \$14
- **Lenten Fish Fry at St. Patrick, Halder**, Friday, March 27, 4:00-7:30
- **One-Hour Free Caregiver Event** – Thursday, March 26, 3:00-4:00 at the ADRC in Wisconsin Rapids, 220 3rd Ave South. Call 888-486-9545.
- **St. Michael, Junction City Drive-Thru Grilled Pork Chop Dinner** – Sunday, March 29, 10:30-12:30 - \$14
- **St. Peter, Stevens Point Pancake Breakfast & Basket Raffle** – Sunday, March 29, 8:00-12:00
- **Cor meeting at OLQH cafeteria**, Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m. Come join your brothers for snacks, soda, prayer and fraternity. Cor is a fraternal opportunity open to all men of the WR Deanery.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Gerri Laska, Sylvia Weiler, Charlie Pulchinski

CHURCH SUPPORT – MARCH 17

Adult Envelopes	\$ 860.00
Offertory	\$ 229.00
Stations of Cross	\$ 44.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 155.00
Votive Candles	\$ 94.00
Scrip	\$ 71.19

Thank you so much to those of you who purchased SCRIP in January & February. Profit for our parish was \$71.19.

Please remember St. Philip Church when making out your will or estate planning.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. PHILIP. CURRENT PARISHIONERS SHOULD CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH ANY ADDRESS OR PHONE CHANGES. 435-3286.

Catholic Radio – Relevant Radio 93.9 FM or the free Relevant Radio App

TENEBRAE – A Service of Light and Lamentation – Holy Wednesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. at Ss Peter & Paul. Enter Holy Week through the ancient, haunting beauty of Tenebrae – a candlelit service of sacred chant, polyphony, scripture, and silence. As lights fade and candles are extinguished one by one, the heart is drawn into the solemn mystery of salvation history, featuring singers and musicians from Ss Peter & Paul, Sacred Heart, Polonia, and St. Peter, Stevens Point. All are welcome!

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