

Readings for February 23, 2020

1st Reading – Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 Moses urges the Israelites to holiness. They must bear no hatred in their hearts. Rather, they must follow this law: love your neighbor as yourself.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
The Lord is kind and merciful.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 We are all temples of the Holy Spirit, and as such belong to God. We must never think that we are self-sufficient, or that we alone rule our lives. We must beware the wisdom of the world, which is not of God. We belong to Christ, and therefore must live in Christ and depend on Christ.

Gospel – Matthew 5:38-48 Jesus tells us that we must return good for evil and love for hate. We must go the extra mile and love our enemies. We must strive to be perfect, just as God is perfect. This will prove that we belong to the Father.

On the Calendar...

February 17 – No school

February 20 – Parents of first communicants meeting at school 7 p.m.

February 21 – PTO school carnival 5 – 8 p.m.

February 24 – Blood drive at Knights of Columbus Hall

February 26 – Ash Wednesday

February 25-29 - Lifetouch here for directory pictures

March 1 – Hospitality Sunday

March 7 – First Saturday rosary – 10 a.m.

March 19 – Confirmation for high school students

March 25 – Parish Family Faith Night

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole, and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting help and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!

Please pray for...

Trent Zeiger	Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert
Natalee Amos	Rosemary Evans	Deanna Buckman
Nick Hays	Kenny Underhill	Jackie Ryan
Bill Janes	Logan Maher	Daniel Patrick Mudd
Troy Ritter	Kenneth Ryan	Bonnie Ess
Barbara Kendrick	Connie Kendrick	William P. Smith
Teresa Ritter Toland	Mark Leake	Nick Mudd

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - "A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament."- St. Padre Pio

Sunday: noon-1pm, 3-4pm

Monday: 5-6pm

Monday 11 pm - midnight **OR** Tuesday midnight - 1am

Friday: 6-7am, 6-7pm

Please contact Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552.

Daughters of Isabella

- ≈ We will be hosting next month's community dinner at the Methodist Church on February 24 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- ≈ Our next meeting will be March 12th at 5:00 p.m.

Easter Cantata Choir rehearsal schedule – Anyone interested is welcome to join us for rehearsals at the Holy Rosary Church. Easter Cantata will be held on Palm Sunday, April 5, at 3 p.m. at the Methodist Church.

Sunday, March 1, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 8, 8:30 a.m. with CD

Wednesday, March 11, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18, 5:30 p.m.

No Rehearsal on March 25

Sunday, March 29, **AFTER 10:30 a.m. MASS**

Wednesday, April 1, 5:30 p.m.

Performance CD's are available upon request! Thank you again for sharing your gifts!!!



Monroe City Community Blood Drive – The Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, February 24 from 12:45 – 6 p.m.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal – Goal Progress Closing March 15

As of February 11, 2020

Parish goal ----- **\$24,500**

Amount received ----- **\$ 24,051**

Only **\$ 449** left to meet our



School News

- * Classes will NOT be held on Monday, February 17, as Presidents Day is observed.
- * On Thursday, February 20, beginning at 7:00 at school, there will be a meeting for parents of students who will receive their First Communion this year.
- * PTO Carnival will be held at school on Friday, February 21, from 5:00 until 8:00. Many games, face painting, *Silent Auction*, food and beverages. Come for a night of fun!
- * Mass at 8:20 on Friday, February 21, will be led by the eighth grade students.
- * Thanks is extended to the many individuals who help make the Lucky Hearts Banquet a success! ❤️

From Deacon Mike's Desk

Simon Scholarship and Warack Scholarship applications for 2020-2021 are being accepted through March 31, 2020. Applications can be acquired through Deacon Mike or may be downloaded at diojeffcity.org/scholarship. Applications must be postmarked or returned to the Chancery by March 31, 2020. All applicants will be notified of the results by May 1, 2020.

Confirmation Date for High School students

Bishop Gaydos will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the high school youth of Holy Rosary, St. Stephen's and St. Mary's Shelbina on Thursday, **March 19, 2020** "The Solemnity of St. Joseph" at Holy Rosary Church at 7 p.m.

Formed/Books/Being Catholic

Know Your Story by Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

People love stories. But when we lose sight of where the story of our life is going, the "narrative" and meaning of our lives becomes confusing to us, and we lose hope. In this dynamic talk, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, renews our sense of hope and wonder (and humor). Revealing that the reason we love stories is that we are part of a good story; one that answers the deepest desires and longings of our hearts. Whatever chapter our lives are in, God can transform our story, so that we can know and experience the beauty, adventure, and love for which we were created.

