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MARCH 19, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY			
DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Gerry Spalding
March 19	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Families of Holy Rosary & St. Stephen
<b>Feast of St. Joseph</b>			
Monday	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Rob Hoover
March 20			
Tuesday	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Joe B. Mudd Mike Mudd
March 21			
Wednesday	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Becky Bliesnick
March 22			
Thursday	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Xavier Kispotta
March 23			
Friday	Holy Rosary	8:20 AM	Richard Thompson
March 24			
Saturday	Holy Rosary	5:30 PM	Dwight & Joann Franklin
March 25			
Sunday	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Pat Hays
March 26	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Families of Holy Rosary & St. Stephen

\*Mass will be live-streamed at <https://facebook.com/frgregolig>  
**RECONCILIATION:** 4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary and  
 7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen or by appointment 735-4718

MARCH 12, 2023 OFFERTORY~ \$1,947.00

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Donated Easter lilies** or spring flowers in memory of your loved ones for our Easter Sunday Mass would be greatly appreciated! Please place your order with Applebee Tree by April 1<sup>st</sup> and they will deliver the flowers all together.
- **Parish mowing bids for 2023:** Bids are being accepted for mowing the cemetery and parish grounds. Bids should be submitted by April 6<sup>th</sup> to Fr. Greg at [gregolig@gmail.com](mailto:gregolig@gmail.com) or mailed to 405 S. Main, Monroe City, MO 63456.
- **Swinkey Ladies' Coffee** will be held on Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Stephen Gym. Ladies with last names beginning with A-F are asked to bring food. **Mark your calendars** - the Ladies of HR have invited the Swinkey Ladies to their coffee on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

~ SCHOOL NEWS ~

- **March 21:** First Track Meet at South Shelby at 3:30 p.m.
- **March 24:** Mass at 8:20 a.m. led by the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **March 25:** Diocesan Speech Meet
- **March 25:** Spring Carnival 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- There is still **Swinkey Sausage** for sale! \$5/1 lb roll. Please contact a Swinkey KC member if you would like some!
- **A Knights of Columbus 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Initiation Ceremony** will be held on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Rosary Church. Catholic men aged 18 and older are invited to join. Guests are welcome to attend. The ceremony should last approximately 1 hour. Coffee and donuts will be available in the hall following the ceremony.



~ RICE BOWL ~

**SHARING SUCCESS** Most people in Turkana, Kenya raise livestock, and a few are farmers. But the hot and dry climate makes this work difficult—and climate change is making it even harder. Rebecca and Lotiang participated in a Catholic Relief Services program that installed a water well and taught them new farming techniques. They can support their family with their crops and are teaching others in their community what they learned. How can you use your skills and knowledge to help others? Visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org) to learn more. **It's not too late to pick up your rice bowl in the back of church!**





## Family Faith Night

Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Parishes

**WEDNESDAY**  
**MARCH 22, 2023**

5:00 p.m. | Dinner Served  
 6:30 p.m. | Programs Begin  
 Lesson for Adults by Fr. Greg  
 Youth Groups at HRS  
 Babysitting Provided  
 Holy Rosary K of C Hall

~ MARCH PRAYER INTENTIONS ~

**Pope Francis:** *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.*

**Bishop McKnight:** *For a greater respect for the dignity of all human life; may our Catholic Faith inspire us to recognize all human beings - no matter their age, race, or condition - as our brothers and sisters in the Lord.*

~ 3 IN 1 SPECIAL COLLECTION ~

This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).



~ PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL ~



Open Hours: Sunday: 9-10 p.m., Monday: 4-5 p.m., Tuesday: 2-3 p.m., Friday: 10-11 a.m., Saturday: 8-9 a.m., 9-10 a.m., 10-11 a.m., 12-1 p.m. If you would like to take one of these hours permanently or even temporarily, please contact Pat Kendrick at 573-735-2541 or Marie Puro at 573-881-1918.

### Lenten Penance Services

**March 29** - St. Joseph, Palmyra, 6:30 p.m.  
**March 30** - St. Mary, Shelbina, 7:00 p.m.  
**March 30** - Holy Rosary/St. Stephen, Monroe City, 6:30 p.m.

*For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth.*

**Ephesians 5:8-9**

Through Baptism, the "light" of the Blessed Trinity dwells within us. Let this light guide us from spiritual blindness and lead us to truly living in a way that reflects Christ's light.



**~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~**

*Mother of God, Health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.*

Jamie Blair	P.A. Turnbull	Kevin Elliott
Phyllis & Charlie Taylor	Kyle Neisen	Kay Elliott
Teddy O'Connor	Riley Simms	Bill Couch
Michael Kellerman	Kenny Wilson	Geoff Lanham
Geoffrey Preckshot	Mark Leake	Trent Zeiger
Kayla Benson McAndrews	Richard Elliott	Jeff Thomas
Regina Hays	Frankie Maddox	Janice Kendrick
John Kendrick	Natalee Amos	Bonnie Ess
Logan Maher	Jackie Ryan	Tim Quinn
Deanna Buckman	Connie Kendrick	Hazel Smith
Teresa Ritter Toland	Nick Mudd	Rosemary Evans

**FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD along with Donna**

**Safe Environment Audit** - Our Parishes and School will be audited for compliance with the Safe Environment Policy on March 28, 2023. Currently, we stand at the following percentages for those who are compliant with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy.

<b>Holy Rosary School Parents</b>	<b>68.45%</b>
<b>St. Stephen Parish</b>	<b>70.84%</b>
<b>Holy Rosary Parish</b>	<b>70.31%</b>
<b>Catechists/Teachers</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>Staff</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**The goal is 100% of our parish family to be compliant.** How can you help? Go to <https://www.virtusonline.org/>, register and complete the video training. **Thank you** to all that have registered with Virtus and completed the training. If you have not done so, contact Donna at the parish office.

**RCIA** – There will be no session on March 21, 2023. Our RCIA session on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 will be in the church basement at 6:30 pm. We will be discussing *The Way of the Cross* and *The Lord's Prayer*. All are welcome to attend.

These Elect and Candidates are preparing to be received into our parishes on Holy Saturday's Vigil Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

Ryan Thurman	Emilee Vollrath	Craig Spegal
Josh Gamble	Jordan Davis	Samantha Davis
Adam Grove	Alyssa Crowe	

**FORMED** – Confirmation is around the corner. Did you know that Confirmation is **NOT** Graduation from Religious Education? It's really the beginning! Check out this video from Real+True on FORMED. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/is-confirmation-a-graduation-from-our-faith>

**Confirmation** - Will be celebrated with Bishop McKnight on March 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am Mass. Please keep our Confirmation Students in your prayers.

<u>Holy Rosary</u>		<u>St. Stephen</u>
Mackenzie Crowe	Kinley Fuemmeler	Sophie Gares
Andrew Harris	Jaxyn Helm	Rylie Mulvaney
Daniel Hernandez	Blaize Kauble	Joseph Purol
Lincoln LaFontaine	Emily Lincoln	Caitlin Shively
Audrey Lucas	Avery Miller	Michael Spalding
Reed Miller	Macy Painter	
Aaron Pfanner	Collin Potterfield	
Zachary Reyes	Zoe Reyes	
Allison Richardson	Austin Shinn	
Brylee Thompson	Blaine Watson	
Brynn Williams	Karsyn Williams	

**ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY YOUTH**

Invite you to their presentation of the

**LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Come Pray with us on Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023 at 7:30 pm

at Holy Rosary Church



*Palm Sunday Mass*

8:00 A.M. ST. STEPHEN  
10:00 A.M. HOLY ROSARY

*Holy Thursday Mass*

7:00 P.M. HOLY ROSARY

*Good Friday Service*

7:00 P.M. HOLY ROSARY



*Easter Vigil Mass*

8:00 P.M. HOLY ROSARY

*Easter Sunday Mass*

8:00 A.M. ST. STEPHEN  
10:00 A.M. HOLY ROSARY

**~ SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MARCH 26, 2023 ~**

**First Reading:** *Ezekiel 37:12-14:* The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would open and they would rise. "I will put my spirit in you that you may live... says the Lord."

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8:* "With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption."

**Second Reading:** *Romans 8:8-11:* Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise also those in whom the Spirit dwells.

**Gospel:** *John 11:1-45:* Lazarus died, and Jesus raised him from death. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

**Liturgical Assignments**

March 19 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sacristan	Doug & Julie Orf
Greeter	Shane & Amanda Spalding
Rosary	Madeline Williams
Music	Sr. Sue Walker
Song Leader	Judy Irons
Servers	Caitlin Shively & Jacob Anderson
Cross Bearer	Dan Adam
Lector	Kathy Anderson
Offertory	Keith Hays
Extraordinary	Peggy Spalding, Kay Turnbull, Beth Whelan,
Ministers	Phil Whelan, Dwayne Williams
Counters	Group 3 - Shane, Michael, Jim

March 26 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sacristan	Dwayne & Madeline Williams
Greeter	Matt & Peggy Spalding
Rosary	Glenn Bichsel
Music	Julienne Burns & Beth Whelan
Song Leader	Kiersten Pfaff
Servers	Ben Lemongelli & Annie Willingham
Cross Bearer	Danny Sims
Lector	Carol Hagan
Offertory	Margie Hays
Extraordinary	Madeline Williams, Kathy Anderson, Deanna
Ministers	Buckman, Sally Lemongelli, Rose McNally
Counters	Group 4 - Greg/Gena, David/Julie

April 2 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Greeter	Dennis & Kaye Spalding
Rosary	Katie Foster
Music	Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns
Song Leader	Karlee Mudd
Servers	Grant Watson & Sophie Gares
Cross Bearer	Darin Underhill
Lector	Julie Hays, Frank Lemongelli
Offertory	Matt & Jennifer Hays
Extraordinary	Laura Mulvaney, Julie Orf, Doug Orf,
Ministers	Marie Purol, Nancy Shively
Counters	Group 1 - Joe/Marie, Pat, Frank

March Ushers: Dwayne Williams, Tom Winking, Chuck Wunsch, Steve Yates  
April Ushers: David Yates, Dan Adam, Lee Anderson, Matt Anderson



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Are you a Group Admin and not sure how to use Flocknote? Do you just want to know more about Flocknote? Check out their YouTube channel with many instructional videos.

<https://www.youtube.com/@UnotheSheep>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 20	Rosary at St. Stephen at Noon
March 24	Stations of the Cross, 7:00 p.m.
March 21	Swinkey Ladies' Coffee, 8:30 a.m.
March 22	Family Faith Night, 5:00 p.m.
March 25	HRS Carnival 11-2:30 p.m.
March 26	Confirmation Mass, 9:30 a.m.
March 30	Lenten Penance Service, 6:30 p.m.
April 2	Live Stations of the Cross, 7:30 p.m.