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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 22ND, 2020 YEAR A



*While I am  
in the  
WORLD,  
I am the  
LIGHT  
of the  
WORLD.*

*John 9:5*

#### Weekend Masses

SATURDAY 5:00PM  
SUNDAY 8:00 OR 10:30AM

#### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY 6:00 PM  
WEDNESDAY 8:15 AM  
THURSDAY 6:00PM  
FRIDAY 8:15AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 8:45-9:45AM  
CONFESSION AND BENEDICTION

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH  
8:15 AM MASS

PRAYER GROUP WEDNESDAY 1:30 PM

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Father Jegan Peter

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Parish Council meetings are held on  
the 2nd Tuesday of the month  
At 7:00pm in the Gottemoeller Ed  
Center

\*Next Meeting April 14th, 2020

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**-Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

**Sacrament of Baptism**-Call the parish office

**Sacrament of Matrimony**-Pre-marriage preparation is  
available for all registered members. Arrangements must  
be made at least six months in advance. Call parish office  
for arrangements.

**Sick Calls**-If you wish to receive the Sacraments at home  
due to infirmity or hospitalization, call the parish office.

**Welcome!** If you are visiting our parish, welcome! If you  
are new in our community and are looking for a home  
parish we hope we have made you feel welcome enough  
to return. If you will be attending Mass regularly but have  
not registered, we invite you to do so. This will help the  
parish to better serve your needs. Registration forms are  
available in the church vestibules.

#### Need to update your parish information?

Go to the parish website at <https://stmtours.org/>  
set up an account with My Own Church.

**\*You must register with the parish office first before  
setting up an account.**

#### Shepherd's Voice

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, Peace of Christ!

We are in an unprecedented and dismayed time with the threat of the harmful disease. We are all called to keep us all in prayers and make this journey of faith together with the great hope that this will pass away. Our faith in God's providence will make us stronger in this time. In a way God wants us to slow down from all anxieties and fear and focus on His presence in lives and His presence among us when we share our faith and care for each other.

The devil has no control over us and the world and will not have control over any time, as long as we have so many Catholic Holy Masses celebrated all over the world at all times. Even though you are not physically present with me at the celebration of the Holy Mass, definitely you are spiritually present, when I pray and offer the Holy Masses along with your intentions and prayers. You all are present with as the Saints and Angels are present at all times at the Holy Mass.

**Holy Mass:** All Sunday Masses and Weekday Masses will be offered as the private Masses by me, All the Mass intentions that we have planned will be offered respectively on the particular day. You are most welcome to send Mass Intentions if you prefer.

We will telecast our Live Sunday Mass at 10:30 A.M. on Sunday on our Parish Website <https://stmtours.org/>. We will also inform you as soon as we are able to broadcast the daily Mass at St. Martin of Tours. It is more personal and joyful to have or watch the Holy Mass at our own Church.

During a time of prayer on Sunday or while viewing the Mass on T.V. or online, the faithful are encouraged to make an act of **Spiritual Communion**. This beautiful devotional practice in the Church is a real source of grace in communion with our Lord. Below is an example of a prayer for spiritual communion: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The faithful are also encouraged to prayerfully read the readings of Sacred Scripture for the day or to pray the rosary.

**Holy Week and Easter:** We are not sure about any prediction on the Celebration of the Holy Week and Easter liturgies. We will wait until the Archbishop would direct us when the situation with COVID-19 changes.

Tithing: Some of you have asked me about Tithing/ Sunday Contribution over the phone calls and emails. We still need to pay our bills and support our employees and their families in this moment also, so I would encourage you to mail it or please make contribution through online from our Parish website <https://stmtours.org/>

**Anointing of the Sick and Sacrament of Reconciliation:** According the direction from the Archdiocese, "Whenever possible, the ministering of the sacrament of anointing of the sick and/or last rites during this time should be directed toward those who are critically ill and/or in danger of death.

When requested, the Sacrament of Penance should also be offered, but care should be taken to guide those who can postpone its celebration to do so." The confession can be offered only at the grave reason or upon an emergency purpose.

You are most welcome to email me or call me at the Parish Office Phone at any time if you need any need help. We will update and stay connected with you all more in this time. The Stations of the Cross and Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet can be the great ways to renew ourselves more and grow closer to God in this moment of fear and anxiety.

In all things and situations in the past, God has protected us all from all harms and danger, so let us believe more and pray more that we will see many miracles and we will pass this lived legend of faith to the future Catholics and the whole world.

I pray for you all and your families. May God bless and protect us all!

To be the witness for His love, Fr. Jegan Peter

Due to developments concerning the spread of the COVID-19, or Coronavirus, and for your safety, all public Masses, services and parish activities have been canceled, suspended or postponed until further notice.

Father Jegan will continue to celebrate private Masses everyday, and the Mass intentions will be said.

Our Sunday 10:30 am Mass will be live streamed from our Website, please log onto <https://stmtours.org/>

#### Weekend Mass Intentions

**MARCH 21 SATURDAY +DECEASED**

+Dean Sighting

**MARCH 22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Charlie John's

#### Weekday Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY MARCH 24**

Intention of Dolores Forler

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 25 The Annunciation of the Lord**

Intention of the Matt Duncan Family

**THURSDAY MARCH 26**

+John Smith

**FRIDAY MARCH 27**

+Mary & Urban Scheidler

**SATURDAY MARCH 28**

+Richard Rokosz Jr.

**MARCH 29 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

+Jerry Schoenfelder

#### Rest in Peace

I regret to inform you of the unexpected death early Wednesday morning of **Father Rick Eldred**, the pastor of St. Vincent de Paul, Bedford, St. Mary, Mitchell and the dean of the Bloomington deanery, More details and information will be communicated as we know more.

Please keep Kathy (David) Guffy in your prayers as they mourn the loss of her brother **Richard "Rich" Parker** who passed away on Tuesday March 10th

#### Prayer for the Faithful Departed

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. O Lord, your sorrowing Mother stood by your cross; help us in our sorrows to share your sufferings*

**Father Jegan** requested you all look up Psalm 91

Psalm 91 conveys the themes of God's protection and rescue from danger. ... The psalm was written in amulets by both Jews and Christians from the Late Antique period. Modern-day Christians see the psalm as a source of comfort and protection, even in times of suffering.



### Closings & Cancelations

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 precautions all Parish activities, meetings, Masses and Spiritual events (Stations, confessions) have been canceled, postponed or will be rescheduled.

THANK YOU! to the Knights of Columbus

For preparing and providing an opportunity to get together every Friday evening for the Fish Fry's. Thank you to our liturgical groups for helping the stations of the Cross!

### Parish Happenings



Thanks to our St. Martin's staff, Catherine, Lynne and Deacon Tim!

We managed to get 24 college care packages filled with lots of snacks, and goodies and sent to our young adults who are away at school.



A Big Thanks to one of our young adult volunteers!

Our Altar Servers now have a new closet to hang up their robes

### Looking ahead to the school year 2020-2021

Ss. Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School Now Enrolling for the 2020-2021 School Year!

Ss. Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School in Center Grove has openings for students Preschool through 6th Grade in 2020-2021 (7th and 8th Grade rooms are full). Parishioners at St. Martin and St. Thomas More parishes in Morgan County are welcome to be a part of our school community. If you are interested in a tour or in learning more about Ss. Francis and Clare of Assisi Catholic School, please call our enrollment office and speak to Diane Grahn at 317-215-2826 or email her at [dgrahn@ss-fc.org](mailto:dgrahn@ss-fc.org). Ss. Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School is just 16 minutes from downtown Mooresville, and 20 minutes from downtown Martinsville. Currently there are 14 families with 24 children from Morgan County attending Ss. Francis & Clare of Assisi Catholic School—we'd love for you to join us!

### Sunday Reflection

Fourth Sunday of Lent Weekend of March 21/22, 2020

#### First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a

*Samuel is sent to anoint David as king.*

#### Responsorial Psalm 23:1-6

*The Lord is our shepherd.*

#### Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

The Ephesians are told to live as children of light.

#### Gospel Reading

John 9:1-41 (shorter form: John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38)

Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.

#### Background on the Gospel Reading

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.

### Family Members Serving Our Country

May all military personnel be safe as they protect us.

We remember especially: David Burton, Azia Dwigans, Jason Fisher, Greg Johnson, Ashley Krulik, Jordan Krulik, Peter Klippel, Andrew Klippel, Tom Nichols, Joe Ooley, Michael Joe Osburn, Justin Pavey, Nicole Pavey, Kyle Richardson, Jacob Schultheis, Capt. Nathaniel E. Tiffany. God Protect them and keep them safe!



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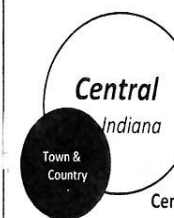
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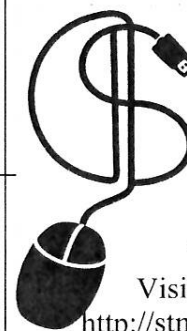
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