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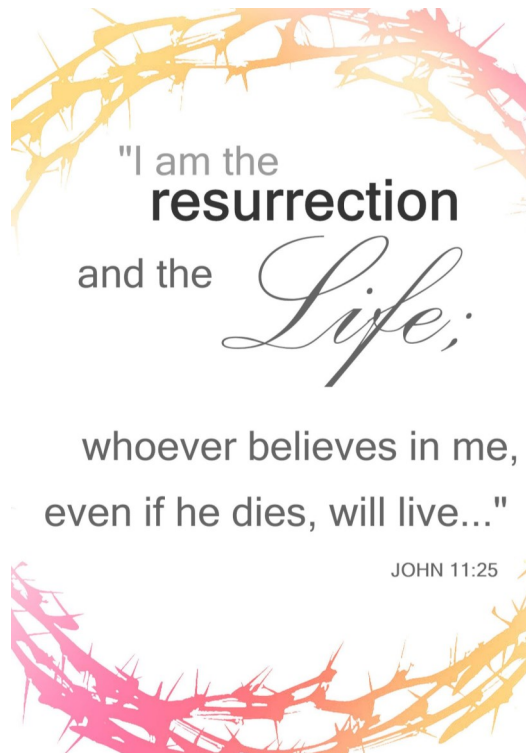
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Grand Knight Randy Cox

Ladies Faith Group
Chris Urbanowski



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 29TH, 2020 YEAR A



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

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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?

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ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH MARTINSVILLE, IN

MARCH 29TH, 2020

Weekend Mass Intentions

SATURDAY MARCH 28
+Richard Rokosz Jr.
MARCH 29 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
+Jerry Schoenfelder

+Deceased

Weekday Mass Intentions

TUESDAY MARCH 31
+SHARON URBANOWSKI
WEDNESDAY APRIL 1
+JOHN SMITH
THURSDAY APRIL 3
Altar Society *ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA*
FRIDAY APRIL 4
+Dean Sighting
SATURDAY APRIL 5
8:15am +Bill Shields *ST. ISIDORE*
Vigil +Mary Helen & Norbert Arvin
PALM SUNDAY APRIL 6
+Anna Wetzel

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.

Did you look up Psalm 91?

Did you immediately start singing "On Eagles Wings"?

Pope announces extraordinary Urbi et Orbi blessing

In response to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, Pope Francis said he will give an extraordinary blessing "**urbi et orbi**" (to the city and the world) at 6:00pm Rome time March 27.

(1:00pm of Martinsville time).

With Masses being cancelled many of you have inquired about tithing, below are a few options.

Giving Greener: Is the check you write to our parish one of the few checks that you write anymore? You can give greener by using our Online Giving Program.

Simply go to our parish website at <https://stmtours.org/> you can set up the amount that you would like to give on a schedule that meets your needs and you never have to worry about writing another check, forgetting your envelope, or having cash in your wallet.

Bill pay: Setting up payments through your local banks bill pay system, simply add St. Martin's to your merchants list.

Another option to consider is sending donations in by mail.

You may find these options an easier way to make contributions.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Just a reminder to stay up to date!

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Shepherd's Voice

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
Peace of Christ!

We are in unpredicted time when all these things will end. We hope and pray that we hold each other in our prayer and pray more as an individual, as a family for the revelation of Divine Will to our Country and the whole world. Staying at home and not able to do our work and not able to have the normal life is very difficult, but God will lead us to do the greater things through this difficult moment. It is a time to slow down from our fast-moving world. It may be the time to spend more time with our families, love them and care for them more and eat with them, above all it is the right time we need to spend more time in Prayer, praying Rosary, praying way of the Cross and reading the Sacred Scripture.

I recently received picture-message from a friend and it says, "When David faced Goliath, he didn't talk about how dangerous Goliath was. He talked about how great God is. Don't talk fear. Talk faith."

We have received some directives from the Archdiocese regarding Holy Week and other pastoral concerns as follows,

Given the need to encourage people to remain in their homes, particularly the most vulnerable, no public gathering of the faithful should take place at this time. This includes gatherings that take place outside or in parking lots, even if people remain in their cars. This would include celebration of Mass by loudspeaker or FM transmitter, distribution of Holy Communion in the parking lot or in cars, drive up confessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, or even gatherings for prayer and the rosary. We certainly encourage the creative ways of offering prayer and sustaining a sense of community via social media and other forms of communication.

All churches and gathering spaces are closed and should not be left open for private prayer or gatherings.

Palm Sunday and Holy Week Liturgies will not be celebrated publicly in our parishes.

There are to be no public celebrations, even outside – including live Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

There is to be no distribution of blessed palms; however, if a priest blesses palms privately, those palms may be reserved for distribution at a later date to be determined.

Where possible, live streaming (preferably not a recording) of this liturgy should be made possible for parishioners to participate from home would be encouraged.

We will have our Sunday Mass posted online on our Parish Website, Parish Facebook and our Parish YouTube Channel (St. Martin of Tours, Martinsville). We will let you know about the live streaming Liturgies and Masses during Holy Week with the Schedule and procedures to watch it.

Our Archdiocese website <https://www.archindy.org/index.html>

is also available for Daily & Sunday Masses and Holy Week Masses and Liturgies.

Our Parish "Catholic Community connection" Program is designated and well supported by our caring and faithful volunteers to reach our all our Parishioners through all kinds of communication. Please contact me or Parish Office, if you need any help or if anyone whom you know in need of any assistance. Let us continue to pray and grow spiritually strong to face any challenge of this world. Let us continue to pray that this moment of darkness/evil will pass away.

To be the witness for His love,

Fr. Jegan

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.

Need to update your parish information?

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

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My Own Church is the ideal solution for parishioners who use the Internet to manage their personal finances and business.

My Own Church uses ParishSOFT's technology to give parishioners secure and personal access to the information in their family and member records.

Registered users of ConnectNow Family Suite can log in and perform any of the following tasks in My Own Church:

- Manage your own church records update addresses, phone numbers, and keep personal information accurate and up to date.
- View your personal giving history.
- Download your contribution statement for 2019

To get started, click the link on the website home page "My Own Church" then click "New User" to set up your account

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. 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!

Family Members Serving Our Country

May all military personnel be safe as they protect us. We remember especially: Clark Barco, 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!

First Reading Ezekiel 37:12-14

God will open the graves and restore the people of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 130:1-8

With the Lord is forgiveness and mercy.

Second Reading Romans 8:8-11

The Spirit of God dwells in you.

Gospel Reading John 11:1-45 (shorter version John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45) Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Our Gospel on this day, the fifth Sunday of Lent, is again taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading from John continues the break from Cycle A's focus on the Gospel of Matthew. Today's Gospel reading recounts another sign, or miracle, found in John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus. As our catechumens move closer to the celebration of their Baptisms at the Triduum, today's reading invites us to reflect upon what it means to call Jesus the Resurrection and the life.

The context for the story of the raising of Lazarus is the Jewish leaders' growing animosity toward Jesus. Jesus has been in Jerusalem, taking part in the feast of the Dedication, which we have come to know as Hanukkah. The people have been pressing him to declare plainly whether he is the Messiah. Jesus tells them to look to his works, which testify to his coming from God. Many do not believe Jesus, however, and some try to stone him for blasphemy.

Into this scene of confrontation, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, send word to Jesus that his friend is ill. Jesus is said to love Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, but he delays his journey for two days. The delay heightens the drama and shows Jesus' obedience to God, who is to be glorified through Lazarus's resurrection. When Jesus finally declares that he will journey to Bethany, his disciples fear for his life. Thomas declares that he and the other disciples should prepare to die with Jesus.

The scene described at Bethany is a sad one. Martha meets Jesus weeping and saying that if Jesus had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Yet she remains confident that God will do whatever Jesus asks. Martha affirms her belief that there will be a resurrection of the dead in the last days. Then Martha's sister, Mary, comes to Jesus with the same confidence, saying that Jesus could have cured Lazarus. Jesus asks to be brought to Lazarus's tomb where he prays and calls Lazarus out from the tomb. At this sign, many come to believe in Jesus, but others take word of the miracle to the Jewish authorities, who begin their plans for Jesus' death.

Set against the backdrop of Jesus' impending death, many elements of the raising of Lazarus foreshadow the good news of Jesus' own Resurrection. Jesus, facing the conflict with the Jewish authorities, acts in complete obedience to God. In raising Lazarus, Jesus shows his power over death so that when Jesus dies, those who believe in him might remember that and take hope. Just as Jesus calls for the stone to be rolled away from Lazarus's tomb, so too will the disciples find the stone rolled away from Jesus' tomb.

With our catechumens preparing for their Baptism at Easter, the Gospel today calls us to reflect on Baptism as a dying and rising with Jesus. In Baptism we die to sin's power over us, rising as children of God. In Baptism we join ourselves with Christ, who conquered death once and for all so that we who believe in him may have eternal life. With Martha and Mary, we are called to profess our belief that Jesus is indeed the Resurrection and the life.



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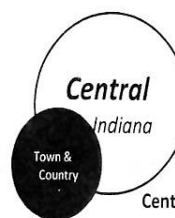
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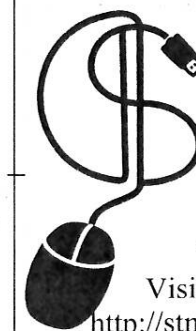
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