



March 24, 2019 Third Sunday of Lent

The Water of Life

In the first reading today, and in the Gospel, we hear about thirst. I do not know how you have been feeling this Lent, but I have been feeling parched. I can hear in my own prayer the grumbling of the people in the desert as they beg for water. Rather than a physical thirst (blessed as I am to live somewhere with access to clean water), I sense, in myself, a deep thirst for the living water Jesus promises to the woman at the well. I long for the living water Jesus provides. I yearn for his love and mercy to flood over me and bring healing, restoration, and renewed energy to serve others. I yearn for his forgiveness for all of the ways in which I have grumbled. I realize I have forgotten the real and active presence of God's generosity in my own life and in the life of this community that I am blessed to know.

There is a place I know, where there will be a well full of life giving water. We invite you, whatever you are thirsting for, to join us in meeting Jesus at the well. We will be receiving his living water at our communal Reconciliation service on **April 4th at 6:30pm**. There, we will sing mantras, from the Taizé community in France, like the refrains we sing as we pray following communion. These songs will wash over our hearts, gently eroding any hardness of heart, just as the Colorado River, slowly, and continually formed the beauty of the Grand Canyon. The atmosphere will be reflective, with candlelight and imagery to help soothe our souls and quench the thirst of our eyes for beauty. The prayers will offer us a chance to reflect on our lives, individually and communally. We will locate those desert areas which are in need of the touch of God's healing river. We will be invited to take a drink of God's healing mercy as communicated to us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Together, we will drink from the well of eternal life, grateful to approach God as a community, calling for the healing, restoration, renewal, and forgiveness he has promised to us!

Jesus thirsts. He thirsts for a drink of our life. He thirsts for an opportunity to be welcomed into our hearts, our families, our community, and our world. He thirsts for us to welcome his life giving water into our own lives.

Please, if you too sense within yourself, or within this community, the thirst for something life-giving, join us in prayer. Join us as we approach the well, humbly, as we are, and ask for a long, cool, drink. Jesus is ready and waiting to meet you at the well.

-Joan Spring

Liturgies

Sunday Masses
9:00 am, 11:15 am, & 8:00 pm

Weekday Masses
Tues. & Fri. 12:00 pm, Prayer Room

Student Masses
Wed. 12:00 pm, Atwood Primrose Rm
Thurs. 8:30 pm, Newman Chapel

Confessions
Sunday 7:30 pm & Friday 12:30 pm

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, March 24
Liturgies: 9:00 am, 11:15 am, & 8:00 pm
9:00 am RCIA Scrutinies
10:00 am Coffee & Rolls
6:30 pm RCIA
9:00 pm Student Coffeehouse
No REP

Monday, March 25
The Annunciation of the Lord

Tuesday, March 26
12:00 pm Noon Mass in the Newman Prayer Room

Wednesday, March 27
12:00 pm Mass on Campus, Atwood Primrose Rm
6:30 pm Seasonal Choir
All are welcome!
7:00 pm SEND

Thursday, March 28
6:30 pm Discipleship Holy Week Series
8:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 pm Late Night Student Mass

Friday, March 29
12:00 pm Noon Mass in the Newman Prayer Room
5:00 pm Faith, Food, Fun Friday
7:30 pm Communion & Liberation

Sunday, March 31
Liturgies: 9:00 am, 11:15 am, & 8:00 pm
9:00 am RCIA Scrutinies
10:00 am Special Coffee & Rolls
Feat. Speaker Dr. Moriarty
10:15 am Religious Education (REP)
6:30 pm RCIA
9:00 pm Student Coffeehouse

Take *captive* every thought to make it obedient to *Christ*.

2 Corinthians 10:5

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Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
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Lenten Reconciliation Service

Thurs April 4, 6:30 pm in the chapel. Confession available at the end of the service

Seasonal Choir Rehearse in the chapel 6:30pm Wednesdays. Mary Jo Bot: mjbot@stcloudstate.edu

Holy Week Prep Volunteers needed to clean and decorate for Holy Week and Easter. Sign up in the lobbies

Liturgical Ministries Sign up in either lobby to volunteer in Liturgical Ministries for Holy Week

— Looking Ahead —

Discipleship Series Join us at for the completion of a three-part series on Holy Week. Free dinner at 6:30pm followed by a discussion led by Fr. Joe. Explore Good Friday on **March 28** & Easter on **April 11**

Voices of Homelessness Project Guest Speaker, Dr. Sheila Moriarty, presents during Coffee and Rolls after the 9am Mass on **March 31**

Student Meal Volunteers Featuring a Non-profit Career Panel, volunteers are needed to provide the food and to help run this month's Meal on **April 4**. Sign up in the lobbies

14th Annual Fr. Wil Illies Lecture Sr. Elizabeth Johnson presents *God's Compassion for a Planet in Peril: Our Call to Solidarity* at the annual lecture. This free event is **Sat April 6** at 7pm in the Newman Terrace

***Note* Date Change for Vatican II Presentation** The date for Fr. Matthew Luff's presentation titled *Vatican II: Finding Jesus in the Mass* has been changed to **Tues Apr 30**

Taste of St. Cloud Save the date for this annual event on **May 6**. Early bird tickets are available for \$30 from Gary Hennen 320-333-2456.



A Message from the Diocese

Anyone who wishes to bring forward a complaint of sexual misconduct on the part of church personnel is encouraged to contact a victim advocate who will assist the person to take whatever steps the victim feels are appropriate to resolve the issue. (Confidentiality is assured to anyone who speaks with them.)

Victim Assistance Advocates for the Diocese of St. Cloud are: Roxann Storms, MSW, LICSW, FT, (320) 248-1563 (Confidential Line) Jane Blee: St. Cloud (320) 251-3430 Tom Klecker: St. Joseph (320) 253-2866 Peggy Rezac: Fergus Falls (218) 731-5528 Rev. Stanley Wieser: Wheaton (español) (320) 815-9696 Jennifer Wirz: Central MN (320) 339-0622

Student News

THE MARCH
FAITH FOOD FUN FRIDAY
free cooking class
MARCH 29 FROM 5-7 PM
AT NEWMAN CENTER

FREE STUDENT MEAL
APRIL 4 FROM 5-6 PM
AT NEWMAN CENTER
WITH A NON-PROFIT CAREERS PANEL

Holy Week

AT THE NEWMAN CENTER

JOIN US AS WE JOURNEY WITH JESUS THROUGH THE EASTER TRIDUUM

MONDAY APRIL 15

Holy Week Retreat
7:30 PM / Interactive
Prayer Stations

THURSDAY APRIL 18

Holy Thursday
7:00 PM / Mass
prayer until 10:00 PM to follow



SATURDAY APRIL 20

Easter Vigil
8:00 PM / Mass
reception in the Terrace to follow

FRIDAY APRIL 19

Good Friday
two distinct services offered attend either or both
12:00 PM / Noon Service
Passion Reading
Veneration of the Cross
Communion
3:00 PM / Service

SUNDAY APRIL 21

Easter Sunday
9:30 AM / Mass
8:00 PM / Mass

STUDENTS ONLY

Student Bible Studies

Join any time during the semester!
> Women meet Wednesday at Newman 7-8 pm
> Men meet Mondays at Miller Center 6-7 pm

Student Coffeehouse
Sundays after 8pm Masses

Student Masses

> Mass on Campus:
Noon Wednesdays Atwood Primrose Room
> Late Night Student Mass:
8:30 pm Thursdays
8pm Adoration and Reconciliation

Prayer Corner

Dave Brinkman—Anne Fields—Nancy Huber—Renee Miller—Katie & Dale Waletzko's grandson Isaac—Kathy Williams—Penny Zook—Lynn Rohman—Kevin & Melissa Kruger's brother Mark—Sr. Michelle L'Allier's father Ralph—Peg Obremski's sister Joanne Lauzon—Sharon Schmiesing's brother Mike—Jill Schultz's brother Jay Baune—Dave & Caroline Williams's son Jeff—Gary Hennen's brother, Denny—Courtney Vorell's father Paul Snyder—Joann Olson's mother †Joan Ziegler

Daily Readings

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7, Rom 5:1-2, 5-8, Jn 4:5-42
Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10, Heb 10:4-10, Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43, Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9, Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28, Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10, Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6, Lk 18:9-14

Weekly Offerings

2018		2019	
Envelope	\$3820	Envelope	\$3984
Plate	\$577	Plate	\$352
Total	\$4397	Total	\$4336
Attendance: 511			
<u>Special Collection</u>			
Place of Hope		\$2304	