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Third Sunday of Lent

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: The people tested the Lord saying: "Is the Lord in our midst or not?"

Reading 2: God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us

Gospel: The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I may not be thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water

Theme: Everyone who drinks this living water will never be thirsty again

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat.	18	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners		Third Sunday of Lent
Sun	19	8:30 a.m.	KW	Deceased Women of St John	✠	Third Sunday of Lent
Sun	19	10:30 a.m.	ML	Intention of Celebrant		Third Sunday of Lent
Mon	20	6:00 p.m.	ML	David Rausch	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Tue	21	9:00 a.m.	ML	Art and Omaha Tatera	✠	
Wed	22	8:30 a.m.	SH	Ella Rundle by K of C		
Thur.	23	6:00 p.m.	KW	Deceased Women of St John	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Fri.	24	5:30 p.m.	SH	Agnes Eck	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Sat.	25	5:00 p.m.	SH	Brian Traffas	✠	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sun	26	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sun	26	10:30 a.m.	ML	Albert Blahut	✠	Fourth Sunday of Lent

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 25/26 – 4th Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 1/2 – 1st Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Lent

SHARON 5:00 p.m.	KIOWA 8:30 a.m.	Medicine Lodge 10:30 a.m.
Carol Ricke	Londa Fischer	Kay Koger
Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Daryl Eck	Steve Roberts	Daryl Honas
Margie Eck	Steve Roberts	Loretta Boor
Daryl Eck Margie Eck Anne Schreiner Todd Fischer Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Charlotte Ringer Cheri Dorhman Leroy Seiler Diane Seiler
Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Jace Cox	Baily Roberts	Derrek Randels Emma Randels Kassidy Rambat
Ruth/Kathy	Donita Ragan	Ruth Schmidt Kathy Dohm
	Roberts Family	Mark and Loretta Boor
Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
		Charlotte Ringer
	Bill Bogner/Jim Pulliam	

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Lector	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Rory Traffas
CANTOR	Choir	Choir	Joe Hagood
Lector	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Rory Traffas
GEN INT	Maddie Wells	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
OEM	Dean Eck Jacque Totty Paul Totty Lawrence Smith Sheila Ricke	Anita Patterson Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Volunteer Lisa Withrow Rory Traffas Jacque Traffas Myra Dick
SERVERS	Maddie Wells Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Allie Hoch	Matthew Piper
MUSIC	Ruth/Kathy	Donita Ragan	Ruth/Kathy
GREETER		Graves Family	Miles & Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Jacque Traffas
ROSARY	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright
Collection		Paul Harbaugh	

Reflection: With Spring break – a lighter vein:

“Gilding the lily” may be unnecessary, but gilding the egg is almost essential at Easter, bringing beauty and added significance to one of nature’s fruits. Literal gilding – with actual gold leaf – was the privilege of the wealthy and no one was more extravagant than the great 19th Century goldsmith Peter Carl Faberge, who gilded eggs for Czar Alexander III of Russia. Plainer folks merely dyed their eggs **Why? Have you heard this story?** According to the Ukrainian folk tale, a poor peddler went to the market place one day to sell a basket of eggs. He encountered a crowd mocking a man who was staggering under a heavy cross on which he was about to be crucified. Running to his aid, the peddler left the basket by the roadside. Upon his return, he found the eggs wondrously transformed with exquisite designs of bright colors. The man was Christ; the peddler, Simon of Cyrene, and the eggs were to become the symbol of rebirth for all human kind. Even today in the Ukraine, decorating **pysanky**, as the native eggs are called, is a treasured art and custom. The Roman proverb “All life comes from an egg” (*Omne vivum ex ovo*) took on a new religious significance after the Resurrection of Jesus. Easter eggs symbolize not only spring’s rebirth, but also Christ’s resurrection. Like his tomb, the egg is the hard, cold casket from which new life finally and triumphantly breaks forth. It is enclosed, it is quiet, and it seems lifeless. Yet within an egg, the promise of new life is waiting to burst forth. Jesus’ tomb - like an egg - early on Easter- Jesus rose up to a new and glorious life. Because of this rich symbolism, we add beautiful decorations to our eggs at Eastertime. Candymakers have added even more richness by creating wonderful candy treats in the shape of eggs.

Some people say that at an egg roll, the egg takes on a different Easter symbolism. They say that the egg stands for the huge rock that sealed Jesus’ tomb. When children roll eggs, they are reenacting the rolling back of that huge rock, so that Jesus can come forth once more into the bright sunshine of life.

Prayer Intentions for the Sick and Shut-Ins: Ella Rundle, Alice Burenheide, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Elizabeth Terry, Lori (Hughes) Wilcox, Gary Noland, Raymond Schmidt, Cindy Archuleta, Carol Iron

Prayer Intentions: for the members of our parish family who are serving our country in the armed forces.

For the Faithful Departed: Pete Swingle, Robert Loewenstein, Tom Doherty, Dennis Hammersmith, Dwayne Kruckenberg, Luke Hendricks, Fern Beckerman, Omah Tatera, Agnes Eck, Larry Traffas, William (Bill) Hitchcock, John Ditgen, Dave Rausch, Albert Blahut, Richard Jaso, Gene Garrett, Max Rynerson, Floyd Spade, Elizabeth Schreiner and the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace, Amen

Parish News:

Lenten Luncheon ML: March 21 (noon) United Methodist Church - Paul Stephens gives the message

K OF C FISH FRY: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Each Friday of Lent at 412 N Main, Sharon

ST. BONIFACE SENIORS - ALTAR SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. Contact Marilyn Traffas for form-return to Marilyn or Ruth Schmidt by April 2nd.

ST. BONIFACE SENIORS – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION: Contact Kenneth Ricke for form and return by April 9th.

PETE SWINGLE FAMILY BENEFIT: Sunday, March 26- Pulled pork with all trimmings – St Peter’s Parish Hall-Willowdale. Free will offering Sponsors: *St John Church, Zenda; St Peter Church, Willowdale; Zenda United Methodist*

VOCATION VIEWS: A surprise encounter can turn our lives around. God offers us living water. Come and drink. (*John 4:5-42*). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website: www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

STEWARDSHIP: When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!



Saint Joseph And The Word

Saint Joseph was the most silent saint of all. No one has written down one word of his for our edification. Not one small word of his was saved unless it is the Word that was the sum of all his life, the precious Word he saved for everyone that It might speak the cross, and not the knife, long, long after he was dead and gone and gathered to his fathers, and never again could he spirit the Child and the young girl, his mother, out of the

dangerous city. From all men of all times he was chosen and no other - not one from among the prophets - but this rarely heard and wordless man, to save God's mighty word. - *Sister Alice Gustava Smith, CSJ*

Parish School of Religion:

Holy Rosary: Spring Break.

St John the Apostle: March 19 & March 26 - No CLASS

St Boniface: Spring Break

Lent is a Time to Feast and Fast

<i>Fast</i> from judging others.	<i>Feast</i> on the Christ within them.
<i>Fast</i> from emphasis on differences.	<i>Feast</i> on the unity of all life.
<i>Fast</i> from apparent darkness.	<i>Feast</i> on the reality of light.
<i>Fast</i> from thoughts of illness.	<i>Feast</i> on the healing power of God.
<i>Fast</i> from discontent.	<i>Feast</i> on gratitude.
<i>Fast</i> from anger.	<i>Feast</i> on patience.
<i>Fast</i> from pessimism.	<i>Feast</i> on optimism.
<i>Fast</i> from worry.	<i>Feast</i> on God’s love for you.