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April 6th, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Ezekial 37:12-14 "I will put my spirit in you that you may live."

Reading 2: Romans 8:8-11 "The Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you."

Gospel: John 11:1-45 "I am the resurrection and the life."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	05	5:00 p.m.	SH	Paul Lipscomb		Fifth Sunday of Lent
Sunday	06	8:30 a.m.	KW	Rosella Meitl	✠	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Sunday	06	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		Fifth Sunday of Lent
Tuesday	08	8:30 a.m.	ML	Ralph and Myra Dick and Loved Ones		Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Wednesday	09	6:00 p.m.	ML	Bill and Laura Nittler and Loved Ones		Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Thursday	10		KW	No Mass		Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Friday	11	8:30 a.m.	SH	Helen Eck		Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Saturday	12	5:00 p.m.	SH	Steve Eck		Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Sunday	13	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Sunday	13	10:30 a.m.	ML	Withrow Family		Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

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St. Paul reveals to us in the second reading that sometimes the desires of the flesh lead us into situations of suffering and hopelessness. When we hold on rigidly to the cravings of the flesh, our deeds cannot please God. As Christians, we are called to be people of faith. We are to live in the spirit of Christ who Has purchased us with his blood from the slavery of sin. We have the firm assurance that if Christ is in us, even though our bodies may be dead due to the inclination of sin, our spirit will be alive because of our deed of righteousness. This is the actual meaning of the prophecy given to the Israelites by the Prophet Ezekiel in our first reading. "O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them." (Ez. 37:12) At certain times, situations of life make us more dead than alive. We experience dryness and think that there is no reason for us to live. When we find ourselves in such situations, we think that God has abandoned us. Today, our scripture readings have given us the assurance that God does not forsake us. He always reaches out to us in his son Jesus Christ when we cry out to him. God is attentive to our call, and he hears us in times of supplication.

Lent is a season for us to prepare ourselves for our restoration in Christ. The Church therefore calls on us to approach God through Christ, his son, and cry out to him in prayer and deny ourselves of the pleasures that lead us to sin and render us dead-alive. We are to submit ourselves to God in prayer, deny ourselves of the pleasures of the flesh and show gratitude to God through the gifts we give to the Church and our neighbors. It is by these that we satisfy the three basic demands of Lent: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. -Father Emmanuel

CHURCH NEWS

All Parishioners:

- **Easter Triduum Schedule**
 - Holy Thursday, April 17th – St. Boniface 6:00 p.m.
 - Good Friday April 18th – St. John the Apostle 5:00 p.m. (Stations of the Cross before Mass)
 - Easter Vigil, April 19th – Holy Rosary 8:30 p.m.
 - Easter Sunday, April 20th – St. John the Apostle 8:30 a.m. & St. Boniface 10:30 a.m.
- **Stations of the Cross**
 - Holy Rosary – Before Mass on Wednesday
 - St. John the Apostle – 8:30 a.m. on Thursday
 - St. Boniface – 5:00 p.m. Before Fish Fry on Friday (Except Good Friday)
- **The Knights of Columbus, Council 2224, will begin their Lenten Fish Frys on Fridays from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Sharon.** These will continue for the next week.
- **Lenten Penance Services**
 - Holy Rosary – April 9th at 5:30 p.m. – Penance Service will be followed by Mass
 - St. Boniface – April 11th at 5:00 p.m.
- **Lenten Suppers-** The Ministerial Association in Medicine Lodge is hosting free will offering Lenten Meals. Supper is served from 6:00-6:30 with a Lenten thought at 6:30. We encourage everyone to join and celebrate with the community as we get closer to Easter!
 - Community Bible Fellowship – April 8th
 - Methodist Church – April 15th

St. Boniface:

- For the month of April, all of the food bank basket items will be donated to the Indian Hills Lodge in Medicine Lodge. Please donate to our locals.
- St. Boniface Altar Society meeting will be April 14 at 6:30pm. We will have an election of officers. Roll Call is to bring a donation for the food bank.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Edna Swayden, Karma Redgate, Isaac Venters, Theo Miller, Ken Ricke, Kelli Young, Lennes Rankin, Adalynn Amerin, Ralph & Myra Dick, Eileen Schmidt, John Eck, Juanita Ricke, Hugh Rankin, and Mary Eck.

For the Faithful Departed:

Bob and Lori Schrock, Charlotte Ringer, Rayann Rucker, Jacqueline Woods, Alicia J. Widdows, Kelly Capansky, Sandy Ricke, Bill Nittler, Londa Fischer, Beatrice Ricke, Ruth Blick, and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Triston Boor, Austin Stull, Jackson Petit, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Luke Fisher, Michael Castaneda.

Ministry Schedule for April 12th – 13th

Week 2	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Mason Eck	Chris Tharp	Volunteer
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	John Hern	Tom Tharp	Volunteer
General Intercessions	Mason Eck/John Hern	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Ricke Marilyn Traffas Darrin Hern	Linda Forester John Forester Delores Moreno	Norman Clouse Julie Thompson
Servers	Drake Schmidt Ashtyn Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Norman and Becki Clouse
Sacristan	Karin Traffas	Linda Pulliam	Volunteer
Rosary	John Hern		Leroy and Diane Seiler