

Sunday Bulletin

St. Mary's Church

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Bulletin for the Week of March 1 - March 7



Masses for the week of March 1 - 7

**Friday, March 5, 8:30 a.m., Members of the Seneca -
St. Benedict Insurance Company**

Sunday, March 7, 10 a.m., Janice Heiman

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Servers: Dylan Schmitz, Ashley Schmitz, Gabriella Sudbeck

Lector: Cindy Murphy

Commentator: Elmer Ronnebaum

Lay Ministers: Albert Olberding, Joyce Schmitz, Arlyn Holthaus, Connie Huerter, Betty Olberding

Music: Marilyn Holthaus with the adult choir

Gifts: Tom and Mary Beth Haverkamp family

Rosary: Cindy Murphy

Ushers: Bob Rottinghaus, Dennis Rottinghaus

Lenten Devotions: Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary. Leaders: Arlyn and Joanie Holthaus.

Please remember those who have health concerns:

Gene Holthaus, Theresa Rettele, Marsha Wessel Grossnickle, Elijah James Ruegge, Donna Hulsing, Janice Schmitz, Leo Schmelzle, Joyce Enneking, Ralph Shiffbauer, Grant Dugan, Sara Conroy, Cyrilla Sudbeck.

Lenten Regulations: Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Good Friday (April 2) are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast. One full meal and two other meatless meals. Other Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The obligation for fasting commences at 18 years of age and ends at 59. Although the faithful enjoy freedom in conscience to excuse themselves for a just cause from these mitigated laws of fast and abstinence, the obligation to do penance is a serious one and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from the obligation in the Lenten Season.

Annual Eucharistic Day. The annual Eucharistic Day will be held here on Sunday, February 28 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a closing procession and Benediction at 4 p.m. All parishioners are invited to come to church for a half hour of prayer and adoration. Please sign up for the period of adoration on the listing at the back of church.

Parish Council meeting will be March 1 at 7 p.m.; Finance Council will meet at 6 p.m.

Candles for home use. There are some 6-day glass candles available. The cost is \$3 each. Returning the glass will reduce future orders by \$1.25 each.

CALL TO SHARE: Recently parishioners received a letter from Archbishop Naumann asking for generous support of Call To Share. To date the donations total \$7204 from 65 families. The Parish's goal is \$10,753. Thanks to those who have elected to take part in this effort.

Fiscal Support: Feb. 21: \$701 Indian Collection: \$34; Central and Eastern Europe: \$14

150th Anniversary Books are still available. Books may be picked up during regular business hours at the Kansas Rural Water Association office east of the intersection of Hwy 178 and US Hwy 36 one mile west of Seneca. (336-3760). Orders may also be placed online. The cost is \$47.

The cafeteria is reserved for use on March 20, March 27 and 28; April 3, 4, and 18; picnic week (June 25 - 28), August 1, Sept. 18, 19, December 18, 19.

African Seminarians: Donations can be given to seminarians in Africa. Mark any such donations. There are many seminarians but funds are needed for their education.

Many thanks to Shauna Engelken for accepting the position of Religious Education Coordinator for Grade 7 to 12 at St. Mary's for 2010 - 2011. Thanks to Anita Schmitz for serving as coordinator for the past several years.

A new ministry listing is attached to the paper bulletin. Copies are on the table at the entrance of the church. Please arrange for a substitute if you cannot be here. Servers should be present at least 15 minutes prior to Mass. In absence of the scheduled server, the volunteer must hurry to prepare, often causing a delay for Mass to begin.

Welcome Reception: Immediately following Mass, Sunday, March 7, 2010. For new members of the parish: Jeremy, Suzanne and Tyler Nolte; Richard, Jackie and Emily Deters; Brad, Susan, William, Anthony and Liza Lueger; Josua, Jamie, Jessie, Kyara and Ty Guerrero; Misty, Colleen, Amber and Colton Blume.

Choir Practice: Monday, March 1 at 7 p.m. New voices are welcome.

Rice Bowl Boxes are on the table at the back of church. Take one home and return with your donations on Holy Thursday.

Bingo at Life Care: Wednesday, March 17: Arlene Holthaus, Celene Haverkamp, Lisa Holthaus, Rosella Bergman, Melissa Tangeman, Deanna Wullschlegler, Sharon Tangeman.