



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 30, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 30....The Wilson Family

Apr. 06....Doug & Carol Lane

DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?

We have envelopes at back of the church. Ask an usher.



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Mass times:

Sunday 10:30am

12pm Spanish

Please see calendar at
stpatrickmtsterling.com
for midweek masses.

Religious Ed:

Sundays 9-10:15am

Anointing of the Sick & Visits:

Please call the office if you know of
someone in need of a pastoral visit.

Marriage Prep: Notify priest 6+mo. in adv.

Baptism: by appointment

A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, March 30, 2025

This fourth Sunday of Lent is also Laetare Sunday, appropriately noting that our Lenten work, as in all liturgical seasons, comes with a true sense of joy. Years ago when I was fresh out of the seminary, I was assigned to a parish that had the luxury of a rectory housekeeper. The housekeeper's three children, all in their single digits, always accompanied her during her daily rectory tasks and they were often very curious about the new priest and would journey into my bedroom as the eager explorers children usually are. And they were most in awe of the small statuette of the Prodigal son embraced by his Father. They seemed to really sense the true joy captured in that embrace as their laughter and fingerprints all over the statuette gave testimony.

Of course, there is also a certain tension whenever we deal with God's love for his children, implied of the Prodigal Son's Father when placed against the backdrop of the evils in our world. Bitter disputes among siblings are often the case when the inheritance of great wealth is at hand and our heavenly Father offers all of us an inheritance of unparalleled wealth. The older son in our gospel is as blind to the Father's mercy for his younger sibling which is also offered to the older son every bit as much as its accompanying gift of love. In a world where competition runs amok, we are often blind to that which is most truly gift, unearned and without discrimination.

The Father's embrace resurrects in his son, as intuitively as it did in the housekeeper's children, a response of love, joy and gratitude, along with the sure knowledge that all is given freely and totally. This heritage cannot be earned, and it is never depleted. even by our most egregious misuses.

New to Our Parish?

Returning and need to update information?

Ask an usher for the parish registration form. Complete and return to the church office or put in the collection plate.

We are happy you are here!

DO YOU GET THE FLOCKNOTES?

Keep in touch with our parish
through text and
emails!

Text SJSPSA to
84576



Church Scholarship

Some generous church parishioners have joined together to provide a one-time \$ 2,000.00 College Scholarship to a Montgomery County senior this year. This person needs to be an active member of St. Patrick.

The senior can apply for this scholarship by applying for the "Kiwanis" scholarship from their guidance counselor and adding St. Patrick Church on the top page of the application. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2025.

APRIL requests:
Cereal, canned fruit,
ketchup, and canned
soup.

A box has been placed in back of church for collection.



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday @ noon
throughout Lent



Please continue to pray for
our Catechumens who will be
baptized at the Easter Vigil.

Tara Garlinghouse,
Jaylynn Garlinghouse,
Violet Ferguson,
Jasmirel Hernandez,
and Maira Mata-Reina.

Birthdays (Mar. 30th—Apr.5th)

04/01...Peggy Bonfield
04/02...Brayden Barnes
04/02...Pat Purvis
04/03...Robert Ferguson
04/03...Robert Gilvin
04/04...Luis Diaz-Cervantes
04/05...Sydney Butcher



IMPORTANT CHANGE TO MIDWEEK MASSES!

The mid-week THURSDAY mass will be moving
in both day and location **ONCE A MONTH.**

They will be Wednesdays at 5pm at the chapel
at St Joseph Mt Sterling Hospital

on the following dates:

APRIL 16, MAY 21, JUNE 18

Please see the calendar at
www.stpatrickmtsterling.com.



Holy Week Community Services at
True Life Church of the Nazarene
(119 Winn St.) at 12:05pm every
day of Holy Week. Parking at the
rear of the church and at the post
clinic with golf carts shuttles
weather permitting.

"Dear Jesus, please help the
Church more fully conform
with your truth and will."

- St. Hugh of Grenoble
(1053-1152) Bishop
- Feast Day April 1

