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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

First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 09....Sr. Liz Wehri
& Sr. Nancy Edward
Mar. 13....James Louis Hyska
Mar. 16....Patty Schmidt



DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?

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

A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, March 9, 2025

There's such a stark contrast in the afterglow surrounding Jesus, fresh from his baptism in the Jordan, and in today's gospel, confronting the devil in the desert in a scriptural debate preparing Christ for the trials that lay ahead! I'm reminded of a confrontation staged by a minister who cited scripture to effectively limit interfaith services, distorting God's word and casting self-righteous aspersions on members of the Islamic faith and those faithful to God from other journeys in life. Like the devil, there are those who would falsify scripture to divide those seeking unity in God.

As with Jesus, great trials would shake our understanding and tempt our reliance on God. And reasoned arguments don't answer deeper questions. But in our own trials we are invited more deeply into the mystery of suffering, dying, and rising as God's cherished ones. This reminds us that our faith in times of trouble is not baseless. Jesus also shows us that daily immersion of ourselves in scripture enables us to recognize the authentic voice of God and reject the traitorous lead of the tempter.

As Paul's letter reminds us, "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart." That echoes the intuition of God-fearing people of all faiths who recognize the nearness and care of the God of life. Fortunately for us, we don't embark on our Lenten journey alone. Jesus has gone before us precisely so that he can be with us and help us. And, thankfully, we have the grace of the sacraments through which the Lord grants us his strength.

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

OR go to this
QR code:



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.

Birthdays (Mar. 9th—15th)

03/13...Cynthia Benham
03/13..Raul Vargas
03/13..Chris McDonald
03/14...Philip Whitley



IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY, PLEASE TAKE A RICE BOWL



Catholic Relief Services expects to lose about 50% of their funding this year due to changes at USAID. They serve people in 120 countries around the world. Due back at end of Lent.

MARCH requests:

Cereal, canned fruit, spaghetti, and soup.

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



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday @ noon
throughout Lent



**CHI Saint Joseph
Health**

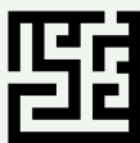
Saint Joseph Mount Sterling

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:
MARCH 12, APRIL 16, MAY 21

Please see the calendar at
www.stpatrickmtsterling.com.



Please pray for those discerning election at the Easter Vigil. They will have the Rite of Sending today and will go to the Cathedral at 4pm today for the Rite of Election.

Would you like to learn more about how Rumpke recycles?

Join the Laudato Si Action Team in an information session with a Rumpke Representative

Tuesday, March 18 @
10am in the Parish Hall



"The public ceremonies of the Church," the saint once remarked, "draw the people by their pomp and magnificence, and by degrees win them over in spite of their prejudices. The people hear with their eyes more than with their ears; they are at first captivated, then captured by the sight."

St. Clement Mary Hofbauer
(1751-1820), Redemptorist priest,
Feast Day March 15

