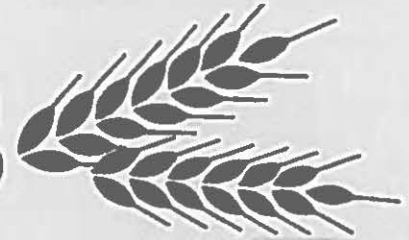


ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

In Focus



Walking the way of the Cross today



"We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. For by your holy cross you have redeemed the world." These words, prayed at each station on the Way of the Cross, are familiar to Christians the world over.

The actual Way of the Cross, the historic Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem, has always been of great importance to Christians. As early as the fourth

century, the followers of Jesus wanted to go to the places where he had walked and talked and healed. Most of all, they wanted to go to Jerusalem, where he died and rose from the dead. They wanted to walk the streets he walked on the road to his victory over death.

In time the stations (or stops) on the route, which over time numbered as few as 5 and as many as 30, were finally fixed at 14 derived from both tradition and Scripture, commemorating specific events in Jesus' journey to the hilltop where he was crucified. For all but one, Veronica's offering of her veil to Jesus, there are both historic and scriptural foundations, but the tradition of Veronica's compassionate action is so strong that its place in this devotion is unchallenged.

During the time of the Crusades, the Franciscans serving in the embattled Holy Land provided food,

care, and shelter to both Christians and Moslems. They were eventually recognized as representatives of the Church in that place, and the Way of the Cross (or the Way of Sorrows, as it was known) came under their care. It is largely due to the Franciscans that Stations of the Cross were placed in churches throughout the world, enabling those who were unable to undertake a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to walk the Way of the Cross while at home.

Today, although the Stations of the Cross are generally represented by pictures or statues, each incorporates a cross—and it is the cross, not the picture or statue, that marks the Station. This is the case even in Jerusalem, where a simple cross on a wall tells the pilgrim that Jesus stopped on his way to Golgotha.

At St. Patrick's, the Stations of the Cross are marked by crosses mounted
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Bishop Daniel Jenky moves to Peoria

After what seemed a very long time without a bishop to lead, guide, and inspire the people of the Diocese of Peoria, Pope John Paul II has named Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, CSC, to shepherd and serve the faithful in a diocese that extends from eastern to western boundaries of Central Illinois. St. Patrick's is but one of 198 parishes and missions entrusted to his care.

Bishop Jenky, Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend (Indiana), for the last four years, with this commission now returns to his native Illinois to serve as eighth Bishop of Peoria.



"Like all Christian believers, I will always try to trust much more to the grace and mercy of almighty God than in my own strength or ability. I do come willingly and enthusiastically to a vibrant diocese in the center of my native state," said Bishop Jenky. "I promise to do my very best to preach the Gospel, celebrate the Sacraments, and shepherd the Church. As always, I entrust my heart and my life to the prayerful protection of Our Lady, and I ask your prayers for the success of the ministry I am about to undertake."

Bishop Jenky, 54, was born in Chicago, attended Quigley South
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An evangelization minute

by Theresa Bosch



I joined St. Patrick's Parish after participating in WATCH 3 in the fall of 2000. For several years, I wandered from one Catholic church to another in this community, never joining a parish, but now I have St. Patrick's. I was especially impressed with St. Patrick's outreach programs, and soon after I joined the parish I was called to serve alongside Sophia and the rest of the Tuesday night crew giving food to those in need via the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

I was baptized into the Catholic Church on May 15, 1958, in a parish 30 miles southeast of here, Immaculate Conception in Bongard. At only 10 days old, I won \$10 for my parents at the church's ice cream social. In 1966, when I was 8 years old, God appeared to me as a bright light while I underwent open heart surgery at Children's Research in Chicago. I experienced what has been identified now as an out-of-body experience that is quite common in heart surgery patients. I told my parents I had watched the surgery, and they said, "No, Theresa, you were asleep."

One of the greatest gifts that my parents gave to me was to instill in me a belief in God. I do not know how children get through things like the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 without a belief in God.

God has helped me through some tough times. I have a little prayer that I say in times of need that I call my "God Help Me Prayer." After sliding on the ice and crashing into a guard rail in southern Illinois at 3 in the morning, the Christmas of 1983 when it was 25 below, my "God Help Me Prayer" sent me a Michigan couple who got me out of my car and took me to a local truck stop.

In 1987 after a head-on collision, I was shouting my "God Help Me Prayer" as a bystander came up. I switched to a calm voice to converse with him but quickly reverted back to screaming my "God Help Me Prayer." In 1996 a tornado hit my van after I was mistakenly called into work to care for tornado victims; again, my "God Help Me Prayer" kept me alive as I had visions of dying alone in that field on South First.

God has always been present in my life, but belief in Catholicism has not. In 1997, when my company was going through downsizing, I was angry that my Church was supporting an institution that seemed to have lost its mission. I chose to join the ranks of the unemployed rather than work for that institution. For six months I did not go to Mass or have anything to do with the Church. Eventually I returned to the Church with new wisdom.

Last week my employer informed me they were closing my department in six weeks, and I will again be unemployed. Unemployment is a scary time, especially when you are single. So much of your self-esteem is wrapped up in your work, let alone your health insurance. The one thing I have now that I did not have in 1997 is my church and all the wonderful people I have met through WATCH.

I know that God has great plans for me, and placing me in a job that is more serving to him is part of that plan. I also know that this church, all the lovely people I have met through WATCH, my family, and my "God Help Me Prayer" will get me through any challenge.

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on the wall, each identified by a roman numeral. Each year, on the Fridays of Lent, our parish "pilgrims" gather in church at 5:15 p.m. to walk with the Lord on his Way of Sorrows. Their journeying with Jesus is represented by the minister,

usually accompanied by candle bearers and a cross bearer, who moves from Station to Station, stopping at each for a brief meditation and prayer.

For people who make this journey on their own at other times, booklets for the Way of the Cross devotion are available in the church vestibule as an aid for personal reflection and a prayerful response to these events in Jesus' journey, and ours, a journey that leads not only to the cross but also to the empty tomb.

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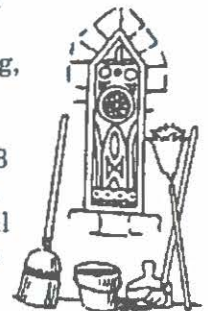
*Bishop Jenky
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High School Seminary and St. Lawrence High School, and entered the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1965. He earned a degree in History from the University of Notre Dame in 1970, followed by a Masters in Theology in 1973, and has been an instructor in theology since 1985. From 1976 to 1984 he was responsible for the pastoral care of the student body, faculty, and staff at Notre Dame, and from 1985 to 1990 served as Religious Superior of the Holy Cross religious at Notre Dame.

Bishop Jenky brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to shepherd and serve the 250,000 Catholics in Central Illinois. He will be grateful for the support of our continued prayers on his behalf.

Calling Mr. Clean And Mrs. Clean:

... join the clean
teens
dusting, polishing,
vacuuming the
Church
Saturday, Mar. 23
9:00 a. m. - noon
Doughnuts for all
who help make a
clean sweep
for Easter!



Community memorial vigil held at St. Pat's

On January 22, 2002, St. Patrick's was the site for the Annual Community Ecumenical Memorial Vigil. The vigil is a prayerful service for the children never born and all those affected by abortion. The churches involved were Webber Street Church of Christ, Twin City Bible Church, Savoy Methodist, Twin City Lutheran, Charismatic Episcopal Church and St. Patrick's, Holy Cross and St. Matthew's Catholic Churches. In addition, Right to Life of Champaign County, Birthright, and Crisis Pregnancy Center also participated.



There were approximately 150 people in attendance. It was gratifying to see that St. Patrick's parishioners were well represented. A special thanks to the members of St. Matthew's for the wonderful reception that took place after the Vigil and for their good work in getting the event publicized and to Holy Cross, Birthright and Crisis Pregnancy Center for their displays.



Anything can happen at a well

Yes, anything can happen at a well, sometimes surprising things that can turn the world of the familiar upside-down and send our hearts surging within us with new hope, new life, new peace.

On Saturday, Mar. 2, we will have the opportunity to find out just how it is that anything can happen at a well, as we hold our own astonishing conversations with Jesus, hear the words that help us to see our relationship with Jesus and with one another in a new light.

Sr. Eleanor Hoffman, O.P., is coming to spend the day with parishioners who seek that astonishing "anything" in a retreat from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sister Eleanor served for several years in the diocesan offices in Peoria, culminating in the role of

planning and facilitating the diocesan Lay Ministry Leadership Program from its inception. She has since served in parish ministry at St. Patrick's Parish in Rockford and in vocation ministry for the Sinsinawa Dominicans.

What do you suppose are the words that Jesus wants to exchange with you to astonish you, to bring you new life, new vision, new peace? Come and see.

Call the parish office (367-2665) to register. If you call by Feb. 25, you can order a box lunch (\$5); registrants who call after Feb. 25 will have to bring their own sack lunch.

Centennial dinner-dance

As you may know, something very special is about to happen.

For the first time in the history of the parish, we are going to have a

Centennial St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. You don't want to miss this historic event.

It will be held from 6 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, Mar. 16 at Jumer's Castle Lodge in Urbana (although there's a good chance it'll have a new name by then). Dinner will be served at 7, dancing to the music of the last century will be at 8:30, and there will be prizes, and a bar (for those of you who didn't give up alcoholic beverages for Lent.)

We'd love to have you join us, but you'd better act quickly. Tickets are \$25 per person. You may drop your reservations at the parish office, or you can reserve a table for your group. Also, make sure you check your dinner choice—salmon or prime rib.

Operation Rice Bowl - it works!



My name is Madeleine Sintiac. I am 37 years old and have five children. I live in the town of Solon in the Southern Diocese of Haiti.

Before I joined "Fanm Vanyan", a small credit group funded by Catholic Relief Services, I sold soap and sugar at the local market to help support my family. When I received my first loan of 1,500 gourdes (US \$65), I was able to add rice, oil, and flour to the products I sell. I recently borrowed another 3,500 gourdes (US \$152). With this loan, I bought some ani-

mals to raise for additional income. Now I can afford to send my children to school. I can provide food for my family, and I am able to pay back the loans as well as put some money into a savings account.

The profits that I have saved from my business over the last three years have finally enable me to build my own house—all from my own earnings! I am thankful to Catholic Relief Services for the opportunity to help me develop my business, but more importantly, for giving me the support to realize my own strength and dignity. I have the confidence to work to my full potential, and I am able to provide a secure future for my family.

Operation Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program that calls us to

PRAY with our families and faith communities,

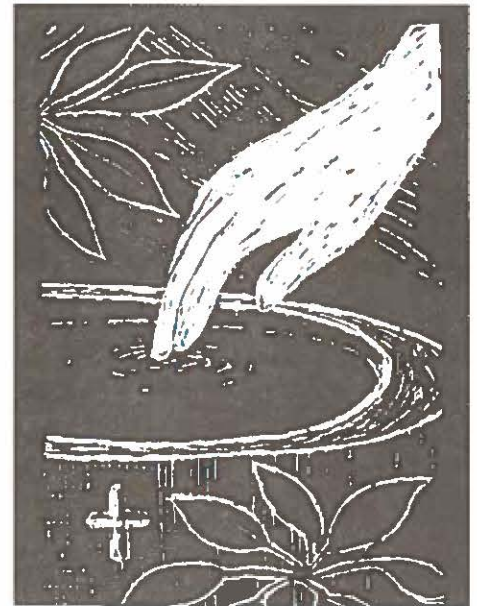
FAST in solidarity with those in hunger,

LEARN about our global community and the poor overseas, and

GIVE sacrificial contributions to the poor.

In 2000, Operation Rice Bowl collected \$6,164,000 nation-wide; St. Patrick's contributions in 2001 amounted to \$2,572.03. Approximately 75% was sent to Catholic Relief Services and 25% was used for diocesan charities. Participate! It works!

For more information about Catholic Relief Services, visit their web site at <http://www.catholicrelief.org>.



St. Patrick: gaining souls for God

St. Patrick, a Romanised Celt called Patricius, was the son of a deacon and grandson of a priest. He lived in the 5th century A.D. When he was 16, he was seized by an Irish raiding party near his home and brought across the sea to Ireland, there he was sold as a slave. Later he made his way to the continent and studied for the priesthood. One night in his sleep he dreamed that a voice called to him to return to Ireland. Thus began the mystical request that caused him to be known and loved ever since as Naomh Padraig, or Saint Patrick, Patron of Ireland.

We know this much of his life story from one of the few documents written by Patrick himself, his Confessio. Details of his mission are scant. To him his work was principally a spiritual task, the gaining of souls for God. There is

little doubt but that his feast, Mar. 17, was the date of his death. Although there were some scattered Christian communities in Ireland

before his arrival, it is clear that the impetus for the general change for Christianity throughout the land was due to him and to his work.

St. Patrick's Prayer

This day I call to me:
 God's strength to direct me,
 God's power to sustain me,
 God's wisdom to guide me,
 God's vision to light me,
 God's ear to my hearing,
 God's word to my speaking,
 God's hand to uphold me,
 God's pathway before me,
 God's shield to protect me,
 God's legions to save me.



Image by Michael O'Neil McGrath, OSFS

Habitat for Humanity Catholic project: Dolly's house

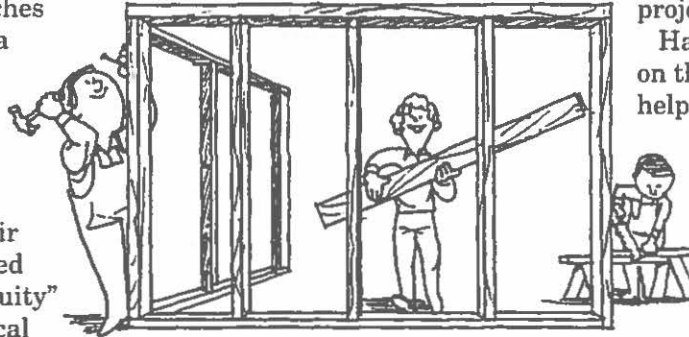
Sound like a perfect gift for a child? Actually, it is something much better—a real house for a real member of our community. Habitat for Humanity of Champaign and Piatt Counties and seven area Catholic churches have joined together to build a house for Dolly Smith and her eight-year-old son, Clay.

Dolly has been a waitress for 21 years, and she is excited to have a home at last that she and Clay can call their own. Dolly has already invested over 170 of the 250 "sweat equity" hours required working on local Habitat projects. Both she and Clay are eager to start work on their own new home.

Construction will begin on Dolly's house in April, and the Habitat for

Humanity Catholic Project needs your help.

Are you a skilled craftsman? Could you donate your time, or provide materials or services at cost? Don't



know a sawhorse from a staple gun? Don't worry, once construction is underway there will be several opportunities to help create Dolly's house. Watch your bulletin for more information—we will need volunteers

with a range of skills and abilities.

Finally, if you are unable to help in any of the above-mentioned ways (and even if you are!), we ask that you pray for the success of this project.

Habitat for Humanity is founded on the principle of helping others help themselves. Potential

homeowners are asked to invest sweat equity into the project, so that together we can build safe, affordable housing for families in need. Jesus commanded us to love our neighbors as ourselves,

and what better way to do that than to help build Dolly's house?

If you would like to help build Dolly's house, sign-up weekends at St. Patrick's will take place on Mar. 2-3 and Mar. 9-10.

What do you think?

On February 4, 2002, the Pro-Life Committee held a discussion on the death penalty.

The first question was, "Does a society have the right to put a criminal to death for a heinous crime?"

The second question was, "In the United States, is the death penalty, in place of life imprisonment necessary to protect the social order?"



Our government's primary duty is to protect its citizens and society as a whole. The justice system is crucial to that obligation. Those that break the law must receive punishment in accord with their crime, and the

citizens must be protected from criminals.

Do you have an opinion? In the next issue of *In Focus*, the Pro-Life Committee discussion will be presented. We would very much like to include the views of the parishioners as well. You are invited to express your opinion, pro or con. You may remain anonymous. Either email to gra782@aol.com or drop it in the Pro-Life Committee mailbox in the Parish Center. If you wish, you may mail your opinion to Meg Grady, 801 E. Washington St., Urbana, IL 61801. Please respond by February 28, 2002, so that the responses can be compiled and an article written prior to the March 10 deadline for submitting articles to *In Focus*. Please let us hear from you. This is an important issue and a full airing of it would be helpful to all.

An Easter puzzle: help the sacristan

Here's a puzzle that might be fun if you do it with one of your favorite young people. Pretend that you're going to help the sacristan get everything set up for the liturgies of Holy Week. There are so many things to

take care of! Here are some of the things that need to be set out. Can you say which day they are needed and how they will be used? (Answers are on page 8.)

1. Big pitchers of water and bowls
2. Holy oils
3. Palm branches
4. Large wooden cross
5. Humeral veil
6. Banner hanging in front of the Rising Christ
7. Baptismal font in front of the church
8. Basket for the collection for the churches in the Holy Land
9. Empty the holy water bowls at the doors of the church
10. Set up the altar in the Multi purpose Room
11. Pascal Candles
12. Aprons for the priests
13. Lots of towels (think of two answers)
14. Empty the crock of holy water in the sacristy

And if you'd really like to help the sacristan during this busy week, contact Mary Ann Luedtke at 328-1143.

It Happened Here!

15 years ago: March 1987

Parish Council Vacancies Filled

The makeup of the Parish Council is undergoing some major changes with the resignations of Jerry Barrett and Morris Stoops and the expiration of the terms of three members. As stipulated in the Council's bylaws, the resignation vacancies have been filled by the first two runners-up in last April's election of new Council members. Bob Haessly and George Fahey will serve out Morris Stoops' and Jerry Barrett's terms, respectively. This spring, election of new members to the Parish Council will be held to fill vacancies created by the expiring terms of Anne Britsky, Leon Mayer, and David Riddle.

10 years ago: March 1992

Council Committees Share Goals for the Year

Recently the Parish Council asked all standing committees of the Council to spend some time discussing committee objectives and to set one-year goals for presentation to the Council.

Social Action: To complete sponsorship of the Vietnamese family.

Education: To create an environment, through encouragement and education, that enables all adults, especially parents, to participate knowingly and confidently in the religious formation of our children and youth.

Personnel: To complete the project of developing a process for orientation of new employees, to complete the revision of the Personnel Handbook, to complete an employment application form.

Liturgy: To write or revise the guidelines used in each area of liturgical ministry.

Communications: To heighten parishioners' awareness of social-justice issues and the need of the local poor and powerless of our society.

Fr. Remm's Homily at the Funeral of Fr. Paul Kinder, March 18, 1992

Dear Friends in Christ, we all feel privileged to have known and been touched by Fr. Paul Kinder. The last month of his life, though plagued with some of the weaknesses of age and the effects of illness, was a great grace to the five of you, his family members, who spent time together at Lake Havasu, Arizona. His last postcard to us described the beauty of the lake from the vantage of the home you occupied. But it was the golden hours that you spent together, and the memories you shared, that gave quality and significance to his last days on earth.

And you weren't the only ones touched by Fr. Paul. I personally know of a priest who received a note of affirmation, and a parishioner friend who received an assuring note of concern—both received after his death. Paul was always reaching out to others, a habit and perhaps a discipline of a lifetime, attested to by the reflections of staff and parishioners in spontaneous reaction to the news of his death.

In his last phone call with me, he told me he had been doing some recording of family history at the library of a nearby college, where he had access to a typewriter. Jean shared with me this document of 8 typed pages, single spaced, filled with stories of the Kinder-Finnan families, finished just 12 days ago.

In the tradition of this unique storyteller (remember, he was Irish from his mother's side, fortunately tempered by German pragmatism on his father's side—and note that his funeral takes place between St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day, in true character with what Fr. Motsett called Fr. Kinder's good common sense and ability to compromise), let me tell you a story. It was related by Deacon Rodger Adams, who heard it from Paul.

When in Rome with the Army of Occupation, Paul was at a restaurant on the Via Dela Consiliazione and overheard the owner expressing a concern about what he was to name the hotel he was about to open. He wanted to give a name to the hotel in

respect and admiration for what the Americans had done in liberating the country. Paul suggested aloud that he might name it "Columbus." Today on Via Dela Consiliazione there is a Columbus Hotel.

That's not the end of the story. Listen to this paragraph from p. 7 of the Kinder-Finnan history: "I went to Urbana with my parents when my Dad went over to look at the job and the town. We stayed at the only hotel in Urbana. It was on Main Street and it was upstairs over some stores. Under the window of our room there was a rope about 1" in diameter rolled up in a coil. My dad explained that it was for our use in case of a fire. I was impressed. 65 years or so later I offered to stay in a makeshift room in the attic of St. Patrick's rectory, where I was going to assist in retirement. But they wouldn't let me, in spite of the story about the Columbia Hotel. I guess they thought too many years had passed and that I, like the old hotel (long gone), had too many years on me."

I tell this story not only because of its delightful surprise—and if you ever go to Rome, check out the hotel and think of a young boy's impression and the connection between Urbana and Rome—but because of a line that Fr. Paul put on the remembrance card of his 50th anniversary of ordination, a line from Paul Claudel: "God writes straight with crooked lines." That story, like Paul's life, is an affirmation that seemingly disparate events, happenings, and associations, come together, have meaning and purpose beyond our planning and intention.

Paul had no idea, though he knows now, how much he influenced people in his simple, childlike way. Here is just a sampling of what people have said:

"He left me with a good and warm feeling inside."

"He made holiness attainable."

"I feel like I've touched God."

"He was the only person who could look silly and dignified at the same time."

At a baptism at which the video camera fell to the floor from its tripod

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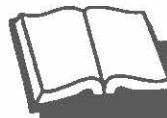
right after he said that video cassettes could be ordered, and the organist's foot accidentally on the floor pedals of the organ, and the Celtic cross on the pulpit fell off and tumbled down the stairs, he glanced at "The Rising Christ" and said, "We'd better get out of here before anything else happens!"

Or his simple remark to three young members of a family who were moping as their parents visited in coffee shop, "You will survive."

"He stayed connected to God, went to the heart of things, and didn't sweat the details."

God was constantly making contact with people through Fr. Kinder: With refugees who wrote in fond remembrance of him: "The actions of the just smell sweet and blossom in the dust." With children, who kept quiet when he preached because they didn't want to miss the punch line of his stories. With teenagers, who didn't seem to realize that there was supposed to be a generation gap between them. With the married couples, who sought his guidance, his assurance, his support. With those of his own generation, who found understanding and compassion. With younger priests, who found hope that they too might grow old gracefully in the priesthood.

The point in saying all this about Paul is not to eulogize him, but to point out by his life that God is the one doing the writing if we allow him to do so, and that it is in the context of our ordinary lives and interactions that grace is effective.



in our parish library

"We adore you, Oh Christ, and we praise you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world." Friday Stations of the Cross were a Lenten tradition in my family, as I was growing up. We often slipped them in between grilled cheese sandwich suppers and school basketball games.

If you would like to share the tradition of praying the Stations of the Cross with your children, the Parish Library can help. The Library has several booklets that you may want to consider. They will be "on display" during Lent. Please stop in and check one out!

In the Children's Library (Kindergarten classroom):

The Way of the Cross for Children, edited by Louis Savary. This booklet tells why we pray the stations and has a brief, one-page reflection on each station.

The Way of the Cross for Young Christians, by William J.

McLoughlin. In addition to the meditation on the station, this booklet offers a prayer with a practical emphasis on how we can relate the stations to our own lives.

Praying and Doing the Stations of the Cross with Children, by Diane Abajian. This booklet uses very simple words suggests drawing pictures to reflect your feelings about what is happening, and placing yourself in the situation.

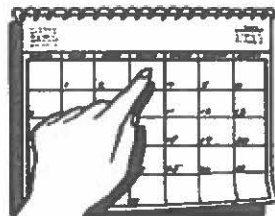
In the Main Library, shelved with the other Lent books on display:

Lent Begins at Home: Family Prayers and Activities, by Pat and Rosemary Ryan. Pages 45-54 of this booklet offer two ways to pray the Stations.

And for the adults:

Walk with Jesus: Stations of the Cross, by Henri Nouwen. This book of meditations represents the Stations through the suffering of the world's poor, where he sees the ongoing passion of Christ.

Make a date ...



March 2, Saturday: Our parish Lenten Retreat, "Anything could happen at a well, a conversation with Jesus" will be led by Sr. Ellie Hoffman. Please register by February 25. Come to Mass at 8:00 a.m., or come for breakfast at 8:30. Continues until 3:00 p.m.

March 5, Tuesday: There will be an open meeting on the refurbishing of the church in preparation for St. Patrick's centennial. Come to the main hall in the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m.

March 16, Saturday: St. Patrick's Centennial Dinner & Dance at Jumer's Castle Lodge. Get your tick-

ets in advance through the parish office by March 4.

March 18, Monday: Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, at Holy Cross Church, at 7:00 p.m.

March 19, Tuesday: Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, at St. Patrick's Church, at 7:00 p.m. Join with people of faith to receive the gift of God's forgiveness.

March 20, Wednesday: Communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, at St. Mary's Church, at 7:00 p.m.

March 23, Saturday: Volunteers are needed to help clean the church and parish grounds in preparation for Holy Week. Come any time between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

Every Lenten Friday: Knights of Columbus Fish Fry from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Desserts are needed, please drop them off in the kitchen marked for the Fish Fry.



Deadline for submission of information, articles and news items for the March issue of *In Focus* is March 10.

*Answers to Help the Sacristan
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1. The pitchers and bowls are used for the washing of feet on Holy Thursday. This is how we remember the example of service that Jesus gave us when He washed his disciples' feet.

2. Two kinds of oil are used for the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. The Oil of Catechumens is used for the baptisms and Sacred Chrism is used for the confirmations.

3. Easy one! The palm branches are for Passion Sunday, the first day of Holy Week. We use them in the procession at the beginning of mass when we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

4. The large wooden cross is used on Good Friday evening for the veneration of the cross. It is plain, without an image of Jesus, because we're not reenacting his death. We're remembering that he used the cross for our salvation.

5. Give yourself bonus point if you got this one! The veil is a vestment that looks like a shawl. The priest uses it on Holy Thursday when he processes with the Blessed Sacrament, carrying it to the Multipurpose Room for a time of adoration.

6. The banner hangs in front of the Rising Christ on Good Friday because we focus all of our attention on the one, plain cross on that day.

7. On Good Friday, churches throughout the world take up a collection to help care for the churches and shrines in the Holy Land.

8. The baptismal font is moved to front and center in the church for the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday because welcoming new members is one of the most important things we do on this night.

9. Just one day a year, on Good Friday, we don't have holy water in the church. We go without it on this day so we can welcome it back at the Vigil in connection with the baptism of the catechumens.

10. We use the altar in the Multipurpose Room as a place apart from the church where we can pray before the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament.

11. The Paschal Candle is the tall candle that we use throughout the Easter season and at Baptisms, but it really "shines" at the Easter Vigil. We bring it into the Church after dark to celebrate the way the Christ brings his light into our lives.

12. The priests (and sometimes the deacon) wear aprons while they are washing the feet of 12 parishioners on Holy Thursday.

13. We use lots of towels for the washing of feet on Holy Thursday, and also for the baptisms at the Easter Vigil.

14. There is a crock of holy water in the sacristy all year that everyone can use to get holy water to take home. Just as the bowls of water at the doors are emptied on Good Friday, this crock is emptied too. It is refilled with water from the baptismal font on Easter Sunday.

Quick fixin's from the kitchen of . . .

Tracey Johnson

Italian Chicken

- 4-6 boneless/skinless chicken breasts
- ¼ c butter or margarine, melted
- ½ c Parmesan cheese, grated
- ½ c bread crumbs
- 1 T paprika
- 1 ½ t Italian seasoning
- ½ t garlic salt

Combine the last 5 ingredients in a bowl or on a plate. Dip chicken in melted butter and roll in crumb mixture. Place chicken in baking dish with the thick edge toward the outside. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-40 minutes.

CORRECTION: In the December *In Focus* recipe for "Frances Adams' Christmas Coffee Cake": 1 teaspoon (not tablespoon) each of soda and vanilla.

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Welcome to new parishioners Marc and Martha Paap, John and Jennifer Selby, and Joe and Yvonne Vitosky.

Farewell to parishioners who have moved from C-U: Paul and Shelley Campbell, Darrel and Mildred Griffith, Robert Price, Katherine Rentschler, and Gerald and Janet Riskowski.

Congratulations to Scott William McMillan and Rachael Joyce Landry on their marriage.

Congratulations to our newly-baptized: Rachel Lynne Loftus.

Please pray for Lucille Troy, our parish member who died.

A Prayer for Creation

Our God, Creator of the world,
you have given each of us the capacity for good
and also the ability to do evil.
Both are contagious,
can spread through a community,
a society,
a country,
perhaps even a world.

In this time of trouble,
this new age of anxiety,
bless us with the strength and wisdom
to choose the path of right,
the vision to see how small acts of
goodness,
repeated, multiplied,
re-create your will
remake your world.

Help us to see
how our own holiness
expressed in actions
can bring yours into our lives
and begin to heal our wounded world.

May this be your will,
may this be our will.



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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY


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10:45am Mass-Champaign Cty NH 5:15pm Stations of the Cross 5:30-7:00pm Fish Fry	8:30am-3:00pm Parish Lenten Retreat

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9:00am & 11:00am Children's Rel Ed 9:30am RCIA 10:15am Children's Liturgy 1:00pm WATCH Fan Flammers 6:00-9:00pm Jr High Social 6:30pm Sr High Rel Ed 7:00pm Bible Study	1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Education Com 7:00pm Centering Prayer 7:00pm FGDW 7:00pm Pro-Life Com	7:00pm Financial Affairs Com 7:00pm WATCH Board 7:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Open Mtg on Church Refurbishment	9:30am Moms Group 11:00am Men's Book Club 5:00pm SVDP 5:15pm Prayer for Peace 6:00pm Rel Ed, St Pat's 6:30pm Rel Ed, St Joe 7:00pm RCIA 7:00pm Choir	6:45am Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Building & Grounds 7:00pm Young Adults Bible Study	10:30am Mass-Care Center 10:45am Mass-Champaign Cty NH 5:15pm Stations of the Cross 5:30-7:00pm Fish Fry	6:00-8:00pm Seder Meal for Bible Study participants

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9:00am RCIA 6:30pm Jr/Sr High Rel Ed 7:00pm Bible Study	1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Centering Prayer 7:00pm FGDW 7:00pm Centennial Com 7:00pm Social Action Com	7:00pm CREW Mission Mtg 7:30pm Parish Council Exec Com	9:30am Moms Group 9:30am Schola 5:00pm SVDP 5:15pm Prayer for Peace 6:00pm Children's Reconciliation Svc 7:00pm RCIA 7:00pm Choir 8:00pm Personnel Com	6:45am Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Baptism Prep	10:30am Mass-Clark-Lindsey 10:45am Mass-Champaign Cty NH 5:15pm Stations of the Cross 5:30-7:00pm Fish Fry	 6:00-12:00pm St. Pat's Dance at Jumer's

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St. Patrick's Day 9:00am & 11:00am Children's Rel Ed 9:00am RCIA 10:15am Children's Liturgy 10:15am K of C 6:30pm Jr High Rel Ed	7:00pm Centering Prayer 7:00pm FGDW 7:00pm Communal Reconciliation at Holy Cross	9:30am Mass-Canterbury Ridge 6:45pm First Communion Class 7:00pm Communal Reconciliation at St. Patrick's	9:30am Moms Group 5:00pm SVDP 5:15pm Prayer for Peace 6:00pm Rel Ed, St Pat's 6:30pm Rel Ed, St Joe 7:00pm RCIA 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Communal Reconciliation at St. Matthew's	6:45am Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Parish Council	10:30am Mass-Manor Care 10:45am Mass-Champaign Cty NH 5:15pm Stations of the Cross 5:30-7:00pm Fish Fry	9:00am-12:00pm Church Cleaning

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Passion Sunday 9:00am RCIA 10:15am Children's Liturgy	9:30am Archives Com 7:00pm Centering Prayer 7:00pm FGDW 7:00-8:00pm Individual Confessions	4:00-5:00pm Individual Confessions	5:00pm SVDP 5:15pm Prayer for Peace 7:00pm Choir	Holy Thursday 5:45pm Seder 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	Good Friday 3:00pm Stations of the Cross 7:30pm Veneration of the Cross	Holy Saturday 7:30pm Easter Vigil



Easter!