

March 15, 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Lent- Laetare Sunday

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Approximately 15 minutes before the Saturday & Sunday Masses when possible.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK		FEASTS & MEMORIALS
Monday, March 16	7:45 AM SJ - Marlon Mackel 6:00 PM SB - Ann Ponczek, requested by daughter Pat	
Tuesday, March 17	7:45 AM MHT – Helen Cordek, requested by Pat Petrun	<i>St. Patrick’s Day</i>
Wednesday, March 18	7:45AM IC - Leona Wirfel 6:00 PM SJ - Bernie Brown 6:00 PM IC - Stations of the Cross with Exposition & Benediction	<i>St. Cyril of Jerusalem</i>
Thursday, March 19	7:45 AM SB - Joseph S Kmetz, requested by sisters 6:00 PM MHT –James Endler, requested by Mary Jo McCall 3 to 8 PM SJ Exposition & Adoration – St. John’s	<i>St. Joseph</i>
Friday, March 20	7:45 AM IC - Eleanor Dierling	

Stations of the Cross:

4PM-St B with Exposition & Benediction	6PM- MHT	6:30- St. John
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Saturday, March 21	4:00PM	MHT-	James Sobel, request by Sobel family & Parishioners of St. Bartholomew and Most Holy Trinity
	4:00PM	IC -	Anna Jean, Hilary, Tom, Wayne, & Barry Motchenbaugh
	5:30PM	SB -	Al Grobosky Sr., requested by Tim & Judy Fleegle
	5:30PM	SJ -	Mary Ellen & Eugene Wess
Sunday, March 22	7:00AM	IC -	Thom Dolan & For the Parish
	8:30AM	SJ -	Suzie Thomas & For the Parish
	9:00AM	SB -	Living & Dec. Members of St. Anne Society
	10:30AM	MHT –	Thelma Robinson, requested by husband Paul

Sanctuary Candles	St. Bart	MHT	St. John	Immaculate C.
March 15-21	World Peace	Kay Grattan	Tom McMullen	Motchenbaugh Family

Liturgical Minister Schedule

March 21 & 22	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers
IC - 4:00 PM	Mary Sue Long	Mary Sue Long	
MHT- 4:00 PM	G Mehall	G Mehall	
St. J - 5:30PM	Scott Curtis	Carol Curtis	
St. B - 5:30PM	D Frantz	D Frantz	
IC – 7:00AM	Erin Kirby	Bernie Smith	
St. J – 8:30 AM	CCD 10/11 Gr. Students	Cheryl Long	
St. B 9:00 AM	D Templeton	D Templeton	
MHT – 10:30 AM	E Myers	R Gramling	E Gramling
M/B Count-March 16	D Fox, B Rosmus	StB-March Church cleaning	Tim & Laurie Harshberger

Offertory Collections

March 8	Reg	Flowers	Roof	Spec.	Easter	Pantry	Diocese	Cem.	Build	Total
MHT	\$1993	\$25		\$140	\$55	\$	\$50	\$	\$605	\$2868
St. B	\$2625		\$233	\$85			\$30	\$	\$934	\$3907
IC	\$3315								\$695	\$4010
SJ	\$1466								\$676	\$2142

MARCH PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SICK: Samilda Huber, Ann Furlong, Francis Girard, Lewis Brown, Ray Bodenschatz, Marlene Rummel, Ethan Racicot, Mary Ann Weinzierl, Frank C Primel, Jr, John, Susan & Mary Jo, Debbie Smay/Moyer, Roseann Subich, Mary Domidica, Ashley Smock, Eddie Werfel, Trinity, Rose, Adam, Sandy Georg, Seth Georg, Mary Giallonardo, George & Cathy Fetsko, Leroy Smith, Maria Felix, Mary Ann Penatzer, Karen Y, shut-ins, special intentions.

LENT: The tone of our fasting and prayer changes for this week to rejoicing as we celebrate Laetare Sunday today with the rose-colored vestments and flowers. Tuesday, we celebrate with St. Patrick's Day food and wearing of the green; Thursday, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, with a blessing for St. Joseph's Table and feeding the poor; Friday Spring arrives.

Most Holy Trinity Rose Altar Flowers are in memory of Helen Cordek by her daughter, Pat Petrun.

MASS CHANGE: During Lent there will be 3 evening Masses during the week at 6 PM. Monday at St. Bartholomew, Wednesday at St. John, and Thursday at Most Holy Trinity.

CHRISM MASS is on **Monday, March 30 at 11 AM** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. If any parishioner would like to attend and received our "oils" for the Churches, please call Pam at the office 814-495-5241.

CATHOLIC MINISTRY DRIVE: If you have not donated this past week, please prayerfully consider it; our diocesan ministries need your support. You may return through the mail, online, or through our offertory. Extra envelopes are in the vestibule. Parish Goals: MHT-\$9,700, St. B- \$11,400, IC- \$13,500, SJ- \$11,000.

MOST HOLY TRINITY EASTER ROLLS: Pick up is Friday, March 20 from 9-noon or after weekend Masses at Most Holy Trinity Church. **Volunteers needed to help Bake** on March 17 & 18 at 9 am.

IC FISH BUFFET: All Fridays in Lent and including Good Friday, at New Germany Grove Hall from 4 to 6:30 PM. Cost is \$15 for adults and children 6-11 - \$7.50; and under 6 are free. Dine in or take-outs available. Also, a fish sandwich with baked potato and cole slaw \$8. Sponsored by Immaculate Conception Rosary Altar Society. Many volunteers are needed to make the dinner a success. Call Doris 814-495-5100 if you can help in the kitchen, dining room, for clean-up, etc. Angel Food Cakes are needed for the dinners. If anyone can donate, please drop the cake off at the hall on Friday afternoons. This is a good time for Confirmation students to get service hours.

(B) PIEROGIES: Pierogies are available for \$7/doz. Call Ann 495-9298 or Margi 495-7020

IC & SJ WEBSITE: The daily Examen or examination of conscience is a prayer for God to reveal where we have fallen short of His sacrificial love and how our choices have offended Him. It helps us recognize our sins so that we can root them out and grow in virtue. Learn how you can make this a daily habit at stjic.org.

SPRING TEE- All ladies of our parishes are invited Sunday, April 12 at 12:30 PM at St. John Church, Summerhill. SJ Ladies call Mary 814-495-9092 (or signup sheet in back of Church); IC Call Doris 814-495-5100; MHT – sign up form in vestibule; St.B call Margie 814-495-7020 by **Monday, March 23.**

St. B FINANCE AND PARISH COUNCIL: will meet next Thursday, March 26 at 6PM in the hall.

IC ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY will have a meeting on Monday, March 16 with Rosary at 6:30 PM and a meeting to follow. All ladies in our community are welcome to attend the meetings and are encouraged to join our society.

St. B FINANCE AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: next Thursday, March 26 at 6pm in the hall.

GRASS TRIMMER: St. Bartholomew has one grass trimmer person and needs another. Call Andy Hutsky 814-248-8993

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: St. Bartholomew needs someone to open and close church for week-end Masses. Please call Casey Myers for complete information at 814-341-6209.

SJ/IC CONFIRMATION Rite & Retreat: March 22 for grades 10 & 11 Rite of Sending Mass & Discipleship retreat. Please meet by 8:15 am in SJ Church basement before Mass. Retreat to follow until 12:30 PM. Parent or Sponsor should attend both. Questions? Call Rhonda 814-254-9939.

SJ/IC CCD CLASSES: are scheduled for March 15 & 29; April 12 & 19.

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT: New Germany Grove Hall on Friday, April 10, from 2PM-8PM; Saturday, April 11 from 11AM-7PM; and Sunday, April 12 from 9AM-2PM. Join us for a self-guided tour of 150 Eucharistic Miracles collected from 22 countries, prayerfully gathered by St. Carlo Acutis. The presenters will be available throughout the weekend to answer questions. For more info, please visit: www.stjic.org/eucharistic-miracles-exhibit. Flyers attached to bulletins.

IC -FYI: There will be a **Fourth of July Picnic** this year for IC Church. Mark & Andrea Sossong have volunteered to be our chair-people. Many volunteers will be needed to make this event a success. Please consider helping, **Saturday, July 4, 2026.** Call Pam at the office or Mark & Andrea Sossong 814-659-3637 if you can help in anyway. Thank you.

SJ ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY The ladies will once again sponsor their **PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE** on **Saturday/Sunday, March 28 & 29.** Donations of baked goods will be needed. Please consider baking goodies for this annual fundraiser.

SJ PARISH: The Extra Raffle Tickets will be sold at 8:30 AM Mass today.

EASTER FLOWERS: Envelopes are in your packets to honor loved ones.

JUNE MONEY RAFFLE: St. Bartholomew Cemetery: Daily prizes of \$125-500. Daily number above and below wins \$25. \$20/ticket for month of June. Each family is asked to take 5 tickets to buy or sell. Pam has some at her office too.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW for our **Fourth Annual Comedy Night**, sponsored by SJ Church. It's on Sat., April 18, at New Germany Grove Hall. \$20 a person in advance, \$25 at the door. Doors open at 6 PM and show starts at 7:30PM. Call Pam at rectory 814-495-5241 for tickets. **Donations of baskets are needed** for this event. Call Lisa 814-243-3009

VACATION BIBLE CAMP – Mark your calendars for **June 22-26**, from 9 AM to Noon at New Germany Grove grounds.

THANK YOU to the South Fork Historical Society for the donation of the base for the history of St. James Cemetery. Also, thank you to Diamond's Funeral Home and all who provided information for the plaque.

SQUARE DANCE: Sat, March 21, at New Germany Grove Hall. Dancing with the band Klassic Kountry from 7 PM to 10 PM. Cost is \$10 per person. Includes dancing, food, and drinks. High school students free. Proceeds benefit Pro-Life.

FOREST HILLS CLASS OF "76" - we are looking for you! 50 Class Reunion October 2026. Email your address to:

lynnelajames@gmail.com

MONEY RAMA EVENT being held March 28 to help benefit the South Fork Library. Tickets are available at the library or contact Missy Barlam. The library would like to thank you for your continued support!

PARISH MISSION - The Basilica in Loretto, in Honor of Our Lady of Loretto, March 15-19. Rev. John Petrikovic, OFM Cap. Sunday at 7 PM: Prayers, homily and Benediction, Bishop Bartchak, with 9 priests for confessions. Mon-Thurs: Mass at 7 PM; Confessions and Adoration: 5:30-7pm. Prayer intentions sent to: Fr. John Byrnes, PO Box 10, Loretto 15940

CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR Sat, March 28, Bishop Carroll from 9-3PM. 60+ Crafters/Vendors. Gourmet Cinnamon Rolls & Gobs, Bake Sale, Hot Foods: Pagush, Haluski, Ham Pot Pie, Stuffed Pepper Soup; Easter Bunny 9-1 PM; Easter Hunt 1 PM.