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Sunday,

Mar 3,

2019

St. Patrick Church

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Pastor—Rev. Corey Close

+Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time +

First Reading Stubborn, wicked, and immoral speech gain a person nothing. Rather, this type of speech contrasts with the wisdom of the Lord's Word. In a few pithy proverbs, the author of Sirach instructs us about how our words reveal both our faults and our goodness (the fruits we bear). Only after people speak can we praise them, for only then will we know if their speech has reflected the Lord's word.

Responsorial Psalm 92 The refrain from Psalm 92:2a states a simple, but profound truth about how good it is to give thanks to the Lord. Psalm 92 in its entirety is a psalm of thanksgiving. The verses use the nature image of a tree flourishing and thereby connect directly with the passage from Sirach. Those who praise and thank the Lord and plant themselves firmly in him will bear fruit throughout their lives.

Second Reading Paul draws the connection between death and sin and acclaims that victory over death comes from God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul solidifies for the Corinthians and for us that death's sting is no more in Jesus Christ. Paul's words urge the community of believers to remain devoted to following the Lord for it leads to a share in Christ's Resurrection. This is a tall order for a community as divided as the Corinthians, but Paul knows they can succeed when they remain in the Lord.

Gospel Jesus turns to short parables as he continues to teach the disciples on the plain. The disciples hear how their teacher will train them in his ways; how they should not judge another person when sin remains in them; and how trees are known by the fruit they bear—a direct connection to the First Reading from Sirach. The Gospel reading concludes as we hear Jesus speak what we could consider an obvious tautology: good comes from good and evil from evil. We speak what is in our heart—let that be goodness!

Mass Schedule: Mar 4 - Mar 10, 2019

Mon. Mar 4	8:30 am (V) Judy Sloan+
Tues Mar 5	5:00 pm (B) Samantha Kriegel+
Wed. Mar 6	7:00 am (V) ASH WED-unborn
	5:30 pm (V) ASH WED.- Lorraine Irwin+
	7:00 pm (B) ASH WED- vocations
Thurs. Mar 7	8:30 am (B) Imelda Roth+
Fri. Mar 8	7:00 pm (V) Stations of the Cross
Sat. Mar 9	4:00 pm (V) LeRoy Bringmann+
Sun. Mar 10	8:00 am (B) Frank & Sylvia VanErsvelde+
Sun. Mar 10	10:00 am (V) People of the Parish



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig
Bob Murtha
Margaret Goodrich
Diane Davidson
Katie Kriegel
Shirley Bair

Bev Wood
Marvin Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Wilfred Suchy
Dawson Klein

Carol Blomme
Joanna Green
Don VanNevel
Sharon Petersen
Marge McGrory

Janice Bringmann
Rev. Philip Ryan
Shirley Noyes
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Grace DeRycke

St. Bridget Catholic Church

Ushers & Greeters: The Ministers of Hospitality

4:00 PM	Sat	Mar	9	Volunteers
10:00 AM	Sun	Mar	10	Volunteers

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM	Sat	Mar	9	Chelle Thys, Cooper Hoey
10:00 AM	Sun	Mar	10	Connor Timm, Aidan Timm

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM	Sat	Mar	9	Steph Thys
10:00 AM	Sun	Mar	10	Bill Lynch

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM	Sat	Mar	9	Volunteers
10:00 AM	Sun	Mar	10	Volunteers

Funeral Committee:

Mar Susan Wilgenbusch (647-3727), Jean Gryp (647-3481)

Money Counters:

Mar 10 Duke & Susan Wilgenbusch, Tom Thys

- **Catholic Messenger**-Each Week The Catholic Messenger reflects the life of the church throughout the world. The Messenger is a real value at \$29 for 50 issues, print and/or e-edition. Each parish will be billed a minimum of 50% of the declared number of parish families we have. We owe \$2,268.00 We have collected: \$1,194.00
- **Stations of the Cross**- Every Friday in Lent we will have Stations of the Cross at 7pm. We will be alternating between the two parishes. Victor 3/8, 3/22, and 4/5
 - **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**- The money we collect on Ash Wednesday will go to this collection- It supports the church in more than 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations and seminary formation. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection.
- **Needed Kitchen Help**- There will be a reception after Confirmation on March 20. If anyone could please help out in the kitchen, please contact Steph Thys at 319-350-2974. Thanks!
- **We are going to try having a "Childrens Liturgy"** during the Sunday Morning Masses starting on April 7. If anyone is willing to help with this please call Steph Thys. We need two people to lead it every week. It can be different people every week, you are not committed to do it every Sun. (For kids ages 4-7yrs)
- **KC MEETING**- Next Meeting Tues, March 12th, at 7pm at the KC Hall.
- **Confessions** will be heard every Saturday, from Mar 2 to Mar 30 at St. Bridget from 3:15-3:45.

I will sing to the Lord
who has been
bountiful with me,
sing psalms to the
name of the Lord Most
High.

Financial Overview : Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes: \$1,079.00	Offertory: \$219.00
Renovation: \$25.00	Total: \$1,323.00

Happy Birthday!

Mar 6- Richard DeGeeter, Lizzie Grier
Mar 8- Melissa Rhinehart

Happy Anniversary!

Mar 4 - Mar 10

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8:00 AM	Sun.	Mar	10	Phil & Mary Ann Heishman

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8:00 AM	Sun.	Mar	10	Clair & Payton Manatt, Zachary Clayton

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

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8:00 AM	Sun.	Mar	10	Rick Happe

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Money Counters	Mar	10	Jim & Elsie Foels, Judy VanTomme
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Behold, I am with
you always, even to
the end of the age,
says the Lord.

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- **Stations of the Cross**- Every Friday in Lent we will have Stations of the Cross at 7pm. We will be alternating between the two parishes. Brooklyn 3/15, 3/29 and 4/12
- **Lenten Breakfast**- It will be at St Patrick's at 9am on Tues March 12
- **Lenten Soup Supper**- CANCELLED- March 13
- **REVIVE** - Diocesan Event held in Muscatine for junior high youth and high school youth. Join other youth from our Diocese and strengthen your Catholic Faith. Will be held on April 6- for Jr. High, and on April 7- for High School students. Please let Angie know if interested, by March 13th.
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Envelopes: \$701.00	Offertory: \$54.00	
Renovation: \$750.00		Total: \$ 1,505.00

Happy Birthday!

Mar 4- Sheila Atkinson

Mar 5- Billy Brubaker

Mar 7- Kathy Roth, Eugene VandeVoorde

Mar 10- Lucia Dhooge, Terry Hall

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Important Information for Both Parishes:

Dear Parishioners:

I hope all is well as we continue to get through this seemingly endless winter!

This coming week, Lent will finally begin, on Ash Wednesday. We will have a burning of the Palms on Tuesday, at 4 pm at the Rectory in Victor in anticipation. This is where we burn the Palms of previous years, which gives us the Ashes for Ash Wednesday. You are welcome and encouraged to bring your Palm branches. Also, during the Fridays of Lent we will be doing a Stations of the Cross on each Friday at 7pm. This Friday it will be in Victor, and then will rotate back and forth for the rest of Lent. The Stations are taken from the Bishop's Vision 2020 initiative, with a reflection of Pope Francis' *Joy of the Gospel*. I hope you will join us during Lent for this, as well as to pray for the success of the Bishop's initiative which seeks an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our Diocese for a renewed missionary zeal on our people. The world needs the Good News of Christ more than ever, and it is up to each one of us to bring the love of God to those we meet. I hope this time of Lent will bring forth much fruit in our communities and our diocese.

As a reminder, Lenten Communal penance will be on Wednesday, March 13th at 7pm in Brooklyn, and will be on Wednesday, April 10th at 7pm in Victor. I hope and pray that all of you make it to one or the other, as we all need to be going to Confession during the Lenten season. If these times don't work, don't hesitate to ask me for Confession.

God Bless,

Fr. Corey

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- **Loss of Loved One**- Iowa City Hospice is hosting a luncheon for anyone who has experienced the death of someone close to them the third Thursday of each month beginning Sept 20, 2018 at Gus' Food and Spirits, Coralville. The luncheon will begin at 11:30 and you will be greeted by Iowa City Hospice staff or volunteers.
 - **Sharing the Hope Cancer support group**- will meet the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm at the Compass Memorial Healthcare Lobby, 300 West May St. Marengo. The group is open to all who have or are experiencing a cancer journey. This includes those going through cancer, caring for someone with cancer or having lost someone to cancer. Join us for conversation and cookies. For more information, contact Margaret Staman, Director of Hospital Fdtn and Volunteer Coordination at 319-642-8054.
 - **Domestic Violence**- Silence does not help the ones we love find hope or safety. If someone you care about is being abused, call 319-351-1043 or 800-373-1043 www.dvpiowa.org
 - **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**- Do you know more than 1,500,000 couples in over 92 countries have experienced a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend? They found something worth passing on. Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend today! Sign up for upcoming weekends to ensure your spot. Gift certificates are available

Website: stpatrick-stbridget.org please look at it, get up to date information and your bulletins!

Office Hours: The office will be open daily from 2:00pm- 4:00pm. Any questions please, call Linda Gensley @ 319-647-2294 or call Father at the rectory @ 319-647-2220. Thank You.

Confessions: There will be confessions heard every Saturday at the parish where Mass is held. So, from Feb 23 through March 30 confessions are now heard at St. Bridget Parish in Victor from 3:15-3:45.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Close at least six months in advance. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana is required.

Baptisms: There is a preparation class required in order to have your child baptized. Please contact Father Close for more information.

Newcomers: You may register in the parish by picking up a registration form from Fr. Close or the parish secretary, Linda Gensley. Church line is 319-647-2294 or Rectory is 319-647-2220.

Hall Rental: Anyone interested in renting out the hall please leave a message at 647-2294. The fee is \$100.00 must fill out our parish policy and check on the availability of dates.

Bulletin: Any news for the bulletin needs to be in by Wednesday, or you may call it in or email to us at: stbridget@netins.net