

St. John, St. Mary, Visitation Churches

Mass Schedule for March 13th – March 21st

Sat. 13 th 9:00 a.m.	Joe Cost (Visn)
Sat. 13 th 5:00 p.m.	Margaret Kramer (Visn) (DD)
Sun. 14 th 7:45 a.m.	Dennis Heidelberg (SM) (DD)
Sun. 14 th 9:45 a.m.	Parishioners (SJ) (GV)
Sun. 14 th 11:30 a.m.	Living & deceased of the Furrey family (Visn) (GV)
Mon. 15 th 9:00 a.m.	Kay Gerstner (Visn)
Tues. 16 th 9:00 a.m.	Walter Simon (Visn)
Tues. 16 th 7:00 p.m.	Confirmandi (Visn)
Wed. 17 th 12 noon	Andrew Adams & family (Visn)
Wed. 17 th 6:00 p.m.	Living & deceased of the Homan/Eischen families (Visn)
Thurs. 18 th 9:00 a.m.	Intention of Beverly Green (Visn)
Fri. 19 th 9:00 a.m.	Special intention of Nancy & Bob Copenhaver (Visn)
Sat. 20 th 9:00 a.m.	All who support our parishes (Visn)
Sat. 20 th 5:00 p.m.	Parishioners (Visn) (GV)
Sun. 21 st 7:45 a.m.	Teresa Schatzle (SM) (DD)
Sun. 21 st 9:45 a.m.	Mildred & Gene Ramsey (SJ) (GV)
Sun. 21 st 11:30 a.m.	Royal Harris (Visn) (DD)

**Confessions Saturday 4:00 – 4:30pm Visitation
Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm Visitation**

Thank you for your continued support of our parishes through your donations.

Offertory February 28, 2021
Visitation \$3330.00 St. John \$795.00
St. Mary \$1011.00

Lenten Events

Stations of the Cross/Rosary at St. John
Tuesdays at 6p.m.
Stations of the Cross/Rosary at St. Mary
Wednesdays at 8p.m.
Stations of the Cross at Visitation
Fridays at 7p.m.

Day of GRACE - Confession for Preble County Catholic Region on Sunday, March 21, 1 - 6p.m. at Visitation Church in Eaton. Go to Confession and BE FORGIVEN.

During Lent, Visitation Church will be open to the public for private prayer Monday through Friday from 8a.m. to 8p.m. Come by yourself or bring a friend. Come spend some time with our Lord.



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LENTEN FISH FRY #3698

DRIVE THRU ONLY

DATES: MAR. 19, 26

Drive-Thru TIME: 4:30pm TO 7:00pm

LOCATION: VISITATION CHURCH, EATON

COST: \$9.00 OR 12 AND UNDER \$5.00

Beer Battered *Fresh U.S.A. Pollack*, Hush Puppies French Fries, Vegetable and Dessert. **Gluten and Dairy Free** available upon request. See preblecountycatholics.org or the Catholic Community of Preble County Facebook page for Menu and details.

March Meetings/Activities

Parish Council meetings

Holy Hours

March 15 St. John 7p.m. March 18 St. John 7p.m.

March 15 **St. Anne's Sodality meeting**
Visitation 9:30a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Dear Friends in Christ,

This week in our "Passion Narrative" we focus on Jesus standing trial before Pilate in John 18:28-40. In the first scene the religious leaders are concerned with maintaining ritual purity but they are engaged in handing over the Son of God to the Romans. They are concerned to be ready for the feast of Passover (18:28) yet the true Passover Lamb is about to be sacrificed. Their jousting with the Roman procurator about legal rights leads ironically to Jesus being crucified. How many times in our own lives do we let the pursuit of "perfection" get in the way of getting messy and helping someone else? In trying to steer clear of any blemish we fall into the trap of the greatest blemish of not loving God or our neighbor. We might be as blind as the religious elite sometimes.

Pilate also represents the government of that day, the pagan and secularized form of authority. Jesus Christ even instructed us, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." (Mt 22:22) The conversation with Pilate is fascinating and full of "unfulfilled promises". It seems as if Pilate wants to find the truth, finds this man innocent of what he is accused of doing, and yet because of secular and political pressure a decision of scourging and crucifixion befall this innocent man.

The whole interaction between Pilate and Jesus involves the question: "Who is the King?" Jesus points to the fact that every human being in a position of authority or governance on this earth has been given such authority from God. For, Jesus Christ, the Son of God is truly the King of the Universe, that is, King of Heaven and Earth. He shows that to us every time we look at the Cross and see his crown of thorns which turn into his Crown of Glory on Resurrection day. May we be more aware of Christ's kingship in our hearts, in our churches, and even in our governmental authorities. Pray that Christ the King will once again reign in our hearts.

God Love You,
Fr. David Doseck

Singers Wanted!!! Every parish is invited to join. If you are interested in singing with our combined parish choir for Holy Week, have questions or would like more information, please contact Renee Piekutowski at ccd.ym.renee@preblecountycatholics.org or 937-768-1987.

Please keep our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday - March 16th

Sarah Abner	"Sebastian"
Cadence Greene	"Dymphna"
Rachael Hawley	"Vitus"
Jonathan Hewitt	"Andrew"
Wyatt Jones	"Frances of Rome"
Gracie Leach	"Maria Gorretti"
Grace Murphy	"Gianna"
Griffin Roell	"Sebastian"
Taryn Rucci	"Joan of Arc"
Henry Toschlog	"Sebastian"
Eleanor Tousignaut	"Joan of Arc"
Kyle Trent	"Joseph"
Daniel Turpin	"James"
William Wenning	"Hubert"

The Confirmation Mass celebrated by Archbishop Schnurr is for Confirmation families only due to limited seating. The Mass will be live-streamed. See the website for details.

We are planning to hold the **Easter Egg Hunt** sponsored by Religious Education after the 11:30a.m. Mass at Visitation on Easter Sunday. If you would like to donate candy to fill the plastic eggs, please leave them outside the Religious Education office in the hall. If you have questions, contact Renee Piekutowski at ccd.ym.renee@preblecountycatholics.org

What is the Eucharist? Why go to Mass? Join Fr. David for a seven-part program, *The Mass*, to help you understand how to fully, consciously and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. **The sessions are in the Visitation church hall on Saturday morning, 10 – 11:30a.m., February 20 – April 10.**