

**First Sunday of Lent
2019
Parishes of
St. Ann and Holy Angels**

March 9-10

Sat.	4:00PM Vigil (SA)	+Jeannette Perras
Sun.	8:00AM (SA)	+Donald Pelkey
Sun.	10:00AM (HA)	+Lynn Harper

March 11-15

Mon.	6:00PM (HA)	+Priscilla Jubert
Tues.	8:00AM (SA)	+Sue Jodoin
Weds	4:00PM (SA)	+Cecile LaPierre
Thurs	8:00AM (SA)	+Jeannie Forkey
Fri.	6:00PM (HA)	+Lisa Bray

March 16-17

Sat.	4:00 PM Vigil (SA)	+Alfred & Bernadette Major
Sun.	8:00AM (SA)	+Russell Lacount
	10:00AM (HA)	+Anna Forkey

Giving Report

St. Ann: \$ 3,230.00
Holy Angels: \$ 2,206.00

Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention

News in our Parishes

Religious Education News: Classes today. (Sunday)

St. Ann's Renovation News: Tiling in the front and sanctuary of the church are almost complete. Wooden steps will be put into place beginning this week and continued painting. Thanks to all our helpers!

IT ISN'T TOO LATE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN. WE CAN HELP YOU IN THE OFFICE IF YOU NEED. THANK YOU.

Winter Breakfasts: We are glad to announce that the winter series of popular breakfasts will again take place in the Holy Angels Parish Hall, Sundays on the following dates from 8AM to 12PM. **THANK YOU WORKERS AND THOSE ATTENDING!**

January 13 \$700.07	March 3rd \$1,313.90
February 3 \$1,142.09	April 7

Diocesan News

Fish Fry: Sacred Heart Parish, Chazy, will be having a fish fry on Friday, March 15, from 4:30PM to 7:30PM in the parish center. Adults \$11, Children \$5, all take outs \$11.

North Country Catholic Campaign: please consider continuing to subscribe to or beginning a subscription to our diocesan newspaper. It is a good way to keep caught up on news and read reflections in our faith.

Seton Catholic Open House: Wednesday March 13, 5-7PM at Seton Catholic

Lenten Reflections Scheduled

At the request of several people there will be a later afternoon - early evening Lenten Reflection in the St. Ann's Parish Hall on the Wednesday's of Lent. They will begin on Wednesday, March 13th and conclude on Wednesday of Holy Week, April 17th. Starting time will be 4PM and soup and bread will be served at 5:30PM. Please join us. The first topic of discussion will be "The Church in Our Time". (If anyone would like to help with making the soup please let Fr. Adrian know.)

God's Words This Week

We began Lent this past Ash Wednesday and in doing so have entered into the "desert" with the Lord who is described being tempted by the devil in this weekend's Gospel. I am always amazed at the timing of the church's readings with what is going on in the world. So many occasions in real life coincide with things going on in the Scriptures.

I believe the "desert" of 2019 is the one each of us finds as we lose confidence in our federal government because of the deep divisions of opinion and political agenda. We also are experiencing similar confusion in our faith and our church as timeless and foundational teachings of our faith are not just ignored in practice but are seemingly forgotten in the silence of church hierarchy to defend them.

If you haven't become concerned then you probably will never be concerned because your world is "mattered" by something else which is more important to you. If you are concerned then I feel strongly that this Lenten journey is important and crucial. As Jesus went to the desert to prepare Himself for His passion and death out of love for us, we are being called to the desert to find the only way out....to find God Himself.

I urgently call you back to ALL the sacraments, I urgently Summon you to the schedule of devotions and Mass times you are able to attend. We must find our way back to God and Our Lord is still leading us even if others are not.