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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (3-16).....NO MASS
Tuesday (3-17).....NO MASS OR CONFESSION
7:00 PM Adoration and Stations of the Cross
Wednesday (3-18).....7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood
+Virginia Fischer (Family)
Thursday (3-19).....8:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley
+Milton Sowatzke (Jim and Sue Christenson)
Eucharistic Adoration and Morning Prayer following Mass
Friday (3-20).....8:00 AM *Communion Service at Spring Valley*
1:30PM Mass at Elmwood Heritage NH
+Mary Crownhart (Adeline Crownhart)
7:30 PM Stations of the Cross at Elmwood

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Saturday (3-21).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood
+Michael Mousel Family (Theresa Mousel Schwartz)
Sunday (3-22).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville
Missa pro Populo
10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley
+Percy and Rochelle Lansing (John and Nancy Ellingson)

BRIEFLY NOTED

Our **deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers** are extended to the family and friends of **Jeff Anderson** of Spring Valley who was died this week. "O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servant Jeff from all sins, that he who believed in the Resurrection of your Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory" (Funeral Mass, Collect).

Our **deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers** are extended to the family and friends of **Margaret Hoffman** of Spring Valley who was died this week. "O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servant Margaret from all sins, that she who believed in the Resurrection of your Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory" (Funeral Mass, Collect).

Elmwood Knights of Columbus: are hosting a free will offering **French Toast & Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 29th in the Elmwood Church basement from 8am-12pm.** The breakfast consists of Pancakes & French Toast served with Real Maple Syrup, Sillers pork sausage and Swiss Miss Pudding, coffee and milk.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser: After Mass next weekend (March 21-22), JoAnne Parks will give a short announcement about the mission of Pregnancy Helpline and the additional services coming soon. Baby bottles will be distributed to be filled with coins, currency, or a generous check. Whatever you give will help save children's lives!

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday 6:00-7:30 PM
Elmwood
Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM
Elmwood
Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM
Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Boyceville
Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM
Spring Valley

St. Patrick's Day Dinner: is Sunday, March 15 at Sacred Heart, Spring Valley from 11:00AM-1:00PM at the CCD Center. All are welcome!

Holy Week Choir Practice: is CANCELED for **Wednesday, March 18.** The April 1 choir practice at 6 p.m. at St. Luke's in Boyceville is still on. Everyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

St. Luke's: Male volunteers are needed for "Washing of Feet" on Holy Thursday. The sign up sheet is on the back table.

Ministry Training: Workshops for current and new readers will be **Thursday, March 26, 7:00-8:30 PM and Saturday, March 28, 10:30AM-12PM.** Please see our bulletin and website for details.

Elmwood Altar and Rosary Society: would like to thank the family of Oliva Pelzel for their generous donation to the Altar and Rosary Society in memory of Oliva. May she rest in God's peace.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items must be received at the Central Office by **Tuesday at 3:00 PM.**

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www.svecatholic.org

Today we enter the fourth week of our Lenten observance. May the Lord continue to soften our hearts to accept His invitation: **“Repent, and believe in the Gospel!”** This Lent I committed myself to be available to you for the Sacrament of Reconciliation for more than 30 hours. **There still are opportunities for you to be reconciled with God and with His Church before you renew your baptismal promises at Easter! After I have gone next door to grab a bite to eat at the Saint Patrick Dinner following the 10:30 AM Mass today (Sunday, March 15) at Spring Valley, I will return to church to hear Confessions until 3:00 PM.** In addition to the normal Confession schedule in our parishes (**Saturdays** 7:00-7:45 PM at Elmwood and **Sundays** 7:45-8:15 AM at Boyceville), the Sacrament of Penance is also offered on **Wednesdays (March 18 and 25, April 1)** 6:00-7:30 PM at Elmwood, and **Monday, March 30**, 5:00-6:30 PM at Boyceville. Also, on **Monday, March 23**, at 7:00 PM multiple priests will be hearing Confessions as a part of a Communal Penance Service at Saint Joseph, Menomonie, to which all are welcome. **“To those who have been far away from the Sacrament of Reconciliation and forgiving love I make this appeal: come back to this source of grace; do not be afraid! Christ Himself is waiting for you. He will heal you, and you will be at peace with God!”** (Saint John Paul II)

In addition to carving out time for prayer at home and as a family, essential to any Lenten spiritual program is regular participation in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in observance of the Lord’s Day (Vigil on Saturday or Sunday itself). As your schedule allows, you might additionally assist at Mass celebrated in the mornings and evenings on weekdays. Also, consider spending some time before the Blessed Sacrament which is exposed continuously at Spring Valley beginning at 5:00 PM Thursday through 8:00 PM Friday and Mondays at Boyceville from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours is prayed within the context of Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:00 AM Mass on Thursdays at Spring Valley. A popular devotion during the Season of Lent is meditating on the last journey of Jesus through the streets of Jerusalem to His saving Death on the Cross by praying the Stations of the Cross. The Way of the Cross is prayed Tuesdays at Spring Valley at 7:00 PM and Fridays at Elmwood at 7:30 PM.

There are excellent free online resources for adults and children for every day of Lent. It’s not too late to start! **Please visit our website svcatholic.org for all the details of these internet resources as well as the latest on the spiritual opportunities in our parishes this Lent.**

As we journey towards the renewal of baptismal faith at Easter, **please pray for those among us who are preparing to be received into the fullness of Catholic faith.** These brothers and sisters of ours were baptized in other Christian denominations but now seek to embrace the Catholic faith. Each of them is moving individually at an appropriate pace towards this goal and they will be received into the Church at various times in the coming months. **Please pray for adults Pete, Sarah, Mike, and Cody as well as high school student Haley!**

With regard to the celebration of the Sacred Paschal Triduum – the three holiest days of our year of faith together, namely, Thursday of the Lord’s Supper, Friday of the Passion of the Lord, and the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil – **three years ago our Interparish Pastoral Council recommended to me that for two years we should continue alternating the host site at Spring Valley and Elmwood as those parishes had become accustomed.** Since Boyceville was new to our family of parishes it made sense to have the other two parishes host the first two years. At the third year – this year – the Boyceville parish was to be consulted to see if they felt equipped to take their turn hosting the Triduum. **When I approached Saint Luke Parish after the New Year their response echoed their attitude toward everything – a positive and “can-do” attitude!** So Boyceville is the site for our parishes for the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us! *Father Kevin C. Louis, STL*

Stewardship for March 7-8					
<i>“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)</i>					
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Roof Fund	BEET Grant	CCD Fundraiser
Spring Valley	\$829	\$103	\$175		
Elmwood	\$700	\$259.27		\$300.00	\$50
Boyceville	\$1275	\$103			

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Rosary Making Group: We are interested in starting a "Rosary Making Group" at our churches. We could make "mission style rosaries" or "rope rosaries". There is no experience necessary. We will teach you how to do this. Ages welcome for this would be between 11-111. We would like to have our group meet at the Sacred Heart, Spring Valley CCD Center the first Wednesday of the month from 7-8PM. We will start on April 1st. Please give us a call if you have any questions. Thanks, Pam Burke & Cindy Schlegel Pam-715-307-8312 Cindy-715-684-3324

Spring Valley 80th Birthday Celebration Invite: The children of Yvonne DeGross and Una Kannel-Jenny would like to invite everyone to celebrate their 80th birthday on April 4th, 2:00pm at Ruth and Jeff Esanbock’s.

