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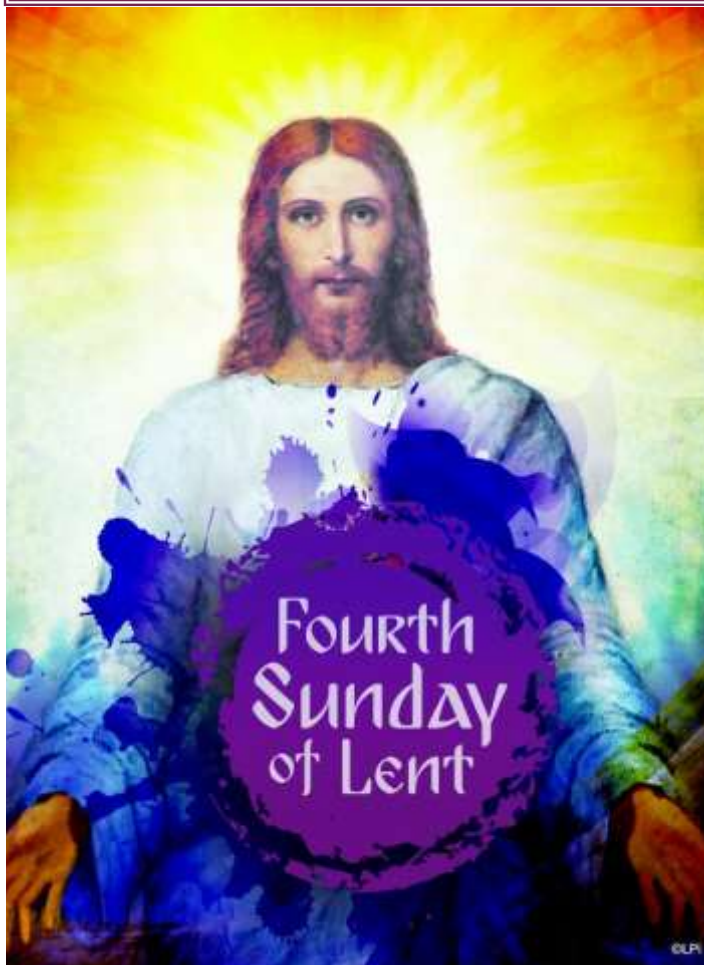


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March 10, 2024—Fourth Sunday of Lent



*"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...
He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants
only the chance to love you." – Blessed Teresa of Calcutta*

This Week at Church of the Good Shepherd

- This Weekend** CGS I, II, 9-11am, Atriums
CGS II, 12:15-2:15pm, Atrium
- Monday** Adult Bible Study, 6-7:30pm, Parish Hall
- Wednesday** Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 PM, Church
- Thursday** Stations of the Cross, 5:30 PM Church
- Friday** Stations of the Cross, 8:30 AM
5 Fish Dinner, 4-7 PM
- Saturday:** Penance Service, 10am, Church
- Next Weekend** Sarris Candy Pickup!
Money Due March 23-24



Parish Resources Still Available —The "Little Books", "Word Among Us" and other devotional and educational materials available in the Narthex are a great way of growing deeper in Christ's Word and learning about our Catholic Faith. There is a basket next to the booklet rack that is for a free-will offering for these booklets and other resources. *Even if you are unable to donate to defray the costs, please do make use of these resources—however, if you are able to donate, please do, as this ensures we can continue to order a wider variety of materials.*

Mass Schedule:

Good Shepherd, Kent:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekdays: 6:00 PM Monday

8:30 AM Tuesday/Thursday
(unless otherwise noted)

Ss. Simon & Jude, Blairsville:

Saturday: 4 PM; Sunday: 9 AM

Weekdays: 8 AM Mon/Wed/Fri

Office Hours:

Mon—Thu: 10 AM—4 PM

Friday: 10 AM—12:30 PM

Reconciliation:

Monday 5—6 PM during
Holy Hour, and by appointment.

To schedule Baptisms or
Weddings, please contact
the Parish Office.

Staff & Directory

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Masses and Candles — Week of 03/10/24**Fourth Sunday of Lent***2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21***Saturday, March 9**

6:00 PM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Sunday, March 10

11:00 AM | John Maudie by Children

Monday, March 11*Is 65:17-21; Ps 30; Jn 4:43-54***NO MASS****Tuesday, March 12, Lenten Weekday***Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46;*

8:30 AM | Ed Moskel by Paul Romanchick

Wednesday, March 13, Lenten Weekday*Is 49:8-14; Ps 145; Jn 5:17-30***NO MASS****Thursday, March 14, Lenten Weekday***Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106; Jn 6:31-47*

8:30 AM | Richard Maus by Elizabeth Harrigal

5:30 PM | Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 15, Lenten Weekday*Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30*

8:30 AM | Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 16, Lenten Weekday*Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7; Jn 7:40-53***Fifth Sunday of Lent***Is 22:19-23; Ps 138; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20*

10:00 AM | Penance Service (Here)

6:00 PM | Hudson Baroni by Roger & Cheri Finotti

Sunday, March 17

11:00 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

From Fr. Dino's Desk**Fourth Sunday of Lent**
Reflection**March 10.** Texts: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23, Ps. 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6, Eph. 2:4-10, Jn. 3:14-21.

How have I experienced love? How devastating it is for a child to grow up without knowing love! We human beings need love to become whole. Without the experience of loving one another, how can we come to experience God's love for us?

The Second Reading also reveals "the great love [God] had for us." Further, while the second reading affirms that we are "saved through faith," it also makes clear that this faith itself "is the gift of God. More love!"

Such depth of God's love this Gospel reveals: God gave the only Son, allowed the only Son to be "lifted up" on a cross, and now remains patient with us while we struggle with choosing between darkness and light, evil and truth. Moreover, in the very midst of our ongoing struggle, it is God who brings us to greater belief and leads us to eternal life. Such is the depth of love God has for us!

Region 2 Penance Services

Monday, March 11 7:00 PM, SS Simon & Jude, Blairsville

Tuesday, March 12 7:00 PM, Holy Family, Seward

Saturday, March 16 10:00 AM, Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent

Wednesday, March 20 7:00 PM, Our Lady of the Assumption, Lucernemines

Thursday, March 21 7:00 PM, St. Bernard, Indiana



The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of John Rogel by Ruth & Family.

**2024 Paschal Candle & Flowers for Candle**

Please contact Carol (at the office) if you are interested in sponsoring our 2024 Paschal Candle in memory or in honor of a family member(s) or loved one(s). This candle will be used throughout the year ahead and is a sign of the "light of Christ" that gives us hope.

We would also like to have flowers for the Paschal candle during the Easter season. Sponsorship is for 2 weeks at a time. Contact Carol (at the office) if you are interested in sponsoring flowers in memory or honor of a loved one.

CRS Spotlight for Sunday, March 10, 2024

Congress is considering legislation for the Farm Bill that would effectively end critical U.S. programs designed to fight global hunger and build communities' resilience. This is a dangerous proposal for millions of people. We need your help to protect Food for Peace programs so that families can access the resources they need to build thriving futures. Please visit www.crs.org to see how you can help!

Faith Formation News

Please remember that *Faith Formation is essential for everyone at every stage in life*, but it is particularly important for our children and youth.

MARCH PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY: Catholic faithful of Indiana County will gather on **Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 10:00AM on the sidewalk in front of the Indiana County Courthouse** to offer a public square Rosary. In this month dedicated to honoring St. Joseph, the prayer intention will be for the sanctity of traditional marriage. Rosaries and prayer guides are provided. The public Rosary lasts about 45 minutes. Please consider adding this prayerful public witness to your Lenten offerings. Please contact Marianne with any questions: 724.717.3278.

GOOD SHEPHERD LENTEN DINNERS

Fridays during Lent (Except Good Friday)

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Whole Meal: \$14.00 Half Meal: \$7.00

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\$3 Bag Sale on clothing and shoes with white tag items half-priced at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store this week. Store hours are 10am-2pm, but the store will only be open Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday and closed the rest of the week for Spring change over. Donations will not be accepted this week. Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa).

To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210

Parish Stewardship—Weekend of 03/03

Weekly:	\$ 1,723.00
Monthly:	\$ 1,042.00
Loose:	\$ 130.00
Children:	\$ 0.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 133.00
For Improvements to Parish:	\$ 27.00
Online Giving:	\$ 150.00
Easter Flowers:	\$ 249.00
Resources:	\$ 19.00
Total Income:	\$ 3,473.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 769.83)
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$ 110,426.25
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 152,741.88
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 42,315.63)

RECEIVE AND Share  **Diocesan Lenten Appeal**
As of February 28, 2024
2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

Total pledges/gifts received:	\$ 6,415.00
Percent of Diocesan Goal (\$ 23,606.00):	27.1%
Percent of Parish Goal (\$41,006.00):	15.6%
Participating Households - 16 (290):	5.51%
Average 2024 Parish Gift:	\$ 400.93
Average 2023 Parish Gift:	\$ 338.84

LENTEN DINNER REPORT

Dinner #3 - March 1, 2024 - 903 Dinners served.

Dine In: 431

Drive Thru: 472

The winning 50/50 number was **1832170 for \$ 63.00**

The winner has been notified and has claimed her winnings..

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Rice Bowls are available in the Narthex. Please take one home and return with your donation for 2024. Thank You.

CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Rooted in the history of the Eucharistic Congress, CRS Rice Bowl invites Catholics and faith communities in the United States to encounter God and our global family throughout Lent by practicing the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice Bowl support the work of CRS in more than 120 different countries each year. Twenty-five percent of donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay in the local diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Since its inception in 1975, CRS Rice Bowl has raised more than \$330 million.

What is a CRS Rice Bowl?

CRS Rice Bowl is a staple on the table of [Catholic families](#) across the country during Lent. This simple cardboard box is a tool for collecting Lenten alms—and comes with a [Lenten calendar](#) that guides families through the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections and stories.

Stories of Hope

CRS Rice Bowl shares [stories of hope](#) from CRS' work around the world. These stories are examples of the communities where your Lenten alms are changing lives. Stories are accompanied by a simple, [meatless recipe](#) that you and your family are encouraged to prepare on Fridays during Lent. Find more information on crsricebowl.org.

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