

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018

Sat.	3-24	5:30 p.m.	<i>Palm Sunday</i> (St. Francis) + Mary Jo Maher
Sun.	3-25	8:00 a.m.	<i>Palm Sunday</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	3-25	10:00 a.m.	<i>Palm Sunday</i> (St. Francis) + Charlie VanLeeuwen
Mon.	3-26	7:30 a.m.	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i> (St. Francis) + Charlotte Carter
Tue.	3-27	7:30 a.m.	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i> (St. Francis) NO MASS
Wed.	3-28	6:25 p.m.	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i> (St. Francis) + Howard Peak
Thur.	3-29	7:00 p.m.	<i>Holy Thursday</i> (St. Francis) + Ryan Beachner
Fri.	3-30	5:00 p.m.	<i>Good Friday</i> (St. Ambrose)
Fri.	3-30	7:00 p.m.	<i>Good Friday</i> (St. Francis)
Sat.	3-31	8:30 p.m.	<i>Easter Vigil</i> (St. Francis) + Betty Lero
Sun.	4-1	8:00 a.m.	<i>Easter Sunday</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	4-1	10:00 a.m.	<i>Easter Sunday</i> (St. Francis) + George & Helen VanLeeuwen

St. Ambrose Church

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Fri. Paul Westerman

Lector: Fri. Bob Vitt & Lois Carlson

Server: Fri. Rusty Lero

Gifts:

Rosary:

Ushers for April: Rusty & Cindy Lero

No Donuts & Coffee April 1st

STEWADING OUR GIFTS: WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING?

We stand at the beginning of Holy Week; another season of Lent has nearly passed. How have you grown in your ability and desire to follow Jesus? As stewards, one of the greatest ways to follow Jesus is to know, understand, and share His story. In order to do so, we must know Him in a very personal way. Today we hear the story of the Passion of the Lord, culminating with His death on the cross. As baptized Christians, this story is our story and it is one we should tell often. Our very lives reflect our stewardship, and should point to the cross, leaving everyone we encounter with the understanding that "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

St. Francis Church

Lector & Song Leaders:

Thur. Marcia Gard & Adult Choir

Fri. Seth Born, Donna Wood & Adult Choir

Sat. Judy Fager, Cindy Schoenhofer & Adult Choir

Sun. Jene' Noe & Youth Choir

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Thur. Rodney Noe

Fri. Kenny Crager

Sat. Mary Jean Zandler

Sun. Joe Schoenhofer & Mike McCracken

Altar Servers:

Thur. Grant, Trey, Easton, Austin

Fri. Katie, Katie, Ashlyn

Sat. Anna, Katelin, Emily, Sydni

Sun. Anthony, Brenden, Colton, Caleb

Gifts:

Thur. M/M Mike Grosdidier

Sat. M/M Charles Gouvion

Sun. James Voorhies Family

Rosary Leaders:

Sat. Mary Jean Zandler

Sun. Joe Schoenhofer

Church Cleaners for March 30th: Sheryln

Oplotnik, Wendy Winter, Kelli Sevart

Ushers for April:

Sat. Don Kennedy, Mike Brown, Steve Grosdidier

Sun. Dennis Westhoff, Seth Born, Rick Coomes

ST. FRANCIS ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE will be held this Monday, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

ST. FRANCIS YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE for Easter Sunday will be on Monday, March 26th from 4:00 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

ST. FRANCIS PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: will be held this Wed. starting with Mass at 6:25 p.m. followed with classes in the classrooms at 7 pm.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: ST. PAUL/ERIE COMMUNITY on **TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH** from 1:30—6:30 p.m. at the St. Francis Parish Hall. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule an appointment.

IMPROVEMENTS TO ST. FRANCIS CHURCH GROUNDS In order to make our church garden and grounds even more beautiful and safe, a lighting project is under way! Approximately 14 lamp posts will line the sidewalks of the garden including the sidewalk to Prairie Mission Retirement Village. Additional lighting will also be added between the church and the church rectory to ensure the safety of our PSR children on Wednesday evenings. Please consider a donation to help complete this project. The estimated cost is \$15,000. Donations may be mailed to the church rectory or left in the weekend collections. Be sure to earmark your donation for the "lighting project". Envelopes for the project may be found in the back of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Monday, March 26th

7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Francis

Tuesday, March 27th

NO MASS Fr. David at Chrism Mass in Wichita

Wednesday, March 28th

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Francis

10:00 a.m. Mass at PMRV/Anointing of the Sick

6:25 p.m. Mass at St. Francis

7:00 p.m. PSR

Holy Thursday, March 29th

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Last Supper at St. Francis

Eucharistic procession in Garden

Adoration until midnight

Good Friday, March 30th

3 p.m. Outdoor Stations of the Cross in St. Francis Gardens

5:00 p.m. Services at St. Ambrose

7:00 p.m. Services at St. Francis

(confessions following)

Holy Saturday, March 31st

8:30 p.m. Blessing of Fire in front of the Church followed by

Solemn Mass of Easter Vigil at St. Francis

Easter Sunday, April 1st

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Ambrose

10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis

CYM Easter Egg Hunt after Mass at St. Francis (ages 0-12)

ADORATION will be held after Mass on Holy Thursday until 12 midnight. We are asking each family in both parishes to spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. It is suggested that families use these hours:

9:00 – 9:30 pm

9:30—10:00 pm

10:00—10:30 pm

10:30—11:00 pm

11:00—11:30 pm

11:30—12:00 am

Families A thru D

Families E thru I

Families J thru N

Families O thru S

Families T thru V

Families W thru Z

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS
Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of FASTING Catholics, from the 18th birthday up to the 59th birthday (the beginning of the 60th year) are obliged to fast, that is, take only one full meal and two lesser meals, with nothing to eat in between meals. Drinking fluids would not be contrary to the practice of fasting. *Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, are days of ABSTAINING from meat.* All Catholics, beginning with the 14th birthday, are obliged to abstain from eating meat. People who are unable to practice bodily penance, due to pregnancy, illness, or hard physical labor may choose another form of penance or charity. The Church urges that works of penance be linked to works of charity – for example, using the money saved on less expensive meals or giving up snacks to feed the poor.

Prayers are asked for the following: Kathy Westhoff, Justin Venne- man, Sue Shively, Pat Moore, Vence Segraves, Sheri Bell, Adrienne Smith, Bailey Shaw, Billy Brown, Adam Westhoff, Stephanie Thompson, Don George, Lisa Edwards, Janey Beachner, Bryan Whelan, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Gary Brown, Sue Baldwin, Rosie Brogan, Pat Diskin, Mary Ann Dougherty, Janice (Ward) Norris, Jane Anne Beachner, Dalton Noakes, W.W. Holland, Kenny Owens, Jerry Beachner, Chuck Westhoff, Lu Reeves

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the parish office at 449-2224.

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Francis \$3,616.25

St. Ambrose \$818.00

**Please remember your parish
in your will.**