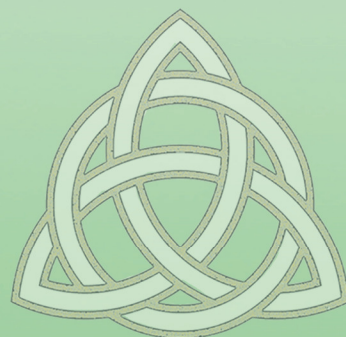


I arise today

Through a
mighty
strength,
the invocation
of the Trinity,
Through a
belief in the
Threeness,
Through
confession of
the Oneness
Of the Creator
of creation.

Excerpt from Loricá of
Saint Patrick



The hour has come
 for the Son of Man
 to be glorified.

MASSSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, March 19-St. Joseph

7:00 am Agnes Lohrenz by Sandy, Lynn, Scott, Greg, Lorie & Michael (Holy Family)

Tuesday, March 20

5:00 pm Larry Lohrenz by Bill & Jeri Dennis (Holy Family)
 [followed with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena & Stations of the Cross]
 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (St. Mary's)
 7:00 pm Reconciliation Service for all four parishes (Holy Family)

Wednesday, March 21

7:00 am Katharina B. Wiggers Goldhammer by Crystal Tibbs (Holy Family)
 8:30 am Polly Prange by Gary & Cindy Minder (Holy Family)
 [followed by Stations of the Cross]
 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross (St. Thomas Aquinas)

Thursday, March 22

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Henry & Jane Heinzel Family by the Estate
 (Holy Family)
 12 Noon Recitation of the Rosary (Holy Family)
 2-5:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament [with Exposition of the Blessed
 Sacrament] (Holy Family)
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Meditation with Benediction following (Holy Family)

Friday, March 23-St. Turibius of Mogrovejo (*Abstinence*)

7:00 am Jerry Overby by Joyce Murray (Holy Family)
 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross (St. Patrick's)
 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Holy Family)

Saturday, March 24

4:00 pm Joseph Paul & Christine Rose Mintjal by the Mintjal Family (Holy Family)
 4:00 pm All Souls (St. Patrick's)

Sunday, March 25-Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am Frances Reichle by Lou Ann (Holy Family)
 8:30 am Rev. Robert O'Connor by the Estate (St. Patrick's)
 9:00 am Mary Jane O'Donnell [In Memory of Her Date of Death] by Kathleen
 Nicholas (St. Mary's)
 10:00 am Margaret Dye by Joe & Carrie Schonauer (Holy Family)
 10:30 am Special Intention by Steve & Pam Coogan (St. Thomas Aquinas)

NOTE: Reconciliation at Holy Family Church, Lincoln, is held each Tuesday from 4:30-4:55 pm and each Saturday from 2:45-3:30 pm.

Reconciliation at St. Mary's Church, Atlanta, is held prior to the 9 am Sunday Mass.

Reconciliation at St. Patrick's Church, Elkhart, is held each Saturday from 3:15-3:45 pm.

Reconciliation at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Mt. Pulaski, is held prior to the 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

Based on the availability of clergy, this schedule is subject to change. Please check the parish calendar on the website for any changes or additions.

5th Sunday of Lent Cycle B

"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will be my servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting *me* to follow Him? What service is He asking of me? See John 12:26

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, March 19

2 Samuel 7:4-5,12-14,16 /
 Psalm 89:2-5,27,29 /
 Romans 4:13,16-18,11 /
 Matthew 1:16,18-21,24 or
 Luke 2:41-51

Tuesday, March 20

Numbers 21:4-9 / Psalm
 102:2-3,16-21 / John 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 21

Daniel 3:14-20,91-92,95 /
 Daniel 3:52-56 /
 John 8:31-42

Thursday, March 22

Genesis 17:3-9 / Psalm
 105:4-9 / John 8:51-59

Friday, March 23

Jeremiah 20:10-13 / Psalm
 18:2-7 / John 10:31-42

Saturday, March 24

Ezekiel 37:21-28 / Jeremiah
 31:10-13 / John 11:45-56

Sunday, March 25

Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 / Isaiah 50:4-7 / Psalm
 22:8-9,17-20,23-24 /
 Philippians 2:6-11 / Mark
 14:1—15:47

Reconciliation/ Confession

will take place at 7:00 pm, this Tuesday, March 20. This Reconciliation Service is for all parishioners of our four parishes. See sheet at back of bulletin.



The Carroll Catholic School Choir will sing at the 10 am Holy Family Mass next Sunday, March 25.

AN INVITATION FOR YOU!!!

We can give up things for Lent but why not ADD something to our Lenten Footsteps. Please come pray the Rosary together in Holy Family Church at 12 Noon each Thursday.

ST. MARY'S, ATLANTA

~Ministry Schedule for Sunday, March 25:

Reader-Susan Kuhlmyer; Servers-Julianna Craig & Andrew O'Donnell; Greeters & Gift Bearers-Hilde Kampf & Pauline Owens

~**Cleaning/Coffee & Donuts Committee** for April
Elizabeth Alberts, Kathleen Hainline & Sharon Alberts.

ST. PATRICK'S, ELKHART

~**Come Celebrate!** Our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner **this Sunday, March 18** after the 10:30 am Mass (switching Masses with St. Thomas Aquinas that weekend). Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes and drinks will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass.

~**Cleaning Committee** for March 25 Rob & Nina Gleason and Deb Bracey / April 8 Raymond Smith and Rob & Alissa Smith. Please clean the week before you are scheduled.

~**Coffee & Donuts** will be held **next Sunday, March 25**, after the 8:30 am Mass.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS,

MT. PULASKI

~**Note:** Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas will be held at 8:30 am **this Sunday, March 18**. Masses on that day will be switched with St. Patrick's as they will be hosting their St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

~**Next Coffee & Donuts** will take place on **May 6** after the 10:30 am Mass. No coffee & donuts on Easter Sunday, April 1.



Epic, A Journey Through Church History, last remaining session will be held **this Wednesday, March 21** at 10:30 in the morning and 7 in the evening at the K of C Hall, Lincoln.

REMOVING OLD PALMS

There are specially marked boxes at all four parishes to place your old, blessed palms. These palms are burned and used for Ash Wednesday each year. Please remember the palms are blessed.



Through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace.

Margaret Ann Dye, Edward Joseph Pluth
and Judith Anne Welch



NEXT SUNDAY (March 25) IS FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY! Please bring non-perishable food items for the food pantry: For Holy Family there is a shopping cart located to the right in the main entrance, for St. Mary's a box is provided in the gathering area, St. Patrick's and St. Thomas Aquinas items may be left in the main entrance. Items that are always needed include: **canned fruit, canned vegetables, spaghetti & egg noodles, spaghetti sauce, saltine crackers, cereal, Jell-O, tuna, soups, navy or pinto beans, pancake mix & syrup, macaroni & cheese and toilet paper. This last month 73 families were served with 133 bags of groceries with expenditures totaling \$144.90. Thank you for your support.



† Such a great power exists in reflecting on the Passion of Jesus Christ and realizing that He experienced real pain, real despair, and true human emotions. Our God has such profound love for us that He would seek to walk among us and take part in the full human experience. Our God knows our pain. Our God is not one who rests in a faraway place unconnected to His creation. He is the one born in a manger and then crucified by those He would seek to save. He is then and now Emmanuel: God with us!

<When I face trials in this life, am I truly aware of a God who loves me and understands what I am going through?>

† It is interesting that the solemnity of St. Joseph falls during the Lenten season. We too often only reflect on his role during Advent and Christmas. Mary is at the crucifixion, but we assume Joseph has passed away by this time. Yet, it is his faithfulness to God, like that of Our Lady, which makes the crucifixion and resurrection possible. He is a model for us as we seek to do God's will in all things. We never know for certain what effect our positive response to the call of God will have on the world around us.

<Am I following God's will or my will more in my life?>

† Jesus was not of this world but He entered into it and redeemed it by His cross and resurrection. We who are of this world now have a home prepared for us if we choose to follow Jesus and become His disciple. It is not always easy to see the promise of heaven when the weight of the world bears down on us. If we place our trust in Jesus and His promises, then not only will we be able to bear the trials of this life, we will one day find ourselves in paradise with the one who made our journey there possible.

<What does the promise of heaven mean to me as I live in this world?>

† Before the events of that first Holy Week, Jesus retreated from the public to spend those final hours with His disciples. All of us need to retreat to community at times before big decisions and events in our lives. Consider sharing the many liturgies of this coming week with your family—your church family. Together we celebrate the light that overcame all darkness and the resurrection that conquered death. Lean on one another. As Easter arrives, may we stand boldly and proclaim this Good News to the world.

<Do I take the time to retreat and allow the love and support of others to sustain me?>

Sign Up for this year's Best Lent Ever. It's a free email program that will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself, making this a truly life-changing Lent. This year's program uses the Mathew Kelly book Perfectly Yourself.



Discovering God's Dream for You which was given out at Christmas time. There is also a study guide which is available on the Logan County Catholic website that can be downloaded. If you are unable to download a copy of the study guide and would like a copy please contact the Parish Office.

NOTE: This month's Monthly Dynamic Catholic Initiative gift is: ***Beautiful Hope, Finding Hope Every Day in a Broken World***. A compilation of stories of Hope from 18 different people. Stop by the back of the Church to pick up a copy. There are a limited number for each church, so after you have read it, pass it on to someone else looking for Hope in their lives.

Begin a practice during this Lent of listening to some absolutely beautiful music. Here is a link to some Sancta Maria, mater Dei K273 that will be on the program for the Springfield Choral Society's May 5th concert:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ik7FyqucW00>

Watch future bulletins for more links to some great music!

Springfield Choral Society Concert tickets are available from Ruth Freesmeyer.

Call (217) 732-4019 for more information OR catch her after the weekend Masses.



Registration for Carroll Catholic School preschool is now open to Logan County Catholic parishioners and current CCS families. Preschool is for three-year-old (by September 1)

children. Preschool is Monday through Friday, 8 am-3 pm. Preschool families have the first opportunity to enroll in four-year-old prekindergarten the following school year; as such, parents of three-year-old children are strongly encouraged to enroll in CCS preschool. Four-year-old prekindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year is currently full. For further information about preschool, to arrange a school tour, or to receive a registration packet, please contact the Carroll School office (732-7518).

LOST & FOUND: The Holy Family lost and found basket is overflowing with items collected over the past several months. If you have lost any items in Holy Family Church, please stop by the Parish Office. The deadline for claiming items is **this Monday, March 19**.

CARROLL SCHOOL **UPDATED** TUITION SCHOLARSHIP INFO

The technical issues that prevented earlier applications for the Invest in Kids scholarships at the Empower Illinois website have been resolved. Information is provided below about the updated application process. Carroll School families who are seeking tuition assistance are expected to first apply for a scholarship through Empower Illinois. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the application process detailed below.

Empower Illinois Scholarship Application Opens this Tuesday, February 27 at 7 pm

The Empower Illinois scholarship application system will opened Tuesday, February 27 at 7 pm The system has been enhanced to make it easier for families and to manage the demand expected for tax credit scholarships to private schools throughout Illinois.

The new application will be available through the Empower Illinois website. It will be a two-step process.

1. **Reserve:** On February 27 at 7 pm, families will complete a brief online form containing name and contact information, child name and preferred school. ***This will time stamp your application for the first-come, first-served scholarships.***
2. **Apply:** After reserving your place in line, families will be emailed a unique link and use their reservation code to complete the application. ***Applications will be sent on a rolling basis, over the course of a few weeks.*** After receiving the application email, families will have 3 days to complete the application and submit all required documents.

Our goal with this two-step process is to make it easier for families and provide more time to ensure your application is accurate and complete.

The reservation system will be accessible from mobile devices as well. Everything you will need for the reservation step should be top of mind. Once you get your application link, please use a computer to submit the required documents and finish the application accurately, without rushing.

David Welch, Principal



CARROLL CATHOLIC STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen "students of the month" for March: pictured left to right are Carson Graue (1st grade), Emma Eeten (3rd grade), Emma Adams (5th grade), and Aidan Alaniz (7th grade). Congratulations and keep up the great work!

Boy Scout Troop 102 will host a Spring BBQ this Sunday, March 18 from 10:30 am-2 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall (Lincoln) with a menu of: Authentic Southern Pulled Pork BBQ, Charlie Lee's Famous Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Dessert, Iced Tea/Lemonade/ Coffee. Child hotdog meal available upon request. You may dine in or carry out. Tickets are \$7.50 and may be purchased in advance at the Carroll Catholic School office.



Grief Share is a support group that provides help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. This group meets weekly with three key parts to each meeting: video seminar, support group and workbook. The weekly sessions are "self-contained" so you do not have to attend in sequence. The group meets at the Jefferson Street Christian Church, 1700 North Jefferson, Lincoln at 6:30 pm with Session 7 held **this Tuesday, March 20** titled *Guilt & Anger*. Call Dr. Bob Wilson at (217) 737-2442 or text GRIEF to (217) 718-6754 to register.



Carroll School Culver's Day will be held **this Wednesday, March 21**, from 10:30 am-10 pm. Be sure to mention Carroll School when making your purchase.

LADIES TO MEET

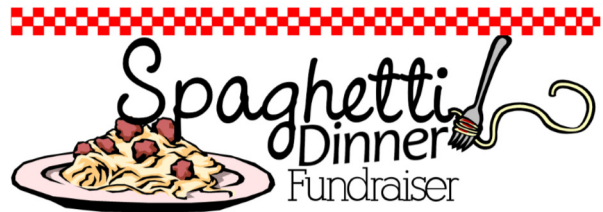
The next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will be held **this Wednesday, March 21**, at 7pm in the small meeting room at the Knights of Columbus Hall. See you there!

HELPING OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS!!

Love Repeated and Spirited Republic have teamed up to help the people of Tanzania! Please join us on **Sunday, April 8** for an afternoon of friends, food, craft cocktails, and fun from 2-5 pm at the Spirited Republic (509 Pulaski Street, Lincoln). The tickets are: \$30 per ticket or \$55 per couple. The ticket price includes two beverages of your choice and unlimited appetizers. Please come out to support our brothers and sisters in need and support our local business, the Spirited Republic. Proceeds will go to the "Hearts of Hope" Education Fund and the shipping costs for a container which will include a donated tractor and plow, generously supplied by local farmers and additional medical equipment for a local dispensary. Tickets are available from board members: Chris and Phyllis Graue, John Olson, Brooke Buttell, Isabel Vidal, Mitchell Hudson, or call Nancy Davis at (217) 737-7706.

NEXT FAMILY LUNCHEON

Parishioners and families from all four parishes are invited to the Family Luncheon held on **Thursday, April 12**, in the Carroll Catholic School cafeteria. Lunch will begin at 11:45 am. No fee required-donations will be accepted.



St. Mary's Parish (Atlanta) will host a Spaghetti Dinner in their Parish Hall on **Saturday, April 14**, from 4-7 pm. Dine in our take out with a menu of Spaghetti, Salad, Green Beans, Applesauce, Garlic Bread & Homemade Dessert. Donations will be accepted (proceeds go toward the purchase of new church pews). A raffle will take place, also.

SOMETHING NEW FOR CCS!!



The CCS School Club is excited to announce the first **Quarter Auction** to be held on **Sunday, April 22nd**. They are currently seeking vendors, crafters and small businesses (*first seeking CCS vendors*)! The fee is \$10 for a booth with the donation of one item or basket (\$10 value or more). A second item is optional; however, you will receive all the bid money for this item. If a vendor needs a table, cost is \$5 extra. We will only accept one vendor per group (Tupperware, Pampered Chef, etc.). If any vendor would like a contract, please email or call Tiffany Reed at reedfamily22804@gmail.com or (217) 737-6584. It is asked that payment and donation be dropped off to Carroll Catholic School by Sunday, April 8. We look forward to bringing in a ***new*** fundraiser to help raise money for our school!! More info: Vendor setup will begin at 12:30 pm, doors will open at 1:30 pm and the auction will begin at 2 pm. Cost per paddle is \$2. A bake sale will also be held at the auction. Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 22!!**

NIGHT OFF FOR THE COOK!



Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 28**. The Vacation Bible School will host a Schnitzel Dinner to be held from 5-7 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Menu is Schnitzel Sandwich and chips for \$6. Profits will be used towards Vacation Bible School.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WANT YOU!



The group is excited to announce their new Online Membership, making it easy to join their close to two million member Catholic fraternity. Being a member of the Knights of Columbus allows you to deepen your faith with fellow brothers, protect your family through our fraternal benefits, make an impact on the community by serving others, and defend our Catholic values. Join today through www.KofC.org/JoinUs or contact Field Agent Chris Bivens (217-971-1812/ Chris.Bivens@kofc.org) or General Agent Andy Ehrlich (217-212-9055/ Andrew.Ehrlich@kofc.org) for more information.



GOLF BALL DROP

Join us at 5 pm on **Friday, May 4**, at the putting green next to the Lincoln Elks Golf Course ProShop to watch the golf balls drop from the sky! We are excited to team up with the Lincoln City and Rural Fire Departments to use their ladder truck.

\$5,000 (closest to the pin)

\$1,000 (next closest)

\$250 (furthest)

****Only 500 balls sold****

\$50 per ball or \$75 for two balls which includes a Golf Outing Raffle Ticket.

Tickets will be available at Carroll School.

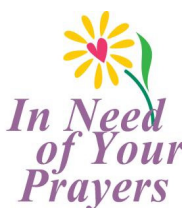


MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

All are invited to join in a Rosary Walk on **Saturday, May 12**. More info to follow in future bulletins.

Please Pray for the Sick
by Remembering
the following in your prayers:

Anne Lowry, Anna Beckers, Les Jarnagin, Steve Coogan, Mike Lowry, Paul Lowry, Matthew Lowry, Elijah Cox, Harriett Richardson, Guinevere Decker, Laura Saladino, Joan Lewis, Boone O'Donoghue, Ruth Young, David Olson, Rodney Alberts, Jill Alberts, Jan Loeffelholz, Linda Wright, Steve Schmidt, Ryan Butler, Donna Burr, Paula Rutherford, James Thean, Gavin Fox, Greg Patterson, Kevin McCrary, Joe Bell, Mark VanRheeden, Rita Johnson, Diana Brown, Adelyn Jones, McKayla Nye, Judy Morrow, Gavin Shuler, Phillip Brown, Christina Clementz, Mike Kavanaugh, E. J. Miley, Howard Sheley, Rosie Huber, Gene Giehl, Linda H., Mark L., Kay Rosner, Mary Ellen Thornton, Rita Faith, Steve Mitchell, Greg "Flako" Feldman, Hank Barr, Angie Morey and all the members of the armed forces of our country. If you would like to add a name to the list, call the Parish Office at (217) 732-4019 or email mklohrenz@logancountycatholic.org



The sanctuary candle on the altar at . . .

Holy Family Church is lit this week

In Memory of Donald Dean Shea
requested by Family.

St. Mary's Church is lit this week

In Memory of Beverly Lane.

**The blue candle at the foot of the
Blessed Virgin Mary statue at . . .**

Holy Family Church is lit this week

In Memory of Jack & Linda's 50th Wedding
Anniversary requested by Linda & Family.

**Prayer
Works**



**The more people praying for an intention,
the stronger the prayer becomes.**

Prayer Chain: Request prayers by sending an email to lcc4-prayer-chain@googlegroups.com. If you would like to subscribe to the prayer chain, follow the "Join Prayer Chain" link located on www.logancountycatholic.org. When your web browser opens click on "Subscribe to this group" option, then follow the instructions in the pop-up box. You should receive an email within 48 hours that indicates you have been accepted as a member of the prayer chain.

Lent/Holy Week/Easter Schedule

HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday, March 29

7:00 pm Mass of The Lord's Supper followed by
Eucharistic Adoration till 9 pm @ Holy
Family

Good Friday, March 30

3:00 pm Shadow Stations (by the ACT students
@ Holy Family)
7:00 pm Prayer at the Cross-Traditional Good
Friday Service @ Holy Family

Holy Saturday, March 31

(No Confessions today)

7:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass @ Holy Family

Easter Sunday, April 1

8:00 am Mass @ Holy Family
8:30 am Mass @ St. Patrick's
9:00 am Mass @ St. Mary's
10:00 am Mass @ Holy Family
10:30 am Mass @ St. Thomas Aquinas

**Schedule is subject to change based on the availability
of clergy. Check the weekly bulletin or the parish
website calendar for any changes or additions.**

Examination of Conscience for Adults

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

- Do I give God time every day in prayer?
- Do I seek to love Him with my whole heart?
- Have I been involved with superstitious practices or have I been involved with the occult?
- Do I seek to surrender myself to God's Word as taught by the Church?
- Have I received Communion in the state of mortal sin?
- Have I ever deliberately told a lie in Confession or have I withheld a mortal sin from the priest in Confession?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

- Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly?
- Have I been angry with God?
- Have I wished evil upon any other person?
- Have I insulted a sacred person or abused a sacred object?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

- Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation?
- Have I tried to observe Sunday as a family day and a day of rest?
- Do I do needless work on Sunday?



4. Honor your father and your mother.

- Do I honor and obey my parents?
- Have I neglected my duties to my spouse and children?
- Have I given my family good religious example?
- Do I try to bring peace into my home life?
- Do I care for my aged and infirm relatives?

5. You shall not kill.

- Have I had an abortion or encouraged anyone to have an abortion?
- Have I physically harmed anyone?
- Have I abused alcohol or drugs?
- Did I give scandal to anyone, thereby leading them into sin?
- Have I been angry or resentful?
- Have I harbored hatred in my heart?

6. You shall not commit adultery.

- Have I been faithful to my marriage vows in thought and action?
- Have I engaged in sexual activity outside marriage?
- Have I sought to control my thoughts?
- Do I seek to be chaste in my thoughts, words and actions?

7. You shall not steal.

- Have I stolen what is not mine?
- Have I returned or made restitution for what I have stolen?
- Do I waste time at work, school or home?
- Do I gamble excessively, thereby denying my family of their needs?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Have I lied, gossiped or spoken behind someone else's back?
- Am I sincere in my dealings with others?
- Am I critical, negative, or uncharitable in my thoughts of others?

9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.

- Have I consented to impure thoughts?
- Have I caused them by impure reading, movies, conversation or curiosity?
- Do I seek to control my imagination?

10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

- Am I jealous of what other people have?
- Am I greedy or selfish?
- Are material possessions the purpose of my life?

Act of Contrition

Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins because of your just punishments; but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin.