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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 16, 2025

LETTER DESCRIBING RICE BOWLS

This Lent, our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl as Catholic Relief Services celebrates 50 years of the program. CRS Rice Bowl started in Allentown, Pennsylvania, by parishioners to help families facing famine in The Sahel region of Africa. Shortly after, it was adopted by the United States bishops and made an official program of CRS.

At this very moment, millions of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers are facing life-threatening levels of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. At the root of this crisis is a perfect storm of poverty, climate change, conflict and inequality.

There is no one solution to breaking the cycle of hunger for every community around the world—but we can do our part through CRS Rice Bowl by answering Jesus' invitation us to share bread for life with our sisters and brothers during Lent—so all may live with dignity.

Throughout these 40 days, we will learn about families in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are building resilience in the face of adversity and helping their community live healthy lives. This is all possible because of our donations of Lenten alms to CRS Rice Bowl. We also help our local community through the program because 25% of every donation stays in our diocese to fight hunger and poverty.

CRS Rice Bowl provides resources for daily reflection throughout the liturgical season. Consider these suggestions in your family's Lenten plan:

- Use your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar each day to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- Visit crsricebowl.org to read weekly Stories of Hope and watch the accompanying videos.

Use the CRS Rice Bowl recipes from crsricebowl.org/recipe to prepare simple, meatless meals on the Fridays of Lent to eat in solidarity with our global family.

During this holy season, may your Lenten journey be a transformative and enriching experience as you put your faith into action for our sisters and brothers experiencing the greatest need.

Rice Bowls are available in the gathering space of the church for everyone to pick up. They will be collected at the end of Lent.

PARISH NEWS

Confirmation Spring Break Schedule

There will be NO confirmation on March 16th or 23rd due to spring break. Classes will start again on March 30th.

Pinochle Club

Everyone is welcome to join us for pinochle on **Thursday, March 20th at 1:30pm** in the parish hall. Enjoy a fun afternoon of playing cards with friends. The group meets the third Thursday of every month.

Easter Lily's

If you would like to have an Easter Lily in your loved one's name to decorate the church this Easter, please fill out the information on the back of your Easter Flower Envelope or contact the Parish Office. The suggested donation is \$30 per plant.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

March 16th | 3:00pm Frankfort
5:00pm Marysville
March 30th | 3:00pm Seneca
April 9th | 3:00pm Axtell
(Wed.)

"To celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation means to be wrapped in a warm embrace."
Pope Francis

Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross:

6:30pm Wednesday - St. Malachy

7:00pm Friday - St. Gregory

Adoration:

10:00am - 11:00am Wednesday - St. Gregory

6:00am - 5:00pm Friday - St. Gregory

Confessions:

6:00pm Wednesday - St. Malachy

6:30pm Friday - St. Gregory

Lenten Fish Fry's:

5:00pm - 7:00pm The Knights of Columbus will have their annual Fish Fry's each Friday during Lent in the Parish Hall. Dine-in, carry out or schedule an in-town delivery by calling 562-7017. All proceeds will benefit St. Gregory's School.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Mar. 18

8:15am

~ Living and deceased members of
Emmett & Gertrude Peschel family**Wednesday, Mar. 19**

12:05pm

† Jim Nordhus

Thursday, Mar. 20

6:30am

† Archbishop James Keleher

Friday, Mar. 21

8:15am

† Juanita Hogan

Saturday, Mar. 22

5:30pm

~ People of the Parishes of
St. Gregory and St. Malachy**Sunday, Mar. 23**

7:00am

† Duff Libby

10:30am

† Steve Hammett

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, Mar. 16

5:00pm

Penance Service in Church

Wednesday, Mar. 19

6:00pm

Confessions at St. Malachy

6:30pm

Stations at St. Malachy

Friday, Mar. 21

6:00am - 5:00pm

Adoration

5:00pm - 7:00pm

K of C Fish Fry, Parish Hall

6:30pm

Confessions

7:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Saturday, Mar. 22

4:30pm - 5:15pm

Confessions

Sunday, Mar. 23

7:00pm

Lenten Bible Study, Parish Hall

**Couples celebrating their
50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025**

Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

June 1, 2025 at 2:00pm

Church of the Nativity in Leawood

To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann,
please call the Parish Office at 562-3302
and give us your name, address, phone number
and date of your wedding.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Envelope & Plate for March 9th \$ 6,310.29
(\$11,200 Expected Average Collection needed each week)

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Loan Principal Balance (as of 3/01/25).....\$183,581.20
Donations (since 3/01/25).....(\$ 1,655.00)
Total Contributions to Date\$7,928,856.15
(\$9,100 needed each month for loan payment)

CALL TO SHARE

This year, our parish portion of the Archdiocesan goal is **\$32,000**. So far we have received gifts or pledges from only 11% of our parish families. They have been very generous and donated a total of \$23,185 or 72% of our goal. We would like to increase our percentage of families donating, so please consider giving today. All gifts of any amount help us reach our goal. Please fill out a pledge envelope, scan the QR code or donate online at Mission.ArchKCK.org.



AREA NEWS

Monday, March 17th - American Red Cross Blood Drive, Marysville American Legion. 12-6pm. The need for blood continues. Thanks to all who donate.

Thursday, March 20th - Frankfort Development Trust Soup Day, Altstadt Galleria, Frankfort. Serving a variety of soups, ham sandwiches and desserts from 11am-2pm and 5pm-7pm. Free will offering. All proceeds go to the window restoration project at the Historic Frankfort Grade School. All are welcome!

Saturday, March 29th - Mt. Calvary Spring Breakfast Buffet, Fellowship Hall, 1710 Jenkins St. (In conjunction with MCH health fair) Serving biscuits and gravy, ham, eggs, breakfast burritos, homemade cinnamon rolls, coffee cake, fresh fruit, coffee, juice and milk. Free will donation.

Saturday, April 5th - All You Can Eat Boiled Shrimp, Smoked Pork Chops and Frog Legs, Axtell Legion/Community Building. Serving 5-8:30pm. Adults \$22, Children \$10. Dine-in and carryout available. Sponsored by the Axtell K of C Council 1163.

Saturday, April 5th - 19th Annual Women's Spirituality Conference, St. Thomas More Church, Manhattan. Keynote speaker is Kathy Coffey, author of 13 award-winning books and many articles in Catholic periodicals. For more info and to register, scan QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/WomSpConf25>. Info booklet is also available in the gathering space of the church.



LENTEN RETREAT

In the Light of Jubilee Year
"Hope Does Not Disappoint"

March 29th

1-3:30pm retreat lead by Mary Kay Whitacre
3:30pm Rosary | 4pm Mass

Annunciation Church Cigna Center, Frankfort

Mary Kay Whitacre, DMIN is on the staff of the Sophia Spirituality Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica, Atchison, KS. She is on the Leadership Team of Sophia's Souljourners Ecumenical Spiritual Direction Formation program, ministers as a spiritual director and leads a variety of retreats.



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**March Virtue of the Month – Modesty**

As we continue to work on the virtue of modesty. When we think about modesty, we often think of guarding our speech and dressing in a way that honors God. Modesty also means not attracting attention to ourselves in other ways. When we win a game or complete a difficult task. Modesty helps us give all the glory to God.

Pray the following as a family.

Dear Jesus, Give us pure hearts like that of Your holy Mother! Through baptism, we have the gift of the Spirit living inside of us. Please increase in us the gift of the fear of the Lord, so that we may never sadden You by the way we dress, act, or speak. Amen.

PTO Bingo Family Fun Night

Wednesday, March 26th from 5:00-6:30 pm in the St. Gregory Church hall. Come and go as your schedule allows. There will be prizes, walking tacos, and cookies. Come and join the fun!

PRAYER LIST

The power of prayer is an amazing thing! Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Short Term Health Issues: Steve LeSage, Dave Rethman, Mick Keating, Maria Espinoza, Marie Dwerlkotte, Frank Kwapnioski, Cambria Behrens, Nancy Vogelsberg-Bush, Denny Schell, Rich Bruland, Heidi Rutar, Bernice Nietfeld, Carly Cook, Chris Blanchard, Fred Lienemann, KayeLynn Kroeger

Long Term Health Issues: Lacey (Jones) Stevens, Sandy Schmitz, Christopher McCloud and the McCloud family, Kenny Wurtz, Mary Kay (Voet) Nold, Jolene O'Neal, Karen Rengstorf, Janel Weigel, Hudson Gartner, Kristi Meyer, Carol Howell, Phil Studer, Kathy Jueneman, Donna Sedlacek, Rick Thompson, Alice Murray, Pat Clark, Dorothy Peschel, Killian Gray, Steve Sawin, Torey Butler, Alan Wassenberg, Tony Evans, Mary Landoll, Debra Nietfeld Lambert, Joan Wacek and Sami Kirkland.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, call Margaret Huffman at 713-9653 or the Parish Office.

Save the Date: Preschool Preview

St. Gregory Preschool Preview will be on Tues. March 25th and Thur. March 27th from 6:00-7:00 pm at the school. St. Gregory has both a 3 yr. and 4 yr. preschool program. We invite those interested in enrolling in our preschool to learn more at one of our preschool preview nights.

Save the Date: School Enrollment

Enrollment for all returning students, Preschool through sixth grade, will be on Mon. March 31st and Thurs. April 3rd at 7:00 pm at the St. Gregory Parish hall.

Returning families must attend one of the school enrollment nights. If you are unable to attend one of the school enrollment nights, you must schedule a time with the school office to hear important information about our school and to receive enrollment forms.

**CELEBRATE****BIRTHDAYS**

- Mar. 17** Tom Schoenberger, Mike Clark, Connor Lee, Ian Detimore
Mar. 18 Aaron Hoffman, Blaine Lord
Mar. 19 Rosie Kirkham, Teresa McMillan, Tish Lienemann, Rachel Rothfelder, Haidyn Finkbiner
Mar. 20 Randy Stech, Kloe Detimore
Mar. 21 Beth Benkendorf, Kyle Bruna
Mar. 22 Rosalie Babb, Josh Volle
Mar. 23 Vince Wetter, Weston Smith

ANNIVERSARIES

- Mar. 23** Steve and Deb Blumer (**40th Anniversary**)

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If someone is in need of the Eucharist taken to them at home, please call the Parish Office.

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