March 9, 2025 First Sunday of Lent

Mary Our Lady of Peace Church

Pastor Father Tony Ego 309-581-2923 Option 1 Deacon Tom Gainey 309-945-7065 Parish Secretary Darlene Linden Option 2

Mass Intentions for Mary, Our Lady of Peace

Saturday March 8th

5:30pm Theresa Colmone by Frank & Barb Colmone

Sunday March 9th First Sunday of Lent

8:30am Ted Seabloom *by The Family*

Tuesday March 11th

8:00am Altar & Rosary Society Members

Living & Deceased

Thursday March 13th

8:00 am Faithfully Departed by Mike & Chris Nightingale

Saturday March 15th

5:30pm Pam & Ray Meier by Deacon Tom Gainey Sunday March 16th Second Sunday of Lent

8:30am Dale Shake by Mike & Patty Roegiers

Adoration - Thursday 8:30am-12:30pm

Reconciliation: Sunday morning 7:45am-8:15am, Saturday after 5:30pm Mass or by appointment

Mass Intentions for St. Maria Goretti

Saturday March 8th

4:00pm Dale Shake by Rex & Julie Shake

Sunday March 9th First Sunday of Lent

10:00am Sam Rice by Fred & Lois DeCoster

Wednesday March 12

9:00am Fr. Dick Bresnahan by Brian, Camy & Lilly Stone

Friday March 14th

9:00am Ken & Donna Frels by The Family

Saturday March 15th

4:00pm Albert & Juliana Van Auwelaer by Bill & Marcia Jacobs

Sunday March 16th Second Sunday of Lent

10:00am Dale Langel by Mary Lou Andrae

Reconciliation Saturdays 3-3:30pm or by appointment

Homebound?

Are you or someone you know Homebound? If you would like communion, contact Father Tony to make arrangements for a home visit.

Our Parish Prayer List

For those who need healing from,

Mary, Our Lady of Peace ...

Brian Carlson, Irene Conklin, Darrell, Gary and Pat DeMont, Pat Dzekunskas, Jim Hamerlinck, Owen Hink, Alice Isaacson, Janet Jacobson, Debbie Jones, Ryan Jones, Gabe Laleman, Ava Lawson, Cathy Morgan, Mary Morris, Tom Schulenberg, Art Smutzer, Joe Versluvs

For Those in need of healing at St. Maria Goretti...

Sr. JT McNulty, Cheryl Alleruzzo, Marge Behn, Dave & Sandy Bledsoe, Patrick Bredeck, Fred & Lois De-Coster, Gwen Escajeda, Lorraine Gengler, Dave Gorge, Velda Grief, Cullen John Jamieson, Lee Kimball, Kathy Mosley, Gene Mourisse, Rex & Julie Shake, Flip Shemek, Maureen St. Clair, Charles Stone, Marolyn Tope, Dcn. Bob Vogelbaugh, Richard Wilks. For others who have asked...

Pope Francis, Mary Jane Andich, Dean Ash, Marge Behn, Rob Blok, Aaron Brown, Tom Case, Beverly Catton, Angela Correa, Cheryl Dzekunskas, Dale Dzekunskas, Wes Frenell, Rahyne Fullerlove, Eileen, Mike Gelaude, Ryan Hill, Carol Honeywell, Isla Maciolek, Martin, Mary Ellen, Sharon Matson, Donna McAre, Ricky McSwain, Tammy Meal, Geraldine Morgan, Mike Munger, Kathy Neilson, Roger & Barb Newman, Jan Oliver, Vickie & Brian Palmer, Peter, Annie Pettifer, Rose Ramirez, Sarah & Baby Ricky, Heidi S., Mary Schnerre, Patty Schnerre, Tom Seabloom, Carolyn Slavish, Ashton Sutton, Taylor, Steve

Pray for those in Nursing Homes or Homebound

Jan Siebert, Irving Rivera

Please call Judy Olson @ 309.521.8456 with your requests for the prayer line.

If someone is doing better and can be taken off the

If you or a family member are hospitalized, or homebound please contact Fr. Tony or the Parish office, so Fr. Tony can visit.

ADA

Pledged \$26,590 Our Goal \$29,979 Balance Outstanding \$3,389

Number of Parish Families pledging 73 Number of Parish Families 200

A gift to ADA, no matter how great or small can go a long way. June 30th is the year end for ADA. Please consider a donation! Don't forget the church and ADA in your end of year donations! A big thank you to all who have already donated!

Ecumenical Lenten Services 2025 Noon Church

Friday Mar. 14 Faith Family Church

Friday Mar. 21 Mary, Our Lady of Peace

Friday Mar. 28 First Baptist

Friday Apr. 4 United Methodist

Friday Apr. 11 Beula Presbyterian

Food Panty volunteer needed for Tuesday, March 18th and Tuesday, April 1st. Hours are from 4-6pm. Please contact the office if you can help!

REGULATIONS FOR LENT AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. Priests, religious and laity are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, attentiveness to prayer, and especially to works of charity and mercy.

Everyone of 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Good Friday, April 18, 2025. On this day of fast and abstinence, Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on this day, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is a serious matter. May our Lenten journey bring us closer to the cross and our Resurrected Savior.

Sunday Collection Report

March Sunday Collections \$ 2,744 \$ 2,667
YTD Sunday Collections \$ 114,849 \$ 109,333
Thank you to all who have mailed your donations. For the continued success of our Parish, please continue to do so.

You can now use the parish app to make donations! From the app, select the Giving icon and follow instructions to donate. You may use a credit or debit card or use an ach from your bank account!

Upcoming

Tuesday, March 11th 10am Altar & Rosary Meets

Wednesday, March 12th 6PM Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 14th SMG Stations of the Cross after 9am Mass

Stewardship "Sharing Our Gifts" of our time, talent and treasure

Thank you

- To Tim Moen & Steve Jones for unloading the strawberry truck on Thursday morning!
- To altar & rosary society for decorating the church for Lent on Tuesday!
- To altar & rosary society for providing and serving the soup supper after the Ash Wednesday Mass!

Celebrate Life with Henry Co Right to Life at our Spring Luncheon on Sat. April 5th 11:30AM to 1:30PM (Doors open 11AM). Freewill offering. Reservations required. Contact Diane Gelaude 309-236-0748 Email – Diane@bluehorizon.net

March Schedule for Lectors and Ushers

Reader-March

Saturday 5:30pm Donna Johnson Sunday 8:30am Sean Clifford

Ushers-February

Saturday 5:30pm

Pat Martens Bob Fielding
Ben Martens Jim Ziegenhorn

Sunday 8:30am

Dan Gelaude Dennis Fair Chad Tourt Wade Weber

Altar Servers

Sat. March 1st 5:30pm Colton Miller & James Dochterman Sun March 2nd 8:30amMaverick Rhoades & Norah Nedved Sat. March 8th 5:30pm Anthony & Carter Kincaid Sun. March 9th 8:30am Kalli Nelson & Drake Nightingale Sat. March 15th 5:30pm Leo Blessman & John Nightingale Sun. Mar 16th 8:30amDylan Versluys & Maverich Rhoades

Eucharistic Ministers-February

5:30pm Kris & Laura Bowers

8:30am Dan & Robin Heiar

Counters—February

Barb Ziegenhorn & Darlene Linden

NO GREATER LOVE



St. Maria Goretti March 5-April 9 Wednesday mornings After 9:00am Mass

SMG church hall, 30 minute video Followed by a short table discussion. Refreshments will be served No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his Agony in the Garden to his Crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today. We will see that practically every word in these Gospel accounts of Christ's passion is charged with great significance. As we unpack these details, you will experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for youand you will grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, No Greater Love is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us.

EMMAUS KNIGHTS For young men grades 7-12

SPRING DATES: 2/16; 3/9; 4/13

FROM 4:30PM - 6:30PM

Join Fr. Chase for a Sunday night of faith, fraternity, and formation at the Emmaus House 2327 W. Heading Ave., West Peoria

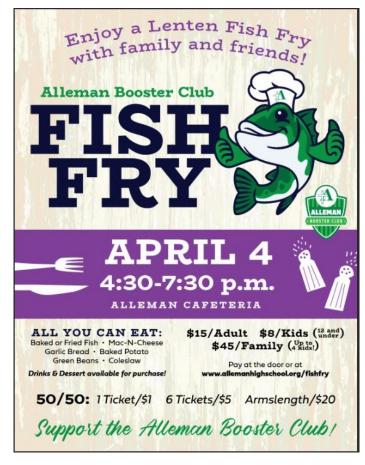
EMMAUS KNIGHTS IS AN EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG MEN
WHO DESIRE TO GROW IN FRIENDSHIP
AND FAITH WITH SOME FOOD AND SOME FUN.
IF YOU LOVED EMMAUS DAYS, COME AND CHECK OUT
EMMAUS KNIGHTS.

FATHERS, DROP YOUR SONS OFF AND STAY FOR A TIME OF FRATERNITY

Scan the code to let us know you are coming and to have your parent fill out a digital permission form!



The Father Pro Men's Group at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Silvis, Illinois will be sponsoring a Fish Fry every Friday night during Lent, except for Good Friday, from 4 - 7. They are serving Catfish, Baked Cod and Shrimp with a Baked Potato and Toast, along with a full salad bar. Soft drinks and desserts are also available for purchase. Please come to enjoy a delicious meal with us.





The Alleman Heritage Ball is Alleman's pinnacle fundraising event where our community comes together for an evening to support our school's mission. This school year we are celebrating 75 years of the founding of Alleman Catholic High School, with an unwavering commitment to build upon the rich tradition of the school. We invite you to join us on March 29, 2025 as we honor our past and celebrate our future.



Additionally, our 'Dream Big' Raffle sale is underway with your chance to win over \$100,000! Buy your shares today! Information, tickets to the event, and raffle tickets can be purchased at https://www.allemanhighschool.org/heritage-ball, scanning the QR Code, or by calling the school at (309)786-7793 xt. 407.

Pro-life students have the opportunity to receive a \$1000 scholarship!

The contest is open to any student who:

- Lives in Henry County Illinois or, if a high school student, attends a high school in Henry County Illinois
- Is a high school senior or a college freshman, sophomore, or junior
- Maintains a GPA of C+ or better
 Please visit our website at http://
 henrycountyr2l.wixsite.com/life for an application and scholarship rules.

Luncheon

Come one and Come all-Seniors and Retirees, St. Maria Goretti's next monthly luncheon is on March 20th in the church hall. This will be catered for the cost of \$10 per person. The luncheon will start at 11:30 with Hors D'oeuvres. The meal will begin at 12:00. The menu for March will be: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and gravy, green beans, tossed salad, Rolls with butter, and Pie. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space. To make sure there is enough food, all people wishing to attend must be signed up by the 17th of March. Payment will be made when you arrive at the luncheon (cash is the preferable payment type).

St. Joseph Meal Site

We will be providing and serving the meal for St. Joseph meal site in Rock Island, every other month. If you would like to donate towards the cost of these meals, just drop an envelope into the collection basket labeled St. Joseph or Meal Site or donate through the app. If you would like to volunteer to help serve or prepare a meal contact the Altar & Rosary Society or the church office.

PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF POPE FRAN-CIS Loving and merciful God, we implore You to look kindly upon your servant, Pope Francis. Touch him with your compassion and consolation. Restore his health and renew his strength in mind, body, and spirit. Surround him with your peace and the support of the prayers of your holy people. We place Pope Francis in your healing love through the doctors, nurses, and medical professionals who take care of him. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

May the Saints intercede for us



Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us Mary, Our Lady of Peace, pray for us St. Maria Goretti, pray for us

Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, pray for us

Shared monthly St Joe Evening Meal Mission has been blessed with acts of service from Sister Parishes SMG and MOLOP parishioners. The following are appreciated and Gratefully thanked: MOLOP Rosary Makers Nov 24 SMG Kenny White and Roberto Alleruzzo Dec 24 MOLOP Mary Morris and Daughters Jan 25 SMG Ann and Mark Fennel and Roberto and Cheryl Alleruzzo Feb 25 Coming up – MOLOP JR Greenwood and the OHS Culinary Class Mar 25

Be of service to others! Matthew 7:12 In everything, then, do to others what you would have them do to you.

Are You <u>NEW</u> to Mary, Our Lady of Peace?

Welcome to Mary, Our Lady of Peace. We invite you to be a member of our church family and we would love to have you.

We are a growing church in the Catholic Diocese of Peoria with an active Altar & Rosary Society. We have the traditional parish groups and organizations and some that have been part of our parish for only a few years.

There is something for you to do to help make your faith alive and on fire for the Lord.

To register with the parish, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket. We will be in touch with you soon.

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