## OUR LADY OF FATIMA (REDVERS) ST. MAURICE (BELLEGARDE) ST. ANTHONY (STORTHOAKS)

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# March 19, 2023

4th Sunday of Lent



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## Mass Schedule

Mon, Mar. 20, 9:00 a.m. +Fred Laval by Wayne/Bonnie Truman

Tues, Mar. 21, 7:30 p.m. Intentions of health/healing for the sick by Jerome/Carol Poirier

Wed, Mar. 22, 9:00 a.m. Intentions of Stephanie Ottenbreit by Wayne/Eileen Ottenbreit

> Thurs, Mar. 23, 7:30 p.m. +Fr. Don McNeil by Knights of Columbus

Fri, Mar. 24, 9:30 a.m. (Estates)—Day of Fasting/Abstinence! Intentions of those with addictions/mental illness by A Parishioner

\*\*\*7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross\*\*\*

Sat, Mar. 25, 7:00 p.m. (Bellegarde) +Richard Bauche by Joe/Irene Poirier

Sun, Mar. 26, 9:00 a.m. (Storthoaks) Pro Populo

Sun, Mar. 26, 10:45 a.m. (Redvers) +Laurie Boettcher by Chase/Jaelene Boettcher

#### Liturgical Ministries (Redvers)

To ensure your name is still on a ministries list or to volunteer contact Carol Poirier (452-8397).

Sunday, March 26, 10:45 a.m.

Hospitality—Chase/Jaelene Boettcher Lectors—Ron/Janelle Martin

Collection—Matthew Lemieux/Linden Poirier/Nathan Poirier/Seth Poirier Communion—Denis Quennelle

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## Please Pray For...

Hayden Todd Louis, son of Travis Poirier/Bailey Garnier; Conner Robert Louis, son of Christopher/Alexandria Poirier; Thatcher William, son of Timothy/Chantal Coe who were baptized at Our Lady of Fatima, Redvers on March 18. May the Lord fill these children and their families with the fullness of divine grace and lead them all in holiness of life.

#### Meetings/Events....

- Tues, Mar. 21, 7:30 p.m. (Redvers)-Mass/Parish Council Meeting
- Thurs, Mar. 23, 7:30 p.m. (Redvers)-Mass/KC Meeting
- Fri, Mar. 24, 7:00 p.m. (Redvers)-Stations of the Cross
- Sat, Mar. 25 (Bellegarde)—Parish Annual Meeting following Mass
- Sun, Mar. 26 (Redvers)-Confirmation/First Communion Sacramental Preparation after Mass
- Tues, Mar. 28, 7:00 p.m. (Redvers)-Mass/CWL Meeting
- Fri, Mar. 31, 7:00 p.m. (Redvers)-Stations of the Cross

#### Lenten Penance/Confessions

Let us prepare for the coming celebrations of our salvation in Christ this Easter by taking the opportunity to make a sacramental Lenten confession. Opportunity is available before/after Masses in Bellegarde/Storthoaks and on the following dates in Redvers at 7:00 p.m.

#### Mon, Mar. 20- Wed, Mar. 22-Wed, Mar. 29-Thurs, Mar. 30- Mon, Apr. 3

"Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow". Isaiah 1:18

#### Solemnities During Lent

St Joseph-March 19 (Transferred this year to March 20 because of the 4th Sunday of Lent)



Annunciation of the Lord-March 25 Why should we celebrate the solemnities of Lent? These great feasts offer a reprieve during the season of Lent. Solemnities are of such great importance that celebrating supersedes penance. There are several reasons to celebrate these great feasts. First, celebrating the feasts reminds us that penance and Lent are not about torturing ourselves. We are not stoics. Penance is not solely about self-denial. We don't even make sacrifices during Lent because the things we are giving up are bad in and of themselves. Rather, we give up good things in honor of better things. Our Lenten sacrifices draw us closer to God precisely because we are choosing the highest good (honoring God) over even the best goods of the world. Secondly, celebrating the solemnities reminds us that penance and sadness are not the same thing. The feasts allow us to experience joy in the midst of a penitential season. Hence penance and joy are united. Thirdly, celebrating the solemnities reminds us to look for the saving works of God in our own lives. They offer us a chance to reflect upon the action of God



in history. Our hearts should naturally turn to our own personal history. Reflecting on God's universal actions in history teaches us to recognize His actions in our own lives. Finally, celebrating the solemnities reminds us of the great dignity in store for us. For example,

the Feast of St. Joseph demonstrates the honor bestowed on the Saints in heaven. But heaven is our final destination too. Our final triumph and welcome into heaven will be accompanied by great rejoicing. "May we shout for joy at your victory, raise the banners in the name of our God." (Psalm 20: 6)

#### The Chrism Mass—Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina, Monday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.—Everyone Welcome!



Each year the local bishop blesses enough new oils for every parish during the Chrism Mass. The holy oils are then transported to individual parishes, where they are available for use during that year. Though the bishop cannot be physically present at every baptism or confirmation in his diocese, he can be symbolically present through the holy oils he blesses.

After the Liturary of the Word, the blessing of the oils takes place. In a formal procession, olive oil is brought forward in special urns: the Oil of the Sick is presented first, next the Oil of the Catechumens, and finally Oil for the Holy Chrism. The bishop prave over and blesses each oil individually. The ritual for creating and consecrating the holy chrism is different from the others. To make it, the bishop mixes oil from the balsam plant with the olive oil, breathes on the mixed oil to signify the presence of the Holy Spirit, and then

says a prayer to consecrate it. Once blessed in this way, the chrism and the other oils are no longer ordinary ointments. Instead, they are a holy, precious gift from God to the Church, signifying cleansing and strengthening, healing and comfort, and the life-giving grace of the Holy Spirit. Since the bishop is the only minister in the diocese who may consecrate chrism, this Mass highlights his ministry and our union with him as a successor of the apostles. The Mass of Chrism gathers the faithful of the diocese at their mother church, the cathedral, with their shepherd to prepare for the celebrations of Christ in all our churches throughout the year.

#### On the Web

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