Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Jodi Aerts Sonva Albores Dylan Anderson Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Millie Budney Michael Burke Sandra Burke Julie Byron Toni Capute Riordan Cavoris **Justin Curtis** Tony Donehoo Carol Donato Islea Duncan Alan Ekberg John Evans Kathy Evans Glen & Kathy Nosti Earl Fishback

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George Perry

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March Birthdays

Keith Hamilton, Sr. (March 2) Betty Craft (March 3) Bernadette Servis (March 4) Pat Hirtz (March 16) David Gaydos (March 16) Kenneth Hamilton (March 18) Charlie Graf (March 21) Patti West (March 25) Rob Jackson (March 25)

March Anniversaries

Reed & Jackie Johnson (March 14) Earl & Mary Fishback (March 15)

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

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Holy Eucharist Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM Thursday 12:15 PM

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A Pastoral Moment with Fr. Jim

Have you ever cared for someone so much that you had an intuition that they were headed for trouble? Parents, you do that all the time!

Even though Jesus was surrounded by his friends who would later betray, deny or abandon him, there was a special person who had an enormous amount of love and affection for the Lord. First, she had courage to go into the meeting of a bunch of males. Second, she anointed Jesus with perfumed oil. Her love informed her courage to enter this closed community. Her love informed her intuition as she realized that Jesus was headed for trouble. That is what Jesus meant when he said she "anticipated anointing my body for burial." Jesus later said "What she has done will be told in memory of her."

Unfortunately, again the woman are not named. This is often the problem in scriptures that the women are not given the dignity of a name. If you remember, we named Peter's mother-in-law. We named her Batimeaus, which means "daughter of encouragement." What name would you give this special woman? In my Spanish, I would like her to be called "Courahay de Amor" (The courage of love.)

As we experience Holy Week, let us ask ourselves: "How strong is my love? Can my love inform my courage in the care?" Might our love overcome and transcend our fears so we can love and risk for others."

There will be another anointing going on in Mark 16:1-7 which is the Gospel at the Great Vigil of Easter. Three women are noted: Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and a woman named Salome. They bring oils to anoint the tomb. What happens next?

Please stay tuned...



Announcements & News

March Lenten Calendar:

March 24: Palm Sunday

March 28: Holy Thursday Service (7:30 PM) March 29: Good Friday Service (7:00 PM) March 30: The Great Vigil of Easter (7:15 PM)

March 31: Easter Sunday Mass (8:30 AM)

The Triduum - three services, yet one liturgy. Are you interested in being part of the Triduum (Holy Week) liturgy? Please see the sign-up sheets in the commons.

Rehearsals for Holy Week: If you have signed up for one of the ministries for Holy Week, rehearsals will take place:

Tuesday, March 26: after 10 AM mass; after 7:00 PM mass Wednesday, March 27: 5 PM Email or call Fr. Jim if you cannot make any of the above.

Planning Fun Summer Events: Mark your calendar: We will meet at 6:30 pm on May 1st to plan some fun activities for the summer such as Hill Cats' Trip, Altar Server Outing and Holiday Lake Mass/Cookout. Please join us for a fun evening of planning.

Hospice Volunteers Needed! Have you ever considered being a hospice volunteer? Average volunteer time is only 2 hours per month. If you are interested, please call Centra Hospital @ 434-315-5052 and ask for Robin McLane (a member of St. Theresa Catholic Church).