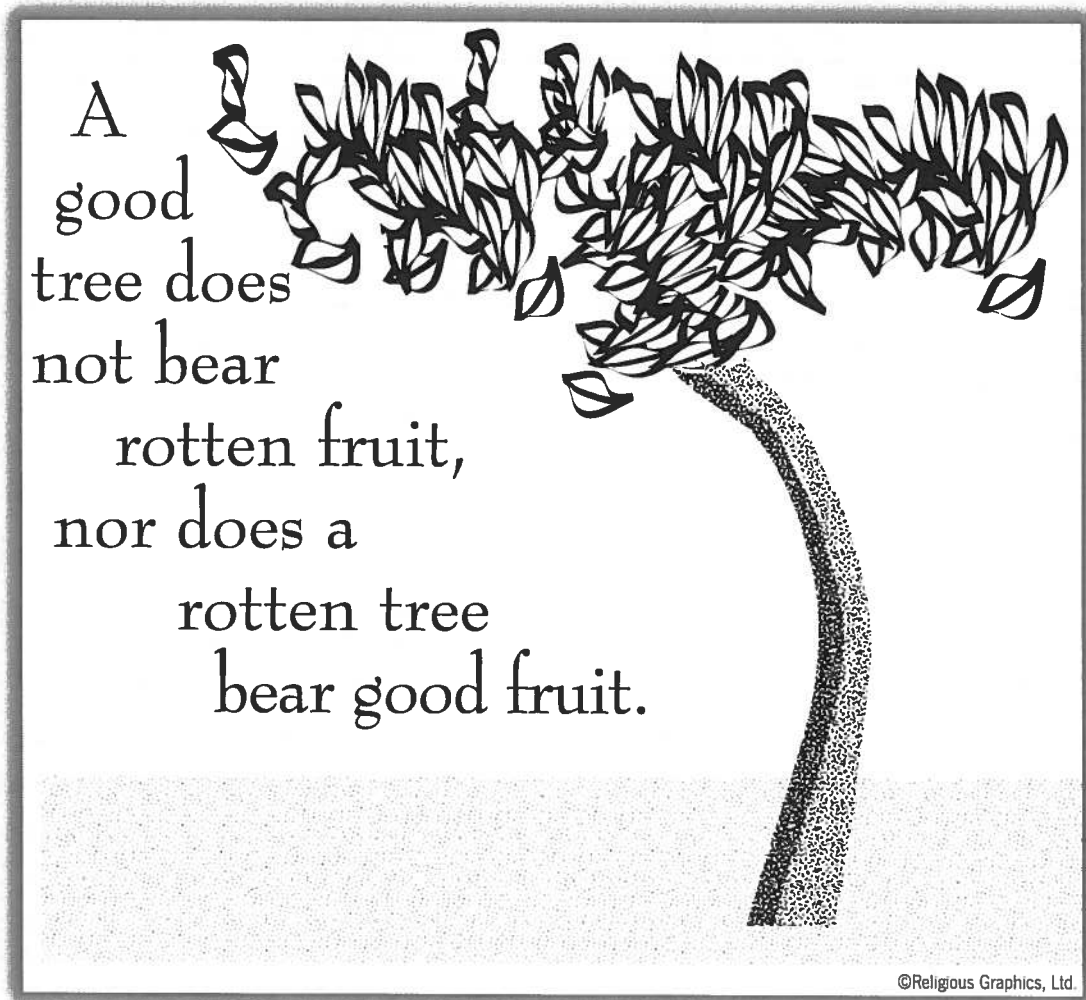


**The Roman Catholic Parishes of  
St. Margaret Mary, Herscher  
St. James the Apostle, Irwin  
Sacred Heart, Goodrich**



**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**March 2-3, 2019**

Church Mailing Address:

207 E. 5th Street  
Herscher, IL 60941

Phone: 815-426-2550

Confessions:

St. Margaret Mary  
Saturday 4:15  
or by appointment

*Quotable:* "Love is a fruit in season at all times, and within reach of every hand."

~Mother Teresa

**1st Sunday of Lent– March 9-10, 2019**

Liturgical Schedule	St. Margaret Mary Saturday, March 9 5:00 pm	Sacred Heart Sunday, March 10 7:30 am	St. James Sunday, March 10 9:00 am	St. Margaret Mary Sunday, March 10 10:30 am
<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr. Allam	Fr. Allam Deacon Ron	Fr. Allam	Fr. Allam
<b>Ushers</b>	Dan Hoffman Roger Jensen Gery Wright Robbie Landeck	Kyle Ferris Daryl Ferris	Dallas Ferris Arlen Hansen Todd Mesewicz Jerry Ogrentz	Joe Smolkovich Nick Zerebny Corey Eich Chad Schoolman
<b>Lector</b>	Jackie Eberle	Mark May	Mary Peerbolte	Julie Splar
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Mariann Lane		Darwin Peerbolte Craig Frerichs	
<b>Servers</b>			Ayla Summers	Reese Denault Zeke Torres

**A Look Ahead**

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, March 4, 2019**

8:00 am +Agnes Fleischauer (The Family) (SMM)

**Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

8:00 am +Rose & John Renville (The Family) (SH)

**Wednesday, March 6, 2019**

8:00 am +Albert Papineau (Tom & Joanne Lambert)  
+Bill Kennedy (Geri Tobenski) (SJ)

**Friday, March 8, 2019**

8:00 am +Cindy Frerichs (George Halpin) (SMM)

**Saturday, March 9, 2019**

5:00 pm For All the Parish Family (SMM)

**Sunday, March 10, 2019**

7:30 am +Roger Wagner (Mike & Jane Marcotte)  
+Robert Howedshell (Sacred Heart CCW) (SH)

9:00 am +Bill Miller (Karen, Kids, Grandkids)  
+ Bonnie Draper (Geri Tobenski) (SJ)

10:30am +Margaret Halpin (Halpin & Hoffman Families)  
+Richard Kelch (Pat Wagner) (SMM)

Sun., March 3– SJ CCW meeting after 9am mass  
(note this is a change of date from usual schedule)

Wed., March 6—Ash Wednesday St. James 8am  
Sacred Heart 7 pm  
St. Margaret Mary 3:30 pm Distribution of Ashes

Wed., March 6—Collection for Church in Central  
and Eastern Europe

Fri., March 8— Stations of the Cross St. James 3pm

Sun., March 10—St. James "Spring Forward" event

Fri., March 8—SMM Fish Fry at Herscher Legion

Thurs., March 21—Night of Italy SMM

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Sacred Heart – Rhonda Berns – 935-8669  
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Sacred Heart—

## Sunday Collections

February 23-24, 2018

St. Margaret Mary - \$ 2,138.75

St. James - \$ 1,050

Sacred Heart - \$ 1,222

Thank you for your generosity

### ALL PARISHES-

- ◆ Any parishioner grades 8-11 attending a Catholic high school in our diocese may apply for the Bishop Blanchette Scholarship for the 2019-2020 school year. Applications are available from the CCW presidents: SMM— Corinn Wheeler-815-953-0206, SH-Terri Weakley— 815-939-9043, SJ-Mary Peerbolte 815-697-2823. The deadline to apply is April 3rd.
- ◆ Committees are being formed to help plan the 150-year celebrations coming up for all 3 parishes. If you are interested in having a say in how these milestones will be celebrated, please contact Fr. Allam, your parish council president, or the tri-parish office. These celebrations will be taking place in 2020-2021.
- ◆ Support the SH Catholic School Scholarship fund by attending a Tupperware party on March 10 at 2pm at Jackie Cross's home, 9468 W 2000S Rd, Bonfield. If unable to attend, but would like to order, see Jackie for a book and/or a sale flyer.
- ◆ New Beyond Sunday groups will be starting soon. More information on the back of the bulletin.

### Parish News:

#### St. Margaret Mary—

\* Men, your help is needed at the Annual Fish Fry on March 8th. Call Wayne at 815-355-5015 to volunteer.

\* Ladies, please bring a sheet cake, cookies, or cupcakes to the Legion Hall by 4:30 on Friday, March 8th for the SMM Annual Fish Fry.

\* Night Of Italy—March 21 5pm-7pm  
Volunteer sign up sheets are in the vestibule at St.

Margaret Mary.

Please help make the night a success!



\* Please submit your nominations for SMM Woman of the Year on the paper ballots in the pew and place it in the ballot box in the church vestibule. Voting will take place March 17th.

#### Sacred Heart—

\* Volunteers are needed for the carpet replacement committee. Please contact Mark May or Dale Pfeiffer if interested.

#### St. James—

\* The 2019 Spring Forward Event is next Sunday, March 10th at 11:00 am,

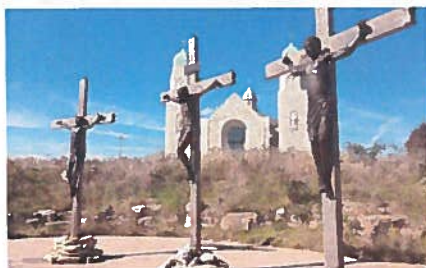


immediately after the children's religious education classes. This year's theme is "Singing in the Rain". Come and enjoy a

bowl or two of your favorite soups and some entertainment by our children. Take a chance on beautiful raffle items displayed in the entrance. Mark your calendars for this parish event!

\* Voting for the St. James Woman of the Year will be next Sunday, March 10th.

Friday, March 29, we will be taking a Lenten Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, Indiana. Open to the



entire Tri-Parish Community and guests. Please sign up if you are interested in joining our pilgrimage. There are signup sheets on bulletin boards at all three churches. Club cars (golf carts) are available but need to be reserved in advance. We will be leaving at 9:00 am and returning home at 3:15 pm. Please notify Stacie if you are willing to drive.



## Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, 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 these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.
6. Those who are sick, pregnant, or nursing, or whose health would adversely be affected by fasting or abstinence, should not consider themselves bound by these norms

### Come support Religious Vocations!

The Knights of Columbus Assembly 202 is having their annual Vocational Dinner and Auction on Saturday, March 23 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Registration forms are in the back of each church.

- ◆ \$20 per person.
- ◆ Cocktails at 6. Dinner at 6:45
- ◆ Casual Dress
- ◆ All are welcome!



### Genesis to Jesus Beyond Sunday Small Groups



Journey through Scripture is the St. Paul Center's flagship Bible study program designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge of the Scriptures while deepening their understanding of the riches of our faith. Journey through Scripture takes a holistic approach, looking at the entire Bible and how all of its parts work together. Groups will begin the week of March 10th.

Mondays 8:45—10:00 am at SMM

Tuesdays 7:00—8:15 pm at SMM

Wednesdays 8:45—10:00 am at St. James

### DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

**Special Collection on Ash Wednesday** will support the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation will help restore the Church and build the future in more than 20 countries still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Please be generous in this collection.

### A Stewardship Moment—

#### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus used images when speaking to the disciples. Among others, He stated that a tree is known by its yield. Each person speaks from His heart's abundance. As we persevere in life, we see already the good fruit born with the passage of time. Because of God's kindness and fidelity, the just man and woman will flourish like a palm tree.

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