

March 16, 2025

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19)



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OUR VISION

To expand and strengthen the Christian Community in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ is demonstrated and fulfilled.

OUR MISSION

In the spirit of our patron saints and missionaries, we commit ourselves to a pilgrimage of faith through Evangelization, Sanctification and Social Service ministries.



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

1st Saturday 10am: SPP

Saturday 5pm: SPP

Sunday 9am: St. Joseph's

11am: SPP

WEEKDAYS

Tuesday - Noon

Wednesday-Friday 9am: SPP

HOLY DAYS

Vigil 7pm: SPP

Holy Day 9am: St. Joseph's

Noon: SPP

YOUTH MASS

Last Sunday of the Month

CONFESSION

1st Saturday 9:00am: SPP

Saturday 4pm: SPP

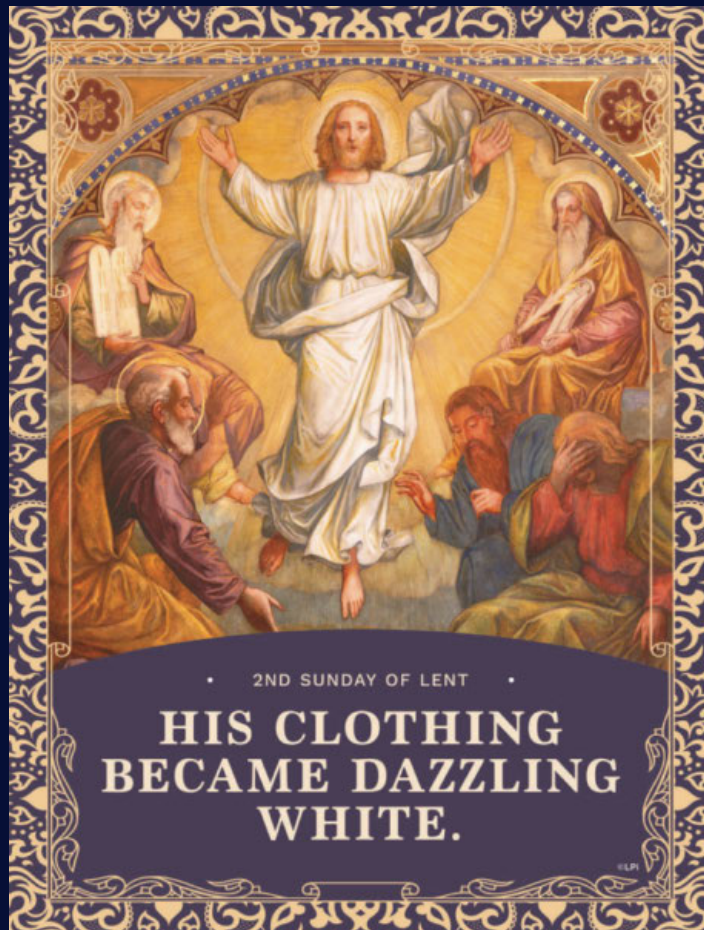
Sunday 8:30am: St. Joseph's

HOSPITAL VISITS:

Call Parish Office
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Fridays-1 week in advance-In writing to
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Whether you are a visitor,
new to our parish,
interested in becoming
Catholic, seeking to
return to the practice of
your faith, or an active
member of our parish,
we are pleased that
you have come.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 16, 2025

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/
Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/
Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and
29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19,
20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11(8a)/
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26,
39a, 40-42

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 16, 2025

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Patrick, Bishop [OM]; St. Patrick's Day
Tuesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

WEEK OF MARCH 16 - MARCH 22, 2025

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

BREAD & WINE

Donor:
Don & Eileen Tyler
In Memory of:
Paul Grady



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor:
Don & Eileen Tyler
In Memory of:
Paul Grady



Or have a Mass said for a loved one. Contact the office for availability.



ENCOUNTER

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – THE DIVINE CONFIDANTE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: It’s always helpful to get the opinion of someone we trust when we’re facing a situation that confuses or alarms us. But we all have a divine confidante that can help us sort through anything we’re dealing with. Are we taking advantage of that?

The Divine Confidante

My husband pretty much knows that if he tells me something — anything — he’s also telling my sister.

Most of us have that person that we run to when we have important information. I’m not even talking about gossip; I’m talking about stuff we just have to discuss. We joke that I don’t really know how I feel about something until I’ve run it by my sister first.

There’s not really anything wrong with that. When we’re trying to figure out how to think about something that has happened or how to react to a certain situation, it’s always helpful to get the opinion of someone we trust.

But what if we ran as quickly to discuss the situation with God as we did to discuss it with our “person?” Wouldn’t that be ideal?

After witnessing the transfiguration — an event that had to have been as confusing as it was astounding — we hear that the disciples “fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.”

When something profound, frightening, or confusing happens, our first confidante should be God. I’m reminded of Luke 2:19: “Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.” There is something to be said for taking a moment to keep that information sacred between ourselves and the One who can really help us confront it.

Sure, maybe we don’t understand what just happened. Maybe we’re scared by it. We don’t really know how we feel about it. And that’s totally okay. The divine confidante knows how to help us pray through that confusion, that fear.

If you’re someone’s “person” and they come to you wanting to talk, that’s great. Talk it out. But remind them — and remind yourself — to pray about it as much as you talk about it.

Let the love of those things carry you through this Lent, and beyond.



2ND SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 16, 2025

“This is my chosen Son; listen to him.” (Luke 4:8)

In prayer, listen to the voice of Jesus calling you. Could he be inviting you to follow Him more closely in a vocation to the priesthood diaconate or consecrated life?

Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations
804.359.5661

Or via email:
vocations@richmonddiocese.org



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UPDATES:

If you move, change your email or phone number, no longer need envelopes, etc., let us know. We don’t want you to miss anything!

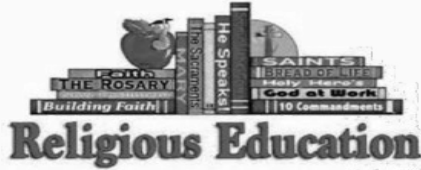
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PARISH YOUTH



**CCD every Sunday
at 9:30AM
Meet in St. Francis Hall**

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, I can hardly wait to see what you look like in heaven.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

ONE NIGHT WHEN JESUS PRAYED, JESUS SHOWED PETER, JAMES, AND JOHN WHAT HE WOULD LOOK LIKE IN HEAVEN. JESUS' FACE CHANGED AND HIS CLOTHES GLOWED BRIGHTLY. JESUS EVEN TALKED TO MOSES AND ELIJAH, WHO HAD GONE TO HEAVEN MANY YEARS EARLIER. JESUS WAS DIFFERENT. HE WAS FROM GOD.

Diocesan Work Camp

The Diocesan Work Camp will be held Saturday, June 21, 2025, through Friday, June 27, 2025 in the area surrounding Bristol and Abingdon. Work Camp is open to all high school-aged youth (rising 9th graders through graduated 12th graders). The week requires that youth give of themselves to serve others and to grow spiritually. It will be a challenging week that will provide many learning opportunities for participants and will push them both physically and spiritually. Throughout the week they will be living in intentional Christian community and will spend most days serving others by repairing and updating homes. The work projects will take place in the surrounding communities. Saint Anne Catholic School in Bristol will serve as our home base where participants and adults will sleep, eat, and participate in evening programming. Registration dates: Early Bird Registration is \$375 and ends on March 19th. Registration after this is \$425 and ends on May 1st.

Please contact Celeste for more info or to register.

JOIN SCOUTING!

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 11 and 17? Now is the perfect time to sign him or her up for Scouts. The Scouting program helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

For more information contact:

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys):

Chuck Palmer

charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com 571.212.4445

Inquiries about the **Sacrament of Baptism**, or any of the Sacraments, should be directed to Celeste at religioused@saintspeterpaul.org for registration and prep information.



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



2nd Sunday of Lent • Luke 9:28b-36

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: MARCH 15 - MARCH 23

*REPRESENTS ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Saturday	3/15	5pm	Bobby Fint	D	Anthony & Pat Amato
Sunday	3/16	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	3/16	11am	Sr. Bernadette	I	Eileen Tyler
Tuesday	3/18	12noon	Paul Grady	D	Don & Eileen Tyler
Wednesday	3/19	9am	Maya Jelinek	I	Ruzena Jelinek
Thursday	3/20	9am			
Friday	3/21	9am			
Saturday	3/22	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	3/23	9am*	Delbert Beckman	D	David Beckman
Sunday	3/23	11am	Bob Aycock	D	Cynthia Nicholson

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who serve our country particularly . . .



Michael Bohtelo, Devon Burger, Gerard Holodak, Sarah and Taylor Graese, Raymond Markle, Connor Dobbins, Katie Marron, Kevin and Kathleen O'Malley, James Fulford, Rhett Hartwell, Andrew Thompson, Luke Marron, Sasha and Lonnie Kuhlrow, William Furst, Matt Hendl, Damien LaForenza, Russ Marron, Adam Warren, Christopher McCarthy, Zach Marron, Joseph Ayuso, Joe and Sophia Murphy, Josiah Noble, Jose Langoria, Alex Ostrowski, Henry Land and Matthew Reinitz.

Pray God keeps them in His care.



Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish community and its mission.

We are excited to introduce GiveCentral, our new online giving platform that will replace FaithDirect by early April. GiveCentral is convenient, secure, and user-friendly.

You can set up your recurring gift, add your payment method, you can check the box to cover the processing fee (allowing your gift to go even farther) and create your login credentials.

If you have an account with FaithDirect, you have probably received an email invitation to make the switch to GiveCentral. If you don't want to wait or you're new to on-line giving go to www.givecentral.org.

We truly appreciate your commitment to Sts. Peter/Paul.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Peter & Philomena Alonso, Jean & Mary Louise Bernard, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jim Cullinan, Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Samuel Dunton, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Frank Feliciano, the Fellins, Patty Frawley, David & Pat Garner, Patricia Golgosky, Mary Anne Grimes, Michael Gross, Phyllis Guthrie, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Sue Inghilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, Marie Knighting, Jim Kraemer, George Kuhlrow, Judi Kuhlrow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie Lodato, Zachary W. Mayo II, Joan Merk, Haynes McKinley Morris, Jr., Irene Nadig, Rose Patterson, Gladys Pfeiffer, Margaret Reilly, Douglas Robinson, Carol Scampoli, Kathy Seroskie, Carol Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann, Rob Toepfert, Jr. Cornelia Waters, Mike Waters, the Williams and Walter Welham

Please call the office at **434.589.5201** to request homebound or hospital visits.

March

Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in March and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on April 5th or 6th, please notify the office by Friday, March 22, 2025.

Please join the **Flower Guild**. Two open spots. Contact the office with questions at 434-589-5201

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

Pew Count Sat. - 119 Sun. - 215	03/02 & 03/03
First Offering	\$ 3,488
E-giving	\$ 2,543
Total	\$ 5,604
Mar MTD Debt Reduction	\$ 1,489

The Debt Reduction collection occurs at the beginning of each month.

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is

APRIL 5 & 6

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

Our next monthly Bake Sale is April 5 & 6 after each Mass. Donations accepted before Mass. Thanks!

Women's Cursillo Weekend

Save the Date Now

Cursillo is a 3-day encounter to enrich your spirituality and raise awareness of Christ in every moment of your life.

The next *Women's Cursillo Weekend* will be held **Thursday, April 24th (7:00pm) through Sunday, April 27th (5:00pm), 2025, at the Blessings Lodge on the campus of Camp Overlook in Keezletown, VA. The Theme of the Weekend is "Anointed".**

Pope Francis made a Cursillo and recognizes how "Cursillos help people encounter Jesus, helping them understand that living in the Grace of God is beautiful." Cursillo recognizes we aren't meant to walk this journey of life alone – we need *Spiritual Nutrition* that comes from sharing with other believers to enhance our journey and share tools for a deeper connection with Christ. Come walk this journey alongside other Catholic women and be filled with the JOY Christ offers each one of us.

Applications and more about Cursillo are available at www.valleycursillo.com. All applicants must have a sponsor.

Contact Ellie Henrietta 434-981-3551 for questions and more information. **Application deadline is March 27th.**

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL GIFT

The remembrance can be for an anniversary, a birthday, in thanksgiving, or to remember deceased loved ones.

Stop by the Parish Office to arrange to have the Bread and Wine, Flowers, and/or Candles donated for someone you love. All donations are for one week (Sunday through Saturday).

Altar Flowers \$25 Bread & Wine \$25
Candles \$30
Masses \$10 (per Mass)

40 Days for Life

(Spring 2025 Campaign)

Join us for an hour of peaceful and prayerful presence each Wednesday, starting on March 5th through April 9th, 2025.

Saints Peter and Paul Knights of Columbus Council #11475 invites any and all parishioners to join us on Wednesdays from 10 to 11 AM.

We maintain a vigil and pray in front of Planned Parenthood (2964 Hydraulic Road) in Charlottesville during that same hour, each Wednesday. (Mark your calendar for March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2 and 9. For carpool information or directions, call **Larry Boice, 434-510-7677**. There is ample parking across the street from the site, for those who choose to meet us there.

If you cannot physically join us, please **pray** to end abortion, **wherever** you happen to be!

UPCOMING EVENTS



ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

includes OCIA, offering instruction to unbaptized and non-Catholic persons with an interest in being members of the Catholic faith.

Sundays
9:30am



BIBLE STUDY

Room 123

Mondays
1:00 - 2:00pm
.....

Wednesdays
4:00-5:00pm

SENIOR COFFEE SOCIAL

Wednesday, March 26
10:00 am, Commons

ROOM SCHEDULE

Sat	15-Mar	Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	16-Mar	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA/Adult Formation	9:30a	E
		No CCD	10:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church
Mon	17-Mar	Rejoice Bible Study	1:00p	E
Tues	18-Mar	Mass	12:00p	Church
		Bible Study - Luke	6:30p	St. Joseph's
		Al-Anon	7:00p	123
Wed	19-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Bible Study - Luke	4:00p	122
		Scouts	6:30p	E/F
Thurs	20-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Yoga	11:00a	E/F
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
Fri	21-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:45a	Church
		Stations of the Cross	12:00p	Church
		Lenten Lunch	12:30p	Commons
		Fish Fry Days	3:00p	E/F
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
		Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross	6:00p	St. Joseph's
Sat	22-Mar	Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	23-Mar	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA/Adult Formation	9:30a	E/F
		CCD	10:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church

Room Ledger: **F** - St. Francis (Hall) **R** - St. Raphael (Church)
E - St. Elizabeth (Hall) **M** - St. Michael (Church)
C - Commons (Church)

Talent Show for Uganda—Fundraiser for the next Medical Mission Sunday, June 22nd, 2:00 pm, Sts. Peter & Paul, E/F

Funds raised will support the next medical mission to be held at St. Francis of Assisi in Kitakyusa next January. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge, but donations will be greatly appreciated. Contact Bob Maher at atpaws618@embarqmail.com or (434)589-1170 for more information.

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**Eat
in**

**March 7, 14, 21, 28
April 4 & 11**

Drive-thru: 4:30 - 6:30

Dine-in: 5:00 - 7:00

Cash, checks, and
Credit Cards accepted

**\$13 per person:
DRIVE-THRU**

**\$15 per person:
DINE-IN
(includes drinks and
choice of dessert)**



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

Lenten Spare Change Cans



LENTEN COIN CANS

are available to collect loose change.
Proceeds will go to help those in need this year.

Pick one up, fill it up!

Turn cans in April 5 - 13

Thank you so much for your continued support!

SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS

Hours: M - Th, 6am - 8pm

A Block schedule for those who want a regular weekly adoration time is posted on the wall in the hall across from the Religious Store.

Any Questions?

Contact: Denise Minor -
dminor92@gmail.com



STS. PETER & PAUL *Religious Store*

religiousstore@saintspeterpaul.org

HOURS:

SATURDAY

3:30 - 4:30pm

6:00 - 6:45pm

SUNDAY

12:00 - 1:00pm

BOOKS: 20% off

February 17th - March 30th



GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT THIS NEW YEAR

Sign up now for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day!

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location. Feel free to contact Donald & Helen Dudley at 757-690-1369 or donald.helen.dudley@wwme.org with any questions. March 21-23 Emerald Isle, NC

Lenten Lunches

**Fridays during Lent
after the Stations at noon**

Mar. 7

Mar. 14

Mar. 21

Mar. 28

Apr. 4

Apr. 11



Time: 12:30pm

Location: Commons

Please sign up to bring soup or sandwiches to share.

Catholic Q & A

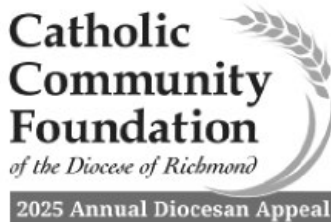
Question:

Can you recommend some good books for Lenten spiritual reading?

Answer:

On more than one occasion, a coach being interviewed about his team--successful or not--will be asked about the next step. The inevitable response includes something about getting back to basics. Reviewing the fundamentals of the sport strengthens performance and builds confidence.

The best Lenten reading takes us back to the fundamentals. If Lent is the time for the Church to be on retreat, then we should focus on the texts that help us deepen our understanding of our faith. Spend time reading one of the Gospels, and use a Scripture commentary to learn all you can about the passion of Jesus. Read about the lives of the saints, especially your patron saint and that of your parish. Perhaps there is some local candidate for sainthood, like Father Walter Ciszek, SJ, who wrote several faith-inspiring books. Finally, you can use the Catechism of the Catholic Church to learn more about the church's teachings and beliefs. The sections on prayer and the Mass are really great reflections. Focusing on the basics really helps us take another step forward in our faith. We have not only a better understanding of what we believe and practice, but also why we believe. With that belief comes the confidence we need to be better, more faithful witnesses to Christ.



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POTLUCK LUNCHEONS

Sts. Peter & Paul will be hosting potluck lunches following the Youth Masses on the last Sunday of the month. Meat and dessert will be provided. All you need to do is bring a side dish to share. There will be a sign-up sheet on the kitchen door in the Commons.



Mar 30

All parishioners are invited to attend, especially families, so we can get to know our fellow parishioners.

Question: What is the definition of the word "bible"?

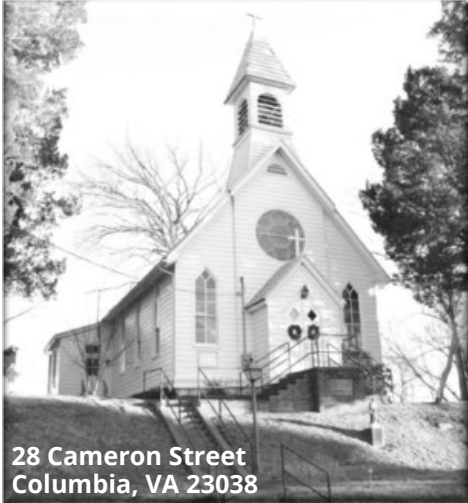
Answer: A collection of books.

PRAYER OF LISTENING

Attune the ears of my heart, Lord, to the soft and still ways You are inviting me today. And then give me the strength and courage to respond to what You say. Amen.

ST. JOSEPH'S Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

I want to talk about being hangry. I'll give you a quick description of hangriness, though I warn you, it doesn't come from the Oxford English Dictionary. Hangriness is when you're so hungry you get angry. You turn into a real piece of work. You can't get anything done and you're probably not a joy to be around, at least until you grab a snack. Everybody gets this way sometimes.

We can be this way in our souls, too. It's so easy to get distracted by the hungers of this world: greed, pride, anxiety. We can become ruled by the needs of our bodies and the desires of our mind and, in doing so, neglect the needs and the desires of our souls.

Everyday stewardship calls us to a constant reflection on the truth that we are not made for this world, as Christ clearly shows us in his Transfiguration. He reveals himself in his heavenly glory, just before he is going to be deprived of all earthly needs and wants — even his very life. He shows us that this is what we were meant for. This is what we are striving for.

Lent exists to remind us that we are not made for this world. When you become spiritually hangry — or as Scripture more eloquently puts it this week, when your mind is “occupied with earthly things” — turn your thoughts to the Transfiguration. I promise you, it's even better than grabbing an energy bar.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

Join us for Soup Supper and Stations of The Cross, every Friday during Lent, 6:00 - 7:30pm. Let Will Kulick know if you can bring soup.

March Youth Activities at St. Joseph

- March 16 - Combined Youth Mass at St. Joseph. Pancake breakfast after Mass No CCD classes this week
- March 29 - Confirmation Retreat at St. Joseph

Pre-filled Easter Eggs needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. Drop off at the back of the Church, March 9 - 30

BIBLE STUDY AT ST. JOSEPH

-The Gospel of LUKE-

Join us Tuesday evenings
from 6:30 - 7:30pm
in the Parish Hall

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