

**Second Sunday of Lent March 1, 2026**

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9

The LORD said to Abram:

“Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk  
and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you.

“I will make of you a great nation,  
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,  
so that you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you  
and curse those who curse you.

All the communities of the earth  
shall find blessing in you.” Abram went as the LORD directed him.

**VOCATION CORNER March 1, 2026**

As we continue our Lenten season, we witness in the Gospel Jesus “transfiguring” Himself to the Apostles. “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

Those powerful words remind each of us to “listen” to our call of vocation in life.

Encourage each other to live our vocations, especially those considering a choice of religious life.

**MEDIA CORNER**

Bishop Robert Barron at [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org) is providing a wonderful meditation on The Stations of the Cross. You can also view at YouTube.



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**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

2020 State Rte. 146 E. Vienna, IL – 62995

Parish Council Chair: Marsha Nelson Weekdays –Thursday 6:00 pm

Trustees: Steve Pobst, Matt Slife Sundays – 8:00 a

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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**SUNDAY** 03/01 8:00 am Mass- *Carol Kubian & Shawn Saltzman/ Jeff Wallace*  
**THURSDAY** 03/05 6:00 pm Mass  
**SATURDAY** 03/07 8:30 am Mass- *Fist Saturday Mass*  
**SUNDAY** 03/08 8:00 am Mass- *Buck & Inez Ross/ Agnes Schwartz*

### Liturgical Ministers

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
<b>Mar 01</b>	S. Widowski	V. Anderson	X. Gruszczyk M. Nelson	A. Nelson	*Mike McMahan W. Hooks

Gift Bearers Beth & Maddie Palmer

Cantor C. Ross

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
<b>Mar 08</b>	Rhi Slife	J. Hacker	B. Palmer P. Widowski	Curtner Bergmann Carter Bergmann	*Alan Irby F. Dueker

Gift Bearers Cody & Emily Taylor

Cantor S. Pobst

### **STEWARDSHIP OFFERING** February 22, 2026

General	\$877.00
Loose	17.00
Dio Collection	200.00 (6) <i>Black &amp; Indian Mission</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1094.00</b>

**BUILDING & MAINTENANCE: \$20.00 (1)**

**STATUE FUND: \$600.00**

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

*Marsha & Jeremy Nelson*  
*Beth Palmer*

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP**

Saline, Hardin, Pope, and Vienna Catholic high school seniors are invited to apply for the Harrisburg Knights of Columbus Bill Salus Memorial Scholarship. *The scholarship is for \$750 per academic year. Contact Megan Burris 618-926-8232 mebean87@gmail.com or the Parish Office to get a copy of application materials. Application deadline is Wednesday March 4, 2026.*

### **REMINDER**

Please remember to return the census and schedule pictures for the pictorial directory.

### **HOUSEHOLD ITEM DRIVE FOR DAYSTAR**

This collection will run through April 5th, items needed as in the past, *paper towels, laundry detergent, dish soap, hand soap, Clorox wipes, etc.* thanks for your generosity. **If there are any questions contact Peggy Widowski.**

### **RICE BOWLS**

CRS Rice Bowls are the official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, supported by the U.S. Bishops and embraced by families across the country. *Thanking you advance for your generosity.*

### **FIRST SUNDAY SOCIAL AND BAKEOFF**

All are welcome to the monthly social in the parish hall after Mass this morning. There will be tasty breakfast items for you to enjoy and you can vote for your favorite in our "Breakfast Bake-Off". Hope to see you there!

### **WOMENS MEETING**

Our next St. Paul Women's Group will be meeting on Saturday, March 7, at the Vienna Diner after 8:30 Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited.

### **FAITH ALIVE**

March is a busy month for St. Paul parish. **Volunteers are needed to help with our two Fish Frys and Faith Alive.** There are signup sheets on the table at the church entrance.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

There will be an opportunity to pray the *Stations of the Cross at 7:40 a.m. each Sunday in Lent.* We use our **One in Faith Mass books starting on page 335.** Volunteers are needed to lead us in prayer. There is a signup sheet on bulletin board if you are willing to lead from the lectern on a Sunday or two.

### **PRAYERS**

Please keep the following list of Homebound Parishoners in your prayers. *George Bell (Hillview), Sandy Belski, Dick & Midge Bigler, Larry Flamm (Hillview), Gertrude Henderson, Suzanne McHugh, and Susan Ward.*

### LOOKING AHEAD

<b>March</b>	07	CCW Breakfast Meeting, Vienna Diner after Mass
<b>March</b>	13	Fish Fry <b>4:30-6:30 pm</b>
<b>March</b>	19	Pro-Life March in Springfield
<b>March</b>	19-21	Faith Alive
<b>March</b>	27	Fish Fry <b>4:30-6:30 pm</b>

**\*\*Office Hours are Wednesday 10am-1pm at the rectory. Contact Theresa at (618) 658-4501 or via email. Wednesday at 12 pm is the deadline for any bulletin changes or additions.\*\***