

Saint Philip Neri
(Reed City)

Saint Anne
(Paris)

Fourth Sunday
of Lent

March 10, 2024



Time to
Spring Ahead

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Sunday, March 10

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23;
Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

Monday, March 11

Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54
1:00 PM Al Anon

Tuesday, March 12

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16
1:00 PM – Bible Study – Parish Room

Wednesday, March 13

Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Faith Formation K-6
6:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – St. Philip Neri
Office Closed

Thursday, March 14

Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47

Friday, March 15

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
No Daily Mass
Office Closing at Noon

Saturday, March 16

Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53
4:00 PM Reconciliation at St. Philip Neri
5:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri
†Bonnie Lewis by Tom Eichenberg

MASS TIME

Please note that Mass will now be at
5:00 PM on Saturday's, starting
March 16, 2024.

Collection Report

March 2, 2024

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes	(33)	\$2,090.00
Loose		\$187.00
Total		\$2,277.00
Wkly. Budget		\$3,100.00
O/ (U) Budget		(\$823.00)
YTD Budget		\$111,600.00
YTD Collection		\$103,172.59
		(\$8,427.41)

Schedule of Ministers

March 16, 2024 5:00 PM

Eucharist:	Tom Fabus
Eucharist:	Susan Fabus
Eucharist:	Bob Shepler
Word:	Tom Eichenberg
Hospitality:	Jim Kaverman
Hospitality:	Betty Yost
Hospitality:	Larry Wisniewski
Hospitality:	Volunteer Needed

Easter Flower Envelopes

Please note that the envelope for Easter flowers is in your envelope box in April. If you would like to use that envelope please be sure to write on the envelope who you would like it in memory of.

Second option: Envelopes are in the back of the church that may be used that already have the line for in memory of.

I would like the envelopes all turned in by March 16, 2024 to be able to get the names in the bulletin.

Wednesday and Holy Week Schedule

Stations of the Cross-St. Philip Neri Church

6:00 PM -Every Wednesday thru Lent

Holy Thursday-March 28

6:00 PM – Sacred Heart

Good Friday-March 29

12:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – St. Philip Neri

1:00 PM – Liturgy of the Passion – St. Philip Neri

Easter Vigil Initiation Mass-March 30

Saturday 7:00 PM – Sacred Heart

Easter Sunday-March 31

8:00 AM – St. Philip Neri

10:00 AM – St. Agnes

Friday Fish Fries

Here are some local fish fries that are being offered for the Lenten season:

St. Anne Senior Center, Baldwin 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Christ the King, Howard City 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM

St. Mary Parish, Big Rapids 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM

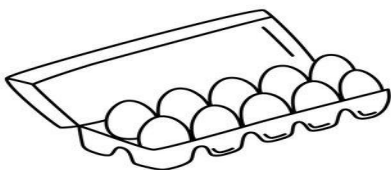
St. Michael's, Remus 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM



Empty Egg Cartons

If you have any empty egg cartons you are looking to get rid of, Pete Caruso will gladly take them off your hand. Please put in the back of the church and Pete will get them.

Thank you



Life Resources Baby Shower

The Lenten Baby Shower is now underway. Life Resources of Big Rapids and its clients are the recipients of this baby shower. Besides the free pregnancy test, free ultrasound, and free parenting support, free baby items are given. That's where we come in. Baby items needed are as follows:

Toiletries – diaper cream, lotion, baby wash, etc (no powder, please)

Bottles

Gerber Soothe Pro infant formula

Infant gas relief drops

Name brand (pampers, huggies) diapers Size NB, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Pull ups size 2t/3t, 3t/4t and 4t/5t

Household child safety items- Gates (new), outlet covers, safety locks, etc)

Baby health & Hygiene/Grooming items (Tylenol, thermometers, nail clippers, etc)

Newborn size clothing

New or Gently used girls infant clothing 0-24 months (Current urgent need)

New Potty Chairs

New infant toys, such as tummy time mats or toys



Faith Formation News

Wow, we are halfway through Lent! This can be a good time to assess how we are doing. Or maybe it is time to rest awhile, maybe our Lord has been working out hard things with you. I know I opened a bottle of wine Sunday night. This weekend we hear about “the light” at the end of the Gospel reading.

“And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.”

In January we hardly had any sunshine, The days were so gray. My best friend winters in Orange Beach. She would ask me how is the weather in Michigan? My answer was its dark gray, or its lite gray or it's a medium gray day. It got to be funny, but it was so true. However, we now have had some beautiful sunshine days. The light is shining! I have a room in my home that I just love. It is all windows. Eight windows to be exact. I can watch the sunrise from this room. That means the sun shines through all eight windows. It is magnificent! As the sun shines through all these windows it also shows all the spots and dirt on the windows. For those of you who have cats you will understand that I have nose prints on every window! Oh, my goodness!

This can hold true in our spiritual lives as well. Do we resist the Lord of Light because he can expose our weaknesses? Our sins? Can we look at what the light is showing us? Can we learn to walk with the Lord of Light and grow? We live in a place where growth in nature is beginning to happen after the wintertime of darkness. We see signs of new life. Yes, having the light shine on our sin, our shame and lack of charity, our judgements (of others and ourselves) can be difficult. Let us remember that the Lord of light brings truth and hope. That the Lord of Light walks beside us, helping us see truth and forgiveness. The Lord of Light brings healing and hope. Yes, the first rays of exposer to our sins can be frightening and painful. Take the step. Have courage, ask the Holy Spirit to take you by the hand. You do not walk alone. And as Lent progresses go to Reconciliation. It is one of the healing sacraments of the Church. Do not be afraid of this sacrament. There is healing and spiritual growth to be had by celebrating this sacrament.

In the Name of the Lord of Light, Beth Dake
Director of Faith Formation

Msgr. Victor Gallagher **Council 12668**



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SCRAP METAL COLLECTION

Scrap metal collection resumes this month. Spring is just around the corner and it's time to get rid of that junk that been accumulating in your garage and around your house. Any scrap metal you would like to get rid of can be brought to the trailer which parked next to the garage at the church. All types of metal, steel, aluminum and copper are accepted. Pick up within 10 miles can be arranged by calling 616-644-1237.



RETURNABLE & CAN COLLECTION

This is an ongoing program. Returnable bottles or cans be placed in the barrel located at the entrance to the church.

Proceeds from these two projects are donated to our parish. In the past donations have been used to purchase Sunday Mass books; new tables for the parish room and other needs of the parish.

These projects are conducted by Knights of Columbus of our parish and the Knights thank everyone for their support of these projects.