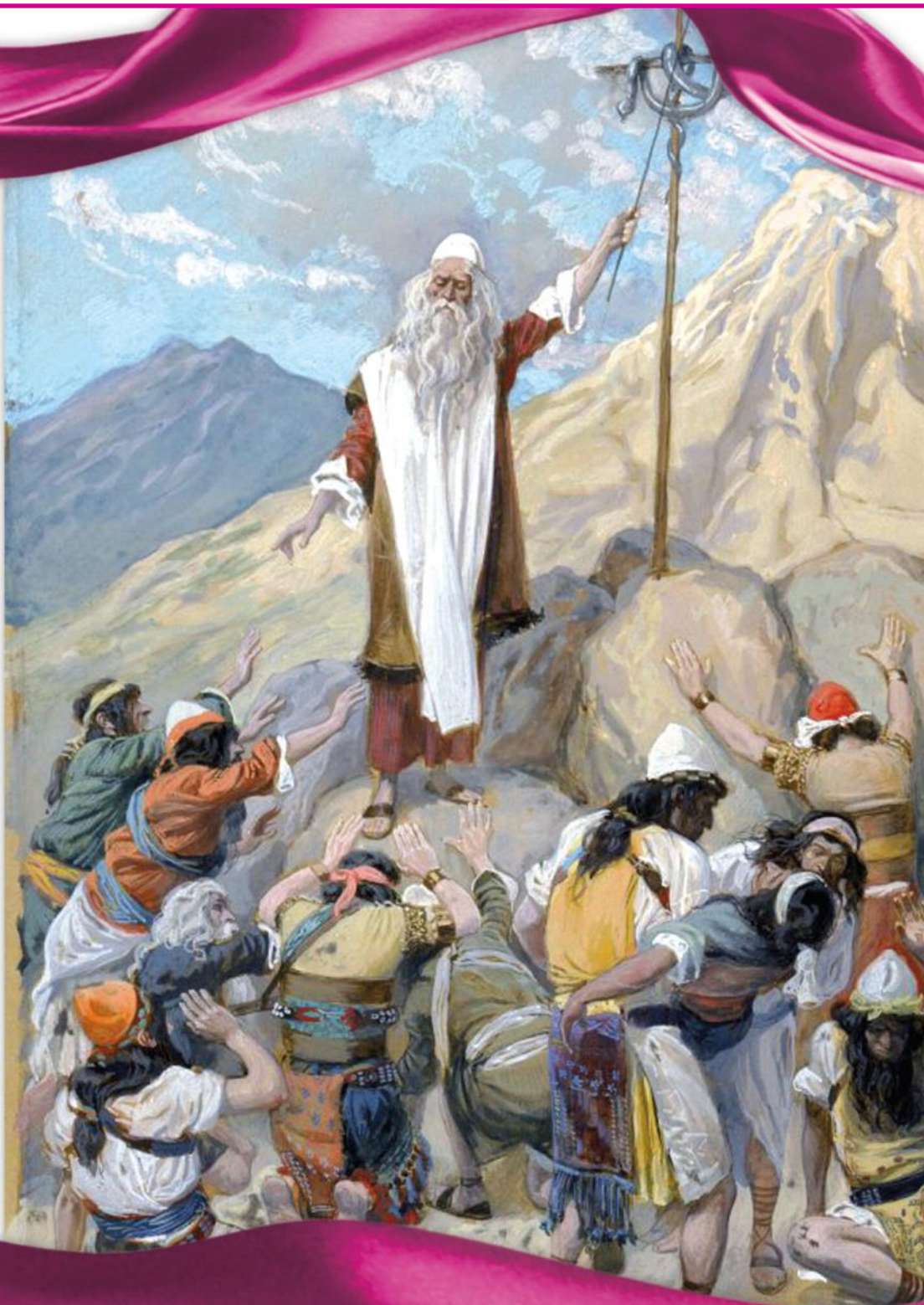


Jesus said to  
Nicodemus:  
“Just as Moses  
lifted up the  
serpent in the  
desert, so must  
the Son of Man  
be lifted up,  
so that everyone  
who believes  
in him may have  
eternal life.”

*John 3:14,15*

The Brazen Serpent  
by James Tissot, circa 1899



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**March 3, 2024 DONATIONS****General Funds**

Regular/Loose .....\$1,758.00

**Total .....\$1,758.00**

Cemetery .....\$40.00

Mass Stipend .....\$50.00

Building.....\$50.00

Food Pantry.....\$142.00

***Mass Schedule*****Saturday, March 9th**

4:00pm/Lois Easton

**Sunday, March 10th**

10:30 am/For the People of the Parishes

**Monday, March 11th**

NO MASS

**Tuesday, March 12th**

5:30 pm @ St. Joseph

**Wednesday, March 13th**

8:00 am/John Smith

**Thursday, March 14th**

8:00 am @ St. Joseph

**Friday, March 15th**

8:00 am/Frances McMahon

**Saturday, March 16th**

4:00pm/Wendy Gooch

**Sunday, March 17th**

10:30 am/Ina Mae Eckstein

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES****Saturday, March 9th @4:00 pm Mass**

**Lector:** Jon Baker

**Ushers:** Jim Hand, Denny Morgan

**EMHC:** Becky Hand, Sharon Morgan

**Gifts:** Volunteers

**Sunday, March 10th @10:30 pm Mass**

**Lector:** Brian Barnes

**Ushers:** Alan Schwenk, Travis McCarter

**EMHC:** Brian Barnes, Gary Ducey

**Gifts:** Volunteers

**Money Counters:** Brian Barnes, Beth Hewing

**Hospital Rules**

Please note that if you or a loved one are in the hospital and would like the priest to visit, you will have to notify Father directly. Due to the HIPPA laws, the hospital will not notify the priest directly. This also applies to nursing homes and assisted living places. Please call Father Pat at 217-485-1224 if you need to have him come for a visit.

**Father Pat's Office Hours**

If you would like to speak or meet with Fr. Pat,  
please call the Rectory at 217-485-1224 or email  
[frpkoneal@yahoo.com](mailto:frpkoneal@yahoo.com)

**Confession Schedule**

Saturday: 3:15-3:45pm Anytime by appointment.  
Please call the Rectory 217-485-1224

**Prayer Requests**

Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Reese Baird, Nancy Brown-Smith, Mary Humer, Patty Kirby, Frank Norton, Cathryn Pfeffer, Zoey Smith, Jay Warfel, Jeff Holt, Helen Birtcher, Katelyn Humer, Theresa O'Brien, Tammy Mayer, Jo Church, Becky Benson, Debra Bialeschki, Joann Hesselmann-Smith, Sue Millikin, Ron Adams, Robert Smith, Maggie Grimm, Sharon Oakes, Randy Wojan, Loretta Taylor, Madison Riley Houser, Ernie Goode, Ferrell Strack, Joseph William Baird, John Henry Baird, Don Eckstein, Barb Rascher, Mary Bialeschki, and requested prayer intentions.



**GOOD FRIDAY—HOLY LAND COLLECTION**

Poor Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org](http://www.myfranciscan.org) or [www.custodia.org](http://www.custodia.org).

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL STEAK DINNER**

April 28th, Catholic Charities will have their annual Steak Dinner. Tickets are on sale now.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—MONTICELLO**

St. Philomena and St. Michael parishes raffle for Knights of Columbus scholarships and other charity activities.

Three Raffle Prizes

- Grand prize: 1/4 Beef (Front Quarter)
- Second Prize: 1/2 Hog + Illini Brats
- Third Prize: 1/2 Hog

Ticket Prices: 5 for \$5, 15 for \$10, 35 for \$20, and 200 for \$100

Winners drawn and notified on April 14th.

For additional details and tickets, contact:

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**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

February 14th—March 24th. Let us pray peacefully for an end to abortion.

**SPECIAL LITURGIES FOR LENT**

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated each Friday of Lent at 6pm.

- 15 Mar. at St. Patrick
- 22 Mar. at St. Joseph

Stations will conclude with veneration of the relic of the True Cross.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE—REVISED**

- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord: March 23-24  
Sat. 4 pm at St. Pat's, Solemn Entrance with blessing of palms.  
Sun. 8 am at St. Joe's, Solemn Entrance with blessing of palms.  
Sun. 10:30 am at St. Pat's, Simple Entrance, with blessed palms available.

Monday, March 25th, no Mass

Tuesday, March 26th, no Mass—Chrism Mass—Peoria

Wednesday March 27th, 8 am Mass at St. Patrick

Holy Thursday, March 28th, no 8 am Mass at St. Joseph. Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6 pm at St. Joseph  
The church will remain open for private adoration until 10 pm.

Good Friday, March 29th, no 8 am Mass at St. Patrick. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, 3 pm at St. Patrick

Holy Saturday, March 30th, no 4 pm Mass at St. Pat's. 6 pm Easter Vigil Mass at St. Pat's.

Easter Sunday, March 31st, 8 am Mass at St. Joe's, 10:30am Mass at St. Pat's.

**ALTAR AND ROSARY NEWS**

Monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 12th at 7 pm in the parish hall.

**Potluck**

On Sunday, March 17, 2024, we will celebrate our patron, St. Patrick, with a parish potluck dinner, beginning at 11:30 am.

The A&R will provide meat, drinks, and tableware and side dishes will be provided by parishioners. Please sign up on one of the sheets in the back of church with your name and the dish you will be providing. You are welcome to leave your dish at the hall before mass.

The afternoon will be filled with many surprise door prizes, for those who are present. We will also be entertained by Rod Millsap and his musical group.

Please join us for a fun-filled event.

**ST. JOSEPH—IVESDALE**

**LENTEN FISH FRYs:** The Ivesdale K of C will be holding Fish Fry's at the Ivesdale KC Hall on the following Friday's during Lent; March 15 serving from 5pm to 7pm or until gone.