



March 7, 2021
Third Sunday of Lent

Collection February 28, 2021
Collection \$ 1180.00
Votive Candles 16.00
Attendance 29

March 14, 2021 Ministers
Lector: Dan Grubb
Commentator: Stan Stanley

**Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass
as you enter the sanctuary.**

Readings for March 14, 2021
Reading 1: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Reading 2: Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel: John 3:14-21

Information about St. Edward- Daily readings, the bulletin, and other information can be found on our webpage at: <https://stedwardpulaski.org>

Donations- please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301 if you are not attending Mass.

Mass Live-Stream- Mass is still live-streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 at <http://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchwytheville>

Prayer List- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Doug Waldrop, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, Brenda McLawhorn, John Balconi, John McNair, Joan Jennings, Sharon Dalton, Jerry Dalton, Lynn Canty, Carrie Lane, Connie Armentrout, Gerald Kellar, Eileen Coleman, and Father Bernie.
(Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

Spring Clean-up- This will be the second year that we cannot do our regular spring clean-up day at the church. We are asking that you and/or your family come at your own convenience to help out. A list will be coming soon. Stay turned

Church Key Inventory- we now have to keep a list of everyone who has a key to the church. If you have an interior, exterior or storage shed key, please list them on a sheet of paper and give it to Stan Stanley or email him at glstanle@yahoo.com.

**Happy March
Birthdays!**

<i>Ian Grube</i>	<i>Mar. 8</i>
<i>Lucas Taylor</i>	<i>Mar. 10</i>
<i>Alex Fernandez</i>	<i>Mar. 10</i>
<i>Mike Fleenor</i>	<i>Mar. 11</i>
John McNair	Mar. 20
Guenter Schlottmann	Mar. 23
Madelyn Owen	Mar. 26
Angie Trail	Mar. 30

**Happy March
Anniversaries**

John & Mary Beth McNair Mar. 14

Covid Tip of the Week- Each day this week, say a special prayer for someone you know who has been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Daily Prayer This Week

This is a pivotal week of Lent. We can solidify the patterns we have begun or we can make a new start, if we haven't been able to get started yet. If we have begun to recognize what needs realigning in our lives and have begun to fast and abstain from some things that get in the way of our relationship with the Lord, then we are engaging in a struggle. We are likely uncovering resistance and experiencing our personal sinfulness face-to-face.

This is all preparing us for a deeper conversion, a readiness for reconciliation with God and the graces that will allow us to be a source of reconciliation with others. This is the time when we begin to see and experience how much God loves us at a new and more personal level. These graces prepare us to keep our eyes focused on Jesus in the weeks ahead - to learn from him, to fall in love with him more deeply and to be drawn to imitate him more completely. If we are just getting started with our Lenten journey, renewing our desires for these graces will be all we need to begin with a renewed openness. God does not need a lot of time to convince us of his love for us.

This is a week about God's love for us and our call to love others the same way. It is a week to keep our daily focus on naming a desire each morning. The day ahead will shape what we ask for as our feet hit the floor in the morning. Pausing to thank the Lord for this day and to ask for the grace to let our mind and heart be renewed in the concrete circumstances, relationships and obligations of our day. Throughout the day, we can then return to those desires in background of our awareness. Our request for the Lord's help is always there and our consciousness of it will help us make the choice we desire to make, to let go of what we need to let go of, to add what we need to add. This will take us deeper and deeper into self-awareness and a sense of our need for a Savior, who is right there to embrace us and give us the graces we ask for.