

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
April 3, 2011**

BAPTISM

During Mass on the weekends outside of Lent. If outside of Mass, Sunday afternoon only. If this is your first child to be baptized, you must meet with either Fr. Timothy Hall or Roxanne Kemper for instructions. Please call either the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317 or St. Anthony Rectory Office at (507) 472-8262 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements for Marriage must be made at least six months in advance. Your initial visit will be with Fr. Timothy Hall (507) 483-2317. Subsequent meetings, including theology & spirituality will be lead by Fr. Hall. Relationship skills and liturgy will be lead by Roxanne Kemper, Pastoral Assistant.



**SAINT ADRIAN
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL**

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SAINT KILIAN**

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Tues 8:30 am (L) Erma Koehne
Tues 7:00 pm (K) M/M Bernard Gotmer
Thurs 8:30 am (A) Ted Klein Family
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 8:30 am (W) Peter Weidert
Sat 5:00 pm (L) Clarence Reuter
Sat 7:00 pm (K) Rose & Ed Wieneke
Sun 8:00 am (A) LeRoy & Doug Honermann
Sun 10:00 am (W) Parishioners

Word & Communion

Thursday, 8:30 am (L)

Sacrament of Confession

Half-hour before weekend Masses

St. Adrian

Sacrificial Giving – March 27, 2011

Amount needed per weekend.....\$3,844.00
Amount given.....\$6,682.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Eugene & June Erlandson

Ministry Schedule April 10, 2011: 8:00 am

Readers: Steve Berkenpas & Susan Bullerman
Servers: Mitchell Wagner & Justin Elias

Lenten Activities: Please join us for Vespers on Thursday, April 7th at 6:00 pm. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

The CCW will be collecting shoes for the “Soles4Souls” as part of their Lenten project. There is a box located at the front entrance of the church. They are asking for new or gently used shoes. The shoes will be shipped to Haiti.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Thursday, May 19, 2011 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Rectory.

Rental of the St. Adrian Education Building will be done through Pam Konz in the Faith Formation Office. Call 483-2480 or 483-2835 when you would like to rent the building for family events, wedding showers and other gatherings.

First Communion rehearsal will be held on Saturday, April 9th at 9:30 am in the church for St. Adrian second grade students and a parent.

Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sacrificial Giving – March 27, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$2,106.00
Amount given.....\$ 775.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Jim & Shellie Fuerstenberg

Ministry Schedule April 10, 2011: 10:00 am

Reader: Joan Joens
Servers: Kayla Rodenberg, Ben Penning
Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Joens Jr., Carolyn Penning
Cindy Penning

Lenten Activities: Please join us for Vespers on Friday, April 8th at 6:00 pm. A Soup Supper follows hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome! You may come for one or all of the events.

First Communion rehearsal will be held on Saturday, April 9th at 11:30 am in the church for Our Lady of Good Counsel second grade students and a parent.

CDA Court Madonna #839 will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:30 pm in **St. Kilian at the St. Joseph's Hall.** Please come and share this spiritual time with other Catholic Daughters. Lynn Nelson will provide the lunch.

Tickets for our annual Steak Fry Fundraiser are now being sold. The Steak Fry, a matching grant fundraiser by the Catholic Order of Foresters, will be held on the evening of Sunday April 10th at the VFW in Wilmont. Contact the following finance council representatives to purchase your tickets: Dave Bertrand, Cindy Blaster, Kevin Spartz, Rod Burkard & David Reetz.

For all those interested in helping out with cleaning the church on a regular basis, please sign up for a weekend on which you would like to clean. The sign-up sheet is located in the main entrance of the church.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony

Sacrificial Giving – March 26, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$1,296.00
Amount given..... \$ 804.50

Calendar Raffle Winner: Tom Diekmann

Ministry Schedule April 9, 2011: 5:00 pm

Reader: Melissa Weidert

Servers: Morgan Wieneke & McKenzie Wieneke

Eucharistic Ministers: Roxanne Kemper, Shirley Wieneke
Tom Diekmann

Lenten Activities: Please join us for a special 4-Youth Mass on Wednesday, April 6th at 7:30 pm. Students from Grades 5-11 will be helping with the various liturgical ministries. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come!

First Communion rehearsal will be held on Saturday, April 9th at 9:30 am in the church for St. Anthony second grade students and a parent. First Eucharist will be celebrated during the 5:00 pm Mass on April 9th.

Thank You: We would like to thank all of the CCW and CDA women and their spouses who helped work for the play. It is much appreciated.

CCW Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5th at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Lunch Committee: Kate McCann & Linda Loonan.

CD of A Court St. Bernard will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Lunch Committee: Jan Weidert (chairperson) and Helen Loosbrock

CCW Officers: We are still looking for a new secretary and a vice-president for the coming year. Everyone is busy but please consider volunteering. Although many of you have served in the past, or have recently retired from full time employment or other organizations, now might be the right time to help your parish. Please think and pray about this important need in our church. If you would be willing to volunteer for either of these positions, please contact Deb Lutmer or Ellen Henning. Thank you

St. Kilian

Sacrificial Giving– March 26, 2011

\$20.00 (1 envelopes)

Ministry Schedule April 9, 2011: 7:00 pm

Reader: Marge Loosbrock

Servers: Tyler & Tucker Madison

Eucharistic Ministers: Ken & Fran Scroggs,
Anna Mae Fuerstenberg

Sympathy: We extended our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Tom Hoffman. May God bring them peace and comfort.

Lenten Activities: Mass will be celebrated this Tuesday evening, April 5th at 7:00 pm followed by Stations of the Cross. Everyone is welcome!

Lenten Penance & Adoration is scheduled for next Saturday, April 9th from 9:00 – 10:00 am in the church. Come and prepare your heart for Easter by praying and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Nursing Home: St. Kilian CCW will host the Word & Communion Service at the Adrian Nursing Home next Sunday, April 10th at 2:30 pm. Serving Committee: Lynn Nelson, Teresa Fuerstenberg, & Celia Lais.

CCW Officers: It's that time of year again when we are looking for new officers (Vice President & Sec/Treasurer). If this is your year to volunteer please contact Vonnie or Arlys. Thank you.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

4-Parish Lenten Communal Reconciliation:

Everyone is invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance this Sunday, April 3rd at 1:30 pm in the Church of St. Adrian. Please come and prepare your hearts for celebrating Easter Joy!

Catholic Relief Services Collection was this weekend. Thank you to everyone who contributed. If you forgot your envelope you may drop it off at the parish offices or place in next week's collection.

Easter Flower Donations: You are invited to give a donation for Easter Flowers and Decorations. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" (or use the one in your box) with the name of your parish and the person's name *printed* on it that you would like remembered. Thank you.

4-Parish Music Planning will be held on Monday, April 4th at 7:00 pm in the St. Kilian School. We will review music for the Easter Season.

Adult Lenten Bible Sharing: Because of schedule conflicts, there will no longer be a Sunday Evening gathering of *Open Our Hearts*. The Thursday Morning group will gather at 10:00 AM in St. Anthony's parish house on March 31st. If you were unable to make the previous gatherings, please feel free to join us on Thursday morning. For more information, please call Roxanne.

Mark your calendars for this year's summer program, "Totally Yours", to be held June 13-17th. It follows a slightly different format, so be sure to watch your mail for more information.

Old Palms may be brought to any of the 4-parishes and placed in their designated areas.

A 4-Youth Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 6th at 7:30 pm at St. Anthony Church in Lismore. This is the year-end-celebration of Faith Formation Classes for grades 5-12. **Grades 7 and 8 are asked to provide bars** for refreshments following Mass, and **grade 9 is asked to serve** the lunch. Musicians will practice on Sunday, April 3rd at 7:00 pm in Lismore. Call Pam or Leslie with any questions. **All parishioners are invited to attend!**

April Ministry Schedules for St. Kilian, St. Anthony and Our Lady of Good Counsel are located at the entrance of the church. Please pick up your copy. Schedules may also be found on our web page.

The 11th grade Confirmation class schedule for March & April:

***Sunday**, April 3rd Reconciliation 1:30 pm at St. Adrian.

***Wednesday**, April 6th 4-Youth Mass at Lismore, 7:30 pm.

***Sunday**, April 10th practice for Shadow Drama Stations, St. Kilian Church, 7:30 pm.

***Wednesday**, April 13th, Shadow Drama Stations of the Cross, St. Kilian 7:30 pm.

Remember the Praise in Song celebration for Palm Sunday! Keep (or start) practicing your praise music for this great start of Holy Week. This Ecumenical evening of praise music will be held at St. Anthony Church in Lismore at 7:30 pm on April 17th. Be sure to call or email Pam Konz with your musical selections.

Stuebenville North in Rochester will be held on July 15-17th at the Mayo Civic Center. Cost for the weekend is \$140, which includes meals, conference fees and a t-shirt. Lodging is extra. Some fund-raising will be done to help you attend this Youth Conference. Our group needs to be registered by May 20th. To register, go on-line to www.partnershipforyouth.org and find the register now button or use the menu to the far left of the page. We are listed as 4-Youth Group. Register to log in and then you can add yourself to the group. Please do it soon- all information has to be in by May.

4-Parish Lenten Food Drive: As part of Lenten preparation and almsgiving, we will once again collect non-perishable food items for the Manna Food Pantry in Worthington. Since this is the season of practicing charity and good deeds, and since the Nobles County food shelves need our help, let us reach out to the poor in our corner of the state and give generously. Please put your items in the boxes provided at the entrance of church. Thank you.

Help Me To See!

Today is *Laetare Sunday*, a day of rejoicing, set aside in this penitential season to remind us that our Lenten Journey doesn't end on Good Friday, but continues to the full joy of our Easter Celebration. Think about it! Despite still having some snow on the ground and the cold weather, it is spring. The robins are here – our friends and family are returning from warmer climates. We notice that the days are growing longer and we are getting anxious to use golf clubs, campers and boats! Our farmers are placing orders for beans and corn and crop insurance. We are looking for the tulips to appear. We laugh in the midst of tears and we open our hearts for sometimes more hurt. We find hope in sorrow and despair. Why? Because we are an Easter People - people of faith, hope and love! But knowing this and believing it are not always the same. Today's prayer for many of us might be: *Open my eyes Lord and help me to see!*

Recently, a pastor from a neighboring church asked what the letters 'BIBLE' stood for. His response was: **Basic Instructions Before Life Everlasting**. Looking at today's gospel supports his theory. Today, we encounter three readings about *sight*. In the gospel, a man born blind, who is a beggar and an outcast, is being ignored by the Pharisees. Jesus spits on the ground and with a balm of mud, physically heals the man. The Pharisees, the learned people, the "in-crowd" are blind to the needs of this man and to those around him. We soon realize that there are two kinds of blindness, physical and spiritual, and that perhaps there is no greater blindness than the inability to see all people as living signs of from God- **all people** - even though it might be difficult to recognize this fact.

Sometimes we don't work hard enough to see God's image in others and maybe this is why there is an increase in abuse, violence and insensitivity towards the weak or poor. Perhaps spiritual blindness has caused greater hostility towards our neighbor – especially people of different cultures or racial backgrounds. Possibly spiritual blindness keeps us from reaching out to people who are not "quite" like us. Many of us "see" only what's on the outside, never looking below the surface. Many people seem blind to what our words and actions portray to others. During this Lenten season, we are called to remove the blinders so that we might see the needs of others and continue Christ's work of compassion, love, peace, forgiveness and reconciliation in this troubled world. As we often sing: *Open my eyes Lord – help me to see your face*. May we truly learn to see with God's heart!

Lenten Blessings,
Roxanne