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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Tuesday (3/14).....6:30PM Mass at Spring Valley

+Dale Jensen (Bill & Roselyn Sylla)

Stations of the Cross after Mass at Spring Valley

Wednesday (3/15).....6:00PM Stations of the Cross at Boyceville

Eucharistic Adoration/Exposition at Elmwood

6:30-7:30PM Reconciliation

7:30PM Mass at Elmwood

+Howard Webb (Pat Webb)

Thursday (3/16).....8:00AM Mass at Spring Valley

Private Intention

Friday (3/17).....1:30PM Mass at Assisted Living in Elmwood

+Dale Jensen (Altar & Rosary Society)

7:00PM Stations of the Cross at Elmwood

Third Sunday in Lent

Saturday (3-18).....8:00PM Vigil Mass at Elmwood

Missa Pro Populo

Sunday (3-19).....8:30AM Mass at Boyceville

+Daryl and Andy Adams (Joe & Karen Adams)

10:30AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Lorne Hanson (Hanson Family)

4:00PM Mass at Elmwood

+Don Miller (Miller Family)

BRIEFLY NOTED

Bishops Grant Dispensation in Honor of the Feast of St. Patrick:

The bishops of Wisconsin announce a special dispensation for Catholics statewide from adhering to the law of abstinence for Friday, March 17, 2017. This Lenten dispensation will allow the faithful to celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick. *Those who utilize the dispensation should perform another act of penance (self-denial, charity, prayer, etc.) in observance of the day.*

Please visit the Diocesan Website to view the full decree:

<http://diolc.org/chancerybulletin/St.%20Patrick%20Dispensation%202017.pdf>

Congratulations to Wyatt Michael Schwebach infant son of James and Jill Schwebach who is reborn in the ***Sacrament of Baptism*** at Elmwood today.

“Remember, Lord, Wyatt who, through Baptism, has been joined to your family, that she may follow Jesus your Son, with generous heart and willing spirit” (Roman Missal 974).

Spring Valley DAA Update: \$100 from parishioner installment payments reduced the balance due to \$3018.50. Our target goal amount is less than last year but yet we struggle to pay it. To date, 50% of our parish families have chosen to support the DAA. If the remaining families would return a pledge card with an average of \$35, we would reach our goal.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner: On Sunday, March 19, 2017 at the Brother Michael CCD Center, Spring Valley from 11am-1pm. All are welcome!

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 5:45-6:15 PM

Spring Valley

Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM

Elmwood

Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM

Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Boyceville

Thurs. 8 AM to Friday 8AM

Spring Valley

Lenten Observance: *All Fridays in Lent* are a day of *abstinence from meat* for Catholics 14 or older.

Holy Week Schedule:

(4/13) Holy Thursday

7:30PM Elmwood

(4/14) Good Friday

3:30PM Elmwood

(4/14) Seven Last Words

6:30PM Boyceville

(4/15) Holy Saturday

8:00PM Elmwood

(4/16) Easter Sunday

8:30AM Boyceville

10:30AM Spring Valley

4:00PM Elmwood

St. Luke's Potluck: A potluck will be served after the 8:30am mass TODAY. Please stay and enjoy food and fellowship!

Interparish Pastoral Council:

Meets Tuesday, March 21 at the Elmwood Church basement for a 5:30pm Indian dinner cooked by Fr. Prince with the usual meeting to follow. Council members notify the Central Office if you cannot attend.

St. Luke's Lenten Soup Supper:

A soup supper will be offered every Wednesday evening during Lent at St. Luke's Boyceville after 6PM Stations of the Cross. All are welcome to come and walk the way of the cross with Our Lord and enjoy a soup supper afterward.

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www.svecatholic.org

Second Sunday of Lent

The first readings for the Sundays of Lent this year focus on Old Testament figures. You might remember that last Sunday the reading focused on Adam and Eve. This Sunday the figure from the Old Testament is Abram. Next Sunday it will be Moses. Then David, the week after that Ezekiel and finally, on Passion Sunday, the Suffering Servant of Isaiah. The message implied here is that Jesus Christ incorporates in himself the entirety of God's dealings with his people. Jesus is the New Adam, who does not turn from God as the first Adam did. He is the fulfillment of the promises made to Abraham. He is the Successor to Moses. He is the Son of David. He imparts the Spirit upon men as Ezekiel did in the vision of the Valley of Dried Bones. And He is the one who suffers and dies for us as the Suffering Servant in Isaiah.

The Transfiguration was an important event for the apostles. It had a purpose: it prepared them for the Paschal Mystery, especially the humiliating death of their Master. It helped them to understand and, later, interpret correctly the meaning of the death and resurrection of Jesus. It was in the event of the Transfiguration that God revealed the true identity of His Son: "This is my beloved Son." Moses and Elijah also appeared there and they were talking to Him. These were the two men of God who had experienced the Divine presence – Moses on Mount Sinai had a glimpse of the divine glory, seeing only the back of God, not his face (Ex 33:20), and Elijah experienced the presence of God "in a gentle breeze", the tenderness of God overwhelming him (1 Kgs 19:11-12).

If the Transfiguration was an important event for the apostles just like the experience of God's powerful presence in the life of Moses and Elijah, it should be the same for us as well. We need to experience His powerful presence or have a glimpse of something of the glory of God in our lives. For this we need to be at the feet of the Lord, listening to Him, as Mary of Bethany did. We need to listen to the word of God and treasure it in our hearts and ponder over it as the Virgin Mary, our Blessed Mother did.

Rev. Prince Raja

Stewardship for March 4-5, 2017

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?" (Psalm 116:12)

	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	CCHD	Ash Wednesday
Spring Valley	\$2,072	\$159.25		
Elmwood	\$1,055	\$141		\$55
Boyceville	\$1,240	\$50	\$50	

BRIEFLY NOTED

Position Opening: Sacred Heart Parishes of Elmwood and Spring Valley and Saint Luke of Boyceville are *seeking a new Administrative Assistant for the Central Office in Spring Valley*. This part-time (15hr/wk) position coordinates and directs the office services of the parishes providing administrative, secretarial, and clerical support to the Pastor and assisting him in maintaining an efficient and effective office operation. Applications and job description are available from the Central Office. ***Application and resume with references due to Father Prince by March 19.***

This Week on FORMED: On the 13th of March, we celebrate the 4th anniversary of the Election of Pope Francis. If you'd like to learn more about our Holy Father, check out the movies on Formed.org: Francis: the People's Pope, Francis: Pope of Renewal or Who Is Pope Francis? If you've ever wondered how the Pope is elected, check out the documentary Conclave: How the Pope is Elected. Log in to Formed by visiting www.formed.org/register –and entering in Parish Code: **CQH26**

The Church Today with 50 Years: How Vatican II Affects Modern Catholicism:

Fr. John Schultz will be presenting four sessions on "The Church Today with 50 Years: How Vatican II Affects Modern Catholicism" at St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon, WI., on March 24-25. It begins with supper at 6:30PM on Friday and ends at 3:00PM on Saturday. The cost of \$90 includes overnight accommodations, delicious meals, and program fees. The first two sessions describe what happened at Vatican II (1962-65) and its sixteen documents. The second two sessions focus on the spirituality of Vatican II and implementation of the documents, particularly Liturgy. Fr. Schultz lived and studied in Rome during the four years of Vatican II. He currently is a Priest-Chaplain at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire. For information or to register, contact St. Anthony's at info@sarcenter.com or [715-443-2236](tel:715-443-2236).

Attend Catholics at the Capitol March 28: Every two years, the Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) hosts **Catholics at the Capitol**. Hundreds of Catholics from around the state come to Madison for this day of formation and legislative advocacy. This year's keynote speaker will be Colleen Stratton, a survivor of human trafficking who will share her painful but inspiring story. **Time and place:** March 28, 8:45 am-4:00 pm at Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center in Madison, just 2 blocks from the Capitol, where participants are invited to meet with their legislators. Visit www.wisconsinatholic.org for more information and to register, or contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns: ministries@diolc.org or [608-791-0161](tel:608-791-0161).

Have the Best Lent Ever: Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic group are providing a wonderful means of enriching your Lenten spiritual journey this year. You can sign up to receive a DAILY VIDEO MESSAGE by going to their site and signing up at www.dynamiccatholic.com.

