

APRIL 3, 2022: Fifth Sunday of Lent

“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” And [Jesus] bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders.

John 8: 1-11

Caught In the Act

She was caught. Her marriage disintegrated and now she was on her own to raise her two little boys. There’s little support or understanding from her family. They loved their son-in-law —why couldn’t they have worked things out? If they only knew — but she keeps that to herself. Her focus is now on creating a loving and safe home for her two little ones. She was caught in the very act of seeking a better life for herself and her two boys.

He was caught. It all began when he blew out his knee playing soccer. He was given a prescription for the pain — and before long he was hooked. The opioid has taken control of his life; he’s losing everything and everyone important to him. He was caught in the act of trying to manage his addiction alone.

So many of us are “caught in the act”:

She was caught in the act of maintaining her dignity while the other kids at school made fun of her dress, her name, her accent . . .

He was caught in the act of refusing to go along with a sales pitch that he knew was a fraud . . .

They were caught in the act of being human beings with souls in the face of the bigotry and self-righteousness of their “accusers . . .”

And every day, they’re threatened with some kind of “stoning.”

People get caught in situations beyond their control, trapped in circumstances they struggle to deal with, cornered because they lack the maturity or experience to cope. The “scribes and Pharisees” around them are quick to condemn them — but Jesus challenges them to drop their “stones” and find within themselves the empathy and humility to recognize the grace that liberated them from their own fears and failings to become signs of that same grace for those “caught” in fear and despair. Jesus asks both the woman’s accusers and the woman herself to reach out beyond their resentments and anger to lift one another up when they stumble; he also asks them to look within their own hearts to confront the sins and evil that are part of every life and find within themselves the compassion and love of God that leads to true and lasting joy, healing and life. We can’t take on the evil of the world until we confront the evil in our own hearts; we can’t lift up the fallen until we realize that we, too, are fallen; we can’t raise others to health and hope until we seek our own healing.

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5th Sunday of Lent**

Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

Parish Information

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Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm.
Friday at 10 am.

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Lohnes Complex

First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, ***closed to public.***

Bible Study:

Cancelled due to Covid regulations.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Discontinued until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections:

At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

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March 26-27th, 2022

Regular Sunday	\$1,512.00
Building Fund	30.00
Lenten Folders	130.00
Votive Candles	15.00
Mass Stipends	10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	50.00
Development & Peace - Ukraine	35.00
Flowers	105.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. 7 pm	Late Molly Brake
Wed. 7 pm	Late Jim Power
Thu. 7 pm	Late James & Cecilia Dobbin
Fri. 10 am	Late Bernadette Pike
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Joseph Hackett
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

BIBLE STUDY: The Bible study program continues on Sunday 7:00 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: You are invited to join us at Sacred Heart Church in celebrating the Stations of the Cross at **7:00 pm on the Fridays of Lent**. A different version of the stations will be used each week.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: A Lenten penitential service will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church Monday, April 11th at 7:00 pm.

SACRED HEART PARISH CUSTODIAN: After discussion with the finance committee and parish council we are looking at the possibility of dividing this position into two parts. 8 hours per week will be dedicated to the church upkeep and cleaning, 20 hours per month will be dedicated to maintenance of the church building and parish grounds.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday - April 14, 2022 - Mass of the Lord's Last Supper.

7:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish. **Washing of the feet will take place.**

7:00 pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

Good Friday - April 15, 2022 - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish

3:00 pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

Stations of the Cross - Good Friday

7:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 16, 2022 – A

night of prayer which looks forward to the

celebration of the Lord's resurrection,

mourning will give way to the joys of

Eastertide which we will celebrate for the next

fifty days.

9:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish

9:00 pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

Easter Sunday - April 17, 2022 – The

Resurrection of the Lord

11:00 am at Sacred Heart Parish

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR UKRAINE: Development and Peace is accepting humanitarian donations for Ukraine. The humanitarian aid will be distributed through Caritas Ukraine, an affiliate of Caritas International. Anyone wanting to support those who are suffering due to the war can place a donation in a blank envelope with the words "Help For Ukraine" written on it. Any cheques should be made payable to the parish (Holy Redeemer Parish) so that the parish can send the entire amount to the Diocese for payment to Development and Peace. Tax receipts will then be issued by the Parish

THANK YOU: Thank you to all who took part in our March Bingo Draw. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as our options for fundraising are very limited.

Congratulations to Hilda Butt on winning the \$50.00 this mo. Entries were received from; Debbie Allen, Diane Bennett, Sharon Bennett, Marjorie Blanchard, Cathy Bolt, Colleen Boland, Dorothy Brake, Regina Brown, Eileen Buckle, Karen Buckle, Sandy Buckle, Marie Byrne, Hilda Butt, Roberta Canning, Cathy Carroll, Linda Cashin, Marina Cashin, Christine Chadderton, Linda Corbett, Lynn Coombs, Helen Cook, Gertrude Daye, Theresa Dobbin, Vivian Donahue, Alvina George, John Hayes, Veronica Hickey, Barbara O'Blenis, Marie Pennell, Rita Pye, Assumpta Roche, Brian Sparkes, and Mona Specker. Donors for April are those with last names starting with F through N. The next draw will be on April 24.

SSVP: Our storage building is presently empty of beds, tables and chairs, sofas, and the like. As we near Spring clean-up, it would be nice to have what you have looked after so well passed on to someone who could use it but cannot afford it. We will be pleased to come and get your donation, so please call 638-9010 to arrange a pickup. Thank you for your support.

KITCHEN PARTY: Sponsored by Holy Redeemer Parish; Friday, April 29, 2022, beginning at 8:00 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion. Music by The Griffins and Woody & the Peckers. Bar and dance. Tickets \$10.00; available at the Parish Office, or info.hrp@nl.rogers.com and at the Door

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - SHARE LENT:

Week 5 - This Lent, give from the heart. This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace's People and Planet First campaign invites you to give from the heart and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. In Cambodia, for instance, your solidarity helped our partner DPA establish a community fishery in Srey Packly's village. She said, "Thank you very much to DPA and to the donors for supporting my family and fellow villagers to have fresh and healthy fish to eat and to improve our livelihoods." Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for helping us build a world of justice. For more information, contact Patricia Walsh-Warren at pwalsh@devp.org.



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