

EASTER BLESSINGS & PRAYERS

Easter Daily Devotion

Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad! Let the joy of your resurrection fill me today and every day, O Lord. Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad!

Let the Spirit's grace and power bless me and guide my way today, O Lord. Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad!

Strengthen me to be a sign of your life, a herald of your love each day, O Lord. *Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad!*

Regina Caeli, Laetare. Alleluia! (An Easter Prayer for the Month of May)

Rejoice, O Queen of heaven. Alleluia! Holy Mary, Mother of God, you lead the rejoicing of all the saved.

You were chosen to be Christ's mother. Alleluia! Holy Mary, Mother of God, help us remain faithful children of light.

Christ has risen as he said. Alleluia! Holy Mary, Mother of God, let us follow your example.

Pray for us to God. Alleluia! Holy Mary, Mother of God, with all the saints you intercede for us at the throne of grace.

Rejoice and be glad: the Lord is truly risen. Alleluia!

Holy Mary, Mother of God, may our joy bring us one day to join you and the hosts of heaven, singing praises in glory for all eternity. Alleluia!

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Table Prayer for the Season of Easter

This is the day the Lord has made!

Today is the Day of days: We are filled with Easter joy, nourished by the bounty of the earth.

Today is the Day of days: May we know Christ present when we break bread with those we love.

Today is the Day of days: Let us show Christ to the poor and hungry, so our service to them is a sign of his glory.

This is the day the Lord has made! Let all the earth cry out with joy, today is the Day of days! Bless this meal, O Lord, and grant everyone a place at the feast of heaven. Amen.

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IN REAL LIFE

Chances are, as a former Catholic school child you once had to be able to list all the fruits of the Spirit. If you've forgotten them, Pentecost offers a chance to revisit them in a new way.

In fact, in Galatians 5, Paul speaks of a single fruit of the Spirit, manifesting through nine facets—much like segments of an orange. When our life in the Spirit is fruitful, all the facets are visible, and indeed, they overlap again and again.

Take a few minutes to reflect on the working of the Holy Spirit in your life. Are all the "segments" of the fruit present?



To love is to desire good for others. Whom do I love? To whom do I wish evil, and how can I change that?

Joy and Peace:

Is my spirit at peace? Am I joy-filled, or am I often angry, anxious, or at odds with others and the world? Do I take time to be still in the presence of God, the source of all joy and peace?

Patience:

Do I persist in the tasks to which I am called, even in the face of resistance? Do I fly off the handle when others try my patience?

Kindness:

Am I focused outward, ready to lend a sympathetic ear? Do I listen with an open heart to those whose experiences are different from my own?

Generosity:

Do I give people the benefit of the doubt, or do I default to negative judgment? Do I make tithing and charity a priority, or do I allow my own wants to swallow my income?

Faithfulness:

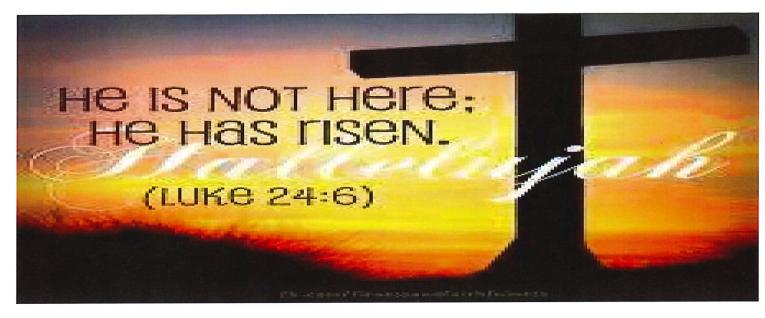
Do I talk behind other people's backs? Do I criticize friends or family in my heart without sharing my concerns? Am I faithful to God? Do I let derogatory or hurtful comments to or about other children of God go unchallenged, out of fear of conflict or judgment?

Gentleness:

When the inevitable irritations of the day arise, do I roll with the punches? Do I approach conflict in a way that seeks the best interests of everyone involved? When I discipline those under my authority, do I take a punitive approach, or one that helps us all grow into holier, healthier individuals?

Self-control:

Self-discipline touches so many areas of life: expressing anger, word choices in online interactions, scheduling, food consumption, spending habits, screen time, the use of physical powers, time management. Am I intentionally under control in the way I navigate the world?



April 21st, 2019 Happy Easter!!

A Note From Our Pastor:

As we come together to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord, I pray for all families for the many blessings of Easter. We are continuing our Parish's journey through Evangelization efforts to strengthen our faith and grow as a strong faith filled community. We are planning to have a special Prayer and Novena to the Holy Spirit before Pentecost, then a special Mass to pray for all the sick people in our community. More information and a schedule will be coming out very soon. We have to offer anything we can for the healing of the sick by praying for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. We are also in the last quarter of the School year. I want to thank the Lord for another successful School year. As we are in the planning process for the next year, I ask for your prayers and support by remembering your parish and school in your prayers. vour donations and Last Will. The School enrollment is looking very positive for next year. This also comes with additional responsibilities. Hence I request you to plan to make sacrifices for our Parish and School. It is a great means of Evangelization in our community. God Bless you all and Blessed Easter! -Fr. Arul

A Gracious Thank You to all Parishioners who helped make our Holy Week and Easter Services so meaningful: to all the musicians, choirs, organists, cantors and music directors whose talent & hard work filled each service; for sacristans for making all the necessary changes each day; for Fr Arul, Mass ministers and servers present for us at each service; for the Sophomore Class and sponsors for the beautiful presentations of The Living Stations; and for all those who donated flowers to make our church so beautiful. We all rejoiced in the glory and splendor of Easter because of your dedicated work and generous donations. Thank you!!

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



First Communion will be Sunday, April 28th at 3:00 PM Mass. This Saturday, April 27th, the following children will gather for Jesus Day at

Sts. Peter & Paul School where they will celebrate and make final preparations to receive the <u>Holy Sacrament</u> of the Eucharist:

Jacoby Bergman
Kendal Bergman
Finn Deters
Tenley Deters
Luke Ganstrom
Alyssa Griffith
McKenna Griffith
Isaac Hammes
Kendall Haug
Baxter Haverkamp
Bella Haverkamp
Mollie Haverkamp
Daniel Hemman
Aidan Henry
Callie Holthaus

Isabella Holthaus
Jillian Koch
Hudson Kuckelman
Reese McKinley
Jayla Nolte
Eva Nordhus
Ian Nordhus
Noah Olberding
Kaden Sperfslage
Ava Stallbaumer
Julian Szymankowski
Emma Tangeman
Jack Tangeman
Ayn Voracek

Please pray for these young students and their teachers as they prepare for this solemn and happy day.

Sincere Congratulations and a Warm Welcome to the new members of the Catholic Church: Diane Durham, Jeremiah Chesmore, Chloe Buessing, and Blair Ronnebaum, who received the Sacraments of Baptism and/or Confirmation and full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass Saturday evening, April 20th. Special appreciation and thanks to Rick and Joan Henry, RCIA directors, who helped them prepare for this special day. May God bless each one of you on your continuing journey of Faith.



In Memoriam: The Rite of Christian Burial
was celebrated at a Mass for Irene J. Niekamp
on Wednesday, April 17th; and a Visitation for
Dale W. Stuke will be on Sat, April 27th at 1:00

at Lauer Funeral Home. Let us remember each of them in our prayers.



Welcome to the Christian Community: Henry Joseph Love, son of Derek and Melissa (Nordhus) Love. His godparents are

Stephen Nordhus and Eileen Love. Also welcome to <u>Kyler Vincent Zermeno</u>, son of Ashley Zermeno. His godparents are Devin Zermeno and Katelynn Klepper. Both will be baptized on Easter Sunday, April 21st, after the 11:00 Mass. May God's continued blessings be on Henry and Kyler, their parents and godparents.

The Pro-Life Movie, "Unplanned", is in the Seneca Theater this weekend. Thank you to the Seneca Council of the K of C and four surrounding Knight's Councils who have paid for the showing. Show times for the free showings today, April 21st, are at 2:00 and 7:00 PM.



<u>The Rosary in the the Cemetery</u> will begin again this Wednesday, <u>April 24th</u> at 6:00 PM and will continue every other Wednesday. The

following rosary will be May 8th as we continue to pray for our loved ones.



<u>Divine Mercy Sunday is next Sunday April</u>
<u>28th</u>. In preparation for this feast, St.
Faustina was asked by the Lord to promote a nine day novena of prayer from Good Friday

to Divine Mercy Sunday. Pamphlets are in the pews or on the Narthex table. If you did not begin on Good Friday, continue the Novena starting today.

<u>The Sts. Peter & Paul School PTO</u> has rescheduled its monthly meeting to <u>April 30</u> at 7:00 PM at the Parish Dining Hall. Everyone welcome.

<u>Please Note: Our Church will be out of commission</u> starting <u>May 6th to May 31st</u> for painting repairs. Masses will be held in the School Gymnasium.

Stewardship Summary

Projected Yearly Budget \$1,518,735.16 (parish & school)

Fiscal Year	Week of		Year to Date		
7-1-18 to 6-30-19	4/14/19		Totals		
Envelope	\$	5,751.00	\$	275,756.25	
Plate	\$	1,424.00	\$	63,274.55	
EFT Church	\$		\$	157,447.00	
School	\$	2,505.00	\$	145,808.22	
EFT/School	\$		\$	40,998.18	
Other	\$	836.00	\$	16,518.50	
Total	\$	10,516.00	\$	699,802.70	
Weekly Budget	Inc	ome over/ <u>under</u>	We	ek #42 over/ <u>under</u>	
\$21,000.00	\$	-10,484.00	\$	-184,467.49	



The PTO Spring Flower Sale is in full bloom!! Order forms will be out next week

at the School Office or on the Narthex table. Delivery will be on May 8^{th} . More details in next week's Bulletin.

NCYC NEWS: For those interested in attending NCYC this fall, an informational meeting will be held in the Youth Center on Sunday, <u>May 5th</u>, at 5:00 PM. Important registration information will be handed out and possible fundraising options will be discussed.

<u>Prayer & Action will be coming to our Parish from June 9th to July 19th.</u> High school students and their adult leaders will reach out to provide services to those in need in our Parish and in surrounding communities. Please call the Parish office at 336-2128 to be placed on a list if you would like something done for your home.

2019-2020 PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

We are beginning the process of registering preschool students for the 2019-2020 school year.

Please call the office at 785-336-2727 for more information and to pre-register a child for this year.

The days and times are as follows:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 4-5 year olds from 8-11 am and 12-3 pm (if necessary).

Tuesday/Thursday 3-4 year olds from 8-11 am and 12-3 pm (if necessary).

A preschool Open House for new students will be held in late March or April.

Scholarships are available.

Sts. Peter & Paul is committed to making Catholic Education available and affordable to all families.

No child will be denied admission to Sts. Peter and Paul School.



For Communion to the Sick & Homebound, please call John & Diane Mulryan at 336-3320.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Mon Apr 22 - Easter Monday, offices & school closed

Sun Apr 28 - First Communion

Sun Apr 28 - "Catholic Faith Explained" each Sun 6-8 PM

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Mon Apr 22 - Easter Monday - No School

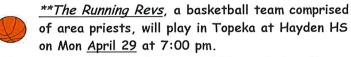
Fri May 3 - May Crowning 8:00 Mass

UPCOMING CCD EVENTS

Wed Apr 24 - Regular Classes. Monitors are Bryan & Betty Peterson and Doug & Monae Schmelzle

AREA EVENTS:

** <u>Filling St. Mary's With Music!</u> Emporia State Univ. A Capella Choir and Chorale Choir will perform on Sun, <u>April 28th</u> at 3:30 PM. No charge. Refreshments.



**Totus Tuus sign-up for Sacred Heart Baileyville session, July 13th-19th (1st-12th grades) <u>is ongoing</u>. E-mail <u>pandakeegan@bbwi</u> if you would like to attend.

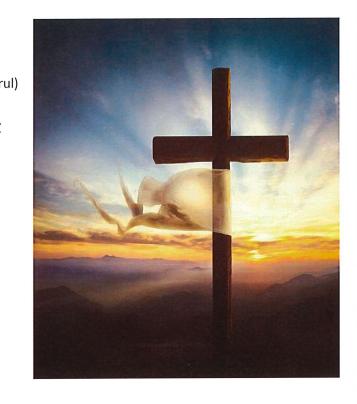


Leaders:

4:00 PM: Dennis Henry

Masses for April 22nd to April 28th Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Monday	<u>April 22</u> – 7:00 AM –	Monday within the Octave of Easter No Communion Service		
Tuesday	April 23 – 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM –	<u>Tuesday within the Octave of Easter</u> Life Care Center - Sandy Wichman (Fr. A Jane Nordhus (Anniv)		
Wednesday	<u>April 24</u> – 8:00 AM –	Wednesday within the Octave of Easte L/D Don & Shirley Schurman Family		
Thursday	<u>April 25</u> – 7:00 AM –	<u>Thursday within the Octave of Easter</u> Sara Hammes Junias Sudbeck		
Friday	<u>April 26</u> – 8:00 AM –	Friday within the Octave of Easter L/D Jerry & Alice Heideman Family		
Saturday	<u>April 27</u> – 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM –	Saturday within the Octave of Easter Gary Love (Anniv) For Our Parish		
Sunday	April 28 – 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM –	Don Winkler Nancy Steinlage (Anniv)		



Weekday Servers: April 23, April 25, April 27 (Tue 6 PM, Thurs 7 AM, Sat 7:30 AM) Joshua Hammes & Natalie Hammes April 24, April 26 (Wed 8 AM, Fri 8 AM) SPPS Students

Servers - Saturday & Sunday, April 27 & April 28

<u>5PM</u>	<u>7AM</u>	<u>9AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Elliott Crabtree	Marianna Hammes	Wade Leonard	Leo Holthaus
Jonah Deters	Joel Hammes	Amelia Olberding	Cooper Kramer
Lucas Holthaus	Jacob Hundley	Trent Thomas	Carter Kramer
Aden Feldkamp	Laura Hammes	Sam Nordhus	Seth Meyer

	Assistants at the Eucharist for Saturday & Sunday, April 27 & April 28							
	Lector/*Commentator	Communion	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Organist</u>			
5:00 PM	Ashley M Hammes	Greg Elder	Emma Elder	Kale Rottinghaus				
	*Ty Hermesch	Mary Sack	Trenton Schmitz					
7:00 AM	Kristen Hammes	Leon Feldkamp	Dominic Hammes					
	*Steve Bennett	Rick Henry	Joan Henry					
0.00 414	Dahasa Hayarkama	Kevin Kohake	Lori Lueger	Eileen Love				
9:00 AM	Rebecca Haverkamp *Gary Niehues	Kristy Wilhelm	Brenda Niehues		mily Altenhofen			
	Gary Menues	Kristy willelli	Dienua Menues		mily Attennoion			
11:00 AM	Kaleb Reitz	Brett Haverkamp	Chelsey Haverkamp	Stacy Rethma	n ,			
	*John Rottinghaus	Keith Haverkamp	Patty Haverkamp	•	Janet Kramer			
Rosary	O .	•						

9:00 AM: John Kohake



Easter Prayer

On this day, loving gracious God, We once again sing Alleluia.

We praise You and bless You

For raising Jesus up from the dead

And we praise and bless You for all the times You have raised us up through Your grace.

In this Easter season and always,

When we are weak and unable

To make good decisions;

When we are stubborn and refuse to forgive others;

When we are afraid or discouraged and forget that You strengthen us;

When we are too selfish or too weary

To follow Jesus as we should;

Raise us up, loving God, raise us up.

Thank you for giving us new life in Jesus

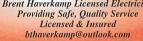
And for His presence among us this Eastertime and always.

Amen.



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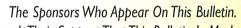
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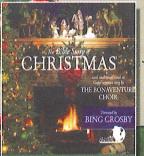
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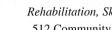
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