

“Do not be afraid!” (Mt 28:5) These are the first words the angel announced to the women who came to the tomb on Easter morning. The tomb was empty, and there must have been a sense of fear that the body of Jesus had been taken, but the angel assures them: “I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.” (Mt 28:5-6)

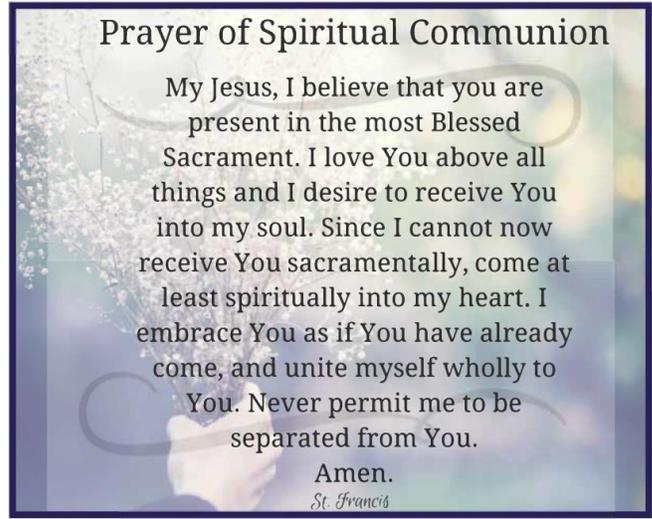
Even though today is a day of great rejoicing as we recall the victory of life over death that Christ won through His Resurrection, we cannot help feeling some fear and uncertainty as we face so many unknowns with the current pandemic. And the words of the angel so long ago are directed to us as well: “Do not be afraid.” We are not afraid on this day because the event we celebrate this day reminds us that death and suffering do not have the final say. Jesus has defeated those enemies, not just for Himself, but for us as well. As Christians, we are called to be a people unfazed by the troubles we face in this world because of the hope that we have in the world to come, the doors to which have been re-opened by the Resurrection of Our Lord.

In the first option for the Second Reading for the Mass on Easter Sunday, St. Paul instructs us: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.” (Col 3:2-3) Through our Baptism, which we recall in a special way today as we renew our Baptismal Promises, we have died and have been reborn to a new life with Christ which has already begun, but which will only find its fulfillment in Heaven. With that hope to encourage us, we have the strength to face whatever challenges we may encounter on our journey toward the Promised Land.

Over the next few days, especially as we celebrate the Octave of Easter, every time we are tempted toward fear or anxiety about the uncertainties of our present situation, let yourself hear the word of the angel saying to

you: “Do not be afraid.” Then, with the confidence of the child of God that you are, look up to Heaven and say: “Alleluia! He is Risen!” Doing so is an act of faith that will bring light into our darkness and remind us that if we stay close to Him, we too will rise with Him on the last day and enjoy the peace of the Kingdom which He has made possible through the holy mystery we celebrate this day.

- Fr. Alford



Parish Sacrificial Giving		
Fiscal Year 7/1/2019-6/30/2020		
	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (68)	\$ 5,010.00	\$ 211,262.07
Electronic Funds (4)	\$ 130.00	\$ 39,857.90
Bldg. Dev. Fund (15)	\$ 491.00	\$ 11,441.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,867.00
Poor Fund	\$ 60.00	\$ 2,262.78
Children's Offering (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 35.60
Catholic Charities (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 2,133.00
Catholic Home Mis(3)	\$ 55.00	\$ 60.00
Catholic Relief Serv(5)	\$ 120.00	\$ 726.00
Easter (7)	\$ 650.00	\$ 785.00
Holy Land (6)	\$ 102.00	\$ 107.00
Rice Bowl (1)	\$ 130.00	\$ 145.00
Seminarians (7)	\$ 155.00	\$ 165.00

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SCRIPTURE READINGS: Apr. 12th – Apr. 19th:

Sunday: ACTS 10:34A, 37-43 COL 3:1-4
JN 20:1-9
Monday: ACTS 2:14, 22-23 MT 28:8-15
Tuesday: ACTS 2:36-41 JN 20:11-18
Wednesday: ACTS 3:1-10 LK 24:13-35
Thursday: ACTS 3:11-26 LK 24:35-48
Friday: ACTS 4:1-12 JN 21:1-14
Saturday: ACTS 4:13-21 MK 16:9-15
Sunday: ACTS 2:42-47 1PT 1:3-9
JN 20:19-31

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

8:00 p Saturday, April 11th
Mass (Int. All Souls†) **Livestream**

10:00 a Sunday, April 12th
Mass (Int. For the Parish) **Livestream**

7:30 a Monday, April 13th
Mass (Int. All Souls†) **Livestream**

7:30 a Tuesday, April 14th
Mass (Int. Limper/Engeling Families) **Livestream**

7:30 a Wednesday, April 15th
Mass (Int. Susan Denton†) **Livestream**

7:30 a Thursday, April 16th
Mass (Int. Isaac Weitekamp†) **Livestream**

7:30 a Friday, April 17th
Mass (Int. Lorraine Blasko†) **Livestream**

7:30 a Saturday, April 18th
Mass (Int. Nickie Maynerich†) **Livestream**

3:30-4:15 p Confessions

7:30-7:50 a Confessions

8:30 a Mass (Int. For the Parish) **Livestream**

9:45-10:15 a Confessions



Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.



Prayer List:

Parishioners

Megan Lee, Steven Long, Gary Dumonceaux, Jillian Kohlrus, Shirley Crawford, Rene Runions, Ray Roland, Lynn F. Leach, JoAnn Camille, Betty Rowden, JoAnn Barber, Glen Butcher, Barb Kiel, Mary Rodgers, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy

Kelsie Riedle, niece of David & Tess Riedle
Robert Goin, father of Vicki Walker
Harry Buck, brother of Teri Dambacher
Troy Sweeney, nephew of Maggie Patterson
Tom Helling, brother of Gary Helling
Yvonne Butcher, mother of Barrie Blough
Aloysious Staff, brother of Sylvia Thull
John Rentschler, son of Ginger Rentschler
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Jim Felts, husband of Dianne Felts
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
Joanna Laabs, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
Frank Stroble, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Carolyn Carmichael, mother of Leanne Collings
Stephanie Zimmerman, friend of Sarah Clare
Button Pemberton, friend of Guerrettaz family
Teresa Cieciora, friend of Guerrettaz family
Aliana Marecki, friend of Guerrettaz family
Rick Perez, friend of Mary Jo & Jerry Jasinski
Brigham Lanweir, friend of the Zucco family
Megan Mahoney, friend of the Zucco family

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.

Saturday – 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:45-10:15 a.m.



Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship

Each year since 2004, the Knights of Columbus Council #9640 has awarded the Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship to a graduating high school senior. Scholarship information and application are available on the website (stjude.dio.org) or at the Parish Office during regular business hours. **Scholarship applications must be submitted, completely, by April 15, 2020.** The Scholarship will be awarded at the annual Knights of Columbus Appreciation Dinner in May.

Please note: Effective this year, there has been a significant change in the scholarship application regarding the required essay.



Even though we cannot attend Mass in person, you can watch Mass online. Go to our parish home page (stjude.dio.org) and click the Resources Link in the top menu to connect to our Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG



Thank you for including the Baby Bottle Boomerang as part of your Lenten experience. Please bring your bottle to the Church and leave it on the table so we may send your offerings to the Taylorville Loving Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center.

RECYCLING CANS FOR ST. PATRICK SCHOOL



Don't forget to save your aluminum cans, bag them and bring them to the brown wooden box at the front of the Parish Center. Volunteers take them in to the Recycling Center and all monies are donated to St. Patrick School! **Please put only aluminum cans in the box!**

Do you want to stay up-to-date on news surrounding our diocese, Bishop Paprocki, diocesan events, and spiritual opportunities? Sign up to receive text messages or email messages by going to **dio.org** or text **diospringfield** to 84576.

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TEXT: DIOSPRINGFIELD TO 84576 TO RECEIVE MESSAGES FROM THE DIOCESE REGARDING HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES, UPDATES FROM BISHOP PAPROCKI, AS WELL AS SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES.



Almost 100 years ago, one-time U.K. poet laureate John Masefield wrote a play called *The Trial of Jesus*. In it, the centurion who oversaw Jesus' execution returns to give Pontius Pilate an official report. When Pilate's wife requests and receives details about the crucifixion, she asks, "Do you think he is dead?" Despite what he had witnessed, the centurion answers, "No, lady, I don't."

Confused, Pilate's wife inquires, "Then where is he?" The man's response: "Let loose in the world, where none can stop his truth."

Indeed, as 2 Timothy 2:9 (ESV) attests, "The word of God is not bound!"





FOR ST. MARTIN De PORRES

Each Sunday you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to mass and place them in the baskets as you enter the Church. All food is taken to St. Martin de Porres Center in Springfield to help their great mission to feed the poor and hungry. Volunteers take the food in weekly to the Center.

This Lenten Season the Church of St. Jude will be doing an **Almsgiving Mission Project** in serving our less fortunate neighbors. This is similar to our Christmas Friends Program with St. Patrick School and Aperion Care.

Our **Almsgiving Mission Project** will be baking cookies or cupcakes for area NFP agencies who help families in need. You may have a favorite family recipe you would like to share! This is a great opportunity for families to practice almsgiving and show Love to those less fortunate.

Please visit the table at the back of the church to see what a difference we can make in serving others! You, your family and/or your friends can help, it's easy! Pick up an Almsgiving Card with a name of an NFP agency to BLESS! Then you, your family or friends can get together at home and bake up the items. If you wish to deliver the goodies, that would be great. If not, we have volunteers who can help with delivery.

Although we are currently unable to attend Mass, Our Lenten Project is still collecting donations of board games, puzzles, color books/crayons and card games for our Lenten Project. We will accept gently used or new items. This promotes family time and fun for the kids. The best music is a child's laughter. When the kids are laughing and having fun, they are not worrying about the grown-up issues in the family.

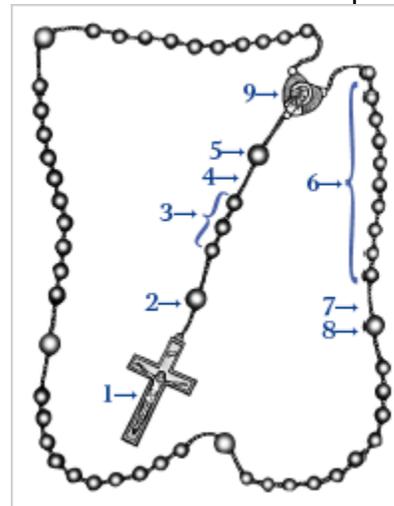
We are asking for additional donations of food so that we can help the SIU Emergency Food Pantry to feed some of the children that are seen, as well as the homeless, seniors and disabled.

Thank you in advance for making a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. If you have any questions, please contact Jeannette Waters at 652-4039 or 529-7280.

How to Pray the Rosary

On the 5 decades (sets of 10 beads) of a rosary, we pray and meditate on the corresponding set of 5 Mysteries from the [Joyful Mysteries](#), the [Sorrowful Mysteries](#), the [Glorious Mysteries](#), or the [Luminous Mysteries](#).

1. [Make the Sign of the Cross](#) and say the "[Apostles Creed](#)."
2. Say the "[Our Father](#)."
3. Say three "[Hail Marys](#)."
4. Say the "[Glory be to the Father](#)."
5. Announce the First Mystery; then say the "[Our Father](#)."
6. Say ten "[Hail Marys](#)," while meditating on the Mystery.
7. Say the "[Glory be to the Father](#)." After each decade say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy."
8. Announce the Second Mystery: then say the "[Our Father](#)." Repeat 6 and 7 and continue with the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.
9. Say the '[Hail, Holy Queen](#)' on the medal after the five decades are completed.



Daily Mystery Meditations

The Mysteries traditionally adhere to certain days of the week.

- Monday: [Joyful](#)
- Tuesday: [Sorrowful](#)
- Wednesday: [Glorious](#)
- Thursday: [Luminous](#)
- Friday: [Sorrowful](#)
- Saturday: [Joyful](#)
- Sunday: [Glorious](#)