



*He is Risen
Alleluia!*

April 21, 2019



By far, my favorite liturgy of the Church's liturgical year is the Easter Vigil. There is so much in the liturgy that is powerful. From the blessing of the Easter fire outside, to the procession into the dark church with individual candles, to the singing of the Easter Proclamation (the Exsultet), to the listening to the high points in salvation history, to the blessing of the baptismal font, to the welcoming new members in the Church – it is a liturgy full of symbolism and beauty that leaves me filled with awe at the gift of the Resurrection of Jesus which has freed us from death and given us hope for eternal life.

The point of the Mass that might be the most powerful for me, though, is when we finally sing the Alleluia before the Gospel. We have deprived ourselves of this glorious word throughout the entire Lenten season and now we belt it out! It reminds me of a quote attributed to the great St. Augustine: "We are an Easter people, and alleluia is our song!"

There was a time in my life when I would not even open my mouth to sing the Alleluia (or anything for that matter), partly because of being self-conscious, and partly because of my indifference. But as I have grown in my understanding of the gift I have received in being saved by the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus, I cannot help but let that joy overflow in songs of praise, especially the Alleluia.

With that in mind, let me issue you an Easter challenge – not just for one week, but for the entire Easter Season. Set aside any self-consciousness or indifference and joyfully sing out the Alleluia, reminding yourself that you are among those Easter people that God has saved through His Passion and Death. Because of what He has done, you have new life as a son and daughter of God and you are destined to be with Him forever in Heaven, where you will be singing His praises without ceasing. Until that day that He welcomes us to that joyful celebration in Heaven, warm up those voices now and let those words of praise set our hearts on fire with love for Him who has saved us and called us to this new life in Him.

-Father Alford

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:

Jane Hendrickson, parishioner
Allan Dahlkamp, parishioner
Cece Foltz, parishioner
Robert Eifert, parishioner
Shirley Crawford, parishioner
Rene Runions, parishioner
Ray Roland, parishioner
Lynn F. Leach, parishioner
Kathy Smith, parishioner
Evelyn Conboy, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
JoAnn Barber, parishioner
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Julie Sinkus, daughter of Barb Sinkus
Tom Helling, brother of Gary Helling
Jim Felts, husband of Dianne Felts
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Jean Seward, sister of Mary Jo Duesterhaus
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
Bob Etherton, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Mike Geist, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
Craig Martin, nephew of Debbie Decker
Carol Slaughter, friend of Virginia Rentschler



Rice Bowls and Loving Arms Baby Bottles

If you have been collecting your change in the Baby Bottles and/or Rice Bowls, now is the time to turn them in! Please bring them to the parish office or to church so we can send in money to these worthwhile organizations. Thank you for your generosity.



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

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

- Saturday, April 20th**
 9:00 a Morning Prayer
 8:00 p **Mass** (Int: Jeremy Morgan†)
Sunday, April 21st – Easter
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Deceased
 Faloon/Vecchie Family Members†)
 9:30 a **Wyndcrest:** Calverts
 10:00 a **Rosary**
 10:00 a **Choir Rehearsal**
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
- Monday, April 22nd**
Office Closed
 5:00 p Confessions
 5:30 p **Mass** (Int: Anna Auxier)
Tuesday, April 23rd
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 9:00 a **Counting Team #4**
 10:00 a Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, April 24th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Ron Hoy†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 6:30 p **PSR/Child Safety/Pre-registration**
Thursday, April 25th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: All Souls†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 4-8:00 p Garage Sale set-up
Friday April 26th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: John Blasko†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 4-8:00 p Garage Sale set-up
- Saturday, April 27th**
 8-noon **Garage Sale**
 3:30 p Confessions
 4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Barbara Reid†)
Sunday, April 28th
 7:30 a **Confessions**
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Joyce Hogan†)
 9:30 a **Wyndcrest:** Krug
 9:45 a **Confessions**
 10:00 a **Rosary**
 10:00 a **Choir Rehearsal**
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
 12:00 p **RCIA**

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/2018-6/30/2019

	Last Week	Year-to-date
Collections (101)	\$ 4,911.00	\$227,412.07
Electronic Funds (23)	\$ 2,538.10	\$ 43,039.60
Bldg. Dev. Fund (8)	\$ 248.00	\$ 11,297.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (10)	\$ 448.00	\$ 5,935.00
Poor Fund	\$ 83.00	\$ 2,096.43
Children's Offerings(2)	\$ 2.00	\$ 37.01
Cath. Home Missions(7)	\$ 95.00	\$ 140.00
Holy Land (3)	\$ 45.00	\$ 257.00
Seminarians (3)	\$ 32.00	\$ 212.00
Easter Offerings (3)	\$ 25.00	\$ 345.00
Number of contribution envelopes used:		120
Number of Electronic Contributions:		39

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, April 27th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, DeGroot, I Long
 Deacon Roth
Lectors: Bertrand, Day
Servers: Heiple, Myers, Torres
Hospitality: H & M Bruno, D & J Kratz

Sunday, April 28th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Godar, Rayhill, Vogt
Lectors: Helling, Krug
Servers: Zeidler
Hospitality: D & M Anderson, K & G Park

Sunday, April 28th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Kerley
 Deacon Walker
Lectors: Krug, K. Livengood
Servers: A & A Livengood, Martyn
Minister of Care: Krug
Hospitality: Fjelstul Family
CLOW: Martyn Family

Volunteers for this week – April 22nd – April 28th

Church Duster: Michelle Bertrand
April Recycling Volunteer: Jerry Calvert
April Food Volunteer: Jeannette Waters
Coffee & Donuts – Sun., April 28th:
 Roger & Mary Beth McClintock

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confessions 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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – APR. 21st – APR. 28th

Easter Sunday:

ACTS 10:34A, 37-43 **COL** 3:1-4
JN 20:1-9

Monday: **ACTS** 2:14, 22-33 **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** 5:12-16
RV 1:19-11A, 12-13, 17-19 **JN** 20:19-31



It's almost that time of year – **the St. Jude Mission Trip Annual Garage Sale!** Donated items may be brought to the Parish Center April 23-26 during office hours, the sale will be April 27th from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Your continued support of our youth is much appreciated.



The youth going on this year's Mission trip will be selling **raffle tickets after all Masses May 4th & 5th, and May 11th & 12th.** The tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Only 600 tickets will be sold. The

drawing will be Mother's Day, May 12th. The prizes are a choice of \$650.00 cash, a \$650.00 shopping spree at Scheel's, or a whole hog processed by Magro's Gourmet Meats. If you would like to purchase tickets but are not available to purchase them after these masses, please contact Kay Foster at yakyakf@comcast.net or 217-494-2984.

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

- Apr. 28 – noon – RCIA
- Apr. 23 – 10:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
- Apr. 24 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR/pre-registration
- Apr. 25-26 – Drop off donated items for Garage Sale during office hours
- Apr. 27 – 8 a.m.-noon – Mission Trip Garage Sale
- Apr. 29 – 7:00 p.m. – Finance Council meeting
- May 1 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR/pre-registration
- May 1, 8, 15, 29 – Choir rehearsal
- May 2 & 16 – 7:00 p.m. – Men's Prayer Group
- May 5, 12, 19, 26 – 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- May 6 – 7:00 p.m. – Pastoral Council meeting
- May 7, 21 – 6:45 p.m. – Women's Bible Study
- May 8 – 1:00 p.m. – Ladies Tea/Bunco
- May 8 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR Closing Mass
- May 11 – 1:00 p.m. – Sew-n-Sews
- May 14, 28 – 10:00 p.m. – Women's Bible Study
- May 14 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
- May 15 – 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation
- May 21 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus meeting

→PSR NEWS←

During April, the PSR classes will be collecting Hamburger Helper to benefit the Food Pantry. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

It's that time of year again when we will be doing **early registration for the 2019-2020 PSR classes.** We will have Wednesday evening classes only. PSR registration forms have been sent out and the pre-registration dates are April 24th and May 1st. By registering early, you will help us have a good start in planning for next year's classes. **Please help us to prepare by registering early!**

- Frances Tomashovich

You are invited to join the Ladies Bible Study Group! We meet the first & third Tuesdays of the month at 6:45 p.m., and the second & fourth Tuesdays of the month at 10:00 am.

In April, the morning Bible Studies Group will start a new series on "Cultural Apologetics" – looking at hot button topics from a Catholic perspective. On Tuesday, April 23rd, we will be talking about the Pill.

The evening Bible Studies Group are beginning a study on the Book of 1 Corinthians and seeing the ways which Scripture is applicable to our lives in today's world.

So, come and join us, bring a friend!



Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right Now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to find essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully support this appeal.



Does Springtime give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you and your spouse planted the seed of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter will give you the tools you need to help your marriage grow and blossom more beautifully! The next weekends are June 21-23, 2019 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL, or August 9-11, 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wwwme.org/schedule.php> or call 314-649-7317.



The award-winning Rochester High School Music Department will present musical memories of the past by proudly sponsoring the Rochester High School 11th annual musical program for older adults. This event is scheduled for Sunday, April 28th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM in the Rochester Junior High School Gymnasium (on Rt 29) and is open to all area adults age 55 and older and their guests. Come listen to great entertainment from the Rochester High School Jazz Ensembles and the Rochester Vocal Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Mr. Dennis Jones and Mr. Joshua Spear. Some musical sets offer dance opportunities for guests. Drinks and desserts made by the high school students will be provided. This is a free event offered by the high school as a special service to area senior adults. Casual dress. Call 217-494-9192 or 217-415-4964 for additional information.

CULTURE REFRAMED PARENTS PROGRAM

Fr. Richard Chiola, Ph.D, is presenting Culture Reframed – Building resilience and resistance to hypersexualized media and porn, Wednesday, May 1st from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Christ the King Parish Center, Springfield, IL. This is a **parent only** presentation open to all parents whose children attend a Catholic School or Parish School of Religion. Questions and panel discussion will follow the 40-minute presentation. If you would like more information, please contact

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217-498-9009



Recycling – Please do not put anything but rinsed aluminum cans in the brown wooden bin in front of the Parish Center. We were notified by Lake Area Recycling that they received old metal items (i.e.: bird feeders) and garbage in the last load that was taken in. They informed us that if it happens again, they will no longer accept materials from us. Money received from the recycling of cans is donated to St. Patrick School in Springfield.



Food Collection

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th, the Cathedral will host devotions in honor of the day. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at Noon. Confessions will be available from Noon until 3PM with three confessors available during that time. At 3PM, the hour of Divine Mercy, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated as will the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome!

Christ has triumphed!



Tomb, thou shalt not hold him longer;
 Death is strong, but life is stronger.
 Stronger than the dark, the light;
 Stronger than the wrong, the right.
 Faith and hope triumphant say,
 Christ will rise on Easter Day.

—Phillips Brooks