

Second Sunday of Easter

Gathering Song

1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -
 2. O what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has
 3. Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who

rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,
 yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing,
 once was dead; Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!

To the for - mer days be - long, All a - round the
 Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,
 Child of God, lift up your head! Pa - tri - archs from

clouds are break - ing, Soon the storms of time shall cease;
 Christ pre - pares it, There on high our wel - come waits;
 dis - tant a - ges, Saints all long - ing for their heav'n,

In God's like - ness, we a - wak - en,
 Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,
 Proph - ets, psalm - ists, seers, and sag - es,

Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace,
 Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.
 All a - wait the glo - ry giv'n.

Gloria

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple

To verses || Last time

of good will. will. A - men, a - men, a - men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

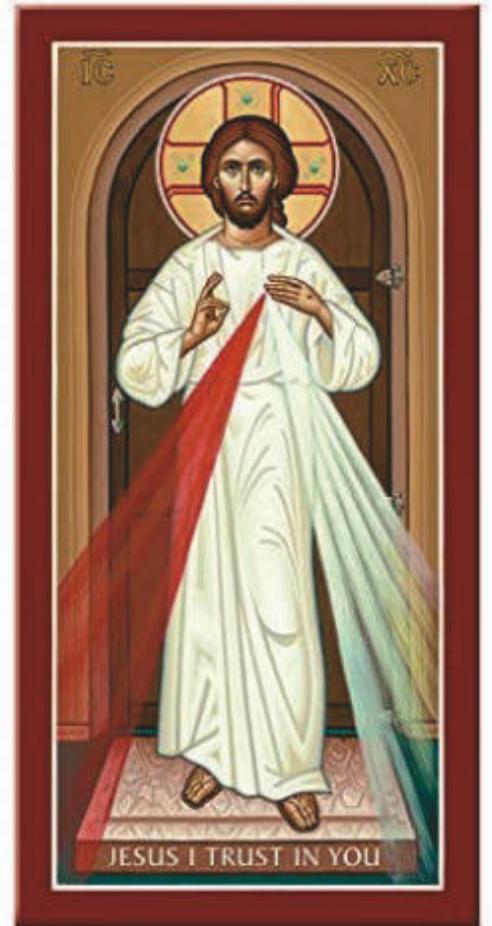
Reading I: Acts 4.32-35

Response: Psalm 118

Leader then All

This day was made by the Lord; let us re-joyce, let us be glad!

This day was made by the Lord; let us re-joyce in sal - va - tion!



I believe in God,
 the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,*
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand
 of God the Father almighty;
 from there he will come to judge
 the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting.
 Amen.

April 11, 2021

More "Blah, Blah, Blah" from Msgr. Mark

Perhaps you remember me speaking about my "COVID File"? It's a red paper folder stuffed with every letter, mandate, and

set of directions that I have received from Governor Evers, the Wisconsin Supreme Court, Bishop Callahan, the United States Council of Catholic Bishops, and the Vatican since March 2020. Well, I received a new one last week, after the Wisconsin Supreme Court's decision striking down the Governor's emergency mask declaration, dated Wednesday, March 31 ... the same day the Court released its decision. Bishop and his staff must have composed it very quickly, for in addition to lacking a few commas, it has several linguistic quirks in it. Here's the main portion of the text:

I write to you today in light of the decision of the Supreme Court to overturn the statewide mask mandate. It remains a difficult challenge during this time to balance our needs with the need to protect public health. We are all called to make sacrifices that will benefit others so I am strongly encouraging that our Churches and schools continue the practice of having individuals wear masks while participating from a safe social distance.

Please keep in mind that while I am strongly encouraging this practice many of our cities and counties have their own mask mandates that will remain in effect regardless of the decision by the state Legislature. Cities such as Eau Claire, La Crosse, Menominee [sic] and Wausau are just a few of the cities that have issued their own mask mandate so please make sure that you are aware of what the mandate is for your area and encourage your parishioners, staff, and students to abide by what is mandated.

Although we seem to be [sic] moving in a positive direction with Wisconsin becoming one of the lead states, by percentage of population vaccinated, the recent increase in cases in the state reminds us that we are still fighting the battle against the pandemic. The exercise of limitations, such as wearing masks and social distancing, as difficult and frustrating as they may be, should be viewed as charitable act [sic] offered for others. If we all do this simple thing and embrace this small sacrifice, we can do our part to ensure that everyone stays healthy and that our Churches and schools can remain safe environments for all to participate.

Despite the stumbles, you get what he means. He is telling the clergy to stay the course with the protocols that we have been following since the end of May. The Marathon County Health Department is maintaining their recommendations for 6' distancing between households (the CDC's permission to reduce that to 3' is for schools only), masking, and the pre-registration or record-keeping of the names of those who attend worship for the sake of contact tracing in the event of a COVID-19 case surfacing. [By the way, Wausau does have a mask resolution through May 31]. In an email that we got before Holy Week, Bishop Callahan allowed us to nudge beyond 25% occupancy, but once you draw 6-foot circles around every household or family, there isn't much room to increase the seating limits for our Sunday worship at this point.

In time we will need to start thinking about adding a fourth Sunday Mass. We'll have to count the noses of those who help with the hosting and sanitizing chores, our musicians, and readers, to see if we have enough personnel to add another weekend Mass. No promises. It's just time to start considering it.

Msgr. Mark

Sunday, April 11

- 7:30am Confessions at CR
- 8:30am Mass at CR: For the People of the Eastside Parishes
- 9:00am Elementary Virtual Faith Formation: Gr. 1-3
- 9:45am Elementary Virtual Faith Formation: Gr. 4-5
- 10:30am Mass at SM: +Bill Egging
- 6:00pm High School Virtual Faith Formation
- 7:00pm Confirmation - Teen Session

Monday, April 12

- 5:30pm Mass at CR: For the Living and Deceased Members of the Pitterle Family
- 6:00pm Confessions at CR
- 6:30pm Men's Club Group at SM Cafeteria

Tuesday, April 13

- St. Martin I*
- 12:10pm Mass at CR: For the souls of Matt and Anna (Gavelda) Lattyak, their parents, siblings, children and spouses
- 12:45pm Adoration at CR
- 3:00pm Mass at Forest Park: For the Deceased Members of the Treptow Family
- 5:30pm Rosary and Novena at CR

Wednesday, April 14

- 12:10pm Mass at CR: +Ray and Lorraine, Bill, and Dick Steines
- 6:30pm Virtual Middle School Rally

Thursday, April 15

- 12:10pm Mass at CR: For the Special Intention of the Gerald and Carol Feldbruegge Family

Friday, April 16

- 9:00am "What Catholics Believe" Bible Study at SM Cafeteria
- 12:10pm Mass at CR: For all People Celebrating Sobriety Anniversaries.

NOTE: The rosary will be said beginning at 11:35 am before the Daily Masses. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass.

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, April 17

- 3:00pm Confessions at SM
- 4:00pm Mass +Gracie Brzezinski at SM

Sunday, April 18

- 7:30am Confessions at CR
- 8:30am Mass at CR: Special Intention for Ray and LaVonne Klapatauskas
- 10:30am Mass at SM for the People of the Eastside Parishes
- Confirmation Retreat

CR - Church of the Resurrection • **SM** - St. Michael Church

Scripture Readings: <https://bible.usccb.org>

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Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter (April 18)

(Acts 3:13-15; Psalm 4:2,4,7-8,9; 1 John 2:1-5a;
Luke 24:35-48)

It can be interesting to compare last Sunday's Easter appearance by Jesus in the Gospel with this Sunday's. In both, Jesus stands in the midst of his disciples and wishes peace to a startled and terrified group. As when he meets the doubtful Thomas, Jesus gently asks why they are troubled and why they have questions. Then, he offers both comfort and proof that he is not a ghost. First, he suggests that they touch him, and second, he eats with them. As with the Emmaus story earlier in Chapter 24, this is a Eucharistic story in which Jesus explains the Scriptures and eats with his followers. *Why do you suppose there is so much emphasis on Jesus' bodily Resurrection? How are we, so far away in time and space, also called to be witnesses to Christ's resurrection?*

Calling home all stuffed CRS Rice Bowls

We hope your cardboard Catholic Relief Service "Rice Bowls" have challenged you to make room in your lives (and pocketbooks) for the world's hungry. We will welcome them back now. There will be baskets at the entrances for the next several Easter weekends. Once we have them all together, we will send our gift on to Catholic Relief Services.





The Eastside Parishes extend their sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of:

John Grant, who died March 17;
Edward Meyer, who died March 29;
Verjean Steiner, who died March 30; and
LaVerne Osswald, who died April 1, 2021.



In honor of our area police officers, all law enforcement workers, EMTs, and firefighters, please join us on **Sat., April 17, at noon** for a...

Peaceful Prayer Rally



in front of the Marathon County Courthouse (500 Forest St.). Please wear a mask and observe social distancing. Bring a lawn chair, if you like, and plan clothing for the weather.

VIRTUAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RALLY

Christ:
the Center of My
Life

ABLAZE
Youth Rally



Celebrate the Easter Season with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration this Tues., Apr. 13

Show your joy for Jesus' triumph over sin and Death by spending time with Him in the Holy Eucharist. Exposition and Adoration will begin at 12:30 pm at the Church of the Resurrection and conclude at 6:30 pm. Enter through the Francis Hall doors. Face masks are required, please.

ABLAZE! - Christ: The Center of My Life with Cooper Ray
April 14 - 6:30-7:30pm via ZOOM

This virtual rally is a special event for all middle school youth in the Wausau Area - faith formation, home school and Catholic school. For registration information, please contact Michelle by phone 715-842-1810 or email michelle@eastsideparishes.org

Attention Men!



You are cordially invited to attend the **Wausau Area Catholic Men's Group** meetings currently being held every Monday evening in the St. Michael's cafeteria. We are a small, multi-parish, informal group of Catholic men sharing our faith, thoughts, ideas, and concerns on world affairs and personal issues in a casual and confidential environment. Masks are currently required and social distancing is observed. Join us any Monday 6:30-8:00 pm. No reservations required. For additional information, please contact either of the coordinators, Dan Sczygelski 715-302-2402 or John Prey 715-574-4101.

Please remember all of our homebound and hospitalized parishioners from Resurrection and St. Michael Parishes in your prayers this week.

Resurrection Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of:
Chester and Margaret Kwarcianny

St. Michael Votive Candles burn:

- In memory of Tom Vick
- Ryan Michlig

Financial Giving April 4, 2021

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| Adult Envelopes/Offertory | \$14,507.00 |
| Electronic Contributions | \$3,998.33 |
| Weekly Total | \$18,505.33 |
| Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions | \$442,809.24 |



Church of the Resurrection

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| Adult Envelopes/Offertory | \$18,911.50 |
| Electronic Contributions | \$2,855.00 |
| Weekly Total | \$21,766.50 |
| Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions | \$510,176.14 |

"We Believe" Giving April 4, 2021

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| "We Believe" cash contributions this week..... | \$3,730.00 |
| "We Believe" electronic contributions this week | \$0.00 |
| "We Believe" weekly total..... | \$3,730.00 |

Total "We Believe" pledges (including friends' match)...\$1,341,987.43
(not counting St. Ambrose Financial Services interest forgiveness)

Total "We Believe" cash contributions to date.....\$1,088,310.67



Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour: Holy Name will host a Holy Hour on Sunday, April 11th from 2:00-3:00 PM. We'll have Eucharistic Adoration, an inspiring talk by Deacon Michael Maher, opportunity for confession, the sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction. This is a powerful opportunity to win graces for you and your family, especially for people who have fallen away from their faith. All are welcome!



To Touch is To Heal, To Heal is To Touch

Dear Fellow Parishioners, Greetings in Our Risen Lord!

Easter is here and our time to renew the Spirit of the Lord continues. Give your worries and stresses to God and let Him take care of you. It has been a long and trying winter and early spring. Record-breaking temperatures have boosted everyone's spirits. The number of Wisconsinites vaccinated continues to rise.

April is National Stress Awareness Month. *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God"* (Phil 4:6). This year it seems particularly important. Learning to cope with our stress and finding healthy ways to deal with stressful situations can go a long way to living a healthy and positive life.

Stress can be either eustress (good stress) or distress (bad stress). Eustress helps us to accomplish everyday things; distresses cause anxiety, physical and spiritual problems. Let us focus on how to remain cool and manage our stress. Some of the ways to manage stress are the **five T's**.

Trust in the Lord totally (Ps. 61).

Turn everything over to Him, such as troubled relationships, difficult finances, health problems, and spiritual distress (Ps 45:2). "Give thanksgiving to the Lord for He is good" (Ps 136:1).

Take a break from everyday life routines and change your scenery by doing a spiritual retreat, walk outdoors, visit someone, seek the Lord (Acts 17-27).

Talk to yourself...count to ten and say "I am calm."

Think of all the things to be grateful for. Read the Book of Psalms and discover how much peace one can feel.

Sometimes the stress in our lives is not something we have any power to change. Various approaches can include recognizing when you don't have control...and letting it go; avoiding getting anxious about situations that you cannot change; taking control of your reactions and focusing your mind on something that makes you feel calm and in control; developing a vision for healthy living, wellness, and personal growth; and setting realistic goals.

"Happy is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked but delights in the law of the Lord." (Ps 1:1-2)

Blessings for a Wonderful Spring,

Pam Frary, RN

Pat Esselman
Parishioner



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Reading II : 1 John 5.1-6
Gospel Acclamation



Gospel : John 20.19-31

Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed —
see sidebar on front

The Universal Prayer



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts and Altar



Preface Dialogue

Eucharistic Acclamations — *see sidebar*

Lamb of God

Song After the Reception of Communion



The Dismissal



EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth
are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he,
blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this Bread
and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again,
until you come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in
heaven, hallowed by thy
name; thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as
it is in heaven. Give us this
day our daily bread; and
forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who
trespass against us;
and lead us not
into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

*Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil...
 and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

For the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who
 takes away the sins of the world. Blessed
 are those called to the supper
 of the Lamb.*

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter
under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul
shall be healed.

Christ is risen. He is risen indeed.