

April 25th, 2021

4th Sunday of Easter



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Mass Schedule:

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:30 pm
or by appointment

Baptism

Parish membership is required. Baptismal preparation for parents and sponsors is held monthly. Pre-registration is required. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Marriage

Parish membership is required. Arrangements need to be made a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact Fr. Robert.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office



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We would love to officially welcome you into our family.
Registration packets are available at the information center.

IN MEMORIAM

In thanksgiving to Donnamae D. Kowalkowski, who died January 31, 2021, for her trust donation to St. Stephen's in the amount of \$3,000, in memory of LOUIS & SOPHIE MARKS. May she rest in peace!

MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL PAYMENT

Thank you to all who have contributed to their Capital Campaign commitment, BTM contributions, and fundraisers. We were able to make another \$25,000 payment to the PRINCIPAL ONLY part of our parish mortgage. Let us keep the momentum going so that eventually we will be DEBT FREE!

PRAYERFUL REQUEST

The vesting sacristy for the priest and the deacons is a space in which they are prayerfully preparing themselves for the Sacred Liturgy of the Mass, both in body & spirit. We ask that you respect that space PRIOR to Mass. If there are any non-Mass oriented questions or concerns, please wait until after Mass to have them addressed. Thank you for your understanding.

MANY THANKS!

The parish would like to thank our St. Stephen's Knights of Columbus Council for their generous donation of \$500 to the parish. The monies will be used to restore a metal Incense Thurible from the old Church. Father is a happy camper! 😊

FISH FRY RESULTS !!!

TOTAL SALES: \$49, 229.00
 MINUS PURCHASES: \$17, 844.40
 GRAND PROFIT: **\$31,384.60**

Tremendous volunteer efforts, fish fry ads, gratuities; all contributed to this, our largest net profit fundraiser for our parish!!!

In perspective, remember that this fundraiser supplements the shortage of funds that we collect for our monthly mortgage. Currently, we are short approximately -\$51,737 in monthly mortgage contributions to date, and with this fish fry profit being applied to that shortfall, we are -\$20,353 in the negative, with two months left to go in our budget year. When we no longer have a mortgage we will be doing the happy dance! 😊

**Ongoing Family Life Center Food Pantry Ministry
 Cleaning Products Needed**

The St. Stephen Emergency Food Pantry continues to operate on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 to Noon. **WE ARE IN NEED OF CLEANING PRODUCTS** such as Lysol, Spray N Wash, Clorox wipes, laundry detergent, dish soap, dryer sheets, spic n span, disinfectant sprays, toilet cleaners, etc.

Please place your donations in the FLC Food Pantry baskets

by our church doors.

This is an ongoing ministry and we appreciate your help and generosity.

Personal care products and nonperishable foods are also always welcomed donations, too!

As always, we are sincerely grateful and **THANK YOU** for your assistance!



PLEASE HELP!

A Stewardship return envelope, that we mail to parishioners each month, was placed in the offertory collection last weekend with cash in it. Inside the envelope there was a printed sticker that said, "Please pray for Bob's intentions." However, we do not know what to do with it and what the intention was?

Please contact Nick in the office so that we may direct and fulfill whatever the particular intention was.

Lighter Side

Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?

A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Spiritual Bouquet Cards



Mother's Day is just around the corner. Our Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet cards are now available in the Gathering Space. Fill out the large envelope with your free-will donation and place it in the box provided. The large envelopes with the name of your loved one will be blessed on Mother's Day the weekend of May 8th and 9th. Take the card with the small envelope to give to your loved one. Members of our Prayer and Worship Committee are ready to help if you have questions.

March Financials

	March	YTD
Stewardship Income	34,337.69	302,475.29
Less Expenses	13,159.66	265,842.92
Surplus/(Deficit)	21,178.03	36,632.37
Mortgage Income	8,071.23	77,018.53
Actual Payment	14,306.28	128,756.52
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,235.05)	(51,737.99)
	14,942.98	(15,105.62)

Wednesday
April

28

2:00 PM - 7:00 PM



Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating. First time donors bring D.L. or photo ID.

ST. STEPHEN'S CONGREGATION COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Location: St. Stephen's Catholic Church
Room: Commons
1441 W. Oakwood Rd., Oak Creek

When: Wed., April 28th 2:00 - 7:00 PM

There's an urgent need for blood donors in our area. Save local lives and take home a limited edition People Need People - Proud Blood Donor T-Shirt!

Sign up today at <https://bit.ly/ststephen0428> or call 877-232-4376.

Individuals receiving the covid vaccination must wait 2 full days to donate blood.

Appointments recommended and walk-in donors always welcome as space allows. Masks required.

For donor safety info visit www.versiti.org/covid19.

Readings for the week of April 25th

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Monday, April 26th

Nothing scheduled at this time

Tuesday, April 27th

9:00am Food Pantry

Wednesday, April 28th

6:00pm First Holy Communion Retreat

2:00-7pm Blood Drive

Thursday, April 29th

9:00am Food Pantry

Friday, April 30th

Nothing scheduled at this time

Saturday, May 1st

4:30pm First Holy Communion

Sunday, May 2nd

8:10am Catholic Women

10:30am First Holy Communion

April 25th
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 27th

8:00am † Peter Muszynski

Wednesday, April 28th

8:00am † John Maier

Thursday, April 29th

8:00am † Helen Lowe

Friday, April 30th

8:00am † Barb Pintarro

Saturday, May 1st

4:30pm † For the people

Sunday, May 2nd

8:30 am † Gary Jackson

10:30am † Norman & Marcella Lampe

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