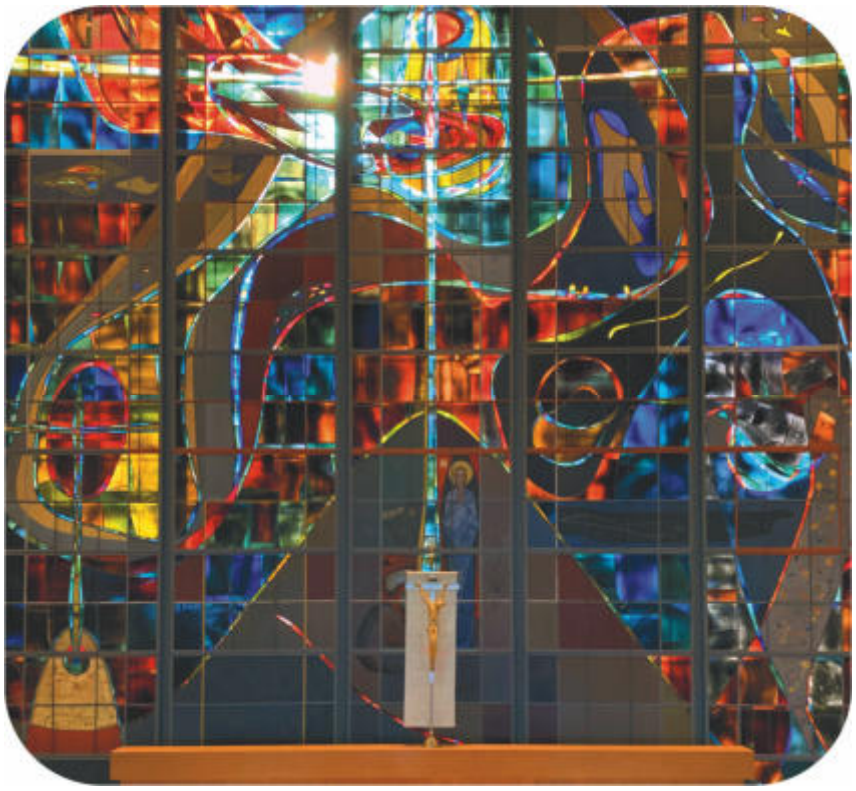

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Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Or call the rectory for an appointment any time

CHILDRENS LITURGY:
Grades K thru 6, Special Liturgy of the Word at 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, September thru May

BAPTISMS: By appointment. Instruction classes for Parents and God-parents on Monday evenings by appointment. (Contact the Rectory early in pregnancy.)

WEDDINGS: Archdiocesan guidelines must be followed. Contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance to assist you. You must be attending Sunday Mass.

NEW PARISHIONERS: A warm welcome to new parishioners. Please stop at the Rectory and register. If you move, please let us know.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:
If you are unable to attend mass for a prolonged period of time, call the rectory to arrange for Holy Communion at your residence. Likewise, please inform the rectory staff if you will be hospitalized so we can attend to your spiritual health.

ASSISTANCE-FOOD OR UTILITIES:
Call the St. Vincent De Paul Assistance Line 314-289-6101 ext 2231

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS:

Easter Sunday
April 4, 2021

Major parish activities suspended by order of the Archbishop until further notice.

From the Pastor's Keyboard:

He is risen, hallelujah! Happy Easter! As we enter this great season of joy, I can not help but think over the past year of COVID and the coming months.

In recent weeks I have seen some people experience a sort of resurrection as they clear the second week after their second vaccine and allow themselves some return to normalcy. There is more hugging in our nation today than a few months ago. Not only has the grass started to regain its bright green color and the flowers have begun to bloom, now many people are experiencing a new hope. Many others are still struggling. How many businesses continue to teeter on collapse? How many people are stressed about finding a vaccine? How many are mourning a loved one lost over this past year?

We come to this feast of Easter able to do much more than we could last year, when Easter Mass was an exclusively online affair for most everyone. Unfortunately, not every family or community tradition is ready to resume. In early December, the grocery stores were full of unsold turkeys from all the Thanksgiving meals that didn't happen. More hams will likely be served this Easter than last year, but celebrations will still be subdued.

Whatever situation in which we find ourselves, the Resurrection offers us a hope that surpasses this world. Over the past year we have seen evidence of our world's fragility and goodness. We have had hero's. We has seen so much crippled by a little virus. We have seen communities come together. Most Americans spent too much time thinking about the faults of one politician or another. We have seen a vaccine be developed with previously unimaginable speed, and a vaccine delivered in a terribly disorganized manner. This world where we live, is not our true home. It is full of blessings which promised God's providential care. It is also a "valley of tears." Christ has conquered death and freed us from sin of this world by his cross and resurrection. Whether we are feeling hopeful or gloomy about the state of the world, we can all place our greatest hope in the power of Christ's resurrection.

I also want to thank everyone who has helped make our Lent and Easter celebrations special. From the folks who took care of the flowers, in church and across campus, to the musicians, to the fish fry volunteers, and many more. You have glorified God and built up our community by your efforts. Thank you!

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he is risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay".

Matthew 28:5-6

Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Col 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10,11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b] Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/ Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 9-15

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Easter Sunday: Resurrection and the Real Presence

Surrexit Dominus Vere, Alleluia! The Lord is truly risen! Share this great news. Not only has the Lord risen, but He also remains present to us in every Catholic church throughout the world. As Pope Paul VI taught, "The Catholic Church has always displayed and still displays this latria that ought to be paid to the Sacrament of the Eucharist, both during Mass and outside of it, by taking the greatest possible care of consecrated Hosts, by exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and by carrying them about in processions to the joy of great numbers of the people" (*Mysterium Fidei* 90). We derive great strength from the Risen Christ who is truly present in the Eucharist each Sunday. How privileged we are to receive His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity and also to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Each tabernacle is a throne for the Risen King. We must take advantage of the opportunity to adore our Lord and to pray in His powerful presence. He has given us new life and has raised us to the status of adopted sons and daughters.

Embrace this new life!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Easter Sunday: Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice which brings new life to others.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them Easter

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, April 5
8:00 am Edward Riley
TUESDAY, April 6
8:00 am Celebrant's Intentions
WEDNESDAY, April 7
8:10 am Celebrant's Intentions
THURSDAY, April 8
8:00 am Celebrant's Intentions
FRIDAY, April 9
8:00 am Celebrant's Intentions
SATURDAY, April 10
5:00 pm Marty Beglin
SUNDAY, April 11
8:00 am The People of St. Ann
11:00 am Kevin O'Sullivan

Please pray for our sick, hospitalized, home bound and nursing home residents:

Alicia Ashley
Alex Befort
Dorothy Birdsong
Tim Britt
Carl Brown
Marcia Buterin
Jerry Buterin
Walter Chadwick
James Chappell
Marci Cole
Gabby Copp
Randy Cosby
Helen Craven
Rosemary Fischer
Elaine Fitzgerald
Kathleen Fitzgerald
Julie Garcia
Dominic Gaulden
Fritzi Goodman
Wallace Goodwin
Amy Habel
Emily Habel
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Mary Hof
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Jack Klein
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Cook McGraugh
Dan McGraugh
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Peggy Murry
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Jack Niland
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If you are homebound or hospitalized call the rectory if you would like a visit or Holy Communion. Hospitals almost never inform the parish.

Please Pray for the safety and well being of all those serving in our Military, especially the family members and friends of our St. Ann parishioners:
Keith Campbell, Robert Chapman
Dennis Cody, Brandon Klink
Dylan Hilliard, Andrew Spilling

UPCOMING EVENTS

Online/In-person Bible Study……...Tuesdays-7 pm
8th Grade Outdoor Play……..7 pm on Apr. 29 & 30
1 pm Matinee on May 1

Masks and Social Distancing required at these events.

SPRING CLEANING? Put your slightly used items in the St. Vincent de Paul Drop Box (located on the east side of Church). All donations support our local efforts to assist the poor. *Please do not leave bagged/boxed items outside of the collection bin. If the items get wet, they will be thrown away. Thank you for your support.

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the 4th week of March ending 3/28/2021
$7,990
Stewardship Goal: $28,400
Actual Monthly Parish Stewardship: $26,309

Money Counters: Suspended until further notice
Please mail in or drop off your Sunday offerings, both regular and special collections, if you are unable to attend Mass. There will be a special collection today for Retired Priests.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
Celebrate at St. Ferdinand Parish
April 11, 2021
Confessions 1:30 pm
Adoration and Chaplet 2:00 pm
Benediction and Holy Mass 3:00 pm
Celebrant will be Fr. Anthony Gerber
For more information call Maggie at 314-691-9165

Does springtime give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you and your spouse lovingly planted the seed of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will give you the tools you need to help your marriage grow and blossom more beautifully. The next encounter in the St. Louis, MO area will be virtual (April 23-25, 2021). For more information or to apply, go to www.me.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

There will be an outdoor soccer program for boys and girls, ages 5-12. The program will be conducted at the Sportport Soccer Complex in Maryland Heights, and will start in early April. For more information, please call Marty at 314-393-1164.

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The IWA Dinner Auction is always one of the most anticipated nights of the year for our community! In order to ensure the health and safety of all of our participants, "A Knight of Fire and Ice" will be fully virtual on Saturday, April 10, 2021.
The auction is free to participate, and there will be party packages available for home viewing events. To learn more about the auction, contact Haley Clark at hclark@iwacademy.org

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