

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
April 18, 2021

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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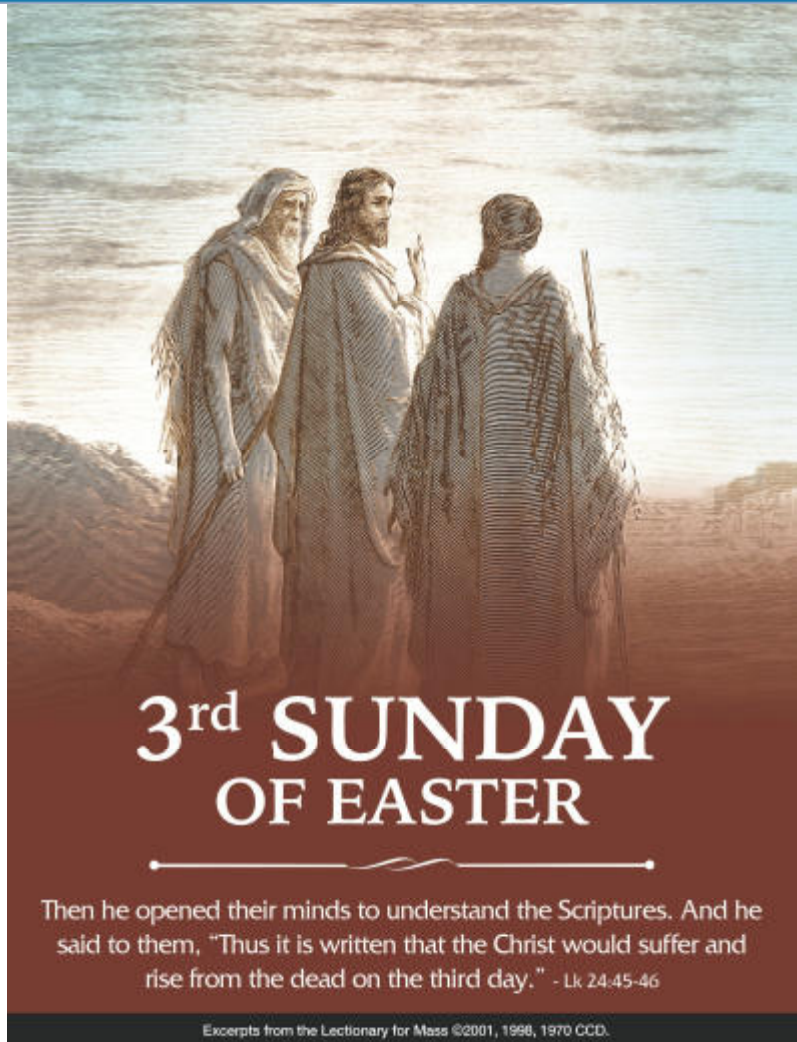
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Fr. Joe:** times vary Tues-Fri.

**Holly & Kim:** Tues. thru Thurs.  
8:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Bulletin Deadline:** Monday



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Please call the office for appointment.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Please contact parish office or pastor at least six months prior to proposed wedding date so that preparations can be completed. No weddings during the six weeks of Lent.

**INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE INFANT BAPTISM ARE REQUIRED:** Sessions are pre-arranged with the deacon. Sessions meet only if appointment has been made with the deacon. If possible, please complete a green baptismal request form (located in the vestibule), and return it to the parish office before attending sessions. Parents need to attend, Godparents are encouraged to attend. Godparents and parents should be active in their faith and at least one Godparent should be Catholic.

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!** New Parishioner Registration Forms can be found at the front entrance of church and on our website. You may also call the Parish Office to register.

**CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**INTENTIONS**

Mon	Apr.	19	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> (Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29)
Tue	Apr.	20	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> (Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35)
Wed	Apr.	21	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> (Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40)
Thurs	Apr.	22	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> (Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51)
Fri	Apr.	23	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> (Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59)
Sat	Apr.	24	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>
Sun	Apr.	25	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> (Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18)

**Our Parishioners**  
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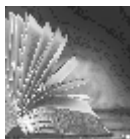
**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**Saturday, April 24th - 4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

**Lector:** Karen Pakosta  
**Musician:** Mary Klein

**Sunday, April 25th - 9:30 am Mass**

**Lector:** Marge Litteken  
**Musician:** Mary Klein



**Third Sunday of Easter – 18 April 2021**

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19. Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9. 1 John 2:1-5a. Luke 24:35-48.

**Have You Anything to Eat?** We long to be fed at the table of the Lord. We hunger to eat and drink his Blood and Body. If we can go to the church this day – what a joy! If we can't, we can still follow the gospel injunction: Look and touch. We can look for Jesus everywhere – because that is where he is. We can still touch Jesus in the persons who are near – because that is also where he is.

- How will I look for and see Jesus every day?
- How will I touch Jesus, either really or virtually, in touching another?
- How will I do these mercy works: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty?

**PRAYER TO MAKE A "SPIRITUAL COMMUNION"**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.  
**Amen**



**Congratulations to the PSR 3rd Grade**

**Students** who received the Eucharist on Saturday, April 17th at the 4:00 PM Mass. May the First Communicants be nourished by the Body & Blood of Jesus Christ. Special thanks to Mrs. Christine Wheeler and Mrs. Jennifer Flanagan for their time, talent, and

preparing these students: Olivia Biver, Caden Conner, Itzayana Campos, Citlali Campos, Joel Flanagan, Parker Hemker, Kaleb Strieker, Audrey VonBokel and Harlow Wellen.

**THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH**

To sign up for **Mass** click on the **Sign Up Genius** link found on our **Facebook** page or **Website**. You may also call the Parish Office during office hours before the date of the Mass you wish to attend. **Live streaming of Sunday's mass can be found on our Facebook page.**

**Sunday, April 18th**

9:30 am—Mass

10:35 am—PSR for Grade 8

7:00 pm—K of C Euchre Tourney at Parish Center

**Thursday, April 22nd**

8 am— 12:00 pm—Quilting in Rectory Basement

**Saturday, April 24th**

4:00 pm—Mass

**Sunday, April 25th**

9:30 am—Mass

10:35 am—PSR for Grade 8

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD LAST WEEK  
HOLY WEEK AND APRIL 10 & 11**

Plate.....	\$96.00
31 Envelopes .....	\$1111.00
68 Easter Envelopes .....	\$4667.00
62 Online Donations.....	\$3657.00
Online Easter Donations.....	\$745.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$10,276.00</b>

Good Friday Envelopes.....	\$153.00
Religious Education .....	\$368.00
Sister Parish .....	\$279.00
Easter Flowers .....	\$41.00
Catholic Home Missions .....	\$12.00

**The Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal 2021**

Total Received: (58) .....	\$6511.00
Goal: (483) .....	\$13,210.00

**Please continue to support our Parish by sending in your contributions or through Online Giving.**

**Thank you, God bless and Please stay safe!!**



Maren Poettker, Tom Blair, Duane Kapp, R. Lee Willette,  
Gary Reymond, Father Dale Maxfield & Father Joe

**IN MEMORY**

A gift of \$100.00 was given to St. Mary’s Parish in memory of Elinor Zahn. We thank the Zahn’s family and friends for remembering their parish family with these donations.

**PARISH NEWS**

**Interested in becoming a Lector?** St. Mary Parish is in need of more lectors for weekend masses. If interested, please contact Holly at the Parish office. (stmary@stmarytrenton.com or 224-9335)

**There is also a need for Greeters/Ushers** for Saturday masses and a disinfectant team for after Saturday mass. If interested, please contact Holly at the Parish office. (stmary@stmarytrenton.com or 224-9335)

**Parishioner Life Changes:** Have you moved recently, dropped your landline or changed email addresses please send an email to stmary@stmarytrenton.com or call 224-9335 with any new changes or updates. Thank you!!

**LADIES ALTAR SODALITY NEWS**

**The first drawing for our quilt-of-the-month fundraiser** will be held at the April 27th meeting. Don't miss the opportunity to win this quilt, drop your tickets in the parish office mail slot. If you need tickets, please contact Deb Arentsen (616-910-9870) or Bonnie Toennies (618-980-0763) and they will deliver them to you. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Due to continuing Covid concerns, the May Rummage Sale is **cancelled**. We are hoping to hold a sale in October. We will publish a notice in the future

**ST. MARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

St. Mary Parish expresses its sincere gratitude for your continuous pledges and contributions to our Capital Campaign. Out of our parish, we have had 145 contributors so far and there is still time to contribute. Remember, 100% of all Contributions to St. Mary’s Capital Campaign will REMAIN at St. Mary’s!

<b>TOTAL CAMPAIGN GOAL</b>	<b>\$450,000.00</b>
Pledged	\$271,050.00
Received	\$224,723.66

**Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm** will be held on Tuesday, April 20 at 2:00 pm at the Farm of Dale and Kay Haudrich. The Haudrich farm is located at 7903 State Route 156, Waterloo, IL. Those attending are invited to bring seed and soil in marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Food for the poor and needy of the area will be collected. Pandemic health and safety protocols will be in place. We look forward to having you join us!

**Chakota Therapeutic Riding Center Spaghetti Dinner at Albers American Legion.** Wednesday, April 21, 4:00—7:00 pm. Spaghetti w/meat sauce., salad, breadstick, and dessert. Adults \$10, Children (5-12) \$5, children under 5 free. Adult carryouts available. There will also be a basket raffle and raffle tickets available.

**The Messenger:** Memorial Day is fast approaching, and we hope to do a story related to this holiday. If anyone in St. Mary parish has a story to tell about someone they knew or a relative who died during a war, please let us know. Send any information to [editor@bellevillemessenger.org](mailto:editor@bellevillemessenger.org). Submissions must be made to The Messenger by May 3.



**Mater Dei Mothers and Friends will host a virtual Reverse Drawing and an online auction** in place of their annual dinner auction. Our theme is “It’s Your Lucky Knight!” There will be a Facebook Live event **Saturday, May 1, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.** You do not need to view the event to win. Reverse Drawing and Online Auction: \$5,000 pay-put; \$25 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$100. Reverse Drawing tickets can be purchased through <https://luckyknight.givesmart.com> or from a Mater Dei student. Every 100th name drawn out will win \$25. **Silent auction will open on Sunday, April 25at 8:00am and will close on May 1 at 8:00pm.**

**Respect Life Corner-“Now I know brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did.”** In Acts of the Apostles, First Reading, Peter is talking to a large group of Jewish people who gathered after he cured a disabled man in Christ’s name at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple of Jerusalem. In Solomon’s Portico, Peter talks of how they denied God’s Holy and Righteous One and put Him to death. In testifying to Christ’s Resurrection, Peter calls his listeners (and us) to repent.. When do we act, or don’t act, out of ignorance to the needs of others, including families?. **Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** Just as Mary suffered as she gazed at her son on the Cross, following Him until the end, many parents are forced to watch their sons and daughters struggle and suffer on our own city streets. Violence, addiction, poverty, gangs and sex trafficking rip too many young men and women from their families, trapping them in cycles of hopelessness and desperation that can be hard to break. We must go out and meet them where they are, as Mary set out to meet her son, Jesus, carrying the cross for us.



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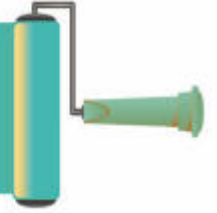
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