



April 3, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Lent



PROJECT **UPDATE**



The 2021 Capital Campaign was successful in helping us reach our first goal of 6 million dollars, which opened the door to approval from the Archdiocese. We are now working toward the next goal of 8 million dollars. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to pledge, you can find a Pledge Card at the United for Our Future display in the narthex and turn it in to the information desk (or drop box at the desk) at the church. Thank you so much for your support, prayers and generosity.

We appreciate your patience and will continue to bring you updates as progress unfolds. More information on this project can be found at www.divinemercy.cc. Get connected on Facebook, weekly bulletins and weekly email newsletters. Please send questions, thoughts or concerns to Jayne Spooner at 507-334-7706 or email at unitedforourfuture@divinemercy.cc.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45	4 ^{Dn} 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Jn 8:12-20	Num 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30	6 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42
8:00 am Mass DMCC Joe & Rose Utz † 10:00 am Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC	6:45 am High School Bible Study IC-TC 8:15 am Living Stations of the Cross IC	8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 8:30 am Mass DMCC (blessing of Prayer Shawls and Baptismal Blankets at Mass) Lily O'Donnell †	8:30 am Mass IC Gladys Stassen † 10:30 am Mass IC Jeannine Bongers †
Parish 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Jose Ramirez † and Geronima Rodriguez † 5:00 pm Mass DMCC Jean Reuvers †	12:00 pm Bulletin announcements due to Bulletin Editor. Occasionally deadlines vary due to holiday schedules. 1:00 pm St. Anne's Homeschool Classes IC-TC 5:00 pm Reconciliation DMCC	9:00 am DMCC Quilters IC-TC 9:00 am Prayer Shawl/Baptismal Blankets Meeting DMCC-SFC 2:00 pm FCTV Mass from previous weekend: Consolidated Communications channel 10, Charter channel 181 3:00 pm Cantor Practice IC	5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB- Atrium 5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 MSB- Atrium 6:00 pm Confirmation DMCS- CAF
	5:30 pm Mass DMCC Bob Vogelsberg † 6:00 pm Soup Supper DMCC- SFC	4:00-7:00 pm Penance Fair DMCC 7:00 pm Son's of Thunder Men's Bible Study DMCC-Farmhouse	6:30 pm DMCC Choir Rehearsal DMCC 7:15 pm High School Leader Meeting DMCS-Gym

Locations Key

DMCC—New Site (SFC—St. Faustina Commons; BDR—Bishop Dudley Activity Room; JP II—John Paul II Portico; NAR-Narthex); HOG—House of Gratitude; DMCS—Divine Mercy Catholic School; GYM—DMCS Gym; IC-Immaculate Conception; KC—KC Hall; MSB—Mother Samuel Building; TC—Tomlinson Center (youth room) MCF—Minnesota Correctional Facility PLM—Pleasant Manor



Message from Father Cory Rohlfing

"The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath" (Luke 6:5). A Christian paradox is that even though Jesus is God and holds the same authority as God the Father, he does not seek to do his own will, but only the Father's will. He acts with perfect obedience, even unto death: "And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:8). Being obedient to the Father's will is necessary for all Christians: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). We can imitate Jesus' obedience by spending time in silent prayer to hear and discern the Father's will for us. Then we can sing with David, "I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart" (Psalm 40:8). When we are obedient, we demonstrate our love for God: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Obedience to God's will also brings us peace. French bishop and theologian Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet wrote, "The divine will gives us repose through our own actions and when we do what is required of us." In other words, when we do what God wills in our lives, we

can be at peace, resting in the knowledge that we are being obedient to his plan—he who always wills what is good for us and others.

Jesus Christ has authority over all of God's creation as the second person of the Holy Trinity. He has been given authority to heal and cast out demons. God the Father has given him authority as the just judge of all creation. The Catechism teaches, "Christ is Lord of eternal life. Full right to pass definitive judgment on the works and hearts of men belongs to him as Redeemer of the world. He 'acquired' this right by his cross" (CCC 679). It was precisely by his obedience to the cross that he received the right to be our judge. Jesus also has been given authority over life itself. God is the author of all human life. "Author" is the root word of "authority." The one who creates a story is the one who owns it; he or she is the author. God is our author; ergo, he holds ultimate authority over us. In fact, God the Father shares all his authority over creation with the Son. Jesus told his Apostles after his Resurrection, "All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18). The Father "raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all" (Ephesians 1:20-23).

God bless, Fr. Cory Rohlfing

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7 Gen 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59	Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42	9 Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56	Lk 19:28-40 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56
8:30 am Mass DMCC Gary Beucler 수	7:45 am St. Anne's Choir Practice DMCC-BDAR	8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC	Palm Sunday 8:00 am Mass DMCC
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7:00 pm Prayer Group DMCC	5:30 pm Stations of the Cross DMCC7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish) DMCC	9:00 am 33 Days to Merciful Love DMCC-Farmhouse 9:15 am First Communion Workshop DMCC	Parish 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Familia Santiago Santos
	7:00 pm Cursillo UltreyaDMCC-SFC7:00 pm Prayer Group DMCC	4:00 pm Mass DMCC Flemming & Huston Families	1:15 pm Baptism Class (Spanish) DMCC-SFC 5:00 pm Mass DMCC Gladys Zoubek †

PreK-Grade 12 Education

BA Evening School Maintenance position open: hours 3-11pm during the school year, 6:30am-3 p.m. in the summer. Find the full job description on our website at www.bacards.org.

BABS Raffle & Event Tickets! BA's biggest event of the year is coming April 9 and raffle tickets are available now for purchase. BABS event tickets (\$30 for food, 2 free tickets, games, & fun) can also be purchased online. Find both at www.babsnight.weebly.com.

DMCS Summer Care Registration Open! Registration is now open for the summer care program at Divine Mercy Catholic School for preschool and K-5 students. Contact DMCS at 507-334-7706 for more information.

2022-2023 BA/DMCS New Student Applications Now Open

BA and DMCS are excited to welcome new student applications for the 2022-2023 school year! Apply online for spots in our PreK-Grade 12 classes at www.dmcs.cc or www.bacards.org. Tuition assistance is available!

BA/DMCS Tours and BA Student Shadow Information

Family tours are offered Monday-Friday from 9am-4:30pm at both Bethlehem Academy (Gr 6-12) and Divine Mercy Catholic School (PreK-Gr 5). Email (gvanhecke@dmcs.cc) at DMCS or Kris (ksauer@bacards.org) at BA to schedule a tour. Student shadow days generally offered Tuesday-Friday at Bethlehem Academy for students entering Grades 6-12. Email Kris to set up a shadow day.



Ministry of Mission and Outreach

Pastoral Care/Mission and Outreach

<u>Lent</u>: Fast from idle gossip and FEAST on purposeful silence; Fast from seeking understanding and FEAST on mystery; Fast from fear and FEAST on trust and faith; Fast from self-pity and FEAST on joy; Fast from resentment and FEAST on contentment.

Palms and Communion to the homebound during Holy Week: Palm Sunday is April 10th. Palms will be available at the Adoration Chapel and at Divine Mercy Church to take to those to whom you bring the Eucharist. Please make your communion visits by Wednesday, March 31. All the tabernacles will be emptied for Holy Thursday.

CCW

Since Marian Anderson's untimely death, I am finishing her term as CCW President. I am finding there is a lot to learn but thanks to fellow officers & members of CCW, I am feeling lots of support in my new role. Thank you! We will be taking nominations to replace me as Vice President. ~Patti Gartner

There are two remaining Soup Suppers for this Lenten season. Dessert items are requested from families with last names beginning with Q - T on April 4 and U - Z on April 11.

SAVE THE DATE for Upcoming SW Deanery Events: 4/21 SW Deanery Open Meeting Holy Trinity, Lonsdale 5/11 Clergy Appreciation Dinner, IC, Lonsdale

Respect Life

Blue skies, shining sun, budding trees and flowers, singing birds all proclaim new life slowly awakening all around us. The dark days of winter are fading away and we can bask in the warmth of a promised springtime. Life is grand. We are the people of life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. We must express gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of each human person and the marvelous wonders of nature. Thank you God for all of life.



Pregnancy Options Life Care Center is always in need of donations; call the center for more information! Diapers are always needed! www.pregnancyoptionsfbo.org - (507-332-7644)

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.

When we give our gifts of time and money to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace, and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty. Have you considered answering the call to take care of God's poor by helping the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Volunteers are needed to help with clothing, office, and the food shelf, call 507-334-2100 for more information.

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 24th

When St. Pope John Paul canonized Sr. Faustina (making her St. Faustina), he also, on the same day, surprised the entire world by establishing Divine Mercy Sunday (the feast day associated with the message) as a feast day for the entire Church. The feast day falls on the Second Sunday of the Easter season. On that day, John Paul II declared, "This is the happiest day of my life."



Lenten Penance Fair

April 5, 4-7 p.m. at Divine Mercy Catholic Church

On Ash Wednesday, we were signed with ashes with the words: Repent and believe in the Gospel. On April 5th, we have a special opportunity to pray for forgiveness in our journey of repentance by taking advantage of the sacrament of Penance.



Sons of Thunder

Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM at DMCC Farmhouse

Men of the Church,

You are invited to join a men's group formed to help us grow in our walk with God, to answer His call, and to give us an opportunity for fraternity. We call ourselves Sons of Thunder. This was the name Jesus gave two of his disciples, James and John (Mark 3:17), when he appointed the Twelve. This group will meet weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM.

What to expect: Opening Prayer, Reading of following Sunday's Mass Readings, Refreshments, & Fraternity.

Please plan on joining us for about an hour or so. After closing prayer, we will have refreshments and social time.

We look forward to seeing you.

Prayer Shawl

The prayer shawls and baptismal blankets will be blessed on the first Tuesday of every month at the 8:30 am daily Mass. We will then have our meeting in the St. Faustina Commons from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Our next blessing and meeting will be April 5th. We would like to welcome everyone who is interested in making prayer shawls and baptismal blankets to join our meeting. We will knit, get yarn, share information, and have fellowship. If you have completed prayer shawls or baptismal blankets and cannot come to the daily Mass, you can drop them off at the church anytime. If you have any questions please contact Winnie Hughes at 507-339-9160, Carol McHugo at 507-412-9714, or Betty Berge 507-332-8796. If you know of anyone who could use a prayer shawl, please contact one of us or call the Church office.

Ministry of Administration

Stewardship of Tithing: Financial Gifts

Envelope/Plate Contributions: March 27, 2022
Automatic (ACH) Contributions:

•All bulletin submissions for the April 17 (Easter) bulletin must be made by 8 am on Friday, April 8.

The main office for Divine Mercy Catholic Church is co-located with our Divine Mercy Catholic School, 15 3rd Ave SW, Faribault, MN 55021. Phone 507-334-7706.

Donation Envelopes: All donation envelopes should be brought to the secure church mail drop box at the desk in the narthex. Alternatively, they can be brought to the office at school.

Mail: All mail is to be sent to the new office inside the Divine Mercy School building - 15 3rd Ave SW, Faribault, MN 55021. If you have automatic checks sent from an investment company please check to make sure the correct address is listed.

Ministry of Communion

Adoration Chapel

Mother Samuel Building 104 Second Ave SW

Reminder to all adorers: The chapel will be closing on Holy Thursday at 3 p.m. and will reopen on Easter Sunday at 6 p.m. No calls will be made as this occurs every year.

Current available hours:

Sunday 1-2 p.m. (temporary, every other week) Friday 2-3 p.m. (prayer partner needed) Saturday 8-9 p.m.



Please contact Libby at 507-331-0860 if you can take an hour.

Seven Sisters Apostolate-Praying for our Priests

In accordance with Saint Paul's words to the Christians at Philippi, the priest should have "the mind which was in Christ Jesus," emptying himself of his own "self," so as to discover, in a charity which is obedient, chaste and poor, the royal road of union with God and unity with his brother and sisters (cf. Phil. 2:5).



Community News

Many of you know that I lived in Europe for many years, most of them in Rome, Italy. I first ventured there to continue my music studies at Santa Cecilia Conservatory. As a freelance singer, I soon became fascinated with the music of the early baroque period and "historically informed performance practices" of today. I formed the ensemble Consortium Carissimi for this purpose while in Rome and brought this passion stateside in 2005 when I returned to Minnesota. We will perform a Lenten Miserere project in April. This beautiful music from the Italian early baroque is performed by singers, one to a part, accompanied by period instruments at a low 415 pitch. I hope you can join me and my Consortium Carissimi. ~Garrick Comeaux

Friday, April 8th 7:30pm Concert at Olivet Congregational, 1850 Iglehart Avenue, St. Paul

Saturday, April 9th 7:30pm Concert at St. Matthew's, 510 Hall Ave, St Paul, MN 55107

Monday, April 11th 7:30pm Concert at Shattuck-St. Mary's Chapel in Faribault

Tuesday, April 12th 7:00pm Concert at the Cathedral of Saint Paul

Cannon Valley Detachment Marine Corps League is sponsoring a breakfast April 10th, 2022. Proceeds will go to support Toys for Tots of Rice County. The breakfast will be at the American Legion Post 43, 112 NE 5th St, Faribault from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm. The menu includes eggs to order, pancakes, sausage links, biscuits and gravy, juice, milk, and coffee. The cost is \$8.00 advance or \$10.00 at the door for adults, kids age 6-13 \$6.00 advance and \$8.00 at the door, kids 5 and under are free. For tickets contact Doug Truman at 507-334-5437 or Scott Eitel at 507-210-2573.

Please plan to attend the Pregnancy Options, all you can eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 14 from 7-11am. Breakfast includes sausage, milk, juice, coffee and of coarse All You Can Eat Pancakes. Adults: (11and up) \$10 (\$11 at the door), children: (ages 4-10) \$6, and 3 and under free. You can purchase tickets from Julie Hoisington or call Gina at 507-332-7644.



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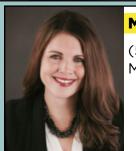




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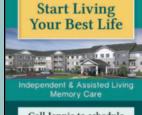
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