



April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



PROJECT UPDATE



Do you have questions related to the United for our Future Project? We are excited to introduce a Freqently Asked Questions page at www.divinemercy.cc. As the project unfolds and more questions arise, we will update these freqently asked questions, along with their answers on the website. You can also find hard copies available at the United for our Future display in the narthex. Please send your questions, thoughts or concerns to unitedforourfuture@divinemercy.cc or leave a message for Jayne Spooner at 507-334-7706.

We appreciate your patience and will continue to bring you updates as progress unfolds. Get connected on Facebook, weekly bulletins and weekly email newsletters.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Lk 19:28-40 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56	Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11	Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38	13 Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25
8:00 am Mass DMCC Bob Vogelsberg † 10:00 am Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC Parish 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Familia Santiago Santos 1:15 pm Baptism Class (Spanish) DMCC-SFC 5:00 pm Mass DMCC Gladys Zoubek †	6:45 am High School Bible Study IC-TC 8:15 am Living Stations of the Cross IC 12:00 pm Bulletin announcements due to Bulletin Editor. Occasionally deadlines vary due to holiday schedules. 5:00 pm Reconciliation DMCC 5:30 pm Mass DMCC Michelle Klatt * 6:00 pm Soup Supper DMCC-SFC	8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 8:30 am Mass DMCC Dan Culhane † 9:00 am DMCC Quilters IC-TC 2:00 pm FCTV Mass from previous weekend: Consolidated Communications channel 10, Charter channel 181 3:00 pm Cantor Practice IC 5:30 pm PPC Exec Meeting DMCC-NAR 7:00 pm Baptism Class (English) DMCC-SFC 7:00 pm Son's of Thunder Men's Bible Study DMCC-Farmhouse	8:30 am Mass IC Tom & Jean Reuvers † 5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB-Atrium 5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 MSB-Atrium 6:30 pm DMCC Choir Rehearsal DMCC

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



John: 8: 51-59: As Jesus was preaching to these Jews, their rejection of him escalated until they called him possessed. They couldn't have been farther from the truth at this moment, despite their physical proximity to Jesus. Their passions stirred them to anger and their hearts were hardened to faith in Christ. They were sure of their wrongful assessment of him but lacked true discernment. Discernment in a Catholic sense is the ability to sift through a variety of seemingly contradictory movements of the mind, heart, and soul and, by the power of the Spirit, align one's will with God's. To discern God's will for our lives, we need spiritual proximity to Christ through the sacraments and in our daily prayer. We can also benefit from regular dialogue with a spiritual director.

It's a fact of human nature that most of us don't think much about death until we're at a funeral, standing by someone's deathbed, or very ill ourselves. This crowd was incited when Jesus said, "Whoever keeps my word will never see death." But, had they seen the master of life and death for who he is, they might have been curious instead of incensed, hopeful instead of angry, open to the Spirit instead of hurling insults about devilish possession. Death is an inevitability for all of us and it behooves us to reflect on it periodically. When we do, we can embrace this encouragement from St. Therese of Lisieux: "It is not Death that will come to fetch me, it is the good God. Death is no phantom, no horrible specter, as presented in pictures. In the Catechism, it is stated that death is the separation of soul and body, that is all! Well, I am not afraid of a separation which will unite me to the good God forever."

The Lord clearly revealed his divinity to this crowd of irate men, proclaiming "I AM." They thought he was blaspheming, and they failed to recognize his divinity. But we know the truth. Before Abraham was, Jesus existed. This tells us that God is eternal. God is timeless. God is completely independent of his creatures. God never changes. And Jesus revealed by His suffering, death, and Resurrection that God is pure love. Reflecting on these words, "I AM" with the Holy Spirit's gift of fear of the Lord can help us to explore more deeply the inexhaustible nature of God.

Happy Holy Week, Fr. Cory Rohlfing

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26	Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42	Gen 1:1-2:2 Gen 22:1-18 Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 54:5-14	Acts 10:34a. 37-43 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9
NO 8:30 am Mass DMCC 9:30 am Catechesis of the	Administrative/Church Office closed	Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ez 36:16-17a Lk 24:1-12	Easter Sunday 8:00 am Mass DMCC
Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB-Atrium	7:45 am St. Anne's Choir Practice DMCC-BDAR	NO 8:30 am Mass DMCC	10:00 am Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC
7:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass DMCC	NO 8:30 am Mass DMCC 3:00 pm Good Friday	NO 4:00 pm Mass DMCC 8:00 pm Easter Vigil	12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC
7:00 pm Prayer Group DMCC	Service DMCC 6:30 pm Hispanic Choir	Mass DMCC	1:15 pm Baptism Spanish DMCC
	Rehearsal DMCC		NO 5:00 pm Mass DMCC

PreK-Grade 12 Education

BABS/BA's Biggest Fundraiser of the year: If you are reading this on Saturday: Join us April 9 at BA for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Otherwise: Our BABS Silent Auction (GREAT items!!) closes TODAY, Sunday, April 10 at 2pm, so there is still time to bid! Find items or donate to our Fund-A-Need (a 2nd student van to help with outside Faribault enrollment and transport between BA and the new DMCS campus) here: www.one.bidpal.net/babs2022.

BA Evening School Maintenance position open: Hours 3-11pm during the school year, 6:30am-3 pm in the summer. Check the BA website for the full job description.

<u>DMCS Summer Care Registration Open</u>! 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). Contact Ginger Van Hecke at DMCS (gvanhecke@dmcs.cc or Kris Sauer (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 at ksauer@bacards.org to set up a shadow day.

Ministry of Administration

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.

Stewardship of Tithing: Financial Gifts

Automatic (ACH) Contributions: March 20, 2022 \$ 12,129.00 Envelope/Plate Contributions: March 27, 2022 \$ 27,755.05 Global Solidarity Sunday: March 27, 2022 \$ 2,141.30 Envelope/Plate Contributions: April 3, 2022 \$ 23,449.00 Automatic (ACH) Contributions: Easter \$ 3,485.00



Ministry of Mission and Outreach

Pastoral Care/Mission and Outreach

<u>Penance Fair</u>: Thank you to all who gave their services to assist in a smooth flowing Penance Fair. We rejoice that so many parishioners were able to take part in the reconciliation event during this Lenten Season.

<u>Lent</u>: Fast from jealousy and FEAST on love; Fast from pride and FEAST on humility; Fast from selfishness and FEAST on service. May you have a blessed Holy Week and experience the great JOY of the resurrection on Easter

Palms and Communion to the homebound during Holy Week: This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday. 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 this week by Wednesday, April 13. All the tabernacles will be emptied for Holy Thursday.

CCW

Whether you've been attending all along or joining us for the first time, the final Soup Supper of the 2022 Lenten Season will be held on Monday, April 11. Soup is served right after the $5:30~\rm pm$ Mass! Families with last names beginning with U – Z are asked to bring a dessert item to share.

Upcoming Events:

- •SW Deanery Annual Open Meeting April 21, Immaculate Conception, Lonsdale
- •ACCW Convention April 29, St. Albert, Albertville

Respect Life

Notable Quotes:

"America you are beautiful and blessed. The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and peace, then America defend life." Pope St. John Paul II

"From God we receive our nature as man and woman. This is intolerable to modern minds. Gender ideology is a Luciferian refusal to receive a sexual nature from God." *Cardinal Robert Sarah*



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

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

As you give your gifts of time and money to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Shelf, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

Gift Shop

Located at the Church - 139 Mercy Dr.

'Tis the season for First Communions and Confirmations! 20% off for all items for those receiving either of these sacraments.

Gift Shop at the church is normally open 8-5 Monday-Friday, however call (507-331-7253) before coming to be sure someone is there.

20% off during April and May only!

Divine Mercy SundayApril 24th

Jesus asked that the Feast of Divine Mercy, known today as Divine Mercy Sunday, be preceded by a Novena to The Divine Mercy. A Novena is nine days of prayer in preparation for a feast. In the case of the Novena to The Divine Mercy, we pray the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy each day for a specific intention. Our Lord told St. Faustina, "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw... strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209). The novena begins on Good Friday.



Correction to Lenten Postcard: The 10:00 Mass on April 10, 17, and 24 will be interpreted for the deaf and hard of hearing (not the 8:00 Mass as noted on the Lenten postcard).

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.

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.

Our staff at DMCC would like to take a quick moment to say *THANK YOU*! We are continually blessed by an out pouring of support and generosity of time by so many parishioners volunteering. Thank you for all you continue to do for our parish. We appreciate your humble servant hearts and love for this church building and the parish community.

Mission Trip

Over spring break a group of 27 teens and adult leaders from our parish traveled to San Ignacio, Belize for a mission retreat.

The children began to show up an hour before school started, excited for us to arrive for Mass, teaching, and sports camp. The teachers repeated the same message all week "thank you for coming, thank you for giving us time to lesson plan/correct, thank you for giving attention to students that are so far behind in their studies." Cristo Rey Roman Catholic School had just begun school after two years off from Covid. There were tremendous struggles for both teachers and children, as online learning was far from an option for this village. Our teens asked questions, listened to the students stories, and shared their own life stories. They found far more similarities than differences. There were tears as we left and the young students whispered to our teens "we will see you again in heaven!" BOLD HOPE will continue the partnership with these students that we began. Average people can do extraordinary things just by caring.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all who prayed for and supported this group of teens, especially the Knights of Columbus #889 - Faribault, MN for their continued support.

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

Friday 2-3 p.m. (prayer partner needed) Friday 8-9 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**

Almighty and eternal God, You chose to offer humankind a model of humility: Our Savior took on flesh and subjected Himself to the Cross. Grant our priests grace to faithfully live the lessons He taught them through His Passion, and to have a share in His Resurrection. Amen

Community News

Many of you know that I lived in Europe for many years, most of them in Rome, Italy. I became fascinated with the music of the early baroque period and "historically informed performance practices" of today. I formed the ensemble Consortium Carissimi, and brought this passion stateside in 2005 when I returned to Minnesota. We will perform a Lenten Miserere. 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. ~Garrick Comeaux

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

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

The Neighbors helping Neighbors program provides services to seniors over 60 years old, and those with disabilities, to help them live independently in their home. Chore services, provided by volunteers, include companionship, shopping, housekeeping, yard work, and other jobs inside and outdoors. Consumers pay a fee for the services based on their income. Veterans may be eligible to receive grant funding to help pay for home improvement projects as well. Volunteer or learn how you may receive service by calling Anne Pleskonko at 507-332-7357 or 507-287-2010.

The Faribault Medical Center Auxiliary will hold their annual Used Accessories Sale on April 24th and 25th at the American Legion from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Come and purchase gently used jewelry, purses, scarves, etc. at very reasonable prices. All proceeds go to fund various projects at the hospital.

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 all you can eat pancakes. Adults: (11 and up) \$10 (\$11 at the door), children: (ages 4-10) \$6, and 3 and under free. Purchase tickets from Julie Hoisington or call Gina at 507-332-



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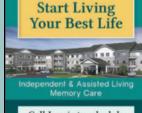


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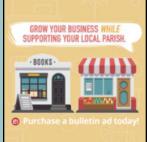


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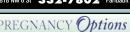






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