

## St. Augustine Catholic Church

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## St. Joseph Catholic Church

315 SW 21st Street Grand Rapids, MN 55744

## EASTER SUNDAY AND DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY — APRIL 17 & 24, 2022

# Affelcome!

#### **Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday 5:00PM—St. Joseph Sunday 8:30AM—St. Augustine Sunday 10:30AM—St. Joseph

## Weekday Mass Times

Monday 9:00AM—St. Joseph Tuesday 8:30AM—St. Augustine Wednesday 5:30PM—St. Joseph Thursday 9:00AM—St. Joseph Friday 7:30AM—St. Joseph

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 11:00AM—St. Joseph Sunday 7:45AM—St. Augustine Wednesday 6:00PM—St. Joseph



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April 17, 2022

# Easter Sunday

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—April 24, 2022** 

LORD

"My Lord and my God!"
JN 20:28

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR SHEPHERD

he Exsultet, the ancient hymn sung at the beginning of the Easter Vigil, is a powerful way to begin our Easter season. Here is an excerpt, from the beginning of the hymn:

Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King's triumph! Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness. Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples.

With the Easter season, we obviously enter a time of great rejoicing. The Heavens rejoice. All the earth should also rejoice. This should not be a momentary celebration. We do a good job of celebrating other things in our lives. We hold parties. We gather with family and friends. We enjoy good food and beverages. This is probably the case for most of us on Easter Sunday, but we should recall that Easter is a season. For the most profound thing, namely Christ conquering sin and death, it seems fitting that our celebration should be more than a few hours on Easter Sunday.

We are called to celebrate for 50 days leading up to the celebration of Pentecost. Our Easter flowers

more than likely will not last that amount of time, but we can be intentional about recalling the blessing of everlasting life that comes with following Jesus. The beautiful blooming Easter flowers are a sign of that gift when we see the flowers in the sanctuary or in our homes.

To help you keep celebrating Christ's victory, maybe display a picture of the Resurrected Christ in your homes, or buy new flowers as the season progresses, or continue to display any Easter cards you receive. These things can be reminders to continue to celebrate.

Though we are unworthy of the gift of eternal communion with God. God desires for us to receive this gift. What a blessing! It is right and just to celebrate God and His generous love. When we do so, we should realize more and more how good God is. Our celebration should increase our desire to live more fully for God and according to His ways.

I hope you and your families have a very blessed Easter season. Remember to exult!

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

Fr. Blake





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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Easter Sunday, April 17

8:30am—SA | Jim Avenson 8:30am-SJ | Weston Scott

10:30am—SJ | Our Parishioners

Monday, April 18

9:00am-SJ | Fr. Jon Wild

Tuesday, April 19

8:30am—SA | Marilyn Reiss

Wednesday, April 20

5:30pm-SJ | Neil Hoshal

Thursday, April 21

9:00am—SJ | Kathleen Edminster

Friday, April 22

7:30am—SJ | Isabelle R. Callahan

Saturday, April 23

5:00pm-SJ | Darrell Kessler

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24

8:30am—SA | Our Parishioners 10:30am-SJ | Sharon E. Jackson

Monday, April 25

9:00am-SJ | William & Donna Schroeder

Tuesday, April 26

8:30am—SA | Frank Marty

Wednesday, April 27

5:30pm—SJ | Spencer Yurrick

Thursday, April 28

9:00am—SJ | Joyce Benoit

Friday, April 29

7:30am-SJ | Richard Cotton

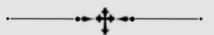
Saturday, April 30

5:00pm—SJ | Our Parishioners

Sunday, May 1

8:30am-SA | Jim Avenson

10:30am-SJ | James Rebel



## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

3rd Tuesday | 6:30pm | SH

## **FAITH FORMATION DINNER**

Wed., April 20 | 6:00pm | SH

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Thursday, April 21 | 6:00pm | SJ

### KC TOOTSIE ROLL WEEKEND

for Developmentally Disabled April 22-24 | In Town & SA & SJ

### **BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT**

Youth Fundraiser

Saturday, April 23 | Noon | SJ Gym

#### ST. FRANCES DE SALES

2nd & 4th Tuesdays | 1:00pm **Brides Room** 

### **GENIUS OF WOMANHOOD**

Tuesday, April 26 | 6:00pm | SA

#### FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL

Thursday, April 28 | 6:00pm | SJ

coming soon...

## FIRST COMMUNION MASS & MAY

**CROWNING OF MARY** 

Sunday, May 1 | 1:00pm | SJ

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE



## Oliver William Aho **Hazel Elizabeth Aho**

April 3 Son and Daughter of Kenneth & Jessica Aho



## DAILY MASS READINGS

## Readings for the week of April 17, 2022

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4

or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35

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

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

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

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

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

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

## Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, Sunday:

12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 Monday: Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9. 17-18. 19-20/Jn 3:31-36 Thursday: Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

## Mary Immaculate Church

Coleraine, MN

2:00pm Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament & Confessions

2:30pm Rosary

3:30pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:50pm Benediction

Reception in Social Hall to Follow

## Resting in the Promise of Eternal Life



John Dosen | February 28, 2022

Gordon Reed | March 1, 2022

Josephine Pierzina | March 4, 2022

Francis Rootes | March 13, 2022

Timothy Flood | March 29, 2022

## THEOLOGY ON TAP

GRAB A PINT & EXPLORE YOUR FAITH!

## Tuesday, May 3

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SHARING OUR STORIES: MY STORY, YOUR STORY

Fr. Blake Rozier, Pastor

Maddog's Pizza | 7:00pm Come Early for Drinks and Food Bring a Friend!

## PARISH LIBRARY

There are many great books in our parish library at the end of the hall past the windows seating area.



## **FAITH FORMATION**

Recently I heard the phrase "God gets it". I couldn't agree more. Of course God "gets it". He created everything, so it stands to reason that he would understand everything. God understands our joys and sorrows, victories and frustrations. He also understands when we refuse to share these things with him. See, God gave us free will fully aware that it could lead us to turn away from him. He gave us his rules to live by so that we could know how to love him and live as he desires, but also gave us free will so that we could choose otherwise.

I heard it said once that Jesus is a gentleman and he will not force himself on anyone.

We have choice in how we choose to live and whether or not we follow God's plan for our lives. He gets it when we come before him in confession and share our sins and struggles and ask to be forgiven.

He also gets it when we turn away from him. When we choose to say, either by word or by deed that "God, I know what you want, but I just don't care." He gets that, too. If we choose to turn away from God in this life, why would he have any reason to think that we want to be with him eternally? Again, he doesn't force himself on us. and we can choose whether or not we let him in. He gets it.

As we enter into this most joyful

season of Easter, let us not forget just how deeply God understands and loves us. He took on human flesh to understand our sufferings. He allowed himself to be publicly humiliated, violently tortured, and executed to understand our pain and shame that comes from our brokenness. And he defeated death when he rose that Easter morning so that we may all know the way to heaven. Make no mistake friends, God gets it. What a wonderful gift to have such a good father.

Happy Easter!

-Lisa Neary **Faith Formation** Director



Theme **Flannels** and **Flip Flops** 

# Spring Thaw

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After Party 9-11pm with Adessa and The Beat

## VIRTUES IN PRACTICE

St. Joseph School is participating in the *Virtues in Practice*Program, a three year study developed by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecelia. Their website is:

www.nashvilledominican.org.

This study teaches students about three main virtues - Faith, Hope, and Charity. This year, we are learning about Charity. In addition, the students learn about 27 other virtues and 81 saints who model these virtues.

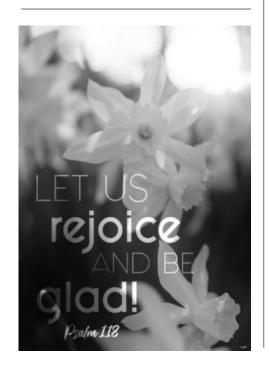


## FORGIVENESS

# "Pardoning those who offend you"

Saints this month include:

St. Patrick—PreK to Gr 2
St. Margaret of Castello—Gr 3-5
St. Josephine Bakhita—Gr 6







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SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS THROUGH THE LAYING ON OF HANDS.

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2022 5:00 p.m.

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## SERVE THE CHURCH BY MOWING

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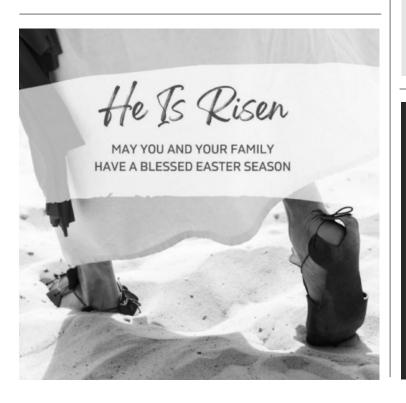
Gas, mowers and training will be provided.

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## PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Your prayer needs are very important to us. Let us pray for you. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." -Philippians 4:6-7 ST. AUGUSTINE Marlene Cole 218-328-5458 ST. JOSEPH Arlyce Perrault 218-326-6983 Maryann Clafton 218-326-5968 Marge Petermeier 218-244-9100



## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

## ST. AUGUSTINE'S

Envelope & Plate Mar 13, 20 & 27 Online Giving March	\$ \$	5,693 2,908
Total Fiscal YTD '21—'22 Total Fiscal YTD '20—'21	\$ \$	100,237 73,856
UCA 2022 ASSESSMENT (Jan-Dec) UCA Collected March Total 2022 UCA Collected 2022 % of Goal	<b>\$</b> \$ \$	<b>17,258.83</b> 936 3,806 22%

## ST. JOSEPH'S

### **OPERATIONS**

Envelope & Plate Mar 13, 20 & 27	\$ 9,499
Online Giving March	\$ 22,051
Total Fiscal YTD '21—'22	\$ 489,873
Total Fiscal YTD '20—'21	\$ 434.235

## MONTHLY MORTGAGE REPORT (Balance 1/1/22 1.268M)

Monthly Goal	\$ 15,500
Total Collected in March	\$ 8,910

 UCA 2022 ASSESSMENT (Jan-Dec)
 \$ 95,325.24

 UCA Collected March
 \$ 4,502

 Total 2022 UCA Collected
 \$ 19,555

 2022 % of Goal
 21%

## **EASTER BLESSINGS**

Happy Easter! He is Risen! Thank you for your many gifts and blessings to St. Joseph's Church, School and Endowment. Your lasting planned and estate gifts make a difference to our church and school for many generations to come. Your generosity ensures our Catholic faith continues into perpetuity and for that we can't thank you enough. May God Bless each of you.

—Becky Langenecker

Development

Director

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

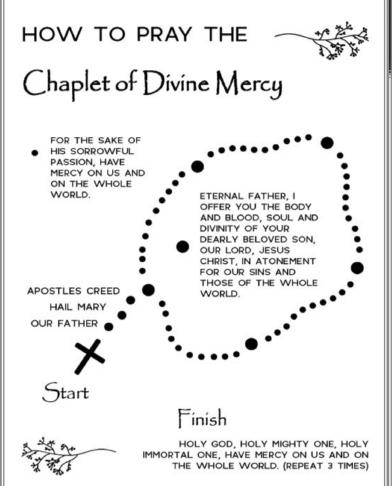
From St. Faustina Kowalska's Diary, entry 687 [Jesus words appear in bold type]...

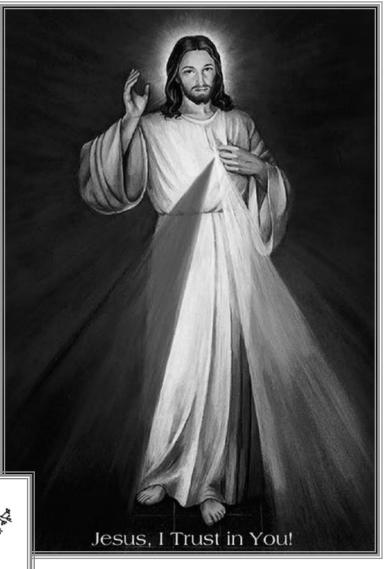
Once, as I was going down the hall to the kitchen, I heard these words in my soul: Say unceasingly the chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy.

At the Mass for the Canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter be called "Divine Mercy Sunday."

St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the Image of Divine Mercy.

She wrote in her diary that He said: "I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter,





and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it..."

At the Canonization Mass, Pope John Paul II said: "From that Heart [of Christ]...two rays of light shining from that heart and illuminating the world. "The two rays", Jesus Himself explained to her one day, "represent blood and water" (Diary, entry 299). Blood and water! We immediately think of the testimony given by the Evangelist John, who, when a soldier on Calvary pierced Christ's side with his spear, sees blood and water flowing from it (Jn 19:34). Moreover, if the blood recalls the sacrifice of the Cross and the gift of the Eucharist, the water, in Johannine symbolism, represents not only Baptism but also the gift of the Holy Spirit (Jn 3:5; 4:14; 7:37-39)."

Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy (*Diary*, 699).

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