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April 4, 2021 • *Easter Sunday*

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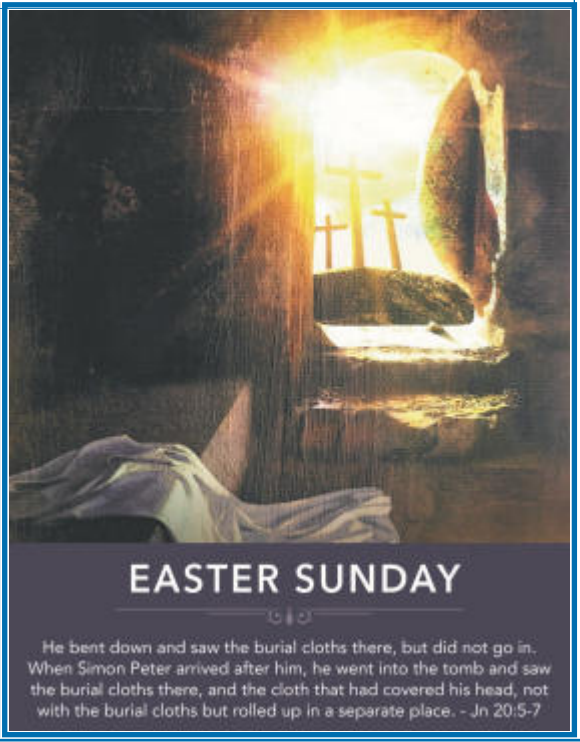

PASTOR'S CORNER

Happy Easter! The Lenten Season is complete. We have celebrated the Passion of the Lord, and this weekend and for the next FIFTY DAYS, we get to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As we all know, it has been a crazy year, but there is light on the horizon! It is Jesus who dispels the darkness, not only 2000 years ago, but He continues to dispel the darkness in our lives today.

I am filled with hope and joy as we continue to welcome back more and more parishioners for Mass. We will continue to remain vigilant, requiring face masks and social distancing for the foreseeable future. It's a small sacrifice to make for the health of everyone involved and to assure that we can continue to receive the Eucharist each week.

Celebrating Easter is the doorway to what is to follow! We continue to reflect on the resurrection stories of Jesus and encounter the Risen Lord in a variety of ways. Throughout the next fifty days, as we hear how Jesus revealed himself to the disciples, we must ask ourselves, "How have and how will we experience Jesus in our lives?"

Our faith cannot be passive; it requires active participation on our part. We cannot just be observers; we need to be engaged and have a desire to discover our faith more fully. Spending time during the fifty days of the Easter Season prepares us for the celebration of Pentecost, where the Holy Spirit descends upon the disciples and upon each of us!

It has been a long year, and as I have heard many people say, it has been "a year-long Lenten Season." I want to assure you that there is light at the end of the tunnel! Jesus has risen. He reminds us, "Wherever two or more are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them!"

Thank you for joining us today for this Easter celebration! May you experience the risen Lord, not only today, but each day of your life! This is a time to celebrate, for Jesus Christ is risen! ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

Happy Easter,

Fr. Kenneth J. Glaser

First Communion Celebrations

This year we will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Eucharist at all the Masses on April 24 & 25, May 1 & 2, and May 8 & 9.

Please join me in praying for these children and their families as they prepare for this special sacrament!

Vacation Bible School

SAVE THE DATE: Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 14th-17th from 4:30-7:30pm.

This year we are welcoming families to participate and volunteer. Dinner is included!

Be on the lookout for registration and volunteer information in Constant Contact and on our website!

Confirmation

The St. Ludmila, St. Patrick and St. Jude Parishes are having a joint Confirmation liturgy this year.

The liturgy will be held at Holy Family Middle School, on April 14, with Archbishop Jackels presiding.

Due to the pandemic, attendance will be restricted to the candidate, sponsors and parents. Please keep these young people in your prayers.

Pray for the recently baptized and his family:

Quin Akirino Henry

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 Cor 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 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

AREA NEEDS—CATHOLIC SERVICES

Metro Catholic Outreach:	420 6th St. SE	(319) 739-5490
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"Family Time"

Holy Family has a beautiful history and an even better future! Our strategic planning team has drafted our initial goals and objectives to advance our mission better than ever before. These will impact areas of vibrant faith, rigorous academics, operational vitality, and excellent governance. More details are soon to follow, and we plan to begin implementation by June of 2021!

Zach Zeckser

SCRIP: Sales for the week ending March 14 were $6,785.00 and $20,910.00 for the week ending March 21!! The church netted a profit of more than $780.00 from the sales these two weeks!

So what is this scrip thing? **We like to think that SCRIP is an acronym for "Savvy Catholics Raising Impressive Profits!" Get it?**

How does it work? **The church purchases gift cards from local and national retailers at an agreed upon discount. The discounts (rebates) range from 1.5% to 20%, depending on the retailer. Parishioners purchase the gift cards at full face value. The difference between the discounted wholesale price and the price parishioners pay, comes back to the church as profit.**

One popular scrip option is the Darden gift card, which can be used at Cheddar's, Longhorn Steakhouse and Olive Garden. This scrip retailer offers an 8% rebate, which means the church pays $92 for $100 in Darden gift cards. When parishioners purchase $100 in Darden scrip, the church earns the $8 profit. An $8 profit might not seem like a lot, but think of the possibilities if *everyone* used scrip to purchase the things we're buying every day!

For example, most of us purchase gas each month and Kwik Star has a 4% rebate. *If every St. Ludmila family purchased $50 in Kwik Star gift cards each month, the annual profit for the church would be $26,400!*

Which businesses offer scrip? **There are more than 700 retailers participating in the scrip program! The easiest way to see what's available is to look at the Scrip Order Form. Copies are available on the desk in the gathering space or on the parish website under Activities/Scrip. The order form lists retailers that are in our area, but there are many, many more that participate.**

For a full list, visit https://www.shopwithscrip.com and click on Retailer List at the bottom of the page. You just might find scrip for a restaurant or retailer that you like to patronize when vacationing or visiting family out-of-state!

How do I get my hands on some scrip? **Prior to the pandemic, scrip was available in the gathering space most weekends after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and between the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday. Since mid-March of last year we've been selling scrip in a socially-distanced manner, mostly over the phone or by text. After placing an order with Paula, many parishioners pay for their scrip at the parish center, where they pick up their order. We will get back to regularly selling scrip in the gathering space when it's safe to do so.**

Do you still have questions or do you want to know about reloadable and e-gift cards? **Check out the scrip page on the parish website. You can also call Paula Fries (329-6829) or Mary Myers (899-9526), aka "The Scrip Chicks", who are happy to help you get started!**

Blessing Bag Collections

Please help our Religious Education students in our next service project! We will be collecting the items below to be distributed to a local school with students in need.

A collection box will be placed in the gathering space of the church or items may be dropped off at the parish center. Items to be collected should fit in a gallon-size baggie.

Requested Items:

Prepackaged, Non-perishable Snacks,
Travel-size Hand Sanitizer,
Travel-size Personal Hygiene Items,
Toothbrushes,
Comb/Brush,
Kleenex Pouches,
Crayons, Pencils, Small Activity Books,
Bubbles, Small Toys, etc.

Youth Group Events for April and May!

April 18 – MOVIE NIGHT! We will be watching the Pixar film *Soul* in the St. Ludmila School Library at 6:00!

April 25 – PIZZA PARTY! We will be having a pizza party and playing Quiplash in the St. Ludmila School Library at 5:00!

May 2 – OPEN GYM! We will have the St. Ludmila Gym open from 3-5pm, with equipment provided!

May 9 – PRAISE AND WORSHIP NIGHT! We will have a Praise and Worship night from 5-6pm in the Church! We will have music, prayer sheets, and a space for you to spend some time with God!

May 16 – BONFIRE! Weather permitting, we will have a Bonfire from 6-8pm!

May 23 – RELAX/STUDY NIGHT! In the St. Ludmila School Library, we will have a quiet space for you to study or just chill out.

PARISH CALENDAR

Mon. April 5	**(First Monday & First Week Cleaners)**
5:30 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Mtg., SH
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, SH
Tues. April 6	
5:30 pm	Mass, † Helen Philipp - Live Streamed
7:00 pm	Faith Formation Meeting - via Zoom
Wed. April 7	
8:00 am	Mass, † Barb Jandl - Live Streamed
5:45 pm	Faith Formation Night, SH
7:00 pm	Confirmation Class, SC
7:00 pm	Men's Group, PC
Thurs. April 8	
5:30 pm	Mass, † Bridget Drahozal - Live Streamed
6:30 pm	Buildings & Grounds Meeting, SH
7:00 pm	"33 Days to Morning Glory" - via Zoom
Fri. April 9	
8:00 am	Mass, † Bernard & Arlene - Live Streamed
Sat. April 10	
4:00 pm	Mass, † Wayne Holland
Sun. April 11	
8:00 am	Mass, † For the Parishioners of St. Ludmila - Live Streamed
10:30 am	Mass, † James Macek
5:00 pm	Bingo, SC (doors open at 3:30pm)

C/CH—Church, PC—Parish Center, SC—School, SH—Social Hall

2021-2022 Religious Education

Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 Religious Education year!

Religious Education classes are open to all students of the parish in kindergarten through 9th grade. Remember, students do need to attend RE or a Catholic School the year prior to making their sacraments in the 2nd and 10th grades. Registration can be entered online at Stludmila.org under Faith Formation.

Questions or requests for paper registration forms can be directed to Monica Rannals at dbq029re@dbqarch.org.

Book Study - Racism

This spring, you are invited to join our Pastoral Coordinator, Bob Gardner, for a book study on the important topic of racism. We will be reading and discussing the New York Times #1 bestseller *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism* by Robin DiAngelo.

We will meet for five sessions: Tuesdays, April 20 - May 18 at 6:30 pm at a parish space - still to be determined. These gatherings will be in-person (no ZOOM available) but safety protocols will be followed! There is NO COST to participate (the book will be provided), but registration is required and the deadline is MONDAY, APRIL 5th!

To register call Bob at 362.7282 or email him at DBQ029s3@dbqarch.org. Don't miss out on this great learning opportunity!

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE INVITATION

As baptized Christians, we are called to be the eyes, hands, and feet of Christ in the world. We need more hands and feet to renew the Social Justice Committee at St. Ludmila Parish.

Would **YOU** like to be part of serving others in need in our community? Would **YOU** like to help create educational programs to educate yourself and others about the Catholic Social Teaching of the Catholic Church?

These two feet - Charitable Works and Education - help us to discover what it means to be Christ for each other. Prayerfully consider if this might be a way you are being called to serve our parish family.

The Social Justice Committee meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM.

"If today you hear his voice,
harden not your Heart!"
Psalm 95: 7-8

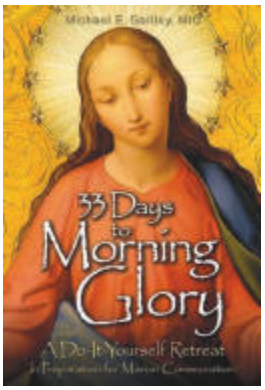
For more information or to join our group contact:

Cindy Day: 515-401-2113
or
Mary Beth Neal: 319-551-5627

St. Ludmila Bingo to Resume

Beginning Sunday, April 11th we will resume Bingo at St. Ludmila. Doors open at 3:30, cards sales begin at 4:00 and early bird bingo starts at 5:00 with the main games starting about 5:30 pm.

We are in need of volunteers to assist in various positions. Please consider sharing your time and talent to this important ministry. We will begin by offering Bingo only on Sunday evenings, at this time.



Consecration to Mary

Are you looking for a post-Easter activity to grow in your love for Jesus - through Mary His mother? Beginning April 8th, Deacon Mark will begin a study of "33 Days to Morning Glory" by Fr. Michael Gaitley.

This study will consist of short daily readings, pondering of those readings throughout your day, then meeting once a week to discuss the readings and the discoveries of Mary.

The six weeks will conclude with a Consecration to Mary on May 13th which is the anniversary of Mary's appearance at Fatima. We will meet on Thursdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom starting April 8th. The books are free to the first 15 participants.

To register please email Deacon Mark at mark.sandersfeld@gmail.com or call him at 319-743-5008.

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