

**Catholic Churches of  
St. Mary, St. Joseph & St. Charles**  
Administrator: Fr. Kuriakose Nediakala MCBS (Fr. KK)

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**April 25, 2021**

**St. Mary**

**15 1st Ave NE  
Deer River, MN**

Mass 8:30 AM  
Sunday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Friday

**St. Joseph**

**51061 Wolf Drive  
Ball Club, MN**

Mass Saturday 4:00 PM

**St. Charles**

**308 Central Ave N  
Cass Lake, MN**

Mass Sunday 11:00 AM  
Thursday Noon

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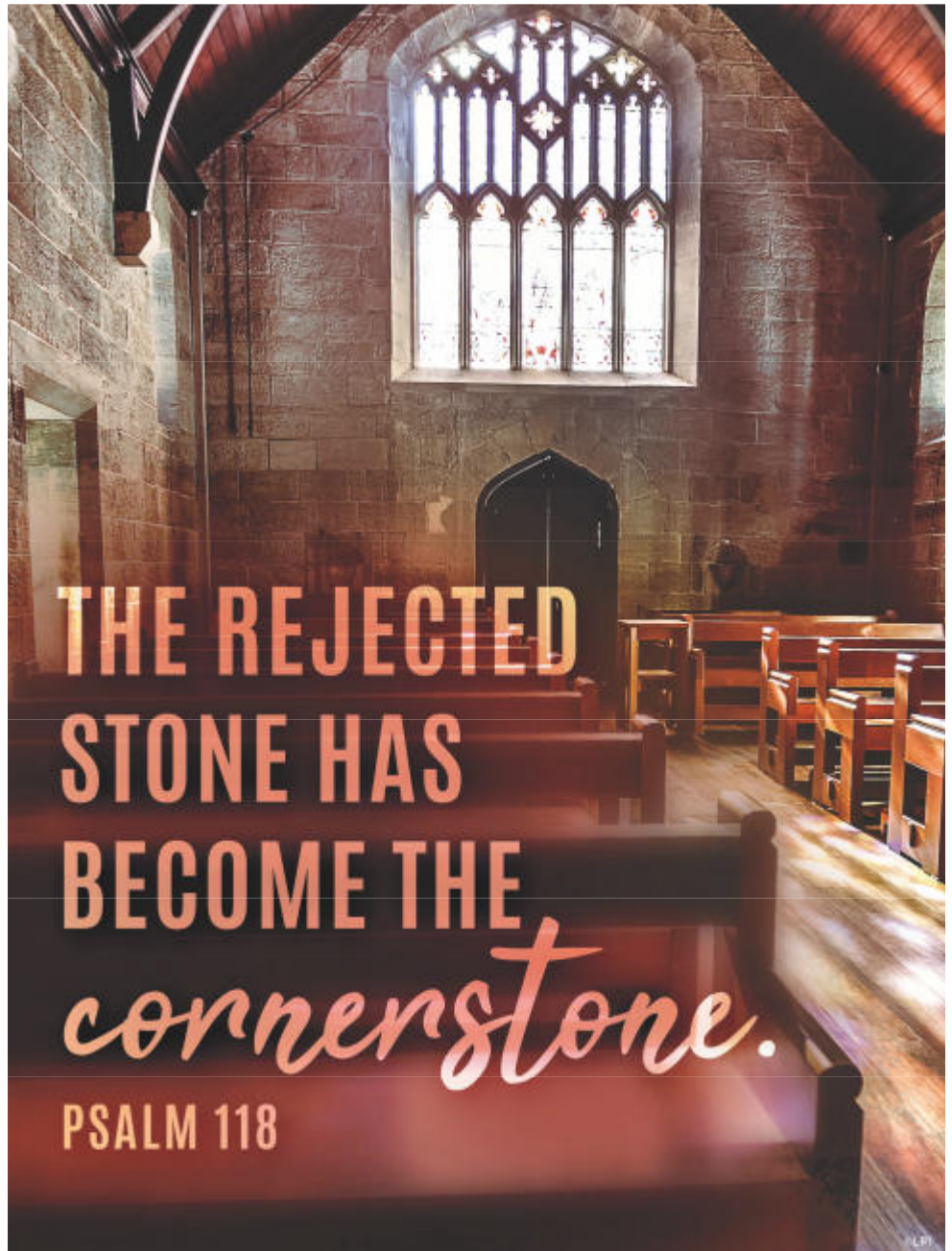
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**Office Hours 9—Noon**

Tuesday

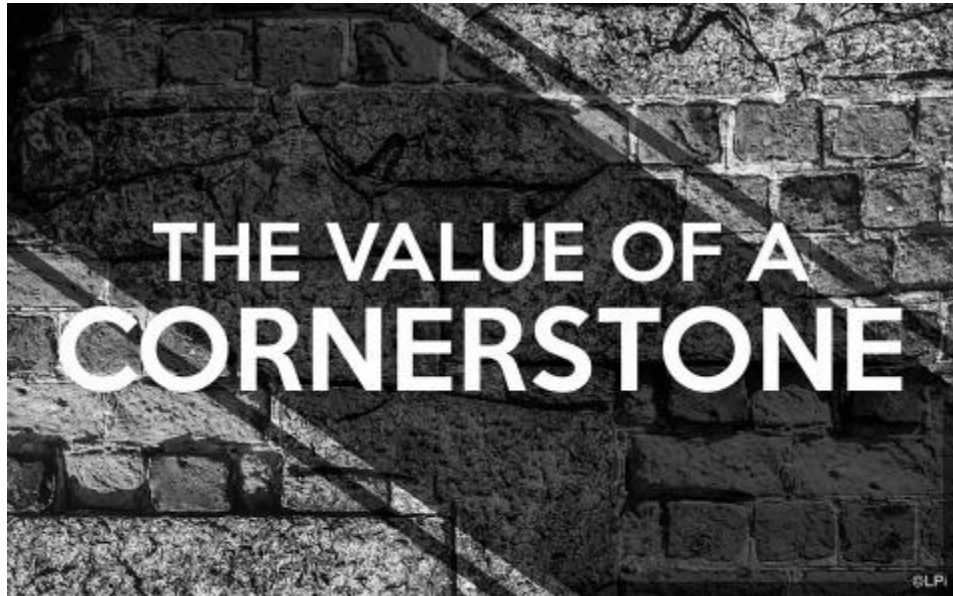
Wednesday

Friday



**April 26—May 2**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	8 Conf SM 8:30 Mass SM	<i>St. Peter Chanel, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> 8 Conf SM 8:30 Mass SM	<i>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> 11:30 Conf SC Noon Mass SC	<i>St. Pius V, Pope</i> 8 Conf SM 8:30 Mass SM	3:30 Conf SJ 4 Mass SJ	8 Conf SM 8:30 Mass SM 10:30 Conf SC 11 Mass SC
SJ = St. Joseph, Ball Club		SC = St. Charles, Cass Lake		SM = St. Mary, Deer River		



### 4th Sunday of Easter

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures. ©LPi

## Mass Intentions April 26—May 2

Mon Private Mass	Vic Williams Sr †	
Tues. 8:30	Helen Pfeifer †	SM
Wed. 8:30	Mary Grossell †	SM
Thur. Noon	Dorothy Shamp Reed	SC
Fri. 8:30	Dave Villeneuve Family	SM
Sat. 4:00	People of our Parish Cluster	SJ
Sun. 8:30	Greg Villeneuve Family	SM
Sun. 11:00	Thomas Reed	SC

### **Our Gifts to God**

Ordinary Income	March 2021	March 2020
St. Charles	\$4,069.00	\$3,742.00
SC UCA	\$607.00	\$106.00
St. Joseph	\$802.26	\$1,680.00
SJ UCA	\$212.00	\$0
St. Mary	\$5,583.25	\$3,445.55
SM UCA	\$1,730.00	\$376.00

### **Job Opening**

Reenie is retiring and we have a job opening. Approximately 20 hours per week. Begin May 1. Job description and application are available on our website: [www.deerrivercatholic.com](http://www.deerrivercatholic.com). Download and return by email: [stmarys@paulbunyan.net](mailto:stmarys@paulbunyan.net) or mail: St. Mary's, PO Box 98, Deer River, MN 56636.

### **Share Our Bulletin**

Is there someone you know who is unable to attend Mass? Please pick up an extra bulletin and personally deliver it. The next best thing is to have one mailed. Please call the office to arrange. Did you know our bulletin is published each week online? Go to our websites listed on the front of this bulletin and click on bulletins.

### **Holy Father's April Prayer Intention**

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-8255

[suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org)



**"The cross cannot but express love, service, unreserved self-giving: only in this way is it truly the "tree of life", of overabundant life... May the Virgin Mary help us to follow Jesus, to walk, strong and joyful, on the path of service, so that the love of Christ may shine in our every attitude and become more and more the style of our daily life."**

*Pope Francis*

### **GOOD CITIZENSHIP**

When questioned about paying taxes, Jesus uttered now-famous words. "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Being a part of a community isn't always easy, and being active members of civil society includes responsibilities we don't always prefer.

When Tax Day comes around, we can suffer through, or we can choose to offer up our frustration as intercession. If you disagree with the decisions of civil leaders, pray for them! If the state and federal government fund causes you support, thank God! While Jesus acknowledges that we "do not belong to the world," we nonetheless are called into it. Through our words, actions, and prayers, we are called to transform the world according to God's plan. ©LPi

### **Spring Rummage Sale**

Spring cleaning? St. Mary's CCW spring rummage sale is this Friday and Saturday. . Your donations enable CCW to continue our good works of mercy. Sale is Friday April 30 and Saturday May 1. Good quality clothing and small household items may be brought in this week. The Church will be open every day during this week . Please have your donations to the church by Thursday. Call for approval for large items. Volunteers are needed to assist at set up and the sale. Set up will be the week of the sale. Feel free to call if you have any questions. Drop in all week to assist, even if for just an hour. Many hands make light work.



### **St. Charles Prayer Requests**

Ray Abuan, Gloria Beaudreau, Bev Benson, Rod Benson, Charles Bush Jr., Michele Frazer, Alice Hickey, Beulah Holstein, Bob Karbowski, Don Karbowski, Darwin Kingbird, Bradley Kurtzell, Mike Morris, Maria Patton, Ken & Evelyn Perrault, Christine Stenger, Connie Suchon, Deana Thomas, Ken & Sharon Vogel, Susie Finn White, Ruth Wittner

Please keep these people in your prayers. If you would like to be added to our prayer list please speak with Father KK, send us an email or drop a note in the collection basket. We appreciate the updates to help keep our information current.

**St. Mary's & St. Joseph's:** Prayer requests may be submitted to our prayer chain by calling Elaine at 218-246-8099.

### **Project Rachel**

Project Rachel is a post abortion ministry sponsored by the Diocese of Duluth. It is open to anyone in need—regardless of his or her faith background. It is a confidential helpline for you to speak with someone specially trained to help you sort through unresolved feelings and conflict. Call or text the confidential helpline 218-421-7110 or go to [rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org).

### **St. Joseph Cemetery Clean Up**

Annual spring cleanup of the cemetery in Ball Club is Monday, April 26. Work will begin at 10 am. Potluck lunch to follow clean up. All help is encouraged and welcome.

### **Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center**

The Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center is dedicated to supporting women and men through unplanned pregnancies. We offer a wide variety of services with the goal of supporting each and every person who walks through our doors.

More information: email: [walkerpsc@arvig.net](mailto:walkerpsc@arvig.net), 218-547-5433; 1-800-712-4357.



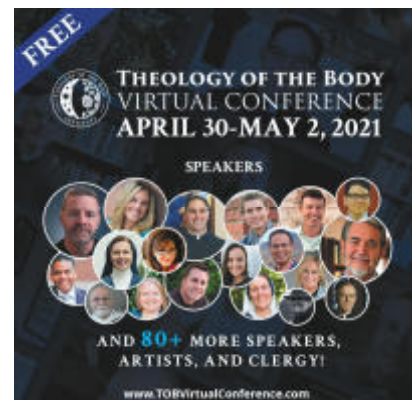
Pope Francis has named the Very Rev. Daniel Felton, of the Diocese of Green Bay, Wis., to become the tenth bishop of the Diocese of Duluth. His episcopal ordination and installation as bishop of Duluth have been set for May 20.

“We are grateful to our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for sending us our next bishop in this joyful Easter season,” said the Very Rev. James Bissonette, diocesan administrator for the Diocese of Duluth. “We look forward to getting to know Bishop-elect Felton and beginning this new chapter in our walk of faith together under his leadership as our next shepherd.”

Bishop-elect Felton succeeds the late Bishop Paul Sirba, who died Dec. 1, 2019.

The Diocese of Duluth serves the 10 counties of northeastern Minnesota with more than 44,000 Catholics and 71 parishes.

Please keep Bishop-elect Felton in your prayers.



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