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APRIL 24, 2022 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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April-June 2022 Mass Times

Balltown.....Saturday 4:00 pm

Luxemburg.....Saturday 6:00 pm

Rickardsville.....Sunday 8:00 am

Sherrill.....Sunday 10:00 am

July - September 2022 Mass Times

Holy Cross.....Saturday 4:00 pm

Sherrill.....Saturday 6:00 pm

Balltown.....Sunday 8:00 am

Rickardsville.....Sunday 10:00 am

**Our Mission: To form intentional
disciples of Jesus Christ.**



"MY LORD AND MY GOD!" - JN 20:28

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)


ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

The Catholic Order of Foresters in partnership with the La Salle Catholic School are planning to return to their "Feeding God's Children" program of packaging meals for "Take Away Hunger" that was suspended for two years due to COVID-19. The event will be held on May 6, 2022 at the La Salle School. One of the needs to make this project successful is money to purchase the food supplies we need for packaging. **Donations can be made by placing your checks or cash in the weekend collection basket, mailing your contribution to the pastorate office or to La Salle Catholic School. Please make checks payable to Take Away Hunger-Dubuque. Please make donations by April 22, 2022 so supplies may be ordered.** Thank you so much!

There will be a Rickardsville COF meeting on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6 pm.

The St. Francis Cemetery Association is seeking a trustee to replace long time volunteer Jerry Sahn. If you are able to help us fill this position, please contact the pastorate office at 563-870-4041. Thank you!

The St. Francis Parish would like to thank all that attended this year's Prime Rib Dinner & Silent Auction. A very special thank you to **Poor Man's Catering** for the donation of food and delicious meal!! Thank you to Tony & Amy Duehr - **Duehr Auto Body**, Skip & Sue Bee Breitbach - **Skip Breitbach Feeds**, Mike & Cindy Breitbach - **Breitbach's Country Dining** for their generous donations. Also, thank you to **Catholic Financial Life** for their generous \$500 matching fund donation. Sincere gratitude to all that donated items for the Silent Auction, door prizes, and/or worked the event!

 **The Catholic Order of Foresters will be hosting a pizza party today, April 24, at the La Salle School starting at noon.** There will be a basketball shootout following lunch for ages 4-21. Easter bunny will make a special appearance! Please call for reservations by April 15 to Jerry at 563-590-6931 or Patty at 563-870-2145.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING APRIL 16-17, 2022

	Budget	Offertory	Holidays	Other
B	\$1,077.00	\$33.25	\$1,050.00	\$261.50
HC	\$2,305.00	\$84.04	\$5,515.00	\$0.00
L	\$4,775.00	\$375.00	\$3,175.00	\$630.00
R	\$1,994.00	\$149.23	\$1,300.00	\$318.06
S	\$3,278.00	\$251.00	\$2,495.00	\$0.00

*Funds listed as "Other" category may not be listed under the general fund budget numbers for each parish.
ie: Charitable collections or money collected for a particular cause.*

Thank you for your support!

LITURGY SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES. IN THE EVENT THAT MASS IS CANCELLED, THE MASS INTENTION WILL BE RESCHEDULED.

Tuesday, April 26 (B) **NO MASS**
8:00 am

Wednesday, April 27 (S) Rev. Loras Otting
8:00 am

Thursday, April 28 (HC) Leon & Kay Link
8:30 am Joe Theisen & Marvin Theisen
School Mass

Friday, April 29 (L) Richard Roling
8:00 am Marvin Deutmeyer

Saturday, April 30 (B) Ronald N. Maiers,
4:00 pm Vincent & Bernice Maiers
Sylvester & Alice Link

Saturday, April 30 (L) Jerry Ellerbach
6:00 pm Cletus & Rita Feldmann

Sunday, May 1 (R) Glen Stoffel, Lucille
8:00 am Stoffel-Brimeyer, Robert Brimeyer, Connie Krause & Joe Stoffel

Sunday, May 1 (S) Cletus Klein
10:00 am Audrey & Melvin Oberfoell,
Viola & Roy Pfohl

MASS READINGS

May 1, 2022

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

Revelation 5:11-14



Gospel:

John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

A MESSAGE FROM FR. DIEHM

Dear Pastorate Family,

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on the disciples and gives them the power of forgiving and retaining sins. They are meant to be instruments of divine mercy, offering to sinners the forgiveness which Jesus Himself so often showed. They are meant to act in the person of Christ. Priests do this in the sacrament of reconciliation when they speak in the first person and say to penitents, "...I absolve you of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The priest's power to forgive sins comes from God. In his humanity, no priest has the power or authority to forgive sins; but through his ordination, every priest is made Christ's delegate, His ambassador, empowered to act on His behalf and in His power and with His authority. This power to forgive sins and remit their punishment is reserved to priests. But nonetheless we all become more like God through acts of forgiveness.

In St. Luke's Gospel, Jesus says, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," (Luke 6:36). We can do that by putting into practice the corporal and spiritual works of mercy (more on that below). By becoming more merciful, we become more like God. As the old saying goes, "To err is human, to forgive is divine." As we learn to forgive and show mercy, the image of God grows within us and our likeness to Him is increased. God knows that what heals the world is not judgment but mercy. Judgment happens for those who have not shown mercy. To the extent that we forgive others or ask for forgiveness, we promote healing and reconciliation. To the extent that we are too prideful to offer forgiveness or ask for it, the wounds inflicted upon us or which we've inflicted upon others do not heal but only grow worse. Let's pray this weekend that we might become more and more like God by becoming more and more merciful.

God bless, Fr. Diehm



La Salle Catholic School News-
La Salle Catholic School welcomes families and students of all faiths to an environment rich in the gospel values of faith, service, love and community and we look forward to continuing to work with you raising your child of God. Registration is currently open for the 2022-2023 school year.



Holy Cross Church "Strength In Our Future" Capital Campaign Update-The "Strength In Our Future" Capital Campaign continues. The initial project of resurfacing the handicapped parking lot is completed, the steeple repair project is the next project to be addressed in the spring, the projects of new electrical work and debt repayment will follow as funds are collected. If you have not yet pledged or contributed to this project, please consider doing so. Please contact the pastorate office at (563) 870-4041 if you have any questions. **To date, March 20, 2022, a total of \$189,747.00 has been pledged. Help us climb over the \$200,000.00 mark with your pledge/donation! Thank you to all those who have already pledged and contributed. The goal of the campaign is \$500,000.00.**

Prayer for an Amazing Parish

Heavenly Father, You have gathered us together as a parish to be Your visible life in our world.

Here we unite in worship, proclaim Your word, celebrate the Eucharist, and are sent forth to share Your love and make disciples.

Lord, we take your Great Commission seriously and long for our parish to be so on-fire that we draw people to You.

Help us in that endeavor, as we strive to work together—ordained, religious and laity. Please make our parish amazing, through Your power and Your grace. Amen

The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Church has forth lists of the works of mercy, some known as the Corporal Works and others known as Spiritual Works. As the name implies, the Corporal Works are of a more physical nature, while the Spiritual Works are of a more intangible and spiritual nature. The Corporal Works of Mercy are the following: 1) to feed the hungry, 2) to give drink to the thirsty, 3) to clothe the naked, 4) shelter the homeless, 5) to visit the sick, 6), to visit the imprisoned, and 7) to bury the dead. The Spiritual Works of Mercy are the following: 1) to counsel the doubtful, 2) to instruct the ignorant, 3) to admonish sinners, 4) to comfort the afflicted, 5) to forgive offenses, 6) to bear wrongs patiently, and 7) to pray for the living and the dead. These Works of Mercy are listed for Christians to be able to think about them and then find ways to put them into practice. How much does our world need each of these Works of Mercy? Probably a whole lot! The world we live in is in desperate need of divine mercy. By practicing the Works of Mercy, we can become people of mercy and then, through God at work in us and through us, we can become instruments of God's healing in the world. The essential message of this Sunday of Divine Mercy is that we receive mercy from God through Jesus and the forgiveness of sins we have in His name; and then that we become merciful to others, like He is to us. In this way, we are healed; and we become a source of healing for others. Mercy is medicine for a sick world. The divine mercy flowing from the pierced Heart of Jesus is that which can cleanse and heal the world. Are you able to put into practice the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy? Who among you is sick and needs a visit? Who among you do you need to forgive or admonish? Through these good works, may the world be healed by God's divine mercy.

Keep us close to you Lord!

TITHING

Electronic Funds Transfer is an easy and convenient way to complete your monthly tithing. If you would like to participate in EFT tithing, the forms are available on the website, in the back of all churches or by calling the pastorate office at 563-870-4041.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, RICKARDSVILLE

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed\$100,000
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received..... \$78,884
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed..... \$21,116
Weekly Needed\$1,923
Weekly Received.....\$3,511

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, BALLTOWN

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed\$82,473
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received..... \$66,380
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed..... \$16,093
Weekly Needed\$1,586
Weekly Received\$2,160

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LUXEMBURG

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed\$172,442
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received..... \$76,427
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed..... \$96,015
Weekly Needed.....\$3,316
Weekly Received.....\$8,955

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, HOLY CROSS

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed.....\$188,881
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received \$108,269
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed\$80,612
Weekly Needed.....\$3,632
Weekly Received.....\$7,904

SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH, SHERRILL

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed.....\$161,435
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received\$93,856
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed\$67,579
Weekly Needed\$3,105
Weekly Received.....\$6,024

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER



If you would like communion brought to you at your home, please contact the pastorate office at 563-870-4041.

ACTIVITIES

Faith Formation News-

If you have any questions about the Faith Formation program, please contact Taylor Fortmann at (563) 495-3621.

Dubuque County Right to Life, Inc. is hosting their 28th Annual Life Dinner

on April 29, 2022. This year's keynote speaker will be Dr. Anthony Levatino. Cocktail hour will begin at 5 pm with the dinner and program to follow. Dr. Levatino was a former abortionist— come hear his personal story of what caused him to change his heart and how that change impacted his life. Please RSVP by April 18 to the DCRTL office at 563-556-5960 or email dctrl@dctrl.org. All are welcome!

Dubuque's Got Sisters— Are you interested in exploring religious life? Here's your chance to spend time with sisters from several communities, hear their stories and ask questions. There will be time for prayer, personal reflection, a small service project, shared meals and conversation! This event on **April 30, 2022** is open to single women ages 18-45. For more information visit www.discernyourvocation.org.

Mother's Day Breakfast— Sponsored by the Beckman Catholic Booster Club on Sunday, May 8, 2022 from 8 am— noon at the Beckman High School. Serving scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, applesauce, cinnamon roll, coffee, milk and juice. Adults are \$10, Ages 5-10 are \$5, Ages 4 & Under are free. If you would like to make a donation of cash or eggs to help offset expenses or to make a large group reservation, please call Beth Gallagher @ 563-590-1553 or Jamie Boge @ 563-543-4118. Proceeds will go to support Beckman Catholic High School. Your support is very appreciated!

Stonehill Communities of Dubuque's Pastoral Care

is seeking volunteers and/or Eucharistic ministers to assist residents to Mass or lead the rosary before 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Anyone with musical talent is also welcome for daily Mass on Monday, Thursday or Friday. Your time and compassion will touch many lives! For more information call Lori Pottebaum at 563-557-7181 Ext.1212.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Catholic faith based marriage enrichment program for couples who want to keep their marriage vibrant and alive. Find out how by attending one of these upcoming experiences Sept 9-11th in Dubuque; Nov 18-20th in Holstein. For more information or to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305.



Never waste a chance to become more like Jesus. -Mother Teresa

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