#### The Week In God's Time

Saturday evening, April 20<sup>th</sup> The Most Solemn Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord Gen 1:1-2:2/Gen 22:1-18/ Ex 14:15-15:1/Rom 6:3-11/ Lk 24:1-12 Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

The Most Solemn Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord First Day in the Paschal Octave Acts 10:34-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or at a PM Mass, Lk 24:13-35

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> *Monday of the Paschal Octave 2<sup>d</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter* Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Tuesday of the Paschal Octave 3<sup>et</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Paschal Octave **4<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter** Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> Thursday in the Paschal Octave 3<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48

Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> Friday in the Paschal Octave 6<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday in the Paschal Octave 7<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday of the Paschal Octave 8<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Easter The Sunday of Divine Mercy Acts 5:12-16/Rev 1:9-19/Jn 20:19-31 Archbishop Dolan tells about a time in Washington, D.C. when he had the privilege of assisting at the Gift of Peace House, a hospice for dying AIDS patients run by St. Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity.

On Good Friday, 1989 I was celebrant of the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion for the sisters, volunteers, and patients. Afterwards two sisters led me upstairs so that the bedridden patients could kiss the feet of our Lord on the cross.

As I went from bed to bed I saw an emaciated man in the corner who seemed agitated and kept beckoning to me. As I began to approach his bed, the sister halted me, warning that this man was unusually violent, hateful to all, and had attempted to bite the sisters many times. The man kept signaling me to come near. What was I to do?

Cautiously I approached and carefully extended the crucifix, which he grasped and kissed - not the feet, I remember so vividly - but the face of the crucified Lord. He then lay back down, exhausted.

The next day, Holy Saturday, the sisters called me and said the man had asked to see me. I went and again, in company with two of the sisters as "bodyguards," approached him. He whispered, "I want to be baptized!"

I moved a few inches closer, and, expressing satisfaction, asked if he could explain to me why he desired to enter the Church.

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 "I know nothing of Christianity or the Catholic Church," he said, with the little strength he had left. "In fact, I have hated religion all my life. All I do know is that for three months I have been here dying. These sisters are always happy! When I curse them, they look at me with compassion in their eyes. Even when they clean up my vomit, bathe my sores, and change my diapers, they are smiling; when they spoon-feed me, there is a radiance in their eyes. All I know is that they have joy and I don't. When I ask them in desperation why they are so happy, all they answer is 'Jesus.' I want this Jesus. Baptize me and give me this Jesus! Give me joy!"

Never as a priest has it brought me more satisfaction to baptize, anoint, and give first Holy Communion to someone. He died at 3:15 on Easter morning.

This story was shared in a homily a few years ago. It is printed here because of its connection to the Risen Lord Jesus; Jesus who is Truth, Life, Peace, Happiness, Joy...! How much do we desire Joy? How greatly do we long for the Risen Lord? Have we found the empty tomb? Have we found the Risen Lord Jesus?

The man dying from AIDS found the empty tomb and the Risen Lord Jesus in the sisters caring for him. The joy of the Risen Lord ought not be that hard to find. We have all we need here to receive it!

# The Most Solemn Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 21st, 2019

**RESURREXIX, SICUT DIXIT. ALLELUIA!** 

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# Sacrament of Reconciliation: St. Thomas: Sat. 4:45 PM to 5:45 PM Sun. 7:45 AM to 8:15 AM St. Liborius: Sun. 10:30 AM to 10:50 AM Also by appointment and possible during any Holy Hour.

**Baptism:** Class required before or after the birth your first child.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** At least six months of preparation is required prior to your wedding.

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#### HE HAS RISEN, AS HE SAID. ALLELUIA! (From the Regina Caeli—Marian Antiphon for the Paschal Season)

<u>Schedule f</u>	or the H	April 22 <sup>nd</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup>				
Monday		April		8:30 AM	Faulkton	Int. of Fr. Christopher Hughes
Tuesday		April	23	8:30 AM	Faulkton	†Fr, William Pitcavage, S.C.J.
Wednesday		April	24	8:30 AM	Faulkton	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday		April	24	7:00 PM	Polo	Int. of Court O.L.F. (C.D.A.)
Thursday		April	25	8:30 AM	Faulkton	Souls in Purgatory
Friday		April	26	8:30 AM	Faulkton	†Cecilia Grunewaldt
Friday		April	26	10:30 AM	Meadows	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday		April	27	8:30 AM	Faulkton	†Lawrence & Dorothy Grunewaldt
Saturday	No Incense	April	27	6:00 PM	Faulkton	Mass for the People
Sunday	Incense	April		8:30 AM	Faulkton	<sup>.</sup> †Terry Huss
Sunday	Incense	April		11:00 AM	Polo	†Yvonne Evans

#### Liturgy Schedule for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass — April 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

	<i>ST. THOMAS</i>	<i>ST. THOMAS</i>	<i>ST. LIBORIUS</i>
	Saturday - 6:00 PM	Sunday - 8:30 AM	Sunday - 11:00 AM
Servers	Emma Martinmaas Micah Martinmaas Korbin Stark	Philip Holsing Sean Roseland Isaac Trefz Samuel Trefz	Ally Mullaney James L. Grace S.
Extraordinary	Don Clement	Glenna Clement	Amy N.
Minister (s)	Matt Schulte	Jan Melius	Mike S.
Lector	Gloria Bode	Dale Holt	Rob Mullaney
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Greeters	"	Bill & Kelly Warren	"
Ushers	Larry Aesoph Richard Hanson John Miller Jim Slunecka	First Communicants " "	Andy Schlechter Terry Schlechter -

#### Religious Education in the Parishes

St. Thomas - Apr. 24th Afternoon, Regular class & 1st Communion Practice; Evening, Regular class - May 1st All Classes in Evening/Final class - May Crowning at 6:30 PM, Ice Cream Social after

St. Liborius - April 24th Afternoon, Regular class & 1st Communion Practice, Lunch - Alyssa M.; Evening, Regular class

- May 1st Afternoon, Regular class, Lunch - Amber Saienga; Evening, Regular class

- May 8th Afternoon, Final class, Lunch - Emily Schaefers; Evening, Final class ......

### **COLLECTION TOTALS**

**St. Thomas:** Regular- \$2,126.00; Loose - \$235.00; Children - \$15.00 ..... Total - \$2,376.00 CFSA - Gifts to date: \$8,305.00 Needed to reach assessment: \$2,295.00 ...... 45% participation

Be watching the bulletin and the entryways for the schedule of the Novena of Holy Hours in our parishes that begins May 7<sup>th</sup> and ends May 15<sup>th</sup> on the Feast of St. Isidore the Farmer.

# ~ST.LIBORIUS STUFF~

Men's Work Team, May: Rob Mullaney, Rick Schlechter

April 28<sup>th</sup> Lunch: Jerome & Tammie S., Rusty & Mo W., X & Mallory S., Leo & Betty N. May 5th Lunch: Patrick & Emily S., Jon & Amber S., Joe & Maria A., Jack & JoAnn S.

Marriages: Natalie Kolda is to be united in marriage to Casey Lewis in a Nuptial Mass at St. Liborius on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM.

Tierney Mullaney is to be united in marriage to Thomas Culver in a Nuptial Mass at St. Liborius on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM.

### ~ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE STUFF~

May Crowning on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM - This is for members of the parish and religious ed students. This replaces the final class of the year and students will have an ice cream social following the May Crowning.

Nathan Sindelar, fiancé of MaKenzie Aesoph was Baptized and received into the Church this weekend at the Solemn Paschal Vigil at St. Thomas on Saturday evening. They are to be united in marriage on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> in a Nuptial Liturgy at St. Joseph Church in Orient. (This is a correction to the wrong month that was listed in last Sunday's bulletin.

# ~CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SIOUX FALLS STUFF~

Bishop's Charity Fishing Tournaments to be held Mon., June 3rd at Big Stone City Lakeside Park and Mon., June 10<sup>th</sup> at Oahe Downstream Rec. Area (5 miles N. of Pierre/Ft. Pierre). 1-888-246-3386 or ccfesd.org to register.

Ordinations are the last two days of May at St. Joseph Cathedral in Sioux Falls. The Diaconal Ordination is Thur., May 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM and the Priesthood Ordination is Fri., May 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:00. Please pray for these men.

#### These children from the parishes have made their First Reconciliation and will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday April 28th, The Second Sunday of the Paschal Octave, at the morning Masses.

St. Thomas: Hadley Edgar, Eleanor Hanson, Cain Hogg, Lucia Holsing, Rhyann Roseland, Jacob Schilder, Allison Simons, Logan Smith, & John Trefz St. Liborius: Jackson Kolda & Jessie Coyle

### Fr. Roger Geditz - 50th Anniversary of Priesthood

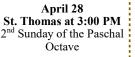
Fr. Roger Geditz (many of you know him) will cele-brate a Mass in honor of his 50th Anniversary of Priesthood on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Holy Cross Parish in Ipswich at 11:00 AM. His actual anniversary is May, 29th.

He was my (Fr. Christopher's) regular spiritual director for about eight years and he has invited me to his anniversary celebration. I have accepted and I ask that I might be able to alter our weekend Mass schedule so that I may be able to attend that Sunday, June 2nd at 11:00 AM.

I would ask that St. Liborius in Polo have a Saturday Vigil Mass that weekend so as to permit me to attend the 11:00 AM at Holy Cross in Ipswich. Details of the times of Saturday evening Masses that weekend in our parishes will be set in the very near future. Those of you who may wish to send a card to Fr. Geditz for his anniversary...please know that I would be happy to deliver one to him that day.

# Sunday Holy Hours for April

April 21 St. Thomas at 1:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Paschal Octave







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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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