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PARISH OFFICE: MON-FRI, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Saturday, April 4 - Holy Saturday**

9:00 p.m. Fr. Bill Sullivan +

**Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday**

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Charles Ault +

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

12 :00 p.m. Personal Intention

**Monday, April 6**

*No Public Mass*

**Tuesday, April 7**

**6:00 p.m.** Bill Lautzenheiser +

**Wednesday, April 8**

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*

6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*

7:00 p.m. Patty Makowski

**Thursday, April 9**

8:00 a.m. Stephanie Robinson +

**Friday, April 10**

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Priests

**Saturday, April 11**

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

**Sunday, April 12**

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the  
Blinn Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert  
Bates+



**MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., Apr. 6 - Monday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 / Mt 28:8-15

**Tues., Apr. 7 - Tuesday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 2:36-41 / Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 / Jn 20:11-18

**Wed., April 8 - Wednesday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 3:1-10 / Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 / Lk 24:13-35

**Thurs., April 9 - Thursday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 3:11-26 / Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 / Lk 24:35-48

**Fri., April 10 - Friday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 4:1-12 / Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a / Jn 21:1-14

**Sat., April 11 - Saturday within the Octave of Easter [1]** - Acts 4:13-21 / Ps 118:1, 14-15b, 16-21 / Mk 16:9-15

**Sun., April 12 - Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)** - Acts 2:42-47 / Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 / 1 Pt 1:3-9 / Jn 20:19-31

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - APRIL 5, 2026**

**Christ is risen! Truly, He is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!** Whether this is your first-time visiting with us or if you are a life-long parishioner, we rejoice to celebrate **Easter** with you! Thank you for joining us as we celebrate together the Resurrection of Jesus Christ! We no longer fear death for the death of our Savior has set us free. For this reason, **Easter** is not just an event that we remember, but a reality that we are called to live everyday of our lives.

Our liturgical life reflects the reality of our **Easter celebration** as we treat each day of the **Easter Octave** as if it was **Easter Sunday** itself. The joy of the Risen Christ cannot be contained in a single day; Instead, the effects of this great gift of salvation are felt anew in each day. For this reason, the full **Easter Season**, or **Eastertide**, lasts for *fifty days*! These *fifty days* of celebration should be lived as intensely as we lived out the past *forty days* of **Lent**.

Throughout the next forty days of **Eastertide**, we will hear of the Lord's constant appearances to His Apostles and disciples before His **Ascension**. After His **Ascension**, we spend the last ten days of **Eastertide** preparing for the descent of the Holy Spirit on **Pentecost**. For those visiting with us, we warmly invite you to remain with us like the first disciples, joining in prayer throughout all of **Eastertide** as we remain united as pilgrims of Easter joy. The doors of the Church, and the heart of Christ, always remain open to you.

Congratulations to our two Elect (Andrew and Jesse) and our two Candidates for Full Communion (Kathy and Keiran) who were received into the Church this Easter! We rejoice together as a parish to see our family continue to grow! A special "*Thank You!*" to the godparents and sponsors of our Elect and Candidates and to our OCIA Coordinator, Jill, and our OCIA Team for the diligent preparation they've helped provide throughout this past year.

Following this past year of preparation, our **Discover Catholicism** series will continue for two more weeks. During this time, those received into the Church will have the chance to reflect on the past year and the Sacraments they have just received.

**PARISH RENOVATIONS—FLOOR TOUR**

If this is your first time joining us in a while, you will surely have noticed something seems a little different! At the start of the New Year, we moved our weekend Masses into the **Parish Social Hall** as we began the first major renovation in the church in 40+ years. This renovation addresses a number of areas in the church (*e.g. removing asbestic materials, increasing seating capacity, etc...*) while building upon the inherent beauty of our building.

Thanks to the dedicated work of all those involved, we are on schedule. After our **Easter Sunday** Masses, you are invited upstairs into the church to view the completed terrazzo flooring with medallions designed specially for our parish. Though work in the sanctuary will continue for the next two months, the nave is itself ready for use. After deep cleaning and placement of a dust barrier, we will resume our weekend Masses in the church this month.

During the weekdays, we will continue to make use of our temporary **Daily Mass and Blessed Sacrament Chapel** in the **Conference Room** of the **Schaefer Parish Center** as construction continues in the sanctuary. The **Blessed Sacrament** remains reserved at all hours in our chapel-area and the church doors continue to be open 24/7, even during construction, for those who wish to stop by and spend time in prayer with the Eucharistic Lord.

**EASTER EGG HUNT & PARISH POTLUCK**

As a reminder, next Sunday we will celebrate the **Octave Day of Easter** (April 12<sup>th</sup>), known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**, with our annual **Easter Egg Hunt and Parish Potluck following the 10 AM Sunday Mass**. This event is open to all as we continue our **Easter celebrations** together as a parish family. The parish will provide the main entrée and drinks; You are invited to bring your favorite side-dish to share. Please see the sign-up in the back of Church.



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Jeff Tillman, Mike Holland, Richard Payne and Matt Norris.



**Knights of Columbus—Tues., April 7<sup>th</sup>**  
 Join the *Knights of Columbus* in praying the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in the Chapel. The meeting starts in the gym at 7:00 PM  
**All men in the Parish are welcome!**

## G.I.R.L.'s Night Out

*(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)*  
**G.I.R.L.'s Night Out** will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the 8th grade Religious Education Classroom.  
*All women of the parish are invited & welcome!*



**TOTUS TUUS SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM**  
**Junior High/High School**  
 June 21<sup>st</sup> - June 25<sup>th</sup> - 6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
**Grades 1-6**  
 June 22<sup>nd</sup> - June 26<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.

### PARISH CALENDAR

- Holy Sat., April 4 - Easer Vigil in the Holy Night - 9:00 p.m.
- Easter Sun., April 5 - Mass during the Day - 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:00 p.m. (Noon)
- Easter Sun., April 5 - No Religious Education Class- Easter
- Mon., April 6 - Parish Office Close Today
- Tues., April 7 - Mass 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- Tues., April 7 - Knights of Columbus - Rosary in the Chapel at 6:40 p.m. / Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Gym.
- Wed., April 8 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- Thurs., April 9 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Thurs., April 9 - Discover Catholicism - 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom.
- Thurs., April 9 - Adult Choir practice - 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall (Church).
- Fri., April 10 - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., April 11 - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m. (Chapel)
- Sat., April 11 - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., April 12 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., April 12 - Religious Education Class Resumes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Sun., April 12 - Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Potluck - following 10:00 Mass in the Parish Gym. See Signup Sheet!
- Tues., April 14 - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- Wed., April 15 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- Thurs., April 16 - Mass 8:00 a.m.

### WEEKEND OF APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>



**MASS Cantors**  
 5:00 p.m. Dan Lautzenheiser  
 7:30 a.m. Mike Morrissey  
 10:00 a.m. Jay Crisp



**LECTORS**  
 5:00 p.m. Carol Butler  
 7:30 a.m. Sarah McCorkle  
 10:00 a.m. Jacque Johnson



**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
 5:00 p.m. Larisa Sudhoff  
 7:30 a.m. N/A  
 10:00 a.m. Joni Cincotta, Rick Singer, Sarah Bedwell



**Servers**  
 5:00 p.m. Alex Mechling, Landen Lautzenheiser,  
**Volunteer Needed!**  
 7:30 a.m. Angela/James Mayer, Liam Harris  
 10:00 a.m. Gabby/Olivia/Jabob Hoffacker

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH FINANCE REPORT

<b>Weekend of Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> &amp; 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40</b>
Adult Envelopes - \$2,594.00	We are <b>\$353.16 behind</b>
Loose - \$242.00	our budget for the month
Repair / Rainy Day - \$210.00	of March 2026.
Easter Flowers - \$10.00	
Easter Offering - \$15.00	
G.I.R.L.'s Night Out - \$143.00	St. Vincent de Paul Fund -
<b>Total - \$3,214.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>

*Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are appreciated!*  
**Thank you!**

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 Scan the QR Code on the right:



**"Be Sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit"**  
 Please remember these young men and women in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's, Decatur.

**Magdalene (Maggie)**  
 Daughter of Colin and Lauren Andrews

**Isaac**  
 Son of Steve and Amy Gruss

**Veronica**  
 Daughter of Andy and Jennie Haiflich

**Macy**  
 Daughter of Kevin and Ann McNabb

**Andrew**  
 Son of David and Teresa Smith



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Before you speak....

**THINK!**

T - is it true?  
 h - is it helpful?  
 i - is it inspiring?  
 n - is it necessary?  
 k - is it kind?



"Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families."  
 - St. John Paul II