



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKEND MASSES AT ST. JOSEPH:

Saturdays: 6:00 pm (odd months)
Sundays: 8:00 am (even months)
Ruma Convent: Sunday at 11am
Daily Mass varies at both locations
Confessions at St. Joseph:
Saturday 5 - 5:40 pm & Sundays 7:15 - 7:45 am

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Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 21, 2019

When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.
— *Colossians 3:4*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts on heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Luke 24:1-12 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

HAPPY EASTER

Happy Easter! Or as most other languages prefer: Blessed Pasch—Passover! *Pasqua, Pascua, Páscoa, Pâques!* Israel's Passover through the Red Sea to the Promised Land! Jesus' Passover through the Cross to resurrection! Our catechumens' Passover last night, and ours once upon a time, through Baptism's waters to our family's Eucharist! Welcome, everybody! As someone once said of the Catholic Church, "Here comes everybody!" So in this Jubilee of Mercy, we make our own Saint John Chrysostom's Easter welcome from fourteen hundred years ago: "Let everyone enjoy this radiant feast! You who fasted from Lent's beginning, and you who didn't fast at all, rejoice! The table's richly set! Come, take from it, everybody, no worries, no embarrassment! All of you, taste the banquet of faith! Enjoy the feast of forgiveness! Let no one grieve for having sinned again and again: pardon has risen from the tomb!" Happy Easter! Blessed Pasch! Welcome, everybody!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the centuries, the Church has demonstrated a wonderful ability to adopt a culture's favorite symbols and customs and assign them new meaning. Easter eggs have a very ancient pedigree: nature's perfect package, emblem of new life, dyed and decorated and given as gifts in ancient Egypt, Rome, China, and Persia. Just as the long hard winter is over, the egg bursts with promise of life and nourishment. Long ago, Christians came to see the egg not as a symbol of spring's rebirth, but of ours, and as a sign of Christ's tomb. A Polish legend says that Mary, in compassion for the soldiers at the cross, gave them eggs, but that her tears stained their shells with brilliant color. Legends have their origin in tales told around a hearth, but they often contain a

profound truth. The idea of Mary, the first Christian, engaged in a merciful act of forgiveness and tenderness even in the shadow of the cross, describes the age-old wish that Christ “Easter in us.”

Happy Anniversary!

Apr. 21 Ryan & Dawn Walker
Apr. 22 Ashley & Dakota Buskirk
Apr. 24 Patrick & Lillian Drury
Apr. 27 Ken & Marilyn Pelate
Apr. 28 Kerry & Rhonda Hooten

May the Lord continue to bless your marriage and each of you for many years to come.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Apr. 20th THROUGH Apr. 28th

Sat.	7:30pm(C)	Fr. Steve Humphrey
Sun.	8:30am	Frances Klein George Deterding
Sun.	11am(C)	Bill & Vernie Fry
Mon.	4:15pm (C)	Melvin & Verona Schwartz
Tues.	4:15pm(C)	Hellen Troxel
Wed.	4:15pm(C)	Gwen & Richard Schroeder
Thurs	4:15pm (C)	Leta Rae & Gib Bauer
Thurs.	8am(J)	Norman Bachelier
Fri.	8:15am(C)	S. Wilfreda Kern
Sun.	8am(J)	Members of parish council partnership
Sun.	11am (C)	Emily & Adam Embrich



Leroy Puttkammer	Our Homebound
Pat Deterding	Rev. Ken Schaefer
All Cancer Patients	Betty Schneider
Eric Strate	Rev. Richard Mohr
Billy Dethrow	Rev. Joe Rascher
Betty Schaefer & Carolyn Schneider	

All names of the prayer list will be left on for 4 weeks. Please call the rectory if you would like them to remain on the list.



Apr. 14th 2019

Envelopes (57)	\$1402.00
Loose	\$206.00
Easter Flower	\$150.00
Capt. Improvement	\$180.00
Total	\$1938.00
Weekly goal	\$1700.00



Sun. Apr. 21st @ 8:30am

B Vincent Briaahna(upstairs)
C Audrey & Steve G.
L Becky
S Zach, Michael, Katie, Langston & Mackenzie
G PSR students
Chalice/Paten: Jeanelle D.

Sun. Apr. 28th @ 8am

B Marie
C Carol & Mary
L Steve G.
S Volunteers
G Chad D. Family
Chalice/Paten: Ina D

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Apr. 23 Ian Hankammer
Apr. 25 David Gross
Apr. 27 Makayla Johnson
Apr. 28 Lisa Cowell

May your day be filled with Good Wishes, Birthday Greetings and God's Blessings



From the Desk of Fr. Dennis

Today on this Easter Sunday we are filled with joy, for we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord! He died on the Cross, but now he has been raised from death to new life.

Today we are filled with hope, for the sacrifice he made on the cross has opened the way to eternal life. His sacrifice is our salvation. Today we are filled with praise, for Jesus Christ has won victory over the grave. He has redeemed humanity! Alleluia we proclaim, for he is alive!

On behalf of our parish and school staff, along with Msgr. Dan, and the Sisters of the Ruma Convent, I extend to all in our parish partnership, prayers and greetings for an Easter filled with new life, hope, and blessings overflowing!

Special thanks to all who helped make our Lenten journey a great time of prayer and reflection. May we use the 50 days ahead to continue deepening our relationship with the Risen Lord! Remember, don't worry so much, and know that you are loved!

God's Peace and Blessings!

Fr. Dennis

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The world says, "Seeing is believing." Faith says, "Believing is seeing!"

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

Sun. 8:30a.m. Easter Mass @ St. Joseph. Blessing of the baskets and Easter egg hunt after Mass.

Mon. St. John parish office closed.

Tues.: PSR 7:15a.m

R&R @ 10:30a.m.

Wed.: Quilting

Thurs.: Mass 8a.m.

St. Joseph Picnic Meeting 7p.m.

Sun.: Mass 8a.m. @ St. Joseph

10a.m. 1st Communion at St. John's

Partnership Parish Councils gather at Ruma from 2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

The pastor was interviewing a young man for the job of director of the parish's youth ministry. "Remember," he told the man, "we care a great deal about cleanliness here and it's something we want to teach our young people. Did you wipe your feet on the mat before coming in the door?" "Absolutely," said the candidate. The pastor looked at him and said, "We also want to teach our youth about honesty here, there is no mat at the door."

PARTNERSHIP MASS FOR MAY IS:

St. Joseph: 6pm Saturday

St. Patrick: 8am Sunday

DID YOU REMEMBER



Please contact Paulette R. Deterding 618-284-7353 if you or a fellow parishioner are suffering from an injury, illness, or grief and would like a visit.



The Prayer chain is in place. If you know of someone who is in need of emergency prayers please call Jeanelle Dinan 284-7788 or the rectory @ 284-3314.

Religious Education



To 2nd grade PSR Parents Please watch your emails for notices about 1st communion information. First Communion is May 4th at 5p.m.



If you are looking for a special gift for a loved one the youth is selling candles made from recycled Easter candles. They are \$15 and all proceeds go to the NCYC fund.

Apr. 21: Easter egg Hunt after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Apr. 22 summer snack stand ball games begin.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:

Easter Joy – *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!* The darkness of the winter is gone and the gloom of Good Friday is behind us. Today is a wonderful day to celebrate Christ's love for us. **Learn, Act, Connect, Pray:** Let us go forth today with a song in our hearts. After you leave Mass, do you ever have a few lines of a hymn that stick with you the rest of the day? The song resonates in your heart so much that you want to sing it or carry the tune in your heart the rest of the day. That's joy! Let's share it! Share joy with everyone you encounter today – smile, be happy, greet strangers, go out of your way to be nice to people. Slow down. Appreciate the small moments of joy today, and then share it with others.

DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS:

Evansville Knights of Columbus Fish Buffet
Friday May 3rd serving 4:30 - 8pm
4 kinds of fish and 7 sides
Adults \$12.00 children 5-12 \$5.00
Buffet is Dine-in Only
Carry outs available by the Plate, Sandwich or by the Pound.

Gibault:

Plant Sale

Gibault presents its annual plant sale. Customers can purchase plants, grown in the Gibault greenhouse by agriculture students, and purchase hand-painted pots, crafted by art students!

Where: Gibault greenhouse (back of the school)

When: Saturday, April 27, Saturday May 4, and Saturday May 11 8:00AM-1PM

What: flowers, fruits, herbs, and vegetable plants

Partnership Corner:

St. John the Baptist:

St. Anne's CCW Spring Banquet

Ladies of our parish partnership are invited to attend the Spring Banquet of St. Anne's CCW. The May 7th meal will be catered by The Office. Festivities begin at 6:15 in St. John the Baptist Parish Cafeteria. Text or call Carol Schaefer 618-504-9101 or Donna Scheffert 618-830-1952 to RSVP by April 26th. The cost is \$12 and must be paid in advance through the collection basket (please label St. Anne's Banquet) or the rectory office. We hope to see you there!

PART TIME MAINTENANCE PERSON

The school is still in need of a part time maintenance person. If you are interested or you know someone who is, please call the school office 282-3215.

Ruma Convent:

Be a Blessing Garden Project intends to grow produce that will be taken to inner city communities and given to people who can't afford and do not have access to these products. What produce do we intend to grow? Tomatoes, cucumber, okra, collard greens, turnip greens, spinach, cabbage, sweet potatoes, onions, peppers.

We are all called to be a blessing in each other's lives. This project allows you to share your gifts with people who could use your help and gives you an opportunity to connect with people in your area.

Sharing our gifts, feeding the hungry, making a difference in another person's life

Grab a buddy and come be part of this gift giving project.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Prairie du Rocher American Legion

Blood Drive

Wed. Apr. 24th 2:30-6:30 p.m.

Fish Fry: Apr. 26th 4:30-8pm

Dine in or Carry out

FROM PARISH COUNCIL:

Remember to give to the capitol fund. This fund is set up for the repairs and maintenance of our beautiful church and grounds.

Parish Council Members please remember you have partnership gathering on Sunday April 28th from 2-4p.m. at Ruma Convent.

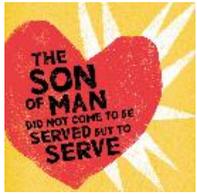
PRIORITY LIST:

It was agreed that the Church A/C system was the most popular repair.

Total Cost to replace the Church A/C is \$25,750.00.

There is a goal thermometer outside to help track of our progress.

Please remember to donate we don't want church to hotter than...well you know!



Please don't be afraid to step outside your comfort zone. Jesus certainly wasn't!

Sometimes change is good!

FROM FINANCE COUNCIL:

Our totals for the Diocesan tax, Clergy aid, Insurance and Subsidies (Gibault and St. John's) and our total for FY 2018/2019 is slowly decreasing from 54,179.71 to \$39,126.26. Because of your generous donations since October we have paid off \$15,053.26 of the diocesan bills. Please continue donate generously. Most recent payment was to St. John's. Dioceses of Belleville bill for insurance is paid in full! Way to Go!

Please continue to donate as generously as possible.

Subsidy	\$25,082.00
Parish Assessment	\$14,044.26

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:

Raffle Winners from Spring Bingo:

4 Cardinal Tickets: Iona Heidel

Wine Basket: Linda Hinrichs

25 Person Picnic: Beulah Robert

\$100 gift certificate to Myers' Market: Brenda Holcomb

Scentsy Basket: Karen Macbush

Porch Welcome Sign: Eileen Koenegstein

Bath & Body: Mary Chandler

FOR THE KIDS @ ST. JOSEPH'S



Serving God By Serving Others

Grades 7-12.



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Grades 3-11.