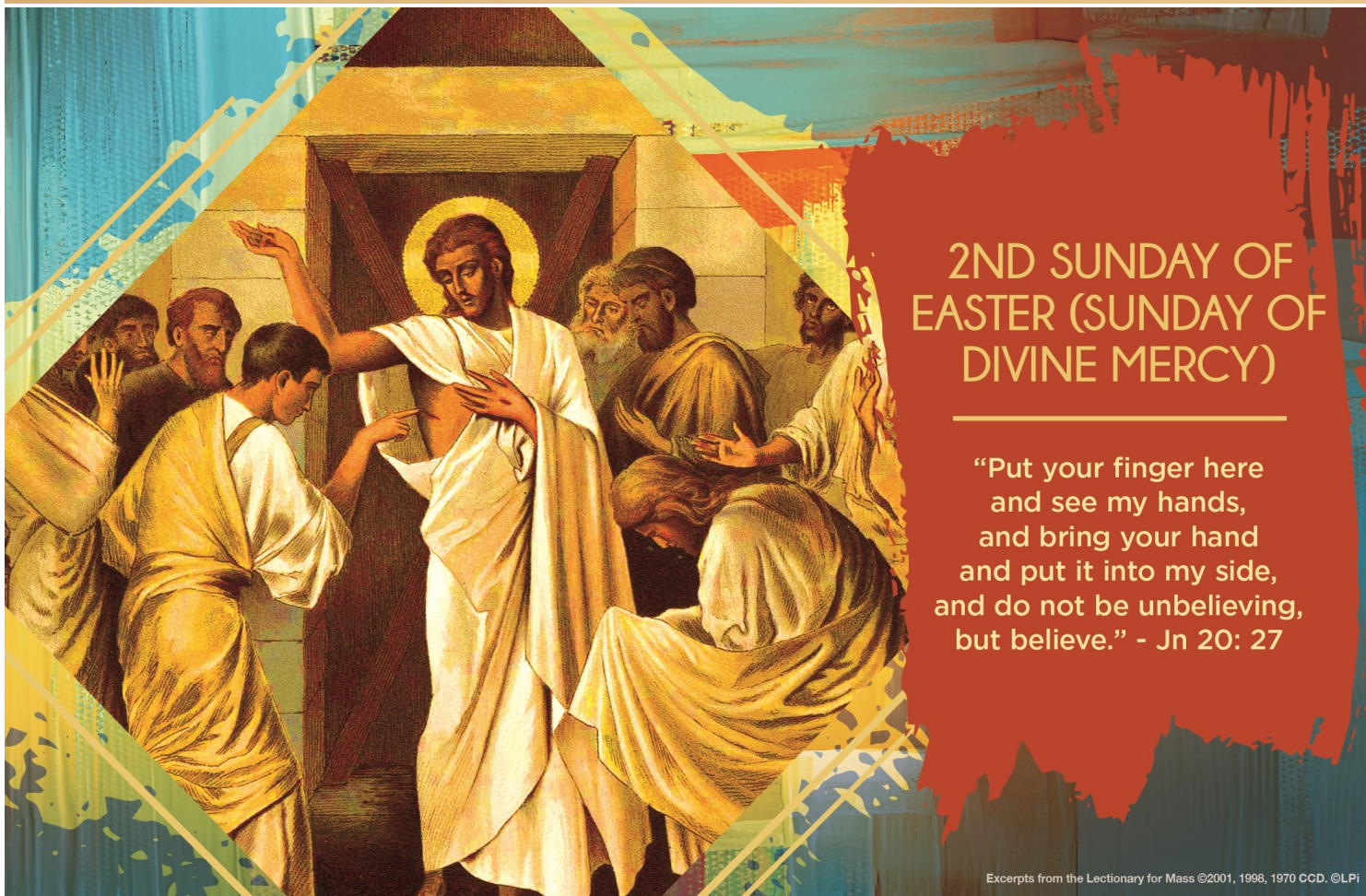




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April 7, 2024



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

“Put your finger here
and see my hands,
and bring your hand
and put it into my side,
and do not be unbelieving,
but believe.” - Jn 20: 27

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MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm

Weekend Mass may be viewed online: www.saintjosephparish.org

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office anytime.

REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

Br. Ray's Reflections

We are still in the glow of Easter this week! Didn't we celebrate Holy Week and the Triduum well? I thank all of those who added so much richness to our liturgies. From the musicians and choir to the lectors to the servers to the "behind the scenes" people who were involved in making the altar and environment beautiful and to those who served us wonderful sweets after the Easter Vigil, we are all in your debt!

This weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday and as we continue to attempt to comprehend the power of the Easter mystery, the church reminds us of the power of Christ's mercy. The Divine Mercy image of Christ portrays Christ with his arms opened wide to welcome us into his love. It's a beautiful image during this Easter season. May we allow that image to touch our hearts in deeper ways. The words of Christ in the Gospel today are not accusatory or angry toward the disciples for all their cowardice and betrayals, but just "Peace." The mercy of Christ envelops us in his love and peace. We, who like the disciples continue to fall in our lives, are reminded that we receive the breath of Christ's mercy and peace throughout all our days.

Our liturgies were so much more moving as we welcomed our two newest brothers at the Easter Vigil! Emiliano Victoria and Matthew Longmore are both stellar men and we are so grateful they have answered the call of Christ. Emiliano and Matt, we love you guys and are here to support you in your journey of faith. May Christ continue to bless you in ways you can't even imagine right now. Welcome, good brothers!



Soup Supper Collection During Lent

During Lent, we had a collection at the stations of the cross and soup suppers for Fr. Raja, to help Fr. Raja spread God's word through Catholic Weekly publications. These donations will be used to train poor young men and women in the field of journalism and social communication, so that they are able to take the word of God and share it with those who are less fortunate. We collected \$763.00. Thank you everyone for your generosity! If you would like to contribute, please put your donation in an envelope and drop it off at the Parish Office by April 15. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Parish.

Social Concerns Ministry Environmental Event

To honor Earth Day 2024, a Social Concerns Ministry spring environmental party will be held **on Monday, April 8, from 6:30—8:00 pm in The Great Hall**. A representative from Winnebago County Recycling will give a presentation followed by an informal celebration. We hope you can join us!!

Personal Witness Talk

Greg Pekarske-Siers will be returning for a presentation on "What Is It Like Living with Mental Illness". Join us on **Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 pm in Room 209**. Discover how you can be supportive to others.

SCM—Earth Day Helping Hands Event



Do you need help with spring yard work? Members of the St. Joe's Parish community will be available to help on April 20 & 21 from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Reservations can be made through the CARE Ministry office **until April 10**. Please call: 920-734-7195 (Ext. 125), and leave your first and last name, phone number with area code and preferred date of service. You will be given a call to confirm your date and yardwork needs.

Cash Back for Youth Program

St. Patrick's Bookstore & Gifts offers 10% donation of your purchase back to our parish youth program. Just mention our parish when you make a purchase. Shop local, support our youth program and "Give the Gift that keeps on Giving".

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

March 24—Lucas Kuba—\$25
March 25—Ron Muellenbach—\$25
March 26—John Hagins—\$25
March 27—Michael Howard—\$25
March 28—Sam Anderson—\$25
March 29—Good Friday—No Drawing
March 30—Monica & Mike Miling—\$25

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill:

Dave Hendricks

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died.

APRIL 7, 2024 / SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish Family Life Corner

Thank you to everyone who participated in the first Parish Family Life Easter Egg Hunt. Over 800 eggs were hidden and 750 of them were found! I suspect either the staff or Snoop will be finding the rest! We hope you all had an egg-ceptional time!



Upcoming Event—Roller Skating

Are you all ready to have a “wheely” good time? Then let’s roll! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 27, 4:30 – 6:30 PM** for the private Parish Family Roller Skating Bash at Skate City in Kimberly. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Fee includes skate rental, spectators are free. Bring your friends and grandchildren! More information and registration are coming soon.

Financial News

(3/23/24 - 3/24/24)

Tithing Needed	\$16,777.00
Last Week’s Tithing.....	\$13,491.45
Auto Withdrawal	\$490.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$25.00
IRA’s/Donations	\$4,575.00

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for the Week of April 7

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)

1 Jn 5:1-6

Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10

Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11

Heb 10:4-10

Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37

Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5

Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26

Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33

Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20

Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42

Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

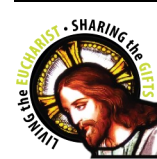
Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)

1 Jn 2:1-5a

Lk 24:35-48

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Bishop’s Annual Appeal



We’re into week ten of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. A target is assessed to each parish based on its annual contributions. Our target for this year is **\$88,667**. So far, 289 parishioners have contributed **\$59,267.40**, which is 67% of our target.

There are forms and envelopes in the back of church if you need one. Thank you to all who contributed so far!

Songs Stories & Fun!

at St. Francis Xavier Elementary School

April 12 Marquette Street Campus

17 McDonald Street Campus

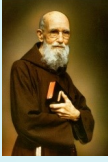
All events begin at 9:00 a.m.

Open to children **ages 2-5** with parents/grandparents. Younger siblings welcome!



APRIL 7, 2024

SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



Blessed Solanus Casey
Pray for Us

Tuesday, April 9

12:05 pm Dec. Patrick Rohrer
12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, April 10

12:05 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

Friday, April 12

12:05 pm Dec. Raymond Wuerger

Saturday, April 13

4:00 pm Dec. Agnes Van Heuklon

Sunday, April 14

8:00 am Dec. Barb Meyer
10:00 am Dec. Patricia Pfeifer
6:30 pm Dec. Wren Ott

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, April 8

6:30 pm SCM Environmental Event, Great Hall
6:30 pm Fall Festival Meeting, Room 210

Tuesday, April 9

6:30 pm Mental Illness Witness Talk, Rm. 209

Wednesday, April 10

4:45 pm Grades K-5 Faith Formation Classes
6:30 pm Grades 6-11 Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, April 11

6:00 pm Journey of Grief Session, Room 209
6:30 pm Parish Family Life Mtg., Room 210

Saturday, April 13

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Book Club



The next St. Mary/St. Joseph book club discussion will take place at 6 pm, on Tuesday, April 9, in Room L4 at St. Mary. The book selected for discussion is **Infinite Country** by Patricia Engel.

Engel's book is an urgent and lyrical novel about a Colombian family fractured by deportation, offering an intimate perspective on an experience that so many have endured—and are enduring right now.

For May 14 our book selection is **Hidden Genius** by Marie Benedict. For more information, please contact Mary Schulz: 920-809-4474. New members are welcome to attend anytime.

Church Chuckle

Why is Swiss considered the most religious type of cheese? It's hole-y.

ST JOSEPH PARISH



We appreciate everyone who showed up after the Good Friday Service to help decorate the church for the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. The church, Great Hall, and Holly Hall look very beautiful, and we could not have done it without you! Thank you for your time and talent!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make the Easter Meal at the Pillar's Adult Shelter such a resounding success! Food donations of every kind came pouring in, a number of generous cash donations were received, and numerous offers of help and prayer helped us to provide a true holiday meal for this vital part of our community. A special thank you to the cooks, bakers, delivery crew and servers who helped exemplify the fabric of St. Joe's Parish and the faith we all share. Additionally, we would all like to thank Br. Ray for his inspiration and support in this outreach ministry, (and Snoop for his assistance in housekeeping!!)

Celebrating the Gift of Life and Legacy

We invite you to join us on **Thursday, April 18, at 6:30 pm** in Holly Hall to discuss how to choose scripture readings and music for a funeral, either your own or a loved one. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office: 920-734-7195.

Young Adult Supper

Sunday, April 28 at 5 pm in Holly Hall

We encourage anyone in their 20's or 30's to join us for pizza, salad and dessert. We'd like to listen to your suggestions about how our parish can support you and how you can support each other. Children are welcome to attend.

Please call the Parish Office: 920-734-7195 before Friday, April 26, at noon to let us know how many will attend so that we will have enough food for everyone. We will be finished in time to celebrate the 6:30 pm Mass for those attending.



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