



A Blessed Easter to Our Dear Parishioners and Friends!

Easter is the culmination of the Christian faith, the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, offering humanity the hope of eternal life. It is the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death, and of hope over despair. Through His death and resurrection, Christ has conquered the power of sin and death, giving us the promise of salvation and renewal.

Easter invites us to reflect on the transformative power of the resurrection. Just as Christ was raised from the dead, so too can we experience a spiritual resurrection in our own lives. The Easter message reminds us that no matter how broken or burdened we may feel, through Christ, we can rise again. His resurrection offers us the grace to overcome our weaknesses and to be renewed in His love.

The Easter season calls us to live as people of hope. It challenges us to reflect on the ways in which we can embody the resurrected life in our daily actions. This is a time to rejoice in the forgiveness of our sins and the new life Christ offers, but also a time to extend that hope to others. As we celebrate Christ's victory over death, we are reminded that our faith is not one of mere belief, but one that calls us to live in the

power of the resurrection, sharing the joy of Easter with all we encounter.

In this season of renewal, may we be transformed by the love of the risen Christ and empowered to live as His witnesses in the world. May our Lenten observances, along with the sacrifices of our prayers, time, talents, and resources invested in our parish renovation and repair, bring us blessings, divine restoration, and forgiveness of sins from the Risen Lord. Amen.

Happy and Blessed Easter to our dear parishioners and friends.

Fr. Peter

Dear Parishioners,

I will be in Nigeria from Easter Monday until May 2nd to visit my ailing mother. Please keep my mother and family in your prayers, and know that I will continue to pray for you and your loved ones.

During my absence, you can reach me through Sara, our Office Manager. The office will remain open as usual, and we have priests on call in case anything urgent comes up. Just let Sara know if you need assistance.

Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 21ST FOR THE EASTER WEEKEND.

NORMAL HOURS WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, APRIL 22

Parish Pilgrimage!

Fr. Peter invites us to a parish pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lacrosse, WI

On Friday - Saturday
May 9-10, 2025

Call the Parish Office for additional info.



Coffee and Donuts

We are hosting Coffee and Donuts every other weekend between the two Sunday Masses!

We will not be having Coffee and Donuts on Easter. Our next dates are May 4th and 18th!



Rosary Wednesday!



Please join us in the church at 6pm each Wednesday!

Recycling Reminder!



Thank you for your generous donations of aluminum cans.

However, we must give you a reminder that ONLY aluminum cans should be placed in our bins. Unfortunately other items have continued to be disposed of there, and we have to sort and remove. Thank you for your cooperation!

Helping Hands in Christ



Our Soap Drive will continue through the month of April before transitioning to the Fan Drive in May.

We are making one additional request. As many of you know we have a parish family who lost their home in a house fire recently. Our church has played an integral role in assisting this family already, but Helping Hands would like to take the opportunity to purchase gift cards for the family through the Raise Right/Scrip Program! In purchasing these cards we can help the family while also supporting the Mission Trip and NCYC trips for the youth.

If you would like to make a contribution just please place your donation in an envelope marked "Gift Card" and place it in the collection basket or drop box.

Thank you for your generosity!
- Jim Havera

St. Jude's Green Team



If you enjoy being outdoors, planting flowers, and doing some landscaping, the St. Jude's Green Team would like you to help beautify the church grounds.

If interested, please contact Kathleen Quinn at (217) 891-0635 or Suzanne Moss at (217) 494-3766.

Our apologies,
It has been brought to our attention that we have misspelled Lindsey Batten's name on the April Birthday List. Lindsey, please accept our apology and best wishes for a wonderful April birthday.



Faith Formation Update



Thursday, May 8: 3-8pm

Friday, May 9: 8am-6pm

Saturday, May 10: 7am-Noon

You can begin to bring your donations. Please try to keep things in boxes with lids so we can stack for maximum storage!

Final day for drop-offs will be May 2.

I will need adult volunteers to help with sorting all week- I will work with volunteers to see if we can have day and evening times open so youth can come help as well!

I will need an adult to run the Rummage Sale Thursday and then again on Friday evening.



It is that time of the year to make plans for the National Youth Conference in Indianapolis. This event is **ONLY** for those who will be **IN** high school beginning the fall of 2025 (current 8th-11th graders). The event is from Thursday 11/20-Sunday 11/22. If you have not received the detailed information via email and your youth is interested in joining us please contact Jennifer

CLOW

Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!



Lessons are provided for you OR you can create your own following the readings!

Contact Jennifer if you'd like to help!

Faith Formation Schedule

April 23:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
April 30:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
May 7:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm Final Day of PSR- PSR Party! Propelled (HS) 7:45-8:45pm
May 13:	Confirmation at the Cathedral Pt. 2
May 14:	Ladies Night, 5:30-7:30pm

VBS!



Now is the time to get your VBS dates down on that calendar!

We will be doing VBS Monday, July 21-Friday, July 25, 2025. The VBS program will be from 9-11:30am and will include Pre-K-5th graders!

Childcare and meals will be available for those who sign up in advance from 8-9am and from 11:30a-1pm to assist parents more with transportation to and from this event!

Cursillo

Is a 3-day experience! Those attending pray together, celebrate Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. A Cursillo weekend begins on Thursday evening with candidate registration from 7:30-8:30p, culminating on Sunday evening with closing and Mass at 4 pm.

If interested, please talk to Joe and Kristin Kohlrus. You can reach them at (217) 652-5393 or (217) 971-7765.

Upcoming Dates:

#376 April 24-27 (Women's)

#377 June 19-22 (Men's)





Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)



In the three-day weekend of TEC, you can experience being part of a vibrant, loving, and supportive faith community in which the friendship of Jesus Christ becomes a real possibility that makes sense.

TEC weekends are held in Quincy. The weekend begins Saturday morning at 9:30am and ends Monday evening by 6:30pm. Anyone of any faith denomination ages 16 and older are welcome to participate.

If interested, please talk to Father Peter and/or Jennifer Frericks!

Upcoming Dates:

#351 June 14-16

Easter Baskets!

Our youth made a new record of 93 baskets!!

We were able to give a basket to each of our homebound residents and to each resident in both Rochester Estates and Carriage Crossing!

Thank you to everyone who donated items toward this great project!



Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

	Saturday, April 19th:
7:30 pm	Mass (Int: Carolyn Carmichael†)
	Sunday, April 20th:
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Gary Leach†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: James Cannon†)
	Monday, April 21st:
5:30 pm	Mass (Int: Virginia Bartlett†)
	Tuesday, April 22nd:
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel†)
	Wednesday, April 23rd:
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Anna Auxier)
	Thursday, April 24th:
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel†)
	Friday, April 25th:
7:30am	Mass (Int: Lynn Leach†)
	Saturday, April 26th:
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)
	Sunday, April 27th:
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)

Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 3,793.00	\$ 165,026.60
EFT-Ordinary	\$ 810.00	\$ 52,555.00
Dev. Fund Env's	\$ 22,585.00	\$ 39,955.00
EFT-Dev. Fund	\$ 55.00	\$ 3,264.00
Loose Checks	\$ 745.00	\$ 55,651.01
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 411.30	\$ 17,907.45
Total this Week:	\$ 28,399.30	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 374,260.91

April 2025 Volunteers: Week #3

Tuesday, April 22nd, Counting Day:

Team #3

Church Duster:

Donna Day

April Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Jerry Calvert

April St. Martin de Porres Food:

Jeannette Waters

Advertiser of the Week:

Rocket Fitness

Trent & Tracy Rodgers, Owners

(217) 498-1175

www.rocketfitnesscenter.com

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, April 26th- 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, B. Scheufele, and **NEEDED**

Lectors: T. Bertrand and D. Day

Servers: D. Sommer

Hospitality: H. & M. Bruno and J. Sponsler

Sacristans: C. Mataya

Sunday, April 27th- 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, C. Vogt, and J. & N. Calvert

Lectors: L. DeGroot and **NEEDED**

Servers: J. & B. Britz

Hospitality: S. Martyn, L. McWard, and **NEEDED**

Sacristan: Z. Dahlkamp

Sunday, April 27th- 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, D. Roark, S. Kerley, and **NEEDED**

Lectors: L. Fjelstul and A. Harney

Servers: S. Harney

Hospitality: The Brewer Family

Sacristan: H. Crusen

CLOW:

St. Jude's Novena



May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved, and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. I will never forget thy graces and favors you obtain for me and I will do my utmost to spread devotion to you.

Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Say this prayer 9 times a day for 9 days.

Thank you, St. Jude, for Prayers Answered.

Spiritual Support for the Sick

Request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one facing illness or surgery. The Sacrament may be administered privately or after any Mass. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, Father would like to know so it is possible for him to visit. Please call the Parish Office at (217) 498-9197 for the anointing and/or a hospital visit.

Eucharistic Ministers taking communion to Carriage Crossing & Rochester Estates at 9:15am Sundays

Frances Yocum is having a Communion Service at 2:30 pm on the 2nd Tuesdays at Rochester Estates.

It is a privilege to pray for those who are ill. In hopes of keeping our list current, parishioners and parishioners' family and friends will be on the prayer list for 1 month unless the office is contacted to notify us that additional time is necessary. We are happy to keep people on the list as long as needed.

Please remember the elderly and homebound of our parish in your daily prayer.

God bless them all, and

Pray for Parishioners – JoAnn Camille, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy, Shirley Crawford, Lenna DeGroot, Evelyn Deimel, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Helen Dulle, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, Ryan Houmes, Jerry Jasinski, Janet Kalb, Jillian Kohlrus, Kristin Kohlrus, Betty Limper, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Jim Nelson, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Eleanor Schudel, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Frances Tomashavich, Al Urbanckas, Bill White, Patrick Witcik, Laurie White, and Ron Wojcicki.

*** = new this week**

Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners

Mary Aplington – sister of Beth Yong
John Aplington – brother of Beth Yong
Maryann Bailey – mother of Dean Bailey
Gene Blade – friend of Pat Carlisle
Carolyn Binion – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux
John Brunsman – father of Laura Horstman
Steven Butts - brother of Michelle Bullock
Suzanne Camp – friend of Beth Yong
Virginia Chineke – mother of Fr. Peter
Leo Conway – father of Gary Conway
Judy Conway - friend of Maggie Patterson
Eddie Cook – friend of Lenna DeGroot family
Chris Crusen – brother of Tom Crusen
Linda Curtis – sister of Connie Leach
Bill Davis – friend of Donald & Lou Ellen Markovitch
Kelly Diaz – niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus
Alison Donoho – friend of Jane and Harry Hendrickson
Sarah Egizio – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio
Frank Emerson- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald
Lynne (Auxier) Feece – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier
Cindy Frericks- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Ken Frericks- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Jody Frese – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufele

Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White
Gary Garrison – brother-in-law of Kathleen Klee
Steven Godar - father of Dennis Godar
Jennifer Harbeck - cousin of Brad Zack
Jennie Harling - sister of Leanne Collings
Brandon Harris – grandson of Les & LuAnn White
Chad Kunkle – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family
Jim Kirbach – friend of the Hendricksons
Dale Laningham – friend of the Hendricksons
Glen Limper - son of Al & Betty Limper
Kristine Lundburg – sister of Mary Gartner
Rochelle Lynam – daughter of Tom & Helen Crusen
Robin Mahnken – friend of Jerry & Mary Jo Jasinski
Ann Martin – sister of Betty Downey
Mark Maxwell – brother-in-law of Beth Auxier
Paula McDonald- sister-in-law to Jean McDonald
Donna Meyers - mother of Kellie Brewer
Wayne Michels – friend of Beth Auxier
Cindy Murdock – sister of Carolyn Carmichael and aunt of Leanne Collings
Fred J. Naffziger – brother of Michele Naffziger
Theresa Oldani – friend of Diane Bortmess, friend of Kelly Conlon & Family
Margie Palmatier – friend of the Hendricksons
Dolores Pantoja Salgado – mother of Diego Garcia
Ann Pardieck – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Emily Parnell – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell
Mike Patterson – father of Lori Farris
Sabrina Rice – niece of Beth Auxier
Mark & Chris Riedle – family of Tess & David Riedle
Teresa Rouse – friend of Jane Molohon
Bud Saputo- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo
Joe Saputo – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo
Special Intentions of Carol Mataya
Special Intentions of Andy Mihelich
Special Intentions of Barb Scoggins
Marlene Spurgeon – friend of Pat Carlisle
Russ Steil- father of Teresa O'Sullivan
Mary Stewart – friend of Suzanne Moss
Frank Stroble – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Georgann Turner – sister of Kathleen Klee
Kathy Whitaker – friend of Peggy Parnell
Steve White – brother of Les White
Mike Wilkin- brother of Leigh Ann Szabados
Vicki Will – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer
Connie & Marc Wilson – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler



