

Notes from Barb!

- † This week's second collection is for Vacation Bible School.
- † Next week's second collection is for Catholic Home Missions. Envelopes are in your boxes or on the table in the entryway.
- † Don't forget the Chick-Fil-A Spirit Day this Wednesday!

Parish Council & Finance Committee News

- † Set your calendars for our Parish Spring Clean Up Day on May 20th. Lots to do inside and out!
- † Edie Breneman will be coordinating a Cemetery Walk on June 25, 2023, 11am-2pm. Please let her know if you can help out.



Our Religious Education Program will be hosting a Spirit Day at Chick-Fil-A on Wednesday April 26. Please consider going to Chick-Fil-A anytime that day and be sure to mention St. Mary's Spirit Day! Proceeds will be used toward Vacation Bible School costs. VBS dates to be announced soon!

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-23

The Easter Message

Christian parents have the joy of teaching the faith to their children. When they do so, they tell the story in its simplest terms. Jesus came from God. He performed many miracles. His enemies put him to death on a cross. God raised him up again. These are the core elements of the story of Jesus. When parents tell them, they renew their own faith.

On the first Pentecost Sunday, Peter found himself in a situation that called for the core message. He stood up in Jerusalem before a group of his peers and preached. What could he say? He just told the basics. Jesus came with a mission and he rose from the dead.

Some people are afraid they do not know enough about their faith to teach others. They shy away from volunteering. Yet the core message of our belief is contained in the creed we know so well and recite so regularly. And if the faith has truly taken firm hold of our hearts, we will be unable to keep quiet about its message.

Christian parents do this best, but we are called in many ways to proclaim the simple message and core belief: Jesus came from God, and he is risen!

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April 23, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter



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Sacramental Life

Weekend Worship Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation


Fr. Darvin is available to hear confessions on Saturdays 4:00-4:20 at Sacred Heart or before Sunday Mass by appointment.

The sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony are arranged by calling the Parish Office to schedule preparation.

We welcome new members. To enroll call the Parish Office or contact Barb Black: plc@shjth.org or 812-240-8092.

Ministries		
Date	April 23	April 30
Lector	Patty Curley	Steve Norris
Gift Bearers	Richey Family	Robertson Family (need volunteer for next week)
Ushers	Jody Stafford & Tom McKinney	Matt Breneman & Charlie Cummins
Eucharistic Ministers	Kelly Stafford & Kris Toney	Pam Norris & MaryLu Thralls
Counters	Sue Heck & Karen Harris	Sarah Wyrick & Sheila Stultz
Cleaners	Off Week	Kelly & Jody Stafford
Coffee & Donuts	Off Week	Off week

Prayers Please for:
 Louise Arnold, Dick Stultz, Joe Mangia, John Kirkham, Jonnie Hooper, Ray Edwards, Mary Ann Whallon, Lou Ann Wake, Jim Callahan, John Heck, Terry Jatzak, Sr. Jane Iannaccone, Regina Crowell, Jane Frazier, Doug Hand.




If you have people on the parish prayer list, please contact Barb to update her on their conditions.

Fundraising
 The Spring Vendors Fair will take place on May 6. We are now taking reservations. Please help by distributing flyers to area businesses. Flyers are available in the rack at the church entrance.
 We are also taking donations for the Gift Card Raffle. You can help by donating a gift card (preferably purchased from our SCRIP program, or getting businesses to donate cards. Final prizes will be set by the end of May. Raffle tickets will go on sale in June.


Mass Intentions:
 April 23 Bill Marrs
 April 30 Tony Perrelle, Sr.
 If you wish to have a mass said, the suggested stipend is \$10.00.
We are now scheduling masses for May through July.

Birthday Blessing to:



Grace Vest 4-23
 Kaitlin Wrin 4-24-
 Robert Bennett 4-28
 Todd LaComba 4-28
 Mary Whallon 4-28

Happy Anniversary



Greg & Debbie Belfi
 4-29

Terre Haute Deanery Senior Citizen Appreciation Mass and Lunch
Thurs. May 4, 2023 at Sacred Heart
RSVP to Ray Veit
812-232-8200 or
Raymond@thdeanery.org
By April 27th

Finance Report			
	April 16	Budgeted	Additional Donations
Sunday Collection	\$2204	\$2308	
Galvin Fund Donations	\$ 135	\$ 115	

DID YOU KNOW?

While Easter Day is past we are still in the season of Easter. The Easter season mirrors the season of Lent with 6 weeks. Throughout Lent we heard stories showing Jesus' divinity, miracles, and his love for us. During Easter we hear stories from the Acts of the Apostles which show how the risen Christ revealed himself to his followers. This week we hear the story of the journey to Emmaus. The disciples, traveling down the road, encounter a stranger who helps them connect the dots between Old Testament readings and the suffering and resurrection of Jesus. They invite him to stop with them and have dinner.

During the meal the stranger takes bread and blesses it and gives it to them. At that moment, in the breaking of the bread, they recognize him as the risen Lord. Jesus then disappears. Their hearts were burning with joy when they were in his presence and they hurried back to share the joy of that experience with the others.

Being in Jesus' presence through the Word, Community, and the Sacrament of the Eucharist should bring that same joy to us! Do we recognize his real presence in the breaking of the bread?

