

Notes from Barb!

- † Faith Formation Committee will meet Thursday at 5pm.
- † We are now offering the Precious Blood at Mass. If you are not feeling well, please refrain from receiving from the cup.
- † Slow week...enjoy Spring!



Next week is our end of year pitch-in lunch and program. Please sign the sheet on the church bulletin board or contact Jena to let us know what you will bring.

We are trying to choose dates for VBS. Choices are June 25-29 (Sun.-Thurs) or July 24-28 (Mon.-Fri.). Please let us know which works best for your family.

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.

Next week's second collection will be for Vacation Bible School costs. Please be generous!

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Team Spirit

Some teams have a life of their own. A good team is not just a collection of talented individuals. It is individuals working together in such a way that they create something new and better.

You can have inadequate members in a good team as long as the team sustains all the members. Some teams take the ball field, some of them prepare a meal, and some of them keep a parish alive to its gospel call.

The team that formed in the years after Jesus died was that kind of a group. They taught and prayed, served, and lived in community. This "Easter team"—the church—worked so well that miracles happened and their numbers increased. God was blessing the work they did.

One of the hallmarks of Christianity is that it is not a faith for loners. Even though each of us meets God intently in the privacy of our hearts, we meet God fully in the communion of the faithful.

You can support your parish community in many ways. You can learn with others, worship in the assembly, do acts of charity with a group, and just spend time with your friends there. When you do, you build God's Easter team.

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April 16, 2023
Second 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 16	April 23
Lector	Reagan Taylor	Patty Curley
Gift Bearers	Payne Family	Richey Family
Ushers	Bob Curley & Nick Savant	Jody Stafford & Tom McKinney
Eucharistic Ministers	MaryLu Thralls & Bonnie Warn	Kelly Stafford & Kris Toney
Counters	Bob & Patty Kane	Sue Heck & Karen Harris
Cleaners	Marlene & Chris Smithson	Off Week
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 16 Bonnie Younger
April 23 Bill Marrs

If you wish to have a mass said, the suggested stipend is \$10.00. We are now scheduling masses for May through July.

Check out the new altar candle holders. If you would like to make a donation to sponsor them, please see Barb.




Birthday Blessing to:



Jimmy Holbert 4-18
Rose Marie Mehan 4-19
Randy Wyrick 4-19
Stacey Garzolini 4-20
Kathryn Hiller 4-21

Happy Anniversary

Chris & Marlene Smithson
4-19



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

Finance Report			
	April 9	Budgeted	Additional Donations
Sunday Collection	\$3232	\$2308	Holy Land \$83
Galvin Fund Donations	\$ 35	\$ 115	

Did You Know?

The second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus appeared to a Polish nun named Maria Faustina Kowalska providing private revelations about Divine Mercy and requesting that a Feast of Mercy be observed. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

The Image: Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that “Jesus, I trust in You” be inscribed under his image. Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: promising “that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish” and “By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls” .



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy: The Chaplet was also given to St. Faustina with this promise: “Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you”. “Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. ... Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy” .

Written and video versions of the Divine Chaplet can be found on the internet.