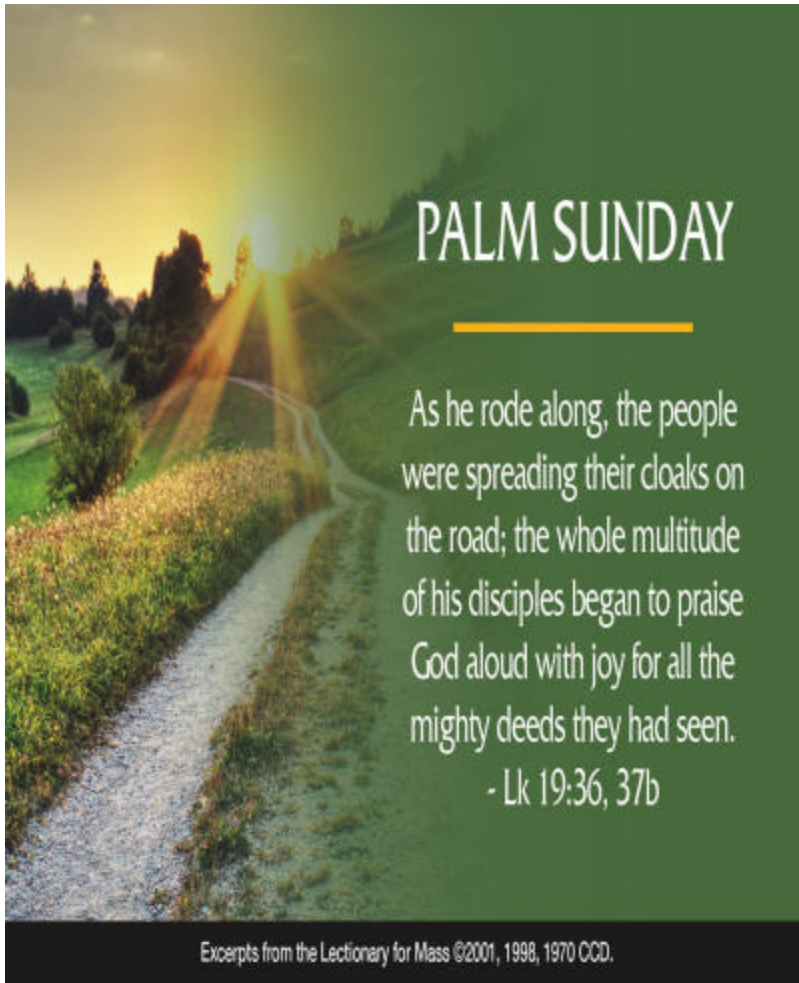


St. Mary/St. Patrick Catholic Church

Palm Sunday
April 14, 2019

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WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you!
Let us know if you have any questions about
our parish or the Catholic faith.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, Vigil, 4:30 p.m.

Memorial Day to Labor Day weekends - St. Mary
September-May - St. Patrick

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. - St. Mary

10:00 a.m. - Memorial Day to Labor Day weekends - St. Patrick

10:30 a.m. - September-May - St. Mary

Monday, 7:30 a.m. Communion Service - St. Mary

Tuesday thru Friday, 7:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary

CONFESSIONS:

Sunday, 7:30 a.m. - St. Mary

First Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - St. Mary

ADORATION:

First Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - St. Mary

Benediction, 4:00 p.m. - St. Mary

Very Rev. Matthew M. Bergschneider, Pastor
Deacon Dick Mulcahey, Deacon Steve Pulkrabek

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday–Thursday 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

7:30 a.m. on Tuesday & Wednesday

HOLY THURSDAY—APRIL 18

The East Triduum Begins at 7:00 p.m. with evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Mary Church. Adoration follows Mass until 9 p.m. A brief prayer service will be held closing Adoration at 8:45 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY—APRIL 19

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 12:10 p.m. at St. Mary Church. During this Good Friday service there will be a reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion. The Divine Mercy Novena begins at 3 p.m. at St. Mary Church


HOLY SATURDAY—APRIL 20

The Easter Vigil Mass takes place at St. Mary at 7:15 p.m. This Mass is the greatest and holiest Mass of the Church Year. It fulfills your Sunday Mass obligation. The Easter fire is lit, the Easter Candle is blessed, the congregation lights their candles, Holy Water is blessed, the congregation renews their baptismal promises and the Alleluia is once again sung.

EASTER SUNDAY—APRIL 21

Christ is Risen!

Easter Sunday Masses are at 8 a.m. at St. Mary Church and at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick Church

 **RE CLASS WILL BE HELD THIS SUNDAY
APRIL 14TH AND RESUME ON MAY 5TH**

Have you ever wanted to live out the corporal works of mercy but wondered how? Well here is your opportunity! On **Sunday, May 5th** the Eighth Grade RE class will be sponsoring a **bake sale** with the proceeds being used to purchase items which will be donated to local area pregnancy care centers. Your donation of baked goods or a purchase can help a woman faced with an unexpected pregnancy choose life for her unborn child. Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center Friday May 3rd or brought to the sale. The Bake Sale will be held after the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on May 5th.



JUST WHAT IS THE DIVINE MERCY ALL ABOUT?

In 1924, when Helen Kowalska, a young Polish woman was 19 years old, she experienced her first vision of Jesus. Jesus instructed her to leave at once for Warsaw and join a convent. Helen packed her bags and left but it would be over a year until she would receive her habit and take the name Sister Maria Faustina of the Blessed Sacrament. In 1928 she would take her first religious vows as a nun. February 22, 1931, Jesus presented himself as the "King of Divine Mercy" and told Faustina to paint his image with the inscription "Jesus, I trust in You." He also told her about the great mercy and the graces he wishes to give souls, but that many do not pay attention to him, busy themselves with other things and treat him as a dead object. Jesus said, "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy." (Diary: 1109) What an amazing gift our Lord wishes to give us if we only draw near him and ask! Want to learn more? Our parish has several informational booklets by the Divine Mercy shrine and on **Good Friday at 3 p.m.** the Divine Mercy Novena will be led along with a brief overview by a parish member. If you would like to learn more about the Divine Mercy, this is a great opportunity.

MISSING

There are some videos missing from both the Church Hall and the Parish Center. Please check to see if you may have any of them. Many of the videos have been missing for quite awhile. Those missing from the Church Hall are: **The Rosary for Little Children, Juan Diego: Messenger of Guadalupe, My Catholic Family: St. Don Bosco, John Paul II: Be not Afriad, Brother Francis: the Rosary, Veggie Tales: Larry Boy and the Yodel Napper, The Search for Sampson's Hairbrush and Robin Good.** And from the Parish Center: **Footprints of God: Peter, Being Catholic: Prayer, Grieving the Sudden Death of a Loved One, The Cultrure of Life: Questions in Bioethic, This is My Body: Theology of the Body for Teens, 7 Secrets of the Eucharist, Courageous, and The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.** When you check out movies, please try to return them within a week.

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

- The St. Anne's CCW meeting will be this Wednesday, April 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the Church Hall. The Spring Banquet will be held on May 15th.
- See the front page for Holy Week Schedule.

HONOR LOVED ONES WITH EASTER PLANTS

Please take part in our floral memorial by bringing a potted plant, such as tulips, daffodils, daises, mums or azaleas, wrapped in GOLD foil to St. Mary Church on **Holy Saturday, April 20th no later 9 a.m.** Our church will receive a supply of Easter lilies. Please mark all plants designated for St. Patrick Church, which will be brought to St. Patrick for Easter Sunday Mass.

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS & FOOD

Bring your Easter baskets & food **Saturday, April 20 at 10:45 a.m.** to St. Mary Church for a blessing. This ancient custom dates back to early Christian times and reminds us of the bounty of the Risen Lord. Breads, butter, eggs, meats and other foods that will be gracing your tables on Easter will be blessed to remind us that Lenten fasting has ended and now is the season to rejoice in good things of the earth.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH & CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

Volunteers are needed to help clean-up the St. Patrick grounds and cemetery on Sunday, April 28th at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your gloves and garden waste tubs if you have them. Snacks will be provided.

THERE'S NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF TIMES WE CAN RECEIVE

We have a choice between two ways of receiving. Seeking to enter into communion with Him or receive Christ without really desiring this union in our hearts and without even trying to remove the obstacle to it. Sacramental eating is when I receive with at least some understanding of the sacrament and some intent to receive. Spiritual eating is when my sacramental eating is accompanied by a real longing for union with Christ. Thus I receive not only the sacrament itself but also the sacramental effect whereby I am spiritually joined to Christ in faith and love. Our goal with each reception of the Eucharist is to grow in the way we receive, maturing in our awareness, understanding, and desire for union with Christ so that every sacramental reception will result in a more complete spiritual communion. A spiritual communion can take place when we are unable to receive sacramentally, because "the effect of a sacrament can be secured if it is received by desire." So while there are a number of times you can receive the Eucharist sacramentally, there is no limit to the number of times you can receive spiritually. (*7 Secrets of the Eucharist*)

As the small study groups for *7 Secrets of the Eucharist* are winding down, please complete an evaluation form for this study. Also, submit any questions you may have that you may have from this book discussion no later than Wednesday, May 8th. **Father Bergschneider will hold a large group discussion of the book and questions submitted on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30 p.m., St. Mary Church Hall.**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - A Mediation

Palm Sunday is a strange day in our liturgical calendar. We begin by waving palms, but then we call for Jesus to be crucified. We celebrate today an equally paradoxical God, one who comes to save through suffering. "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!" Jesus, who so often in the Gospels tries to hide his true identity, speaks thunderously to the Pharisees who would still the rejoicing crowd. At the Last Supper, Jesus confirms the Messianic promise to his disciples, saying "I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me." Yet, before the night is over, Jesus has been betrayed. We hear the tragedy unfold in Luke's Passion narrative. Jesus is abused by the council of elders, denied by Peter, whipped by Roman soldiers, and condemned to death by Pilate. But what else do we see? Jesus heals someone who came to arrest him, forgives his torturers, promises a repentant man paradise, and - by his loving endurance - converts a centurion at the foot of the cross. Jesus is both Redeemer of the World and Suffering Servant. In taking on the mantle of Messiah, Jesus does not only receive our praise and our accolades, but he bears our burdens and sins with the deepest love. This week, we remember that no sorrow of our own is beyond the reach of the compassion of God.

FHN HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Every Tuesday • April 23–June 4, 2019 • 5:30-8 p.m.

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ST. MARY CEMETERY MONETARY NEEDS

Our cemetery has three blue spruce trees that have a disease called needle cast, which will require removal in the next two years. We also have several large sugar maples. One of the maples needs to be removed this spring due to severe rotting at the base. Please be generous with your cemetery envelope/contribution this year as we need to pay for mowing plus tree removal. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

- St. Mary Cemetery Committee

A very special THANK YOU goes to John Fisk, Ken Gibler, Pete & Jennifer Robertson, Tom & Julie Walsh, Jack Walsh, Wilfried Losert, Larry Pelter, Jim Buffo, the families and a friend who helped with the Grounds & Cemetery Clean-up last weekend. Lots of bags and bins were filled with leaves & twigs. We appreciate all your help in keeping our parish grounds beautiful.

CONGRATULATIONS to Cory and Kara Anderson on the birth of their son, Eli, born on March 11, 2019. May God continue to bless your family.



PARISH PRAYER TREE



Our Parish Prayer Tree and Prayer Chain offer a network of support and prayers not only for our parish, but for the community at large. If you would like someone included on the Parish Prayer Tree in the bulletin, then please call the Parish Office: 815-248-2490. If you would like someone to be added to the Parish Prayer Chain, then call Mary Borgmann at 815-865-5555 or Margie Flynn at 815-494-4288.

Please remember our homebound parishioners and those currently in Medina Manor, along with Cindy Armour, Craig Bartelt, Glenn Basjahn, Ryan Bergschneider, Virginia Bernard, Adrian Book, Regina Borg, Terry Brogan, Lisa Carlson, John Cocomo, Brad Crawford, David DiGvonna, Amy Driscoll, Debbie Forsell, Christine Gignac, Marcella Helwig, Kevin Henze, Pat Hertzner, Carol Hertzner, Jennifer Hicks, Theo Hilldebrand, Bonnie Hnilicka, Judy Hollenbeck, Gail Jaeger, Tony Jason, Shelly Wenger Jauch, Mary Joyce, Samantha Kaldohl, Emmanuel Kilb, Nancy Kalina, Carol Kirchner, Debbie Kolet, Jennifer Kolet, Carolyn Kneip, Eleanor Lamm, Kathy Lenhardt, Stacey Ludkowski, Mary Terese Lynne, Judy Lynde, Vicki Marshall, Vicky Mathew, Raymond McDade, Ron Meier, Kim (Kauffman) Menke, Theresa Mikosz, Cindy Miller, Jeff Miller, Deacon Dick Mulcahey, Mike Nelson, Barb Neuzil, Kathy Nielsen, Gracie Nicolosi, Karen Oksnevad, Jana Olsen, Gail Palda, Kelli Palmer, Sandra Pauley, Joe Peiffer, Tom Peiffer, Elefterious Prevett, JoEllen Sharer, Dennis Shippy, Dean Simmer, Butch Slocum, Matt Sorg, Casey Tarbert, Dawson Thomas, Carolyn Trickle, Marcie Turner, Jean Walsh, Laurie Walsh, Steve Walsh, Riley Grace & Isabella Mae Williams, Belinda, and Paul Wojcik.

Remember our service men and women currently serving, and include Nic Blum, Will Devore, Will Francis, Lucas Graves, Rev. Bob Keener, Landon Ketchum, Garrett & Jason Kirk, Ashley Kochanski, Mark Shram, Zeth Willard, and Charlie Wojcik.

Pls. let Margie Flynn, or Mary Borgmann know when your loved one no longer needs to be on the Prayer Chain. Thank you. (04-02-19)

Word of Life

"When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corner of our hearts, the Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10)."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
2018-19 Respect Life Reflection

PROJECT RACHEL: POST-ABORTIVE HEALING MINISTRY
DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE AFFECTED BY ABORTION?

Too often, we think hope and healing are out of our reach. But the mercy of Jesus and the compassion of others are waiting for all. Come back to God, who is love and mercy. Confidential assistance is available at 815-387-3379 or ProjectRachel-Rockford@gmail.com. Visit www.hopeafterabortion.org. Peace starts here.

* A Necklace was found at St. Patrick Church. Please call the office if it belongs to you.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES:

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- Apr. 18 7:00pm Deacon Steve Pulkrabek
S. Cocoma, T. Cravens,
- Apr. 19 12:10pm Deacon Steve Pulkrabek
- Apr. 20 7:15pm Deacon Steve Pulkrabek,
P. Wenger, C. Rosko
- Apr. 21 8:00am L. Pelter, D. Waller, S. Cocoma
10:00am M. Flynn, M. Flynn-Dirksen

LECTORS

- Apr. 18 7:00pm John Schwab
- Apr. 19 12:10pm R. Samp, T. Miller, J. Buffo
- Apr. 20 7:15pm J. Rieman, J. Fisk, G. Ryan
- Apr. 21 8:00am Bernie Walsh
10:00am Sheila Janisch

USHERS

- Apr. 18 7:00pm J. McClellan, S. Sutherland
- Apr. 19 12:10pm S. Jasien, W. Plasmier
- Apr. 20 7:15pm Dave Brown, Bob Nielson
- Apr. 21 8:00am Dave & Kate Kinney
10:00am Ron & Kate Wilhelms

ALTAR SERVERS

- Apr. 18 7:00pm John Paul & Sean Miller,
Brady & Matthew Dolan
- Apr. 19 12:10pm Andrew Nestler, Alex Flores
- Apr. 20 7:15pm Silas, Seth, Soren Rieman &
Lucas Abele
- Apr. 21 8:00am Grace & Lauren Sutherland
10:00am Connie & Joslyn Schultz

Collection Counters

- Apr. 21 Ginny Borth, *Jane Phelps, Peg Stewart,
Cindy Tannehill, Fran Waller

SACRISTAN

- Apr. 21 10:00am Margie Flynn

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
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Offertory	\$299.00	\$342.00
4th week March		
Sunday Envelopes:	\$4003.00	\$4928.00
Offertory	\$118.25	\$237.00

Please Use Your Easter Envelope

Our parish's financial stability depends on your generous Easter contributions. Please use your Easter envelope and help St. Mary/St. Patrick Church continue to serve us all in every area of our faith life. Thank you very much for giving back to God some of the blessings He has given to you.

MASS INTENTIONS

A (+) denotes a Mass intention for our beloved deceased

Saturday, Apr. 13—St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr
4:30pm (SP) +Carolyn Tannehill

Sunday, Apr. 14—Palm Sunday
8:00am (SM) +Ted Meissen
10:30am (SM) The People of the Parish

Monday, Apr. 15
7:30am (SM) Communion Service

Tuesday, Apr. 16
7:30am (SM) +Ted Meissen

Wednesday, Apr. 17
7:30am (SM) +Tom & Marcella Gugerti

Thursday, Apr. 18—Holy Thursday
7:00pm (SM) +Rose Landers

Friday, Apr. 19—Good Friday
12:10pm (SM)

Saturday, Apr. 20—Easter Vigil
7:15pm (SM) +Ed Pomeroy

Sunday, Apr. 21—Easter Sunday
8:00am (SM) +Joyce & Merlin Germain & Family
10:00am (SP) The People of the Parish

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PRACTICES FOR HOLY WEEK

**ALTAR SERVERS, SACRISTAN, ORGANIST, CHOIR MEMBERS,
CHOIR DIRECTORS, CANTORS, RCIA CANDIDATES**

Practice for Holy Thursday: Wed., April 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Practice for Good Friday: Fri., April 19 at 11:00 a.m.

Practice for Easter Vigil: Sat., April 20 at 10:30 a.m.

MEMORIAL CANDLE INTENTIONS



Lighting candles is an ancient practice that we continue to honor today. A lit candle signifies the hope we have in our hearts and the prayers we are offering for a particular intention. In our parish we have two special ways of burning candles for the sake of prayer. Seven day candles burn before the Tabernacle and the Icon of St. Mary in St. Mary Church. They are available to be lighted for your intention & burn for one week. While we do ask for a donation of \$10.00, cost should not be a prohibiting factor. Please call the parish office at 815-248-2490, to schedule.

TABERNACLE CANDLE

Apr. 14-Apr. 20 +Kaitlyn Miller

MARY ICON CANDLE

Apr. 21-Apr. 27 +Kaitlyn Miller



FLORAL MEMORIALS

Floral memorials dedicating the two bouquets on either side of the Tabernacle at St. Mary Church are available for loved ones—living and deceased or for special intentions such as holidays, anniversaries or other special events.

A donation of \$15 per vase will help offset the cost of these flowers and enable you to have a beautiful floral tribute for one week. Please call the parish office at 815-248-2490, to schedule.

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