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EASTER SUNDAY

the
Resurrection
of the
Lord



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am

First Friday of each month 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration has been suspended until further notice due to the weather.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday of each month 8:30 am

First Saturday of each month 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

April 16, 2017

On An Easter People

"We are an Easter People, and Alleluia is our song," claimed Saint Augustine. This great saint saw us as an Easter People that live our lives in hope.

This living hope, resulting from our faith in the Risen Savior, was written about in the First Letter of Peter: "Although you have not seen Christ, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls." (1 Peter 1:8-9) This faith, this hope, also includes mutual love and as Saint Peter said, "A glorious joy." Therefore, if we genuinely believe in the Resurrected Lord, our lives will be full of faith, hope, mutual love, and joy; the signs that reveal we are an Easter People to others.

As we celebrate once again this feast of feasts, Easter, what expectations do you and I have? Are we like our youth who are mostly filled with hopeful expectations? Think about it for a moment, young children whose lives have not yet been filled with darkness, disappointments, and the sadness that we experience as we get older, commonly have lots of hope, love, and joy. During this Easter season, we have something to learn from their hopeful and expectant outlook on life, for as Hilaire Belloc said in the last century, "youth are wise." Children are wise in the sense that with their fullness of life and expectation, it can often be easier for youth to be an Easter People.

Yet, on this Easter morning, we are summoned back to be more like the Easter People that Saint Augustine called us; we should live with faith, hope, mutual love, and joy that the First Letter of Saint Peter says is ours because of our belief and faith in the Risen Savior. Yes, our Lord has risen. May our lives today and throughout the coming year reflect the Risen Lord in each and every one of our lives. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I leave you with some examples of Easter People. The following two quotes are from students who entered a United Way essay contest about the "Strength of Kindness" published in the Minneapolis Star-Tribune on March 27, 2017.



"A few months ago, we decided to give sandwiches and they smiled real big! It made me feel happy I was making someone else happy, just by an act of kindness. The sandwiches weren't what made their day, or mine. It was that I shook their hand, smiled at them, asked their name, and was just kind. There is a lot of power learning someone's name, talking to them, and being kind. Money and sandwiches aren't what make people happy, it's being loved by people and being cared for." -Sofia Fornicoia, grade 3 from Eagan

"Kindness isn't something you can hold, like an object. It is how you change someone's life. This is how a small touch of kindness impacted me. This year I was a new student to my school. I was lonely. My parents were recently divorced. And I was heartbroken. I walked into class that first day, and out of nowhere, a kid walked up and asked to be my friend. That little touch of kindness will stay with me my whole life. Now I realized that kindness is something we have inside each of us. And I want to share that feelings with others." -Zach Olson, grade 4 from Eden Prairie

May grace and peace be yours in abundance, Father Shane

FAITH FORMATION

9TH GRADE RITE OF CHOICE

All First Year Confirmation candidates will be participating in the Rite of Choice during the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 23. Ninth graders are to bring their signed covenant to this Mass as they present themselves to enter more fully into the Confirmation preparation process.



Mama Mia!

The CCW will be participating again with the annual Progressive Dinner for "A Place for You" held at 3 local churches. The dinner is Friday, April 28, 2017.

Tickets are available at the church office. Or contact Elaine Robinson at 320.358.3223, please see the flyer on the bulletin board for further information as well.

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Jim Kirchberg
Bill Peno	Arlene Greenhagen	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Bev Hurley	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Judie Peltier	Abby Larson
Heidi Blatz	Betty Erickson	Elsie Moore
David Gaul	Phyllis Swanson	Tom Solorz
Cecilia Shinler	Nick Cieminski	Colleen Najewski
Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson	Lenny Anderson
Cathy Gamache	Gerald Mollberg	Ariel Thull-Rulfzen

Please advise the office if any of these names can be removed. Thank you.

"Loving God, we ask that you enfold in your tender compassionate care all those in our community whose hearts are breaking and whose worries consume them."

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 4/11/2017

Plate	264.22
Envelopes.....	2116.00
Bldg. Maint. Env.....	35.00
Easter.....	80.00
EFT Money.....	344.00
Easter Flowers.....	445.00
Salad Luncheon.....	25.00
Good Friday.....	10.00
Grave Sales.....	500.00
Total.....	\$3819.22

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our parish!

MASS INTENTIONS



April 19 Open
April 22 Open
April 23 Open

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, April 22,
8:30 p.m.

Lector: Mary Jane Dahl
Communion: Ginny Thorn, Kristie Frazier
Gifts: Theil Family
Ushers: Jim Thorn, Dick Ordner
Servers: Connor Frazier

Sunday, April 23,
9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Al Walz, Wayne Herberg
Communion: Liz Herberg*, David Prickett, Mary Pat Hestbeck
Gifts: Herberg Family
Ushers: Dennis Kaufmann, Craig Peterson, Joe Moore
Servers: Elena Herberg, Candence Morris

Father Shane, Father Fitzgerald, Father Chuck and the Parish Staff wish you a
Blessed Easter!



St. Gregory the Great is in need of a Handyman/Repair person. This would be a volunteer on call, as needed position to do repairs and special projects.



Please talk to the parish office or Fr. Shane if you are interested. Retired persons are encouraged to step forward.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 19

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, April 22

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 8:30 pm
Fr. Fitzgerald St. Gregory's 8:30 pm

Sunday, April 23

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 8:30 am
Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 9:00 am
Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 10:30 am

Please Note:

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration until further notice until we can find parishioners who will adore the Lord during this time.

SAVE THE DATES

May 9th @ 7:00pm the United Catholic Seminar with Denise Degerstrom on end of life planning.

May 18th is Our Annual Soup and Salad Luncheon
September 17, 2017 is our Fall Festival

UPCOMING MEETINGS

There will be a KC Council meeting this Thursday, April 20 at 7:00 pm in the East Hall, at St. Gregory's.

The next CCW meeting is this Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 in Wey Hall.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you or a loved one are ill in any way and would like to have your name included in the Sunday Prayers of the Faithful, contact the Parish office. Also, any prayer request or needs can be written in our Parish Intercessory Book in the back of church AT ANY TIME.

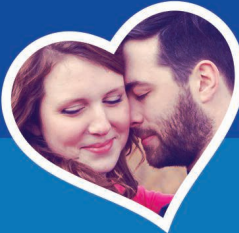
ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Are you or someone you know having surgery? Seriously ill or suffering in mind, body or spirit? Consider receiving the Sacrament of Anointing. This rite is intended to convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit. To set a time that works for you, please contact the parish office.

American Cancer Chisago County Relay for Life annual pancake, sausage and egg breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 29th in North Branch at Trinity Lutheran Church, 38460 Lincoln Trail,



8:30-11am. Cost - Free will offering or donate at www.relayforlife.org/chisagomn. Please come and support the huge battle against cancer. For information, contact marthaarnold@me.com, TRLeivian@gmail.com or jmkewpie@frontiernet.net

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