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April 19, 2020

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MONDAY April 20	Monday of the Second Week of Easter L/D Mem Otmar/Elaine Bierl Fam Fr. Remmes
TUESDAY April 21	Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter Richard Ricke+ Fr. Remmes Ray Schettler+ Fr. Friedrichsen
Facebook	
Live-Stream 7:45 a.m.	Alvina Wendl+ Fr. Pick
WEDNESDAY April 22	Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter L/D Mem Peter J./Frances Neu Fam Fr. Remmes
Facebook	Lowell Daniel+ Fr. Friedrichsen
Live-Stream 7:45 a.m.	Jane Bruening+ Fr. Pick
THURSDAY April 23	Thursday of the Second Week of Easter Norbert & Wilfred Ocken+ Fr. Remmes
Facebook	Albert/Marian Berning+ Fr. Friedrichsen
Live-Stream 7:45 a.m.	Gerald "Doc" Schreck+ Fr. Pick
FRIDAY April 24	Friday of the Second Week of Easter Art/Marjory Gerken+ Fr. Remmes
Facebook	Donald Behrens+ Fr. Friedrichsen
Livestream 7:45 a.m.	Barb Masching+ Fr. Pick
<b>SATURDAY April 25</b>	<b>Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	<b>Viola Langel+ Fr. Friedrichsen</b>
<b>Live-Stream 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Louetta Langel+, Velma Hoffman+, &amp; Rosie Sturm+ Fr. Pick</b>
<b>SUNDAY April 26</b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	<b>L/D Mem Bernard/Mary Kawi Fam Fr. Friedrichsen</b>
<b>Live-Stream 10:00 a.m</b>	<b>Parishioners of CTKCC For the Victims &amp; their Families of the Coronavirus Fr. Pick</b>

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION by APPOINTMENT ONLY**

**FROM THE PRIESTS:** We Frs. Tims want to take a moment to thank the many, many people—parishioners, family members, and friends—who have been joining us for prayer, Masses and catechesis on Facebook and YouTube. Thanks for the supportive messages, the thumbs up, hearts and smiley faces (the last are for the times we jokingly poke each other—you're getting to see our usual banter). We also want to give a big thank you to Steven Berger (of St. John, Arcadia), who did so much to enhance the live-streaming of the major Holy Week Celebrations—Palm Sunday, Sacred Triduum and Easter Sunday. Thank you, too, to those who read and assisted in other ways! Please continue to watch us live or view later, whatever works best for you:

Tuesday–Friday, 7:45am Morning Prayer, 8:00am Mass, 5:00pm Evening Prayer;

Saturday evening Mass at 5:00pm;

Sunday morning Mass at 10:00am;

**TODAY: 2nd Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 19, 2:00pm: live-streaming of the 4th annual celebration of Divine Mercy.**

Lastly, thanks for the **Easter cards and notes**. We appreciated them greatly. May all of our parishioners—and their families and friends—have a blessed Easter Season.

**Dear Children** who were to receive **1st Eucharist** this weekend. We Frs. Tims feel so sad that we will not be able to celebrate the first time that you receive **the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass** on this weekend as we had planned. We know that you have been preparing for and looking forward to this. We both remember—even though we are very old—the first time we received the Body and Blood of Christ. As it was for us, your 1st Eucharist will be a **special day and special celebration** that will always be a **special memory** for each and every one of you. The “good news” is: That will still be true when you do finally receive your 1st Eucharist—the first of many times that you will receive Christ’s Body and Blood. Your friend Jesus will truly be **your friend from the inside out!!** You children are in our prayers and thoughts.

**REFLECTION FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY):** The readings are Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting.”); 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31. Today we pick up with the Easter morning narrative of John 20:

- Mary of Magdala returns to the tomb and finds it empty, so she runs and tells Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved; they come to check it out and return home (vv. 1-10; Gospel for Easter Sunday).
- Mary Magdalene stays at the tomb weeping. Even a vision of two angels does not end her weeping. Then the Risen Lord, whom she thinks is a gardener (the new Adam?), calls her by name. She may not hold on to the Risen Lord, for he is to return to his Father/God and her/our Father/God—which is (renewed) covenantal language. She runs and tells the disciples that she has seen the Lord and what he said to her (vv. 11-18; Gospel for Tuesday of the Octave of Easter, April 14, '20).
- Today (vv. 19-31), despite Mary Magdalene’s testimony, all the disciples, except for Thomas, are locked behind closed doors. The Risen Lord appears to them. They tell Thomas when he returns, but he has pretty specific requirements before he will believe. A week later—the first day of the week (Sunday) after the first day of the week of the resurrection (Easter Sunday), that is, TODAY, the Risen Lord again appears to the disciples who are still behind locked doors (!!)

**Thomas has been picked on long enough!!** For years, even centuries, Thomas has been remembered as the “doubting disciple”. His name has become proverbial with doubting: “Don't be a doubting Thomas!” This takes its cue from our Gospel passage. But have we been fair to Thomas? If we take the entire narrative of the fourth gospel into account, I think that the Evangelist John would think that **we have NOT been fair to Thomas.**

Mary Magdalene saw the stone moved away from the tomb and Jesus’ body missing, yet she did not believe. Peter and the Beloved Disciple did not know what to think of the news from Mary, so they ran to the grave. The Beloved Disciple arrived first, but did not believe as he peered into the grave; Simon Peter went in but did not come to faith in the resurrection even upon seeing the place where Jesus had been and the burial face cloth neatly rolled up by itself. Finally, the Beloved Disciple entered the tomb; we are told that he “saw and believed.” But what did he believe? It seems he believed what Mary Magdalene had reported: “Yup, Jesus' body isn't here!”

Mary Magdalene still did not know what to think; Peter and the Beloved Disciple went home, but she remained at the tomb weeping. It is only when she **saw** the Risen Lord and he

called her by name that she was able to run to the disciples in faith and announce, “I have seen the Lord!”

What are we to think of the disciples? Despite Mary’s witnessing, they do not look like a bunch of believers in the story today, for they are huddled in horror behind locked doors. It is not until they **see** the Risen Lord, who shows them his wounds and offers them peace, that they believe.

A week later, Thomas **sees** the Risen Lord, who shows Thomas his wounds, and says to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Yet, despite Thomas’ earlier bravado, the story does NOT say that Thomas actually probed the wounds with his finger and hand. Rather, like Mary Magdalene and all the other disciples, **upon seeing and hearing** the Risen Lord, Thomas believed. It seems to me that Thomas is not the Doubter, but rather, he is the **Articulate One**. Thomas spoke the doubt that all the others also had, and while the other disciples remain speechless at the appearance of the Risen Lord, Thomas confesses, “**My Lord and my God**”. This is the most profound confession of faith in the Gospel according to John. That’s right, the one who comes to the highest statement of faith in the Gospel of John is the one who also spoke his doubt out loud.

The Evangelist John often uses characters in his Gospel to epitomize certain characteristics. When Thomas speaks, it is usually with some bravado, but also without full understanding. When Jesus is going to return to Bethany, because Lazarus had died, Thomas encourages the disciples to return to Judea with Jesus, even if they must die with Jesus (11:16). At the Last Supper, when Jesus is sharing his farewell discourse, Thomas is the one who blurts out that the disciples don’t know the way to where Jesus says he is going (14:5). Now, today, Thomas lets his doubt burst forth in full force. In each of these cases, Thomas **articulates** what is really going on in him and even all the disciples. And each time, as a result of Thomas’ honesty, Jesus reveals more to the disciples. In the end, it is Thomas who not only speaks his doubt best, but also says it best about who Jesus has revealed himself to be: “My Lord and My God!” So the last time Thomas is mentioned in the Gospel (21:2), there is nothing more Thomas needs to say. **The last words he says are the best words of anyone in the Gospel.** Now it is time for the disciples, for you and me, to live our lives in the Holy Spirit that the Risen Lord Jesus breathed on the disciples, and has breathed upon us in Baptism.

So, Thomas is a character who represents all the disciples—all of us. Doubt is not antithetical to faith, for we walk by faith, not by foregone conclusions. Doubt—if honestly acknowledged—is an invitation into a deeper understanding, a deeper trust, deeper faith in the Lord. Moving from faith, through some doubt to deeper faith happens best in a community of believers—the Scriptures left to us by believers for believers, our families (house churches, as in the earliest Christian communities reflected in Acts of the Apostles), our parishes, our faith formation programs, the teachings of our Holy Father and his brother bishops. **May we be like Thomas, articulate about what we need in order to grow in faith.** May we speak it in prayer, in sharing our faith with one another, and even in blurting it out and seeing what happens! With Thomas, we, too, will see “My Lord and My God!”

**NEW FACEBOOK PAGES!**

**Sacred Heart Parish:** Go to @SacredHeartChurchTempletonIowa

to view it.

**St. Augustine Parish:** Go to @StAugustineChurchHalburIowa to view it.

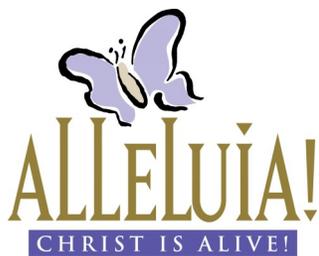
We invite **all parishioners in CTKCC** to like these new Facebook pages. All postings on the CTKCC Facebook page will be posted on all SIX parish Facebook pages.

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH.** Please continue to use whatever method works best for you to support your parish.

- \* Sending in or dropping off your contributions is greatly appreciated!
- \* We have had a number of people fill out the paperwork for regular, automatic giving from their bank accounts. The CTKCC Automatic Withdrawal Request form is available on our website; click the title in the right hand column of the main page.
- \* Thanks to those who have used the "Online Offertory" that the diocese has generously set up (click the picture in the right column of our website). — As noted last week, we are looking into ways to make easy online giving available for when we come through this time of pandemic.

**2020 NULLITY WORKSHOPS CANCELLED:** The workshops scheduled for April 21 (Fort Dodge), April 28 (Storm Lake), May 5 (Sheldon) and May 12 (Sioux City Holy) will not take place this year. We Frs. Tims can help you, if you were planning to attend one of these.

**REMINDER TO ALL PARISHIONERS:** The bulletin is accessible on our website: <http://christthekingcatholiccommunity.org> home page under the Tab –BULLETIN. If you would like to be added to the email list, contact Julie at [stjohnarcadia@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnarcadia@gmail.com). If you are homebound, contact the parish office in Breda or Arcadia and we can mail it to you.



### **ST. BERNARD-BREDA**

**THE MAY GUILD MEETING** has been canceled.

**THE NURSING HOME BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE** will be celebrating three birthdays this month with card showers: Dolores Koster—April 20 {Swan Place 1624 E. 12 St., Carroll}; Paul Venner—April 20 {Garden View 502 S Maple St., Carroll}; Kay Schwabe—April 21 {Sunnybrook, 1214 18 St., Carroll}. Sending cards will be much appreciated during this time of social distancing.

**BREDA ALL SCHOOL REUNION** will be on **Friday, July 3, 2020**. Watch for contact from one of your class mates.

- 2–4:00 p.m. — Tours of St. Bernard School and memory rooms.
- 4–11:00 p.m. — Everyone is welcome at the Breda Memorial Park Shelter House.
- 5:30 p.m. — A meal will be available by **reservation**.
- **Sunday, July 5:** After the 10:00 Sunday Mass until 1:00 p.m., there will be **tours, and coffee and rolls** in St. Bernard School. If you have **school or church artifacts** to donate or any news items (e.g., of the quilting ladies) please call Mary Kay at 712-673-4695

or 712-673-2847.

### **Stewardship for April 12**

*Adult \$4,725.00; Other Income \$125.00; Retired/Infirm Priests \$390.00; Holy Land \$5.00*

### **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST-ARCADIA**

**WE ARE LOW ON MASS INTENTIONS** requested by St. John the Baptist parishioners. Please mail your intentions to the St. John office (610 Gault St., Arcadia, IA 51430-0023). **Friendly reminders:** The standard offering for one Mass stipend is \$10. Canon Law requires Mass Stipend accounts to be separate from other parish accounts, so please submit the stipend offering in cash or a separate check. Thank you!

### **Stewardship for April 12**

*Adult \$2,780.00; Holy Land \$220.00; Retired/Infirm Priests \$295.00; Guild Income \$50.00*

### **OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL-MOUNT CARMEL**

**WE ARE LOW ON MASS INTENTIONS** requested by OLMC parishioners. Please mail in your intentions (PO Box 39, Breda, 51436) or drop them through mail slot at the Breda office. **Friendly reminders:** The standard offering for one Mass stipend is \$10. Canon Law requires Mass Stipend accounts to be separate from other parish accounts, so please submit the stipend offering in cash or a separate check. Thank you!

### **Stewardship for April 12**

*Adult \$1,525.00; Youth \$10.00; Loose \$5.00; Catholic School Support \$20.00; Retired/Infirm Priests \$50.00; Holy Land \$10.00*

### **ST. AUGUSTINE-HALBUR** **Holy Angels MWS**

Please see the General News for info on your new Facebook page.

### **Stewardship for April 12**

*Adult \$8,751.32 (including grain sale); Loose \$5.00; Holy Land \$20.00; Retired/Infirm Priests \$175.00; Rent \$196.77*

### **SACRED HEART-TEMPLETON**

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**WE ARE LOW ON MASS INTENTIONS** requested by Sacred Heart parishioners. Please mail your intentions to St. Bernard Office, PO Box 39, Breda, 51436. **Friendly reminders:** The standard offering for one Mass stipend is \$10. Canon Law requires Mass Stipend accounts to be separate from other parish accounts, so please submit the stipend offering in cash or a separate check. Thank you!

### **Stewardship for April 12**

*Adult \$2,025.00; Loose \$5.00; Catholic School support \$25.00; Other Income \$6.24; Retired/Infirm Priests \$130.00; Holy Land \$30.00*

### **ST. ELIZABETH SETON-GLIDDEN**

**THERE ARE 100 metal folding chairs and 1 older Frigidaire Range** available to Parishioners for a free will donation. Please contact Kimberly Whitaker at 712-830-6931 for info or to claim. These items are also posted on our Facebook page.

*Stewardship for April 12-No Report Available*

**PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], may contact the pastor at any time of the year to begin the process known as RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults]/ RCIC [Rite of Christian Initiation of Children].

**BAPTISM CLASS** is being offered for parents who are having a child baptized for the first time in one of the parishes of CTKCC. The class will be offered at **6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of odd numbered months** (Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.) at **Holy Spirit in Carroll**. PLEASE email one of the Frs. Tims to let them know when you will be attending.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION** is to begin 6-12 months before the wedding day. If either the bride or the groom is not a Catholic or has been previously married, additional time may be necessary for preparation. Please contact the pastor so that all preparations may be completed in time for the wedding and marriage. Remember, a wedding is just a day, a marriage is a LIFETIME!

**NEW PARISHIONERS** may register in the parish of their choice by visiting <http://christthekingcatholiccommunity.org/parish-registration> [under the ABOUT drop-down menu] and completing the form.

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