

APRIL 1, 2018 • EASTER SUNDAY



St. Theodore Catholic Church

Inviting people to actively participate in the Life of Christ!

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ALLELUIA!

Alleluia! Our praise word has been silent for forty days. Alleluia means "Praise Ye, Lord," and we sing it out in joyful trinities today. Praise is as common to our liturgical life as petition, but we tend to overlook it. The eucharistic prayer at the heart of the Mass is a prayer of praise and thanksgiving, which teaches us something about the order of such prayer. Praising God is naturally followed by litanies of reasons flowing from grateful hearts. Our responsorial psalms, interspersed throughout the Easter Vigil and sung at every Mass, dance with the opportunity to give praise to the One who keeps all promises. Alleluia!

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iAleluya!

Por cuarenta días no hemos pronunciado esta palabra de alabanza. Hoy la cantamos con júbilo. En la vida litúrgica, la alabanza es tan común como la petición, pero lo olvidamos con frecuencia. La plegaria eucarística, en el corazón de la Misa, es una oración de alabanza y acción de gracias. A la alabanza le siguen muchas letanías que surgen del corazón agradecido de los fieles. Los salmos responsoriales entre las lecturas de la vigilia pascual y cantados en cada Misa están impregnados de alabanzas al que cumple sus promesas. iAleluya!

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday
1/2 hour before Masses

WEEKEND MASSESS

Saturday: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am (Broadcast on KATE 1450 AM)
11:00 am (Español)

From the Desk of Father Kurt

Happy Easter Felices Pascuas

In the Hispanic culture when one greets with the phrase Happy Easter, it is done so in the plural, Happy Easters. This is an interesting use of words, because it conveys the meaning of Easter in a fuller sense than does the expression, Happy Easter. This is because, Easter is not only one celebration, but a continual embracing of the reality that death has been destroyed, and eternal life granted for those who believe.

Lent has been for us a preparation of a new way of life that puts an end to sin and immerses us into a life in Christ that will never end. Our New Years resolutions might have already been pushed a side. However, we can't look on our efforts during Lent as an endurance test, which now can give way to our self gratifying behaviors. No, we must be open to the new way of life that God grants us through the graces given at Easter. Through Christ's suffering, death and resurrection we have been given new life. Let us embrace this new way of living, not only for a day but also for an eternity.

Happy Easters.
Father Kurt Farrell

St. John the Evangelist of Rochester to become Co-Cathedral



During these holy days of Easter, we have extra reason to rejoice. After several years of inquiry, and much consultation, The Holy See has decreed that the former Diocese of Winona will now be called the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and that St. John the Evangelist Church of Rochester will be designated as a co-cathedral.

As many of you are aware, the City of Rochester has had significant population growth in recent decades. It is our diocese's largest city, and three-quarters of our diocesan population currently reside in the corridor between Rochester and Mankato. The elevation of St. John the Evangelist Church to the status of a co-cathedral is a momentous occasion for our diocese and provides unique opportunities for further evangelization as we continue the work of missionary discipleship, sharing God's love and mercy to all.

The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart will not change in name or status. It will continue to be the seat of the diocese and will host diocesan celebrations and Masses, and ordinations.

To learn more about these updates, please visit the diocesan website at www.dow.org. There will also be coverage of the new co-cathedral in the next issue of the *Courier* newspaper. Please pray for the people of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, as we journey through these joyous days of the Easter Season. May the Risen Lord Jesus Christ be praised! Alleluia.

Mass Intentions/Schedule

Monday, April 2		NO Mass	
Tuesday, April 3		NO Mass	
Wednesday, April 4		NO Men's Prayer Group NO Mass	
Thurs Apr 5	2:00 pm	Mass † Leonard & Rachel Callahan by Maureen Carlson	St. John's
Fri Apr 6	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	Mass Special Intention for Craig Warner by Marily Warner	
	9:30 am	First Friday Confession	
	9:30am-6:30pm 6:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration Spanish Prayer Group	
Sat Apr 7	4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
	4:45 pm	Rosary	
	5:15 pm	Mass † Lawrence Butler by Irene	
Sun Apr 8	8:30 am	Reconciliation	Church
	8:30 am	Rosary	
	9:00 am	Mass. † Helen Rudolph by husband & children	
	11:00 am	Spanish Mass † Lucy Ray Adame & Lucy Luna by Ray Luna & Mary Larson	
	2:00 pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Confessions	
	3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	

Upcoming Broadcast Masses

April 15	Martha & Bill, Robert & Richard Thomas & Angie VanRyswyk by Dee Thomas & Family
April 22	Ruben Anderson by Judy Popp-Anderson
April 29	LeRoy & Helen Wilder & Son by Marvin, Norbert & Ann Wilder
May 6	Emanuel & Rosalia Kes by Jack & Rosemary Bloomquist

Sacrificial Giving

March 24-25, 2018

Adult	Offertory	Youth	Improvement	St. James
\$6909.55	\$800.87	\$0.00	\$95.00	\$65.00
2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal Goal \$60,970.00				
Amount Pledged & Received:			\$20,597.00	

*Thank you to those who gave Easter gifts
and treats. Your generosity and kind
words are such a blessing.*

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Apr 2	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Marian Hall
Tues, Apr 3	Hispanic Ministry Meeting Moved to April 10th 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Parish Conference Room
Wed Apr 4	NO Men's Prayer Group 6:00 am - 7:00 am School Staff Meeting 3:15-4:15 pm Faith Formation 7:00 pm - 8:10 pm	Parish Conference Room School Room 21 Gym, Marian Hall, School & Church
Thurs Apr 5	Quilting Group 9:00 am-12:00 pm	Church Basement
Fri Apr 6		
Sat Apr 7	Confirmation Interviews 9:00 am - 11:00 am	Father's Office
Sun Apr 8		

St. Theodore School News

Mark your calendars for our **Auction Extravaganza** on April 21st! This year's theme is Masquerade Ball. We will be having an Italian pasta bar. Reservations are available in the Parish Office, School Office, and Marketplace Foods. If you purchase your reservations before April 10th the cost is \$35.00 per person or \$350.00 for a table of ten. After April 10th the cost will be \$40.00 per person and at the door or \$400.00 for a table of ten.

If anyone would like to donate an item, gift certificate or merchandise to the Auction Extravaganza, please contact the school at 507-373-9657 or contact Melissa at mrs.wittmer@gmail.com. We would be happy to display advertising pamphlets, posters, or business cards near the item being auctioned for visitors to take or view. If you wish to enclose an advertising piece into each bidder packet, please send it along. Donations need to be received by April 9th.

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is still open. Registration forms are available in the school office. There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$50.00. If you or anyone you know has any questions about our school, please don't hesitate to call the School Office at 507-373-9657. Tuition assistance is available, contact us for more information.

•Have a great weekend! • St. Theodore Catholic School•



The gross income for both Fish Fries was \$4,717.00! Final numbers will be published in a later bulletin. Thanks to all who volunteered and attended.



PRAYER CHAIN
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Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday, April 7, 2018	Sunday, April 8, 2018	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am Español
Accompanist	Needed	Ada Theusch	Hispanic Choir
Cantor + Choir	CANTOR NEEDED to join the Adult Choir	Michael Blong	
Lectors	Grzybowski's	Eisenbraun's	
Altar Servers	Keith & Elise Grzybowski	Evan Blankenship Tanner Conn	Jesus Boites Marisol Aretaga

Faith Formation News!

I want to give a big Thank You to all of the Catechists who joined me this year! We have had a great year together! Please join me in Thanking all of our Catechists. Special Thank you to our Student Volunteers through this year.

Kayla Saindon, Erika Saindon, Angelina Minear, Lilli Crissinger, Anna Grossman & Elizabeth Wallace.

*Sunday Faith Formation
PreK - Rebekah Crissinger*

K & 1st - Ruby Tufte

*First Recon/Communion - Therese Saindon
3rd & 4th - Teresa Halbach & Marie Grund*

*Wednesday Night Faith Formation
5th & 6th - Annie Schleck*

*Edge Youth Group 7th, 8th & 9th
Penny Jahnke Brenda Hanson
Katie Kirsch Jen Chalmers
Chris Chalmers*

*10th Grade 1st Year Confirmation
Sue VanVooren & Pegi Sorenson*

*11th Grade 2nd Year Confirmation
Mandy Gryzbowski & Eric Mickelson*

♦ Kristy Minear ♦ Director of Religious Ed.♦

LIFE AND DIGNITY SUNDAY is April 14-15. Register in two weeks for the MN Catholic Advocacy Network to learn about life and dignity issues, the common good and care of creation legislation at the state capitol and communicate with our local legislators.

