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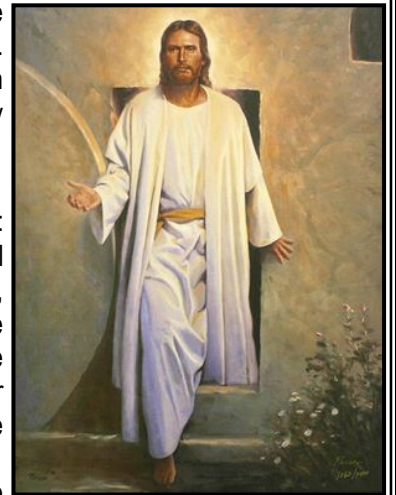
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The theme of today's celebration is undeniably this: the Lord is risen. Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and the beloved disciple discovered that the tomb was empty and, according to the Gospel, they bear witness to the resurrection of Jesus. This inspired them to proclaim to the world that his death was transformed into new life. There's no need to run to the empty tomb because the Lord is present in the lives of all who believe in him through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Many of our ministers and volunteers most certainly feel tired after all the planning and preparations this week. Still, today is a day for welcoming all those who come to celebrate the resurrection of the Lord in our communities. Hospitality groups, the choir, and priests and deacons should be active. It's also appropriate to introduce those who were baptized and confirmed during the vigil. Some of these newcomers could share a brief testimony on the impact of their initiation into the Church after Mass today and after the Masses for the remaining Sundays of Easter.

El tema de la celebración de hoy es innegablemente este: el Señor ha resucitado. María Magdalena, Simón Pedro y el amado discípulo descubrieron que la tumba estaba vacía y, según el Evangelio, dan testimonio de la resurrección de Jesús. Esto los inspiró a proclamar al mundo que su muerte se transformó en una nueva vida. No hay necesidad de correr a la tumba vacía porque el Señor está presente en la vida de todos los que creen en él a través del poder del Santo.

Muchos de nuestros ministros y voluntarios ciertamente se sienten cansados después de toda la planificación y los preparativos de esta semana. Sin embargo, hoy es un día para dar la bienvenida a todos aquellos que vienen a celebrar la resurrección del Señor en nuestras comunidades. Los grupos de hospitalidad, el coro y los sacerdotes y deáconos deben estar activos. También es apropiado presentar a aquellos que fueron bautizados y confirmados durante la vigilia. Algunos de estos recién llegados podrían compartir un breve testimonio sobre el impacto de su iniciación en la Iglesia después de la misa de hoy y después de las misas de los domingos restantes de Pascua.



MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:15 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am (Broadcast on KATE 1450 AM)
11:00 am (Español)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 1/2 hour before 9 & 11 am Masses

PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH

Tuesday - Friday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Prayer Chapel open all hours
(with restrictions)

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:00 am-4:00 pm

Closed Friday

Office closes from 9:00-9:45 am on Wednesday so staff can attend Mass and 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch Monday -Thursday.

PRAYER CHAIN

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From the Desk of Father Kurt

Happy Easter!

I write to you with great joy that we are able to gather this year to celebrate the most significant event ever, the day that Christ Jesus rose from the dead. It didn't seem possible that there would ever be a time that I, as a priest, would not be able to celebrate Easter with my people. Due to the pandemic, I celebrated Easter Mass last year with just a few people that were receiving the Easter sacraments. Although the celebration was special, it just did not feel right. The experience however has given me a greater appreciation for the freedom that we have in this country to express our faith and practice it. I hope we never get to a point where gathering as a community to celebrate our faith is threatened like it is in many places all over the world.

This year may our celebration of the Easter Rites express our deep love and affection for Christ and one another. May it also help us better understand the importance of defending our Catholic faith and the right to live it and practice it freely and publicly.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

Sacrificial Giving

March 23-28, 2021

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$19,552.51	\$1,166.50	\$135.00	\$10.00
Fish Fry Total for 3/26/2021			\$3,244.00

2021 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal \$55,605.00

Amount Received (3.22.21) \$24,277.00

We started our 2021 appeal with great momentum. May we continue to move toward our forward toward year our 2021 goal. Thanks to those you already gave.

Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Intention(s)
Apr 18	For the Mike Olson Family by Karen Olson
Apr 25	† Lucy Luna, wife of Ray Luna by Ray Luna & Mary Larson † Duane Elyea and Leo & Martha Kirsch by Patty Christopherson † Esther Mulholland by Mulholland family † John Buttweiler by the Farrells An Anonymous Donation for all listeners.
May 2	† Esther Mulholland by the Mulholland family Additional Sponsors Needed
May 9	Sponsors Needed
May 16	† Pat Johndro by Bob & Marilyn Blong & Family
May 23	In recognition of all mothers living & deceased by the KC Auxiliary

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 4/5	Acts 2:14, 22-33	Mt 28:8-15
Tues: 4/6	Acts 2:36-41	Jn 20:11-18
Wed: 4/7	Acts 3:1-10	Lk 24:13-35
Thur: 4/8	Acts 3:11-26	Lk 24:35-48
Fri: 4/9	Acts 4:1-12	Jn 21:1-14
Sat: 4/10	Acts 4:13-21	Mk 16:9-15
Sun: 4/11	Acts 4:32-35 1 Jn 5:1-6	PS 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Jn 20:19-31

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tues Apr 6	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Frank & Janice Schultz by Geri	Church Church
Wed Apr 7	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Ralph Drees Jr by friends of Joanne	Church Church
Thurs Apr 8	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Joan Packowski by Geri Gilbertson	Church Church
Fri Apr 9	8:30 am 9:00 pm	Rosary Mass † Dorrene Walker by her sister, Pat Powers	Church Church
Sat Apr 10	7:30 am 8:00 pm	Rosary Mass Memorial Mass Association	Church Church
Sun Apr 11	8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary Mass † Lucy Luna, wife of Ray Luna by Ray Luna & Mary Larson † Duane Elyea and Leo & Martha Kirsch by Patty Christopherson † Esther Mulholland by the Mulholland family † John Buttweiler by the Farrells An Anonymous Donation for all listeners. Hispanic Mass † Richardo Renteria by family	Church Church Church



Respect Life

Abortion Is A Symptom Of Changes In Society

I recently had the privilege of hearing a resounding talk on behalf of the unborn babies - a pro-life message. We should all be shouting our outrage of abortion from the house tops. But we are so complacent. This problem has not gone away. Babies are still being murdered by the thousands every day. We have laws that say it's OK to kill babies. Let's not kid ourselves any longer. Those are babies that women carry in their wombs. We have laws that say it's wrong to speak God's name in our public schools, then we wonder why the children of today have so many problems. They are being cut off from God. And be careful if you mention God in a letter to your employees or you will be mocked by someone in the newspaper. I say to all such business owners that you are in good company: Christ also was mocked. What has happened to us? We used to be a God-fearing people. But now you're considered strange if you talk about God. It seems to me our "educated" people and politicians making all these anti-God laws need to review the basics of right and wrong. What will it take to wake us up?

Ruth Weber
Davenport Iowa

Funeral Kitchen Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with funerals as setup/servers and dishwashers. Please contact the parish office at 507-373-0603 or Jolene our kitchen coordinator at 373-1545. Thank you!

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Apr 5	Parish Office Closed Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm Loaves & Fishes 4:45-5:30 pm	Chapel Marian Hall
Tues Apr 6	Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm	Church
Wed Apr 7	Morning Prayer Group 6-7am Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm Faith Formation 5th-11th Grades 7:00-8:00 pm	Parish Meeting Room Church Marian Hall, Church
Thurs Apr 8	Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm Knight of Columbus Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm	Church Church Basement
Fri Apr 9	Parish Office Closed Adoration 9:30am-6:30pm Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8:00 pm	Church Church Church
Sat Apr 10	Divine Mercy Novena (Español) 12:00-1:00 pm	Church
Sun Apr 11	Faith Formation 5th-11th Grades 10:05-10:55 am Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00-4:00 pm	School Church

Catholic Charities of Southern MN

is offering 3 new ZOOM studies beginning later in April! Choose from: **The Dignity of Work** (led by Isaac Landsteiner – beginning April 20th), **The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching** (led by Chad Cagle and beginning on April 22nd), or **Fratelli Tutti** (led by Lisa Kremer – beginning April 27th). For more information or to register, contact Lisa at lkremer@ccsommn.org – 507-360-3423. More information can be found at our website: ccsommn.org



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the mail are asked to send their name and address to Nick Reller at nreller@dowr.org.

We pray for the following families who mourn the loss of their loved one:


- Jeffrey Parker Muschler (died 3/17/21)
- Clifford Kwapick (died 3/23/21)
- Arthur Rudolph (died 3/27/21)

We pray that the love, mercy and compassion of our Lord bring their families peace and comfort during this difficult time.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday April 10, 2021	Sunday April 11, 2021	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Accompanist	AdaTheusch	AdaTheusch	
Cantor	Abbie Theusch	Alex Amundson	
Lectors	Grzybowski's	Sue Amundson	
Eucharistic Ministers	3 from April schedule	5 from April schedule	3 needed from schedule

St. Theodore School News



We would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter!

Registration forms for the 2021-2022 school year are available in the School Office or on our website: www.sttheo.org. If you have any questions or would like to set up a tour, contact the school office at 507-373-9657 or email the school secretary at kgarcia@sttheoschool.org.

We hope everyone has a blessed weekend!
St. Theodore Catholic School

Faith Formation News

St. Theodore's is seeking a Director of Faith Formation.

Please contact Leon Axtman, our Parish Administrator, at 507-473-4635 for position description and details.

Save the Date

Knights of Columbus
Pork Sandwich Drive Thru Fundraiser
May 1, 2020 ♦ 5:30-7:00 PM
Serving from Marian Hall

Men's Retreat ♦ JULY 22-25, 2021
Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo.
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Contact Leon at 507-373-0603 or 651-491-7432.
website: www.demontrevilleretreat.com

Come Celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy!

Calling all Catholics to come celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 11, 2021.
Adoration & Confessions 2-3:00 pm
Chaplet 3:00 pm

Did you know that the Lord said this feast would one day be the "last hope of salvation"?

What is so special about the Feast of Divine Mercy?

It is the promise of the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment for any soul that would go to Confession and then receive Jesus in Holy Communion on the Feast Day of Divine Mercy!



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