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The Gift of Divine Mercy

April 19, 2020

This weekend's readings remind us why today, Divine Mercy Sunday, we celebrate the gift of Divine Mercy. In the Gospel, we're taken back to the evening of that first Easter Sunday. The disciples have gotten back together, more out of fear than of faith: they had all abandoned Our Lord on the Cross. How could they expect any sort of mercy after what they'd done? The Apostles needed to be reconciled with the Lord they'd abandoned when He needed them most.

Jesus appeared to the Apostles and said to them twice, "Peace be with you." They could see His wounds and knew it wasn't an illusion, and the fact that they'd abandoned him wasn't an illusion either: Their sin really happened and a price had to be paid for that sin. But Jesus had already paid the price in full, and when He spoke the words "Peace be with you," He was saying "what's past is past. You're forgiven."

Christ's Resurrection itself is a sign of God's mercy, and we have hope because Christ was raised from the dead. Before His Resurrection, mankind's sins, all the way back to Adam, lead to one end: death and eternal separation from God. But in Christ's Resurrection, we're given a living hope that through Christ's mercy death won't have the last word in our lives. We too may inherit the eternal life that He won for us on the Cross. However, this "inheritance" isn't automatic. Through trials and our efforts at purification, we show that we truly desire the gift of his mercy. And, despite Our Lord's victory, we continue to stumble and sin, which is why we need His mercy over and over.

When Jesus says "Peace be with you" twice in today's Gospel, He's showing us that forgiveness isn't a "one shot deal", otherwise Baptism would be all we need: yet, in truth, we're always in need of His mercy because we continue to battle with our sins. When we examine our lives, we always see times where we could've done more and better, and Confession gives us the peace and grace to keep trying to do just that.

Our reconciliation is meant to be maintained and to be spread by our example of faith as we live according to God's will. There's no better way to experience more fully the "great and glorious joy" that His mercy can give us than by spreading the news. Christ came all the way from heaven to communicate His mercy to us. Those He wants us to reach out to may be just across the street, in the next office ... closer than we think. Let us reach out in God's love to spread the news of His infinite mercy to all His people.

Continue to have a blessed Easter,

Dcn. Robb

Your Parish Representatives:

Parish Council Members: Ben Baird, Anita Froelich, Jim Gorham, Cynthia Haskin, Rich Marsolek, Elizabeth Mathews, Sophia Morin, Mary Scofield, Tracie Walter

Finance Council Members: Jeff Cwikla, Amy Haskell, Claude Sand

School Council Members: Will Beise, Erin Curran, Sarah Haman, Christine Louvar, Trudy Peterson, Scott Winter

Trustees: Kevin Erpelding, Tracie Walter



Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

April 19, 2020

**Give thanks to God,
for His mercy endures!**

Sacramental Life

Baptisms

Parents or prospective parents who wish to present a child for Baptism are asked to attend a baptism preparation class (currently suspended until further notice). Please call the Parish Office at 444-4262 for more information.

Marriages

Congratulations! Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible (six months or more in advance) so that we can work with you to prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

Pastoral Visitations

If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of Anointing the Sick, call the Parish Office. We want to be part of your life.

Congratulations and Blessings!

The St. Philip's Catholic Community is happy to announce those who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation this Easter: **Jared Zimmerman, Melissa Truax, and Samara Gries**. Receiving their First Eucharist and Confirmed into the Catholic faith were **Cynthia Cwikla, Jason Truax, and Timothy Wang**. Also, receiving her First Eucharist was **Kallianne Gries**, daughter of James & Brecken Gries. May God abundantly bless them as they continue on their faith journey!



Parish Life

Stay At Home

For your safety the church, chapel, school, Clothing Depot, and Parish Offices are closed to the public, with the exception of USPO, UPS, or FedEx employees. Confessions are being heard by appointment only; please call the Parish Office to schedule a time with Fr. Chuck or Fr. Maschio. If you have an emergency, please do not hesitate to call us at 218-444-4262.

Have you sent us your photo?

Even though we are unable to physically worship together, we still want to see you in church. Simply go to the St. Philip's website (www.stphilipsbemidji.org) to submit your photo along with where you usually sit in church, and we will place it in your spot. See you in church!

Mass Intentions

For Week of April 20 to 26

Monday, Apr 20

+John "Jack" Kerr

Tuesday, Apr 21

+Alex Gonshorowski

+Robert Volk

Wednesday, Apr 22

+Jvonne Gray

Special Intentions for Fr. Pat Sullivan

Thursday, Apr 23

Special Intentions for Henry Lahn

+Margaret Gilmour

Friday, Apr 24

Special Intentions for Therese Hanson

Saturday, Apr 25

For the People

Sunday, Apr 26

+Margaret Keavney

Daily Readings

For Week of April 20 to 26

Monday, Apr 20

- Acts 4:23-31
- Ps 2:1-9
- Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, Apr 21

- Acts 4:32-37
- Ps 93:1,2,5
- Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, Apr 22

- Acts 5:17-26
- Ps 34:2,3,4-5,6-7,8-9
- Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, Apr 23

- Acts 5:27-33
- Ps 34:2,9,17-20
- Jn 3:31-36

Friday, Apr 24

- Acts 5:34-42
- Ps 27:1,4,13-14
- Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, Apr 25

- 1 Pt 5:5b-14
- Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17
- Mk 16:15-20

Sunday, Apr 26

- Acts 2:14,22-33
- Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11
- 1 Pt 1:17-21
- Lk 24:13-35

Are You Up-to-date?

Much of the information sent to parishioners is via email. If you are not getting emails from us the chances are good that either 1) we do not have an email address for you or 2) the email address we have is incorrect. Please call the Parish Office or email tjohnson@stphilipsbemidji.org with your information. The same goes for any address or phone changes. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our records current!

Pastoral Council Elections are coming soon!

Our Pastoral Council enhances the decision-making process of pastoral planning—helping to set goals and develop and implement pastoral programs. The council serves in an advisory role to the pastor. Meetings are held after evening Mass the first Tuesday of each month. (Usually 10 to 11 meetings a year.) Each council member term is for three years, with possible second term (total six years). The election process is scheduled for early May with duties to start July 1. If you are called to serve our parish in this capacity, get Information/nomination forms in the Parish Office or at stphilipsbemidji.org. Names may be submitted to the nominating committee of the Pastoral Council by April 25.

Real Presence Radio is streaming Daily Mass live Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM on our **Facebook** and **YouTube** channels with many of our local priests. If you can't join us during that time, please check out our **website** for a listing of other times that you can virtually partake in the Mass. Sunday Mass will be broadcast at 7:00 AM and 10:30 AM on Real Presence Radio. Please check out our **News page** for a listing of cancellations and other opportunities to celebrate the Mass.



Daily Quarantine Questions

- * What am I grateful for today?
- * Who am I checking in on or connecting with today?
- * What expectations or "normal" am I letting go of today?
- * How am I getting outside today?
- * How am I moving my body today?
- * What beauty am I either creating, cultivating or inviting in today?

~Brooke Anderson

Easter Devotional Books

Traditionally at St. Philip's, there are the "little white books" for our parishioners to take home after Easter Sunday, to continue their daily devotions. If you wish to have one of these books, there are some at the Parish Office along with bottles of holy water. Please stop by between 9 and 3 Monday through Friday to pick yours up.



DAY 39 (April 2, 2020): 107th abortion facility is confirmed as closed and out of business following a 40 Days for Life campaign. Prayer warriors in Lindavista, Mexico report on the closure at 40daysforlife.com/April 2, 2020 Blog.

*The spring worldwide 40 Days for Life campaign ended on April 5, 2020.

343 confirmed reports of babies (and their moms) spared from abortion – with reports continuing to come in!

Stewardship of Financial Resources

Total Actual Contributions

Week #41 (Weekend of Apr 12) **\$19,710.00**

Fiscal Year to Date

Last: \$830,734.44 ~ Current: \$801,780.64

Faith in Our Future Campaign

Pledged to Date: \$2,727,962.70 ~ Paid to Date: \$1,601,557.53

STEWARDSHIP ~ A HABIT OF THE HEART

Options for offertory giving

- Envelopes (cash or check) mailed to St. Philip's
- Automatic withdrawal from checking/savings (most economical)
- Give online at stphilipsbemidji.org
- Text to give at 218-277-6444 
 - You will receive a link
 - Click "sign in" then "register for an account"
 - Complete registration to receive a secure PIN
 - Select the fund, enter the donation amount and payment information. Tap "save payment" to save it for future gifts.

Thank you. Your gifts support the ongoing operation of St. Philip's Catholic Community.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week is the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

My LORD and my GOD!

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Divine Mercy Sunday: St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed, for example:

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. ... Let no soul fear to draw near to Me. ... It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (Diary, no. 699)

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

St. Philip's School

3rd Quarter "A" & "B" Honor Roll

2019-2020 School Year

5th "A" Honor Roll

Sean Ryan Aylesworth
Camden Bentfield
Konnor Ball
John Breczinski
Lauren Bruley
Jack Burlingame
Jacobi Burmeister-Pater
Samantha Buxton
Graham Fish
Ethan Frank
Greta Frauenholtz
Gavin Jaschke
Abigail Jenkins
Xinghan Li
Catherine Lock
Annabel Louvar
Grace Lucas
Whitney Lundeen
Evan Lundin
Henry McCrady
Mali McLean
Lauren Moreno
Jack Norgaard
Jude Nyhusmoen
Reagan Nyhusmoen
Jack Okerlund
Elizabeth Peterson
Bailey Rupp
Hayden Seitz
Lucy Solheim
Elise Spaeth
Dominic St. Germain
Jill-Ann Walter
Andrew Washburn
Dominick Washburn
Ella Willford
Tatum Winter

6th "A" Honor Roll

Sydney Beise
Andrew Breczinski
Kayce Christiansen
Drew Christianson
Kaia Christopher
Rylan Cole
Griffin Dewar
Edward Froelich
Gunner Ganske
Ava Haskell
Megan Johnson
Nayeli Moreno
Gabe Morin
Abby Myhrer
Dezi Puffe
Isabella Reiersen
Austin Riewer
Benjamin Schoneck
Alivia Thompson
Kyliegh Velez
Taevon Welle

6th "B" Honor Roll

Cal Barnes
Kolter Braunhausen
Peter Mathews
Tommy Ness
Blake Orvik
Taylor Schulke
Fenella Sommerville
Tyler Warner

7th "A" Honor Roll

Elizabeth Buxton
Sibley Downs
Joseph Fankhanel
Anna Frenzel
Zoey Headlee
Max Louvar
Sam Maus
Addy McCrady
Markus Midgarden
Samantha Nistler
Morgan Nyhusmoen
Elena Peterson
Mollie Rupp
Ellie Solheim
Natalie Stiehm
Abby Yerbich

7th "B" Honor Roll

Nyla Brower
Erick Haskell
Lucy Klisch
Ella Klovstad
Addi Lundberg
Dylan Lundin
Hannah Lundin
Sully Okerlund
Luke Rud
Hayden Smith
Taryn Torgerson
Lee Walter
Rania Wells

8th "A" Honor Roll

David Aguilera
Noah Bergerson
Lauren Christianson
Lauren Dow
Carter Fish
Ben Frauenholtz
Fisher Ganske
Mya Lundeen
Ryan Maki
Leo Mathews
Mary Merschman
Emma Mutnansky
Kenny Ness
Matthew Olson
Caleb Sagedahl
Christopher Sether
Ian Spaeth
Veritas Stewart
Eleanor Strand
Jack Swiggum
Hannah Voge
Ava Warner



Just for Kids

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FORMED has a great selection of Catholic videos and a few books for Preschool and Elementary Children. FORMED is FREE for members of our Parish. You will need to open an account. Go to www.formed.org. Choose *Sign Up*, then select "*I belong to a parish or organization.*" Search for and select *St. Philip's of Bemidji*, enter your email address. Then check your new email from FORMED to click the entry link and begin enjoying FORMED!

Listed below are a few of the Catholic Video offerings.

Brother Francis



11 Episodes

Join Brother Francis as he helps children up to 8 years old understand how to live a joy-filled Catholic life.

The Adventures of Carlos Caterpillar



12 Episodes

Hola! I'm Carlos Caterpillar! I'm just like you—except, of course, I'm a caterpillar. I love to have fun! And since I'm young, I'm still learning about life, so some times I get myself in situations that can be hard to wriggle out of! Ay, ay, ay! That's why I'm lucky to have Uncle Pedro, a butterfly with a lifetime of experience that he is always willing to share. Uncle Pedro remembers what it was like to be a little caterpillar that is just beginning to learn about life, and he is patient with

me while I learn. He always reminds me how important it is to do the right thing because he wants me to grow up to be the best butterfly I can possibly be. And so do I!

Do YOU want to be the very best YOU can possibly be? Then come with ME and worm your way into "The Adventures of Carlos Caterpillar!" Come on! It'll be fun!

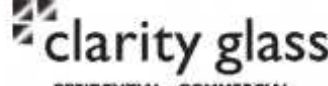
The Jesus Stories



6 Episodes

Created to help children apply the lessons found in the parables of Jesus, each 10-minute episode includes a story situation that children today can relate to, a parable, and a thought-provoking way to apply it.

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