

April 5, 2015

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Last Week's
Sunday Collection
\$2,004.25

Building Fund
\$172.00

Catholic Relief
\$25.00

UCA
\$5.00

Soup Supper
\$78.50

Food Shelf
\$150.00

Easter Sunday

Pastor's Notes:

Sunday Scripture Commentary: Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved. Her following statement is telling -- she assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus -- in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit. © 2015 Loyola Press All Rights Reserved. Reprinted with Permission.

Lenten Events: Our thanks to everyone who made the Lenten Fish a success: Judy Anderson and Ken Anderson, Gloria Uremovich (Baker), Cindy Story of Barross Cottages Assisted Living for her donation of the fish and potatoes. Also to many others who donated various dishes and helped serve and clean up as well. The proceeds of \$972.00 were donated to the Building Fund. Our thanks also to Larry and Shawna Groothausen and Greg and Laura Lien for coordinating the Soup Suppers. The proceeds \$185.50 were donated to the Poor Fund. We are very grateful!

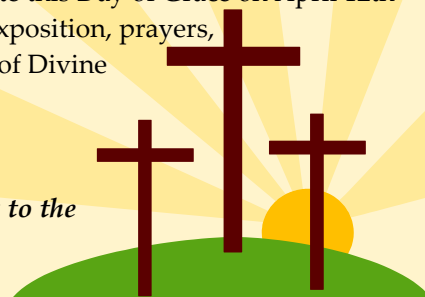
Confirmation: Note that Saturday next April 11 our Juniors and Seniors will be confirmed in the Faith by Bishop Sirba during the 4.30 pm Mass. Please keep them in your prayers! Confirmation Practice is on Wednesday April 8 at 7 pm. Thank You!

Christ is Risen! Christ is truly Risen! Easter Blessings on Everyone! Fr. Michael

Thank you so much to the following people for their generous donations for our Easter flowers: Gary & Nancy Aleff, Dave & Jeanne Battaglia, Florian Burger, John & Ruth Erickson, Carol Giacomini, Ed & Sue Gudowicz, Donna Harris, Noreen Jackson, Virgil & Jo Jasmer, Dolores Johnson, Mary Lou Johnson, Marge Lenius, Fran Magnusen, Dorothy Moe, Nancy & Gary Olson, Marilyn Schaefer, Steve & Gloria Uremovich .

Divine Mercy Sunday : Bring all your loved ones to celebrate this Day of Grace on April 12th at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary. 1:30-3:00 p.m. Exposition, prayers, rosary, veneration of first class relic of St. Faustina, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction; 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. -- confessions. Call the church for information at (218) 728-3646.

Heartfelt thanks to all those who contributed so generously to the Lenten food drive. God bless you!



Saturday	HOLY SATURDAY	4/04/14
11:00 a.m.	Reconciliation	
8:00 p.m.	Easter Vigil	
	Reader: Nadine Uremovich	
	Reader: Paulette Moreland	
	Plate: Deacon Tim Egan	
	Chalice: Carol Anderson & Liz Scheidt	
	Servers: Kate & Miles Thomasen	
Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY	4/05/14
11:00 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
	Reader: Mike Hoffman	
	Narrator—Deacon Tim Egan	
	Plate: Deacon Tim Egan	
	Chalice: Linda Hoffman & Nancy Olsen	
	Servers: Corey Sandretsky & Ariana Sitra	
Monday	EASTER MONDAY	4/06/13
Tuesday	EASTER TUESDAY	4/07/13
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Scenic Shores <i>Intention for † Msgr. O'Shea</i>	
5:45 p.m.	Choir Practice	
Wednesday	EASTER WEDNESDAY	4/08/13
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for † Ken Badboy</i>	
8:45 a.m.	Holy Hour with Exposition	
6:30 p.m.	Religious Education—Grades 5-11	
Thursday	EASTER THURSDAY	4/09/13
8:15 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's, Silver Bay	
Friday	EASTER FRIDAY	4/10/13
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for † Edsel Martz</i>	
Saturday	EASTER SATURDAY	4/11/13
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Confirmands</i>	
	Reader: Confirmation Student	
	Plate: Bishop Paul Sirba & Fr. Michael Lyons	
	Chalice: Deacon Tim Egan & Deacon Fred Wright	
	Servers: Duke Gilbert & to be assigned	
Sunday	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	4/12/13
9:45 a.m.	Religious Education Grades Pre, K-4	
11:00 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
	Reader: Louis Button	
	Plate: Deacon Tim Egan	
	Chalice: Joanne Button & Laura Lien	
	Servers: Ethan Bopp & Jasmyn Uremovich	

† **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Toni Johnson, Ron Kor, Joann Ostendorf, and Ron Ostendorf.



† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Britt Bredow, Craig Fallgren, Jane Griesy, Vince Ojard, Bill Carlson, Patty Harrison-Isakson, and Ray Weeks.

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray and Christopher Uremovich.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know that you would like to renew the request.

Youth Happenings - Check out our Youth Bulletin Board -

Food Drive Contest: Congratulations to the Sunday classes for bringing in the most food shelf items during the month of March

Cinnamon Roll Sale: We will be selling cinnamon rolls again on April 4th & 5th. Only \$5.00! The proceeds will be going toward the purchase of new Bibles for Church School.

Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon: All Religious Ed. teachers are invited to the Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon, scheduled for Sunday, April 26th following Mass. Please RSVP Treas in the Parish office 834-4659.

V.B.S. : We are looking for parents and kids (7th & up) to assist in teaching Vacation Bible School June 21st-25th, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. If interested, please contact Connie, 834-4433 or Cheryl, 830-078. We are also in need of adults to serve dinner each of these nights.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

"COMING HOME BASKET": The basket sitting to the right of the Sanctuary is a "Coming Home Basket." If you know of someone who has drifted away from their Catholic faith, write their name on one of the sheets provided, fold it, and place it in the basket. As a faith community we are encouraged to pray for the people whose names have been placed in the coming home basket as well as to encourage those we are aware of to return.



First Communion: Our second grade class will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 19th. Please keep our students in your prayers as they prepare for this Holy Sacrament.