



April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Mass Schedule: Weekends

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekdays and Holy Days

(See schedule in the bulletin)

Confession

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45pm



Monday, April 29, is the **Memorial of St. Catherine of Siena**, one of three women Doctors of the Church (along with St. Teresa of Avila and St. Thérèse of Lisieux). At the age of sixteen, St. Catherine joined the third order Dominicans, known as the *Mantellate*, and donned the white and black Dominican habit. In 1376 she famously exhorted Pope Gregory XI to return to Rome from Avignon, France, where the popes had been living since 1309. St. Catherine of Siena received the stigmata (the wounds of Christ in her body), but they did not show externally until she died in Rome on 29 April 1380, at the age of 33, near the Dominican church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, where her body is buried under the high altar. Her mystical writings are profoundly beautiful. In the Office of Readings for her feast day we read: *“Eternal Trinity, you are a Mystery deep as the sea. The more I search, the more I find, and the more I find, the more I search for you. But I can never be satisfied; what I receive will ever leave me desiring more. When you fill my soul, I have an even greater hunger, and I grow more famished for your light. I desire above all to see you, the true Light as you really are.”*

Wednesday, May 1, is the **Feast of St. Joseph the Worker**. The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955, is “Catholic Labor Day” – a day to honor the dignity of human labor as a participation in the Lord’s own creative work in the world. Pope Saint John Paul II reminds us, however, that there is a danger that “the prodigious power over creation which God gives to man can lead him to forget that God is the Creator upon whom everything depends.” As important as work is, rest is also sacred “because it is man’s way of withdrawing from the sometimes excessively demanding cycle of earthly tasks in order to renew his awareness that everything is the work of God.” Hence, “Christians are obliged to arrange their Sunday rest in a way which allows them to take part in the Eucharist, and to refrain from those works or activities which hinder the worship owed to God, or which hinder the necessary rest of mind and body.” (*Dies Domini*, #65 & 67 and CCC #2185)

In addition to the 7:15 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, there will be two special Masses for the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. Father Parrott will offer the St. Mary’s School Mass on Wednesday, May 1, at 8:10 a.m. at St. Joseph Church. Everyone is invited to join the students and teachers, who will be walking over to St. Joseph Church from the school.

On Wednesday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m., I will offer Mass at St. Joseph Parish to conclude our Faith Formation year. All students, parents, and catechists who participate in our Wednesday evening Religious Education Program are required to attend this Mass. It is fitting that this last class of the year should be in Our Lord’s “classroom” where we are all His students, eager to learn from the Master Teacher.

As this year’s formal Religious Education Classes come to an end, I want to say **thank you** to all of our **catechists** for helping teach the Catholic Faith every Wednesday evening. In a special way I would like to thank **Brittany Boubin**, our Faith Formation Coordinator, for her dedication to forming our young people with the mind and heart of Christ.

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Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

Monday, April 29, 2024 <i>Acts 14:5-8/Jn 14:21-26</i>	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church 7:15am - Sacred Heart Church
Tuesday, April 30, 2024 <i>Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a</i>	Easter Weekday - St. Pius V, Pope 7:15am - Sacred Heart Church
Wednesday, May 1, 2024 <i>Gen 1:26-2:3/Col 3:14-15,17,23-24 Mt 13:54-58</i>	Easter Weekday - St. Joseph the Worker 8:10am - Len Jenkins family† - SMS Mass 6:30pm - Faith Formation students and catechists
Thursday, May 2, 2024 <i>Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11</i>	St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 8:00am - Joyce Pribyl†
Friday, May 3, 2024 <i>1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14</i>	St. Philip and St. James, Apostles 9:00am - Christ the King - John Hager†
Saturday, May 4, 2024 <i>Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21</i>	Easter Weekday 8:00am - Dorry Kenney†
Sunday, May 5, 2024 <i>Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17</i>	Sixth Sunday of Easter 05/04/24 4:00pm - Parishioners 05/04/24 5:30pm - Christ the King - Mark Smith† 05/05/24 8:00am - Dylan Lattery† 05/05/24 10:00am - Jerry Fix†

April 28 - Fifth Sunday of Easter:

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything.



Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. Vincent's Table served 130 meals on Tuesday. We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m., at St. Joseph's Church. If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Ed Wacek at edwacek46@gmail.com. Our phone is 507-676-5508.

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule May 4/5, 2024

Saturday - 4:00pm

EMHC: Dianne Unruh, Volunteer, Volunteer
 Lector: Tim Vogt
 Sacristan: Julio Letona
 Ushers: Joan Erdman, Amador Rameriz
 Volunteer, Volunteer
 Altar Servers: Julio Letona, Volunteer
 Greeters: Cynthia Letona

Sunday - 8:00am

EMHC: Diane Kaplan, Courtney Keller, Volunteer
 Lector: Cindy Emanuelson
 Sacristan: Linda Huffington
 Ushers: Doug Phillips, Tyler Keller
 Volunteer, Volunteer
 Altar Servers: Charlie, Sam & Jacob Dulas
 Greeters: Volunteer

Sunday - 10:00am

EMHC: Kay Oberle, Ellyn Jardine, Volunteer
 Lector: Vickie Skala
 Sacristan: Kevin Kreiner
 Ushers: Chuck Jurgens, King Jurgens,
 Volunteer, Volunteer
 Altar Servers: Cole Trom
 Greeters: Volunteer



Christ the King Church will host the Council of Catholic Women Area meeting **Monday, May 6th at 6pm** in the church basement.
The Guest speaker will be Shelly Holt, Diocesan CCW President.

All women from the Owatonna/Waseca Area Catholic community are invited!

Refreshments will be served at 5:30pm.

Women serving God through our Church and Community



The Magnifikid is back! Copies will be available for all children at both parishes; Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's beginning the weekend of May 4th/5th. The monthly Magnifikid will be available every weekend at Mass throughout this year.

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards



Court Owatonna CDA #1180 will be offering cards after every Mass in the Gathering Hall:

April 27-28th, May 4-5th, May 11-12th.

Prayer intentions for loved ones (living & deceased) will be offered during the month of May. A donation of \$5.00 is requested for each card, with all the proceeds going to support Rachel's Light, the women's shelter in Steele Co.



Monsignor Cook's Corner *continued from page 1*

This Saturday, May 4, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass, eight of our young people will be receiving their **First Holy Communion** at Christ the King Parish. Practice for the First Communion Mass will take place at Christ the King Church this Saturday, May 4, at 10:00 a.m. Our First Communion candidates and at least one parent are required to attend this rehearsal. At this practice, the first communicants will have an opportunity to confess their sins before receiving the Lord's Body and Blood for the first time.

Thank you for your generous contributions to Bishop Barron's 2024 **Annual Catholic Ministries Appeal**. As this bulletin goes to print, we have received **\$26,690** toward our goal of **\$50,880** for St. Joseph Parish. I am very grateful to the 97 donors who have helped us achieve almost **52%** of our goal. We have received **\$9,500** toward our goal of **\$10,631** for Christ the King Parish; 32 donors have helped us achieve almost **89%** of our goal. If you have not yet given to the appeal, I encourage you make a financial gift during this Easter season; extra envelopes and brochures are available in the narthex. You can mail your contribution directly to the diocese, or put your envelope in the collection basket during any weekend Mass. If our parish exceeds its goals, the Bishop has agreed to return to our parish 100% of any amount over the goal.

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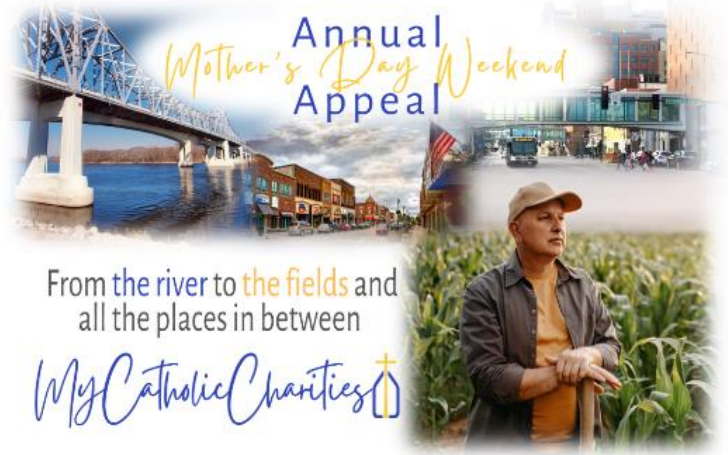
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Congratulations to the Confirmands from Sacred Heart, St. Joseph and Christ the King Parishes, who received the Gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, Wednesday April 17, 2024 at St. Joseph Parish!



Pictured with Deacon Scot Berkley, Bishop Robert Barron, Monsignor Thomas Cook, and Father Gregory Parrott.

From Sacred Heart Parish: Elijah Black, Hailey Butler, Kaylee Butler, Sadie Cordell, Jessica Fisher, Nathan Gronli, Evelyn Guerrero, Ella Henriksen, Carmen Jirele, Mason Klecker, Noelle Kubicek, Harrison Liedtke, Ella Marshall, Nora Marshall, Noah Mazareigo, Ryan McIntosh, Emma Meiners, Samantha Nechanicky, Marjorie Pick, Riley Spinler, Finnegan Vieths

From St. Joseph Parish: Amelia Baldwin, Logan Halverson, Ean Nylund, Colton Otto, Brynn Routh, Stephen Sennott, Anna Simmons, Ellie Vortherms, Gavin Worrell

From Christ the King Parish: Sebashtian Aispuro, Jules Brady, Jose Flores, Lillian Kath, Parker Klecker, Justin Limon, Kaylee Sammon, Jayden Schweisthal, Kyle Vatsaas, Josie Voegele



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Our Lady told Juan Diego, "Am I not here, I, who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not the source of your joy? Are you not in the hollow of my mantle, in the crossing of my arms? Do you need anything more? Let nothing else worry you."

The Knights of Columbus sends out eight Silver Roses celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe all across Canada at the beginning of every year. The roses travel down through Canada and the United States making stops at Councils along the way. Then the Silver Roses cross into Mexico and make their way to Guadalupe Mexico for the celebration mass on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12.

The intentions and prayers gathered during the parish prayer services are presented at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Mass. Council 945 is hosting the Silver Rose prayer service on May 11th at 9am at St. Joseph Parish. All are welcome. Join us for prayers to Our Lady.

May Funeral Chairpersons

**Linda Beede 507-475-0624
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Contact the parish office if you would like to help with funeral luncheons. 451-4845

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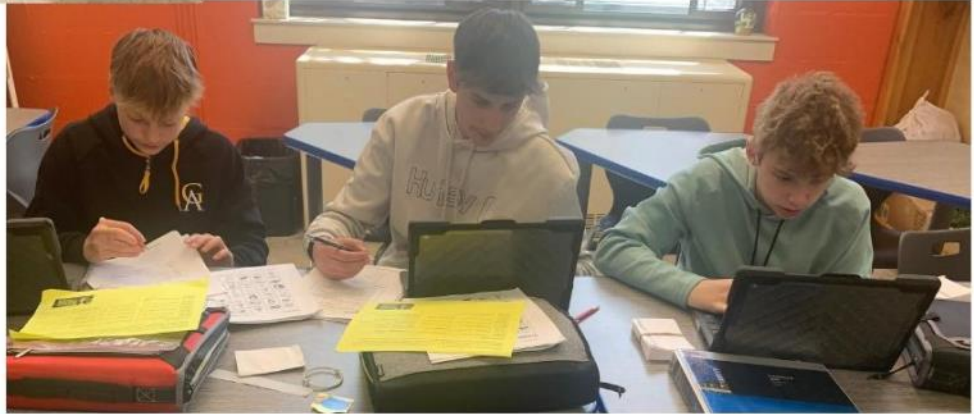
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Spanish I at St. Mary's School

Our junior high students are learning Spanish 1 (high school) material here at St. Mary's School. At the end of 8th grade, our students have the option to take a placement test and test out of high school Spanish 1. Many St. Mary's students take advantage of this opportunity and go straight into Spanish II their freshman year of high school. It is very exciting! A lot of work goes into preparing for this placement test, as our 8th grade students know well. April means review packets, tons of flashcards and Blookets. Then a couple practice tests, and after school study sessions. It gets intense! But the victory is sweet as the students reach their goal and complete Spanish I here at St. Mary's School.



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