

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

April 11/12, 2009

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday	April 13	7:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	April 14	6:00 p.m.	Betty & Charles Ferguson
Wednesday	April 15	11:00 a.m.	The Waters John Houchins
Thursday	April 16	7:00 a.m.	Max Meeks
Friday	April 17	8:15 a.m.	Jim Smith
Saturday	April 18	6:00 p.m.	Members of D of I
Sunday	April 19	7:00 a.m.	Jean Lutz
		11:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of St. Joe & Blessed Sacrament



Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday

- **No Religious Ed today.** Class resumes 04-19-09.
 - Adult Volleyball 6-8 p.m. in the Gym. All adults welcome!
- Monday, April 13 – No Joseph'ines today.**
- Tuesday, April 14 –**
- D of I will meet at Lin's Garden at 6:30 p.m.
 - Men's Basketball 6-8 p.m. in Gym. All men welcome!
- Thursday, April 16 –**
- Blessed Mothers Prayer Group at 6:15 p.m. in Chapel.
- Friday, April 17 –**
- Church Cleaning Crew #5 – Brenda Martin, Gail Riedford & Mary Kay Turner.

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Dear Folks,

The Easter story reaches over the centuries to us as we gather and listen here at St. Joseph and Blessed Sacrament.

*The gospel of John is the last of the four gospels written. St. John's community had told and retold the story and, in about 90 A.D., the community's story was lovingly recorded: Mary, expecting to prepare the body for burial, faces an empty tomb. She **runs** to Peter and John with shocking news. They do not know what to make of this news so they **run** to take a look for themselves. The careful telling of John's Gospel begins the Easter story. From death to life, from despair to hope, the Spirit of Jesus continues to do wonderful things - in His people.*

Here in our parishes we welcome and share the Easter story with new members of the Church. Receiving the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil were: Maegan Edwards, Jennifer Feutz, Jeremy Wildt, Phyllis Bailey, Blake Kinder, Leah Adkins, Lance Adkins, Adrianna DeHaven, and Gavin Feutz. We see in their witness and testimony strength for our own pilgrimage of faith. Congratulations to you and a Happy Easter to all!

Father Ron



Gifts for God

March 29, 2009 Collection = \$7,885.00
Fiscal Year to date: \$ 231,014.88

Liturgical Ministers for next week:

6:00 p.m. Saturday, April 18

Lector: Peggy Smith
Hosts: Mary Jane Paul, Bob Gibson
Presenters: Anthony Thompson Family
Servers: Katherine Snethen, Trenton Mayer, Seth Stevens
Head Usher: Marion Koberstein
Greeters: Eloise Reeves/Carl Bell, Charles Ingram, Celia Enyeart

7:00 a.m. Sunday, April 19

Lector: Teresa Koberstein
Hosts: Bob Eckert, Dan Gilbert
Presenters: Clarence Weber Family
Servers: Ryan Wade, Dalton Halbig, Payton Halbig
Head Usher: Gil Karcher
Greeters: John Jaquemai, Ken Halbig, Dennis McGraw

11:00 a.m. Sunday, April 19

Lector: Melissa Shoultz
Hosts: Elaine Fortner, Debbie Bateman
Presenters: Larry Matthews Family
Servers: Joseph Wildt, Justin Wildt, Xavier Nienaber
Head Usher: Joseph Hurst
Greeters: Mike Pflug, Beth Putt, Norma May
CLW: No Childrens Liturgy of the Word due to 1st Communion

SCRIPS

6:00 p.m. Mass	Saturday, April 18	Linda Yeryar
7:00 a.m. Mass	Sunday, April 19	Pat Kermod
11:00 a.m. Mass	Sunday, April 19	Debbie Bateman

D OF I APRIL MEETING

The D of I April Meeting will be held April 14, 2009 at Lin's Garden at 6:30 p.m. Each member will be responsible for their own check. Contact Karen Fischer 386-7652 or Patty Wildt 385-2468 by April 10th for reservations. Anyone interested in becoming a member is welcome to join us. Members are invited to bring a guest. We hope to see everyone there!

SACRAMENTAL DATES TO REMEMBER

1st Communion Retreat	April 17, 9:00 a.m. - Noon
1st Communion Mass	April 19, 11:00 a.m.
Confirmation Practice	April 26, 12:00 Noon
Confirmation Mass	April 28, 6:00 p.m.

Please remember these young people in your prayers as they complete their formation and prepare to receive these sacraments.

WELCOME HOMEBOUND COMMUNION MINISTERS

We are pleased to have 2 new ministers for our Shut-ins. They are **Greg Kermode** and **Mary Kay Turner**.
Thank you both for helping with this important ministry.

MISSION TRIP NEWS

The fish fry was a great success! Thank you to all who blessed us with your time, talents, and treasure. Whether you ate in or carried out, your support was appreciated. The next mission trip meeting will be Sunday, April 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center basement. All participants should attend.



**VOCATION PRAYER DAY
THURSDAY APRIL 16TH 2009
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE DAY CHAPEL
WITH BENEDICTION AT 4:00 P.M.
*All are welcome!***

 **School News**

April 14 - Early Dismissal.
April 17 - Mass at 8:15 planned by the 5th Grade.
- 1st Communion Retreat 9:00 a.m.

The St. Joseph School Athletic Board is seeking new members to serve for upcoming terms. The Board consists of six people elected by the parents of St. Joseph Catholic School. Elections shall be held in May of each year. Members serve a 2 year term beginning July 1st and ending June 30th. Presently, the Athletic Board is seeking 4 new members. If you are interested in sharing your talents by serving on the Athletic Board, please make your intentions known to Dan Gilbert, principal, by Friday, April 24th.

Registration is now open to parishioners and currently enrolled students for PreSchool through 5th grade for the 2009 - 2010 school year.

Alleluia

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) April 11
St. Joseph – 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 12
Blessed Sacrament – 9:00 a.m.
St. Joseph – 7:00 & 11:00 a.m.

SHARE-A-RIDE

Do you have room in your car to pick up a fellow parishioner for Church? We have 12 families (1 a month) who bring a gentleman to Church with them. He cannot drive and would be unable to get to Church otherwise. Your family would be responsible for getting him to and from Church at whichever Mass you usually attend. It is only for 1 month of the year. Please call the Parish Office at 385-2617 if you can help.

Our Thanks to Mike & Billie Pflug for being a part of this wonderful ministry for the past 6 years!

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

April 12, 2009

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday April 12 9:00 a.m. Flower Memorial
Thursday April 16 6:00 p.m. Lydia Mills
Sunday April 19 9:00 a.m. Herb & Eleanor Shermersheim

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday before the following week.



Gifts for God

WEEKLY GIVING April 05, 2009

30 Adults – \$1,814.00 – Loose - \$99.00

Total \$1913.00 Last Week - \$1524.00

Weekly Budget Need: \$2061.00

Liturgical Ministers:

9:00 a.m. Sunday, April 19, 2009

Lector: Natalie Meece
Euch. Mins.: Presider
Host: Ken Dupps
Cup: Becky Freudenberg & Lynn Will
Gift Bearers: Retter Family
Greeter: Cathy Coleman & Mary Sives
Ushers: **Don Retter**, Greg Schulten
Danny Lefler & Ray Sforza
Servers: Joe Schulten & Noah Elmore

MOTHER/DAUGHTER DINNER MAY 11TH

All women of the parish are invited to a Mother/Daughter Dinner to be held in the church basement on Monday, May 11th at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a salad (pasta, jello, chicken, tuna, taco, etc.) Drinks and dessert will be provided. The theme is "Roses in May". We will have a special guest speaker/entertainer, Sister Theresa Gunter (Sister "T"), from Holy Cross Church in Ft. Branch.

ALL women of the parish are invited...come one, come all and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun! No sign ups necessary, just bring your favorite salad! See you then...any questions, call Lynn at 749-4391 or Lora at 782-3338.

BECAUSE HE DID, I DO

"Let us celebrate the feast not with the old yeast, that of corruption and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." —1 Corinthians 5:8

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! He's alive! Alleluia forever! "This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it".

On this greatest day of the year, Christians in every Catholic church in the world are challenged to renew their baptismal promises. Renewing our baptismal promises applies the reality of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection to our personal lives now. The six proclamations of "I do" — our response to the six questions of the baptismal promises — express the greatest commitment a human being can make. All the hosts of heaven, all the saints in heaven, and many saints on earth will witness the renewal of our baptismal promises.

Satan himself will be well aware of our renouncing Him, all His works, and all His empty promises. He will hate us for rejecting him and will seek revenge if we give him an opportunity by falling into sin.

The renewal of our baptismal promises is our ultimate commitment, by which we make the resurrection not only a past event but a present, life-changing, world-transforming reality.

Reflection from Presentation Ministries

RELIGIOUS ED CLOSING APRIL 26TH

All parishioners are invited to the Religious Education closing to be held in the church basement on Sunday, April 26th. The theme will be The Fourth Commandment (Honor thy father and thy mother). We will have some fun activities and a delicious meal of tacos, ice cream sundaes and rootbeer floats. We'll meet right after Mass and should wrap it up by 11:30 a.m. Everyone's invited, see you there!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION is just around the corner. The nominating committee of Bill Cox, Greg Schulten and Gina Dupps will be taking nominations for three council seats through April 26th. The election will be held May 17th. The Parish Council is presently engaged in long-range planning for the future needs of Blessed Sacrament Parish. If you would like to serve in this important ministry, please contact a member of the committee before April 26th. Those currently serving on the parish council are: Ray Sforza, Jeff Reising, J.R. Davis, Josh Stolz, Rick Georges, David Williams, Bill Cox, Greg Schulten and Gina Dupps.

Ray Sforza, Jeff Reising and J.R. Davis terms are up, but can be reelected.

What do you need to do?



1. Be registered in a Catholic Church.
If you're not registered at St. Joseph or Blessed Sacrament and want to baptize your child – you must have a written letter of permission

from the parish where you are registered (if you want to register at either parish simply call the parish office and it can be done over the phone.)

2. Register and attend a baptism class.
The dates are listed below. You only need to attend once. (not for each child)
The class is one hour-one time.

FUTURE BAPTISM CLASSES

**May 3, 2009 - 4:00 p.m. at the Parish Center
August 2009, November 2009**

Both parents must attend. Godparents are also encouraged to attend. **Please call the parish office at (812) 385-2617 in advance to register.** These classes are only scheduled quarterly so plan ahead.

SCRIPS FOR EVERYDAY PURCHASES

Buy scrips for all your daily needs such as groceries, gas, restaurants, etc. We have card for Walmart, Menards, F & M. etc. It costs you nothing but the Church gets money back from each of your purchases. Stop by the St. Joe School Library before or after any of the weekend Masses to purchase your cards. They are also available during the week in the School Office. *It's so easy!*

Every St. Joseph parishioner should be using this system!

NATIVITY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

April 18, 2009, Serving from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. Dinner includes spaghetti and sauce, breadsticks, salad, home-made dessert and drink. Adults \$7.00, children under twelve \$4.00.

ST. THERESA'S STEAK NIGHT

May 2, gates open 6 p.m., steaks coming off the grill beginning at 6:30 p.m., held on St. Theresa social grounds weather permitting; dinner includes steak, baked potato, salad, roll, beverage (BYOSK-bring your own steak knife); \$15/person in advance, \$20/at the gate; desserts, beer and wine available. Games, music, auction, half-pots; must be 21 to attend; for information call (812) 422-8211.

COLLECTOR'S ITEM AT STS. PETER & PAUL AUCTION

Sts. Peter & Paul, Haubstadt is having its Annual Die Kirche Auktion on Sunday, April 19 at the Old Haubstadt Gym. This year we received a donation of a very unusual and valuable item from art collector, John M. Lawrence of Newburgh. It is a 7th Century early Christian woman's cross w/chain, acquired in Syria. It is valued at \$3,500. Included with the donation is a Letter of Authenticity. For more information, please call Martha at 768-6739 or Mary at 768-6617. 24 quilts will also be auctioned off along with 600 other items.

The next Ultreya meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20 starting with Mass at 6:30 p.m. followed by a gathering at 7:00 p.m. in St's Peter & Paul cafeteria. Nicholas Wolf will be the witness speaker for this gathering. **All Cursillistas invited!** Future meetings are held on the third Monday of the month.

APPALACHIAN CRAFT SHOW

Mark your calendars for May 2nd & 3rd. Representatives from David Appalachian Crafts will be in the St. Joseph Gym from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. Come and see the excellent workmanship from this unique area! High School students attending the Mission Trip will have concessions available during the craft show. Bring the whole family!

