

Easter Sunday

The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, 'so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.' Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: 'Go and tell my brethren.' We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection." (CCC 654)

This Week at Our Parishes

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 16

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35

Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Regina Cæli

8:30 a.m. Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace
 9:00 a.m. **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace**
 10:00 a.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary
 10:30 a.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary**
 12:00 p.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary (Spanish)
 12:30 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary**

Monday, April 17

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Regina Cæli

9:00 a.m. Comfort and Grace Sewing ministry at Our Lady of Grace
 10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Mary
 11:40 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
 12:10 p.m. **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace**
 6:00 p.m. Rosary at Our Lady of Grace (Spanish)
 6:00 p.m. Finance Council meeting at St. Mary
 6:30 p.m. English as a Second Language at OLG

Tuesday, April 18

Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Regina Cæli

8:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
 8:30 a.m. **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Gorden Westenfelder by Greg and Penny Russick**
 5:30 p.m. Catholic Daughters of the Americas meeting at Our Lady of Grace

Wednesday, April 19

Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Regina Cæli

6:15 p.m. Religious Education classes at OLG

This Week at Our Parishes

Thursday, April 20

Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
 Prayers: Luminous mysteries, Regina Cæli

11:00 a.m. Serra Club meeting at St. Mary
 11:40 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
 12:10 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Jim Zuidema by Dawn Goodman**
 5:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
 6:00 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † the souls that perished in Mocoa, Columbia and their families by Anonymous**
 6:30 p.m. Evangelization class at St. Mary

Friday, April 21

Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Regina Cæli

11:40 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
 12:10 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Dick Cioe by Barb Kleaveland**

Saturday, April 22

Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Regina Cæli

3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
 4:00 p.m. **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Scott Meyer by Mary Meyer**
 6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Confirmation class for adults at Our Lady of Grace

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23

Readings: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Regina Cæli

8:30 a.m. Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace
 9:00 a.m. **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Raymond and Catherine Betlejewski by Ron Betlejewski**
 10:00 a.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary
 10:30 a.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for the people**
 12:00 p.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary (Spanish)
 12:30 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Micaela Perez by Delores Olivarez (Spanish)**
 4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
 5:00 p.m. **Holy Mass at St. Mary for the special intentions of Jenny and Andzej Mas on their 11th wedding anniversary by their family.**

 *He has been raised; He is not here.* 



Regina Cæli by Gregory V (+998)

V. Queen of heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
R. For he whom you did merit to bear. Alleluia

V. Has risen, as he said. Alleluia.
R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia
R. For the Lord is truly risen. Alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech you, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life, through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer Line

St. Mary's: Benita Mikesell, 231-803-4425 or
Jean Gawel, 231-798-8493

Our Lady of Grace: Anna Mogdics, 231- 670-5073

Prayer Requests

Please keep these individuals in your prayers

Ron Betlejewski, Arlene LeBeau, Ben Offrink, Gail Gee,
Betty Gee, John McCormick, Sotero Leyton, Billie Leonard,
Helen Walters, Gloria Cline, Pat Hogan, Jeff Kenny,
Shirley Green, Ron Faino, Jose Alcahuter, Rosemary Kellogg
Christine and Dennis Siedlecki, Ralph Alvesteffer, Marty Neff,
Bill Forton, Julia Gonzales, William & Benita Mikesell

Please pray for our homebound parishioners

Ruth Stevens, Jim Dalum, Fran Wright, Rose Ann Bird,
Bernice Brown, Rosemary Keefe, Vivian Smith,
Betty Reilly & Johanna Ripka

Please pray for our parishioners who are in care

Carolene McIntosh, Pat Simonson, Jackie Blake, Shirley Sterritt,
Marie Peterson, Ruth Ruby, Rosemary Sleak, Gene Gianetti Jr.,
Rosalie Venne, Alyce Donalson, Alice Grevious,
Josephine Hiersman, Lucille Radke,
Kathy Hale & Tillie Standage

Please pray for our parishioners in the military

Seaman Recruit Ryan McIntire, US Coast Guard;
Erin McDermott, US Army; Nic Frank, Air Force;
SSG. Richarda (Rikki) Amaya; Elias Vihtelic, US Navy;
1st Lt. Timothy Merkle; Staff Sgt. Casey Sowa;
Master Sgt. April Sowa; IS3 Cody Hacker;
Private Jakob Bergquist; Major Adam Shaw;
PFC Abraham Angel Luis Aguilar; Spec. Alex Block;
Andrew Shadowski, U. S. Army; & Noah Sweet, U. S. Army

Evangelization Clip

by Deacon Jim Schiltz

April 16, 2017

What is your response to hearing the National Anthem? Really hearing it and what it stands for. **Recommitment** to the goodness of our Country and to the principles it was founded on, like "In God We Trust." Take the time today for a **prayerful recommitment**. Thinking back on this past Holy Week, we recognize the source of our salvation, using the words of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy: "the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity...of our Lord Jesus Christ." Today is a day of great hope. We celebrate Jesus' Resurrection. In that celebration, we renew our confident hope in our own resurrection one day down the road. And down that road we walk with Jesus, like the disciples on the Road to Emmaus. Celebrate this day with your family, gathered for good times today.

¿Cuál es su respuesta al oír el himno nacional?

Realmente escuchar y lo que representa. **Compromiso** a la bondad de nuestro país y a los principios se fundó, como "En Dios confiamos." Tómese el tiempo para un **compromiso de oración**. Pensando en esta Semana Santa pasada, reconocer la fuente de nuestra salvación, usando las palabras de la coronilla a la divina misericordia: "cuerpo y sangre, alma y divinidad... de nuestro Señor Jesucristo." Hoy es un día de gran esperanza. Celebramos la resurrección de Jesús. En esa celebración, renovamos nuestra esperanza confianza en nuestra propia resurrección un día por el camino. Y por ese camino andamos con Jesús, como los discípulos en el camino a Emaús. Celebrar este día con su familia, se reunieron para buenos tiempos de hoy.

† Prayer and Sympathy †

Please keep the family of Merelise Heaton in your prayers as they mourn the passing of their loved one. Merelise will be remembered in a funeral Mass on Monday, April 17th at St. Mary's with Fr. Matt presiding.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

St. Mary Altar Society



The St. Mary Altar Society will be having a meeting following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 23, 2017 in Lourdes Hall. All women in the parish are welcomed!

Please Note:

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas are no longer collecting prescription bottles. Thank you for your continued support!



Knights of Columbus Council News



Annual Tootsie Roll Drive Knights of Columbus Council #706

Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23, 2017

The Knight of Columbus Council #706 will be collecting money after Masses at Our Lady of Grace on April 22 and April 23 for the mentally impaired. Please help with this major fundraiser. 80% of the money collected remains directly in the Muskegon area. Your continued support will be appreciated. If you would like to contribute via check, please make your tax deductible check out to Knights of Columbus Council 706 and send it to:



Knights of Columbus Council 706
2915 Fairfield
Muskegon, MI 49441

Please add "Tootsie Roll Drive" in the memo line.

Annual Scrap Metal Drive Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary Council #13579

Tired of that broken appliance in your garage?
Too many grills on your deck?
Is that old patio table set falling apart and taking up space on your lawn?

If it has metal on it, they want it!

During your Spring clean-up, call 231-557-4971 and a member of the Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary Council #13579 will pick up your items **FREE** of charge. All proceeds will be donated to help with education costs of local seminarians.

Items that they will pick up are:

- Appliances, large and small
- Outdoor furniture, grills, trampolines
- Metal fencing
- Lawn tools, lawn mowers
- Copper, aluminum, stainless steel
- Exercise equipment
- And more!



If it has metal on it, they want it!

If you are not sure about your item, please call us and ask.
Please share with your neighbors, friends and relatives!!



Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23, 2017

A privileged occasion of grace and forgiveness for all people.

A special plenary indulgence will be granted to the faithful under specific conditions.

What is an indulgence?

An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for sins, whose guilt is forgiven, which a properly disposed member of the Christian faithful obtains under certain and clearly defined conditions through the intervention of the Church, which, as the minister of Redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints. (CCC 1471)

Obtaining indulgence from God through the Church

An indulgence is obtained through the Church who, by virtue of the power of binding and loosing granted her by Christ Jesus, intervenes in favor of individual Christians and opens for them the treasury of the merits of Christ and the saints to obtain from the Father of mercies the remission of the temporal punishments due for their sins. Thus the Church does not want simply to come to the aid of these Christians, but also to spur them to works of devotion, penance, and charity. (CCC 1479)

Explanation

An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. It may be applied to the living or the dead: *through indulgences the faithful can obtain—for themselves and also for the souls in purgatory—the remission of temporal punishment resulting from sin.* Because we and the faithful departed now being purified are members of the same communion of saints, one way in which we can help them is to obtain indulgences for them, so that the temporal punishments due to their sins may be remitted.

Requirements

A plenary indulgence can be acquired only once in the course of a day; a partial indulgence can be acquired multiple times. The faithful however can obtain the plenary indulgence at the hour of death, even if they have already gained one on the same day.

In order to be capable of gaining indulgences one must be baptized, not excommunicated, and in the state of grace at least at the completion of the prescribed works. To gain an indulgence, one must have at least the general intention of doing so and must carry out the enjoined works at the stated time and in due fashion, according to the sense of the grant.

To gain a plenary indulgence, in addition to excluding all attachment to sin, even venial sin, it is necessary to perform the indulgenced work (see below) and fulfill the following three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff.

A single sacramental confession suffices for gaining several plenary indulgences; but Holy Communion must be received and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father must be recited for the gaining of each plenary indulgence.

The three conditions may be fulfilled several days before or after the performance of the prescribed work; it is, however, fitting that Communion be received and the prayer for the intention of the Holy Father be said on the same day the work is performed.

If the full disposition is lacking, or if the work and the three prescribed conditions are not fulfilled...the indulgence will only be partial.

Paul VI, *Indulgentiarum Doctrina*, 1967, Libreria Editrice Vaticana; *Enchiridion Indulgentiarum: Normæ et Concessionones*, 1999, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

The Work for this Specific Indulgence

On Divine Mercy Sunday

- in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy
- or, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!)"

