

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Monday, 17th, Monday within the Octave of Easter

No Mass

Tuesday, 18th, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8 a.m.: Dave DuFrenne, by Jim & Diane Buch

Wednesday, 19th, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8 a.m.: Pat Sutterer, by Wednesday Prayer Group

Thursday, 20th, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

8 a.m.: Amos Otten, by Betty Otten & family

Friday, 21st, Friday within the Octave of Easter

8 a.m.: Rev. William Rensing

NO MASS at the Nursing Home

Saturday, 22nd, Saturday within the Octave of Easter

8 a.m.: Phyllis Kennedy, by Leo & Marcella Deterding

Sunday, 23rd, Second Sunday of Easter

10 a.m.: For the Parish

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, April 22nd, 4 p.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Gorman, H. Siegfried,
B. Schrieber, M. & P. Martin

Gift Bearers: D. Wiegard family

Lectors: S. Heine

Servers: W. & N. Mudd

Ushers: K. Donjon, M. Poletti

Sunday, April 23rd, First Communion, 10 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: TBA by SJB/PSR

Gift Bearers: TBA by SJB/PSR

Lectors: TBA by SJB/PSR

Servers: TBA by SJB/PSR

Ushers: S. & A. Martin

Thought for the Week

If we are not in awe of God, we probably
think too little of Him and too much of ourselves.

On the Lighter Side

Little Johnny told his mom they had learned a new song they were going to sing at the Easter Sunday service. He said it was about a boy named Andy. His mother couldn't understand what he meant. She asked him, "Can you sing part of it for me?" "Sure," he said. "Andy walks with me, Andy talks with me. Andy tells me I am his own..."

Please Pray For ...

Larry Berg, Ethel Buehler, Nursing Home Residents,
Homebound Parishioners

Names remains for 4 weeks. Call the rectory.

Respect Life Corner

Easter Joy: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad! The darkness of the winter is gone and the gloom of Good Friday is behind us. Today is a wonderful day to celebrate Christ's love for us. Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: Let us go forth today with a song in our hearts. After you leave Mass, do you ever have a few lines of a hymn that stick with you the rest of the day? That's joy! Share it with everyone you encounter - smile, be happy, greet strangers. Appreciate the small moments of joy today, and then share it with others.

Readings

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles

10:34a, 37 - 43

Peter preached about Jesus' baptism, the anointing with the Holy Spirit, works of kindness and healing, and his crucifixion and resurrection from the dead. All who believe in him are forgiven.

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1 - 4

Think about what is above. When Christ appears, then you shall appear with him in glory.

Gospel: John 20:1 - 9

Mary Magdalene and the disciples went to the tomb and found it empty. They did not yet understand that Jesus would rise from the dead.

From the Desk of Fr. Dennis

Today on this Easter Sunday we unite with faith communities large and small around the world to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus. Alleluia, He is Alive! The paschal candle burns brightly in our midst as we listen to the great good news of the Resurrection, renew our baptismal promises, and gather around the Eucharistic table to receive the Body and Blood of the Risen Christ. Don't forget that we have 50 days in which to celebrate this glorious feast! Let us share the news with the world: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

With joy we welcome the three newest members of our Parish family who made their Profession of Faith, were Confirmed, and received the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. E.J. Roscow, Loran Koch, and Craig Hick. May the Risen Lord fill your hearts with joy and peace.

On behalf of our Parish and School's staff, I extend to all of you greetings for a peace and joy filled Easter. May the Risen Lord guide and bless you with renewed hope and joy. A special thanks to all who have helped in any way with all the celebrations of this glorious Holy Week!

Remember, don't worry so much and know that you are loved! ~ Fr. Dennis

Happenings This Week

Sun.: Easter - Alleluia - Have a great day with your family!

Mon.: No School; No RCIA session; Rectory office closed;

K of C mtg., 7 p.m., cafeteria

Tues.: No School; Parish Council mtg., 7 p.m., library

Wed.: No School - Teachers at NCEA Convention; PSR classes, 6:45 p.m., school; Bible Study, 6:45 p.m., Church basement

Thurs.: Visit Sisters at Ruma, 3rd floor, 10 a.m.

Fri.: No Mass at the Nursing Home

Sat. First Communion practice, 9 a.m., Church

Sun.: First Communion at 10 a.m. Mass

Red Bud Community Prayer Breakfast

Red Bud Community Prayer Breakfast: Thurs., May 4th, 6:30 a.m., Red Bud Regional Hospital. In observance of the National Day of Prayer, the Red Bud Regional Hospital is hosting, in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Red Bud, the Red Bud Lions Club, and the Red Bud Chamber of Commerce, a community prayer breakfast. A \$10 suggested donation is requested to go towards the buffet, with all proceeds going to the Human Service Center. Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Julie Hudson at 282-5456 or julie_hudson@quorumhealth.com by Apr. 24.

2017 Picnic Quilts

It's time to kick off our 2017 Picnic Quilt Drive! The Quilt & Cash bingo is our biggest money-maker at our picnic, and it wouldn't be successful without your generosity! We need 150 quilts (75 per night). To donate:

- 1) Donate a completed quilt (handmade; no store-bought quilts; queen-size; not laundered)
- 2) Cash donation. Cash equivalent is \$210. Donate the full \$210, or donate \$70 or \$105 and Rhonda will combine that with other donations to make a "full" quilt.

For more information on the parish quilters making your quilt, call Cleta (282-3529) or Bernell (282-4076).

- 25. C. In memory of Linda, by Bill Cowell
- 26. C. Theresa Traiteur, Claradel Donjon, Dale Heine
- 27. Q. Joan Rahn, Rose Guebert, Debbie Gielow

Recycle Plastic Easter Eggs

You can recycle your plastic Easter eggs here at St. John's! Just drop in the bins in the main entrance of church!

Online Giving

Our parish now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.sjbcatholicredbud.com and selecting the Online Giving link, or refer to our parish bulletin for information.

Liturgical Schedules

The next round of schedules will cover Tuesday, May 30th through Sunday, September 24th. If you have conflicts for that time frame, please notify Rhonda before May 8th.

Preschool Registration

Registration for St. John's three-year-old preschool is taking place now. Children must be three before Sept. 1st and potty trained. Registration for four-year-old preschool is taking place now. Children must be four before Sept. 1st. For more information regarding both programs, call Mrs. Hahn at the school office: 282-3215.

St. Anne's Banquet

St. Anne's CCW May Banquet will be Tues., May 2nd, 6:30 p.m. at Lisa's restaurant. The cost is \$12 and must be paid when you RSVP (no later than Apr. 25). You can drop a check in the collection marked "St. Anne's Banquet". We extend this invitation to the ladies of St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's. There is limited seating so please don't delay or you will be turned away. To RSVP call Carol at 282-3115 or Donna at 282-3200.

Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts

(God's Love: Stronger than Death) We, too, like the women who were Jesus' disciples, who went to the tomb and found it empty, may wonder what this event means (cf. Luke 24:4) What does it mean that Jesus is risen? It means that the love of God is stronger than evil and death itself; it means that the love of God can transform our lives and let those desert places in our hearts bloom. The Love of God can do this!

Church A/C & Heating Fund Drive

We deeply appreciate all who have already responded to our drive. The furnaces and AC on the north side of Church are just about completed. Then on to the south side of Church. To date we have collected \$47,094.00. We are in need of \$13,000.00 to make our goal. Can we count on you for your help? God bless you for giving us a hand!

Your Gifts to God & Parish

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| Sunday..... | \$4,881.00 |
| Loose..... | \$1,103.00 |
| Total (Goal: \$4,272.00)..... | \$5,984.00 |
| Adopt-a-Parish..... | \$22.00 |
| School Endowment..... | \$22.00 |
| Capital Campaign..... | \$135.00 |
| Easter Flowers..... | \$10.00 |
| Holy Thursday..... | \$110.00 |
| Good Friday..... | \$110.00 |
| Easter..... | \$235.00 |
| Home Missions Appeal..... | \$20.00 |
| Tuition Assistance..... | \$50.00 |

Johnny Cash is Coming to SJB!

One More Round presents A Tribute to Johnny Cash on Saturday, April 29th in our parish center! Doors open at 7 p.m., show time is 8 p.m. First row seats: \$30; advance general seats: \$20; at the door: \$25. Cash bar; bring snacks. For tickets: www.supportsjb.weebly.com or call 618-443-7996.

Spring Blessing of the Farm

All are invited to the Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm which will be held on Tues., Apr. 18 at 1 p.m. at the farm of Byron and Donna Zwilling. The family farm of Mr. & Mrs. Zwilling is located at 7096 E. Hurricane Lane in Dundas, IL 62425. Those attending are invited to bring seed and soil in marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Food will also be collected for the needy of the area. Please join us for food and fellowship following the Blessing!

Using Holy Water

At the Easter Vigil we will bless the Easter water with which we will be blest after we renew our Baptismal Promises. At the baptismal font this weekend there are available bottles of blest water that you can use in your home each day. (We ask that you only take one bottle per family.)

Can We Help You?

Did you or someone you know recently have a baby, have surgery, or are just going through a difficult time? For those joyous and not so joyous events in our lives that leave us with very little time to do much of anything (especially cook!) call us and we'll deliver a ready-to-go meal as a sign of congrats or just to help out. Call Rhonda at the rectory, give her the name and number of the person you are requesting the meal for, then the Parish Outreach Committee will contact them about delivering their meal. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call Emily Brewer at 618-910-0909.

Vocation Corner

Easter is our greatest feast of the Liturgical year. Our redemption has been accomplished and Jesus has overcome death. This is what we commemorate through each celebration of the Eucharist which allows us to receive our Lord in Holy Communion. We must pray, encourage and work to promote more priestly vocations so that we can continue to have the opportunity of receiving Communion. Look this week to encourage a young man to consider entering the seminary to discern a priestly vocation.

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Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal

Have you returned your pledge card and donation? Even if you can't give at this time, please return your card! Our goal for this year is \$19,400.00. To date we have collected \$16,470.00. Thank you for your support and prayers.

Can Adults Serve? YES!

We have had numerous adults ask if they can serve at the weekend Masses, and the answer is YES! If you would like to volunteer to serve, please let Rhonda know. We could especially use help on Saturdays!

Upcoming Events

Curtains!, parody of 1950s "whodunit" theater mysteries; musical comedy. Apr. 20-22, 7 p.m., & Apr. 23, 2 p.m., Gibault gym.

A Broadway Affair!, Apr. 21 & 22, 6:30 p.m. and Apr. 23, 12:30 p.m., St. Clair Country Club, Belleville. Dinner and show, with live orchestra/performers; scenes, songs, dances from classics to modern. Call 618-409-0014 for tickets by Apr. 17.

Twenty-&Thirty-Somethings: St. Vincent de Paul, day of service for young adults age 18-40, Apr. 22nd. More info: Bryan at 314-640-4366.

Pregnancy Care Center Dinner Auction, Apr. 22, 5:30 p.m., McCormick Center, Belleville. RSVP by Apr. 15 to Connie at 618-277-8571.

All You Can Eat BBQ, Apr. 23, 11 a.m., St. Peter United Church of Christ, Red Bud. St. Louis style ribs, pork steaks, smoked pork roast, chicken, 7 sides, desserts, drinks. Carry-outs available. Country store.

Kelly Miller CIRCUS, Apr. 24th, 4:30 & 7:30 p.m., Red Bud Sports Complex. Tickets available at: Buena Vista National Bank, Dieterich Bank, First Bank, North County Savings Bank, IGA, Red Bud Winery, or kellymillercircus.com.

Mid-Life Singles (mid 30s-50s), register for a REFLECT weekend retreat, King's House, Belleville, Apr. 28-30. Cost: \$195 (meals/single room). Call: 312-532-8286; email reflect.stlouis@gmail.com.

Rock Around the Clock Luncheon, Apr. 26, 12 noon, St. James, Millstadt. Cost: \$12/person. Raffle: handmade quilt & cash. Basket raffle; Sweet Shoppe; bingo with prizes; attendance prizes. Info/tickets: Christy at 618-476-1874.