

# Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, 22nd, Monday within the Octave of Easter**

No Mass

**Tuesday, 23rd, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter**

8 a.m.: Carl Hagene, by Welda & Carol DeRousse

**Wednesday, 24th, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter**

11 a.m. (Nursing Home): Rev. Stephen Humphrey

**Thursday, 25th, Thursday within the Octave of Easter**

8 a.m.: Melba Jean Buehler, by Angie Mudd & Pat Ramsey

**Friday, 26th, Friday within the Octave of Easter**

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

**Saturday, 27th, Saturday within the Octave of Easter**

4 p.m.: Joe Barbeau, by Jeanette Barbeau

**Sunday, 28th, Sunday of Divine Mercy**

10 a.m.: Our First Communion Class; For the Parish

## LITURGICAL ROLES

**Saturday, April 27th, Saturday, 4 p.m.**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** P. Ramsey, H. Siegfried, G. Wiegard, M. Doiron, J. Gorman

**Gift Bearers:** J. & D. Berg-Gash

**Lectors:** J. Mergelkamp

**Servers:** Volunteer Needed

**Ushers:** B. Koester, K. Kertz

**Sunday, April 28th, 10 a.m.**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** TBA by SJB

**Gift Bearers:** TBA by SJB

**Lectors:** TBA by SJB

**Servers:** TBA by SJB

**Ushers:** M. Hollinshead, J. Hewitt

## LITURGICAL ROLES

The next round of schedules will cover Tuesday, May 28th through Sunday, September 28th. Please notify Rhonda with any conflicts by May 13th.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The world says, "Seeing is believing."

Faith says, "Believing is seeing!"

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

The pastor was interviewing a young man for the job of director of the parish's youth ministry. "Remember," he told the man, "we care a great deal about cleanliness here and it's something we want to teach our young people. Did you wipe your feet on the mat before coming in the door?" "Absolutely," said the candidate. The pastor looked at him and said, "We also want to teach our youth about honesty here. There is no mat at the door."

## PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Alice Proctor, Nursing Home Residents,  
Homebound Parishioners

*Names remains for 4 weeks. Call the rectory.*

## PARTNERSHIP MASS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

Sat.: 4 p.m. St. John's; 6 p.m. St. Patrick's

Sun.: 8 a.m. St. Joseph's; 10 a.m. St. John's;

11 a.m. Convent

## 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 are filled with joy, for we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord! He died on the Cross, but now he has been raised from death to new life. Today we are filled with hope, for the sacrifice he made on the cross has opened the way to eternal life. His sacrifice is our salvation. Today we are filled with praise, for Jesus Christ has won victory over the grave. He has redeemed humanity! Alleluia we proclaim, for He is alive!

On behalf of our parish and school staff, along with Msgr. Dan and the Sisters of the Ruma Convent, I extend to all in our parish partnership, prayers and greetings for an Easter filled with new life, hope, and blessings overflowing!

Special thanks to all who helped make our Lenten journey a great time of prayer and reflection. May we use the 50 days ahead to continue deepening our relationship with the Risen Lord!

God's peace and blessings! Remember, don't worry so much and know that you are loved!

~ Fr. Dennis

## HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

Sun.: Happy Easter to you and your family!

Mon.: No school; Parish office closed; Earth Day!

Tues.: 8:45 a.m. Bible Study in Church; Parish Council mtg. at 7 p.m. in the library

Wed.: 11 a.m. Mass at the Care Center; PSR classes at 6:45 p.m. in school; Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. in the Church basement; Parish Finance mtg. at 7 p.m. in the rectory dining room

Thurs.: 3 p.m. doctor appointment

Sat.: First Communion practice at 9 a.m. in Church

Sun.: First Communion at the 10 a.m. Mass; Partnership Parish Councils gather at Ruma from 2-4:30 p.m.

## POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS TO OUR HEARTS

(Without Grace We Can Do Nothing!) If I let myself be touched by the grace of the Risen Christ, if I let him change me in that aspect of mine which is not good, which can hurt me and others, I allow the victory of Christ to be affirmed in my life, to broaden its beneficial action. This is the power of grace! Without grace we can do nothing. Without grace we can do nothing! And with the grace of Baptism and of Eucharistic Communion, I can become an instrument of God's mercy, of that beautiful mercy of God.

**2019 PICNIC  
FRIDAY, JUNE 21ST  
& SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND**

**Chairmen:** It's time to schedule your workers!

**Workers:** Chairman will notify you; please work a shift!

**Raffle Tickets:** Win \$1,000! Tickets to be mailed soon.

**Country Store:** Bring in your homegrown, homemade desserts, jams, produce, crafts, etc. Fri./Sat. morning of picnic.

**Basket Stand:** Bring a basket filled with items valued at a minimum of \$10 (bring to the rectory after May 1st); OR, make a monetary donation and we will create a basket.

**Pie Orders:** Asking each family to donate 2 pies. Home-made pies: fruit, pumpkin, pecan, Jell-O No-Bake. Store-bought ONLY: custard, pudding, cheesecake. Order from IGA (pay when order; IGA will deliver your pies). Order from Ahne's (order forms will be inserted in the bulletin at a later date; fill out form & return to rectory with payment; Ahne's will deliver.) You may also purchase from any bakery/grocery store and deliver to us Fri./Sat. morning of picnic.

**Cakes for Cake Wheel & Dinner:** We need homemade cakes for both! Please deliver Fri./Sat. morning of picnic.

**Soda for Poker Stand:** Donations of 2-liter bottles of soda would be appreciated! Please bring to the rectory after May 1st.

**Inflatables:** These are very popular with the kids! We will accept monetary donations to offset rental fees.

**CSMA**

Thank you to the 97 households that have pledged to support the mission of Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. So far \$17,286.00 has been pledged. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so.

**BE A BLESSING - GARDEN PROJECT**

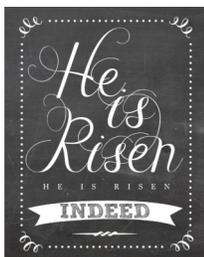
Would you consider being a volunteer in a garden project at the Ruma Convent? The garden project intends to grow produce that will be taken to inner city communities. Talk to a friend and come be apart of this gift giving project. Pick up a form on the bulletin tables, fill it out, and drop it in the collection or at the parish office. Choose to be a blessing in someone's life.

**ROOF REPLACEMENT**

Thanks to all who helped make this project happen! You're terrific! If you haven't had a chance to make a donation, we hope you will consider doing so. To date we have received \$79,423.00. God bless you for your generous support.

**CONFIRMATION CHOIR PRACTICE**

Confirmation parents and adult family members are invited to join the SPPS Confirmation Choir. Practice is Apr. 30th & May 7th, 6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation is May 8th, SPPS, 6:30 p.m.



**2019 PICNIC QUILTS**

It's time to kick-off our 2019 Picnic Quilt Drive! To donate: donate a completed quilt (handmade; no store-bought quilts; queen-size; not laundered). OR: Cash donation: cash equivalent is \$210. Donate the full \$210, or donate \$70 or \$105 and we'll combine that with other donations to make a "full" quilt. For info on the parish quilters making your quilt, call Clea (282-3529); Bernell (618-210-5553).

**34. Q. Les & Rita Deterding**

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**ATTENTION PARTNERSHIP  
PARISH COUNCILS**

On Sunday afternoon, April 28th, the parish Councils from the parishes in our partnership will gather from 2-4:30 p.m. at the Ruma Center for prayer, reflection and fellowship. Please mark your calendar for this informal gathering.

**ST. ANNE'S CCW SPRING BANQUET**

Ladies of our parish are invited to attend the Spring Banquet of St. Anne's CCW. The May 7th meal will be catered by The Office. Festivities begin at 6:15 p.m. in our school cafeteria. Text or call Carol Schaefer at 618-504-9101 or Donna Scheffert 618-830-1952 to RSVP by April 26th. The cost of \$12 must be paid in advance. Money can be paid through the collection basket (please label St. Anne's Banquet) or the rectory office. We hope to see you there!

**SPRING FARM BLESSING**

All are invited to the Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm, which will be held on Tuesday, April 30th at 1 p.m. at Frey Farms in Dahlgreen, IL (22251 County Rd. 700 E). 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 for food and fellowship following the blessing!

**COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Red Bud Community Prayer Breakfast: Thursday, May 2nd, 7 a.m. at the 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. Chaplain, Captain George E. Kahl, 375 Air Mobility Wing and Master Sergeant Vanessa Minnick, 375th Comptroller Squadron, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois will be the guest speakers. 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 April 26th.

**ONLINE GIVING**

Our parish provides Online Giving as an electronic tool for contributions so you can give via the internet. Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. This also helps the parish streamline our cash flow, especially during bad weather or vacation times. Go to our parish website: [www.sjbcatholicredbud.com](http://www.sjbcatholicredbud.com) to get started.

## VOCATION CORNER

Easter is our greatest feast of the Liturgical year. Our redemption has been accomplished and Jesus has overcome death and sin. 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 Holy Communion. Look this week to encourage a young man to consider entering the seminary to discern a priestly vocation.

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH

Sunday.....	\$4,342.00
Loose.....	\$336.00
<b>Total (Goal: \$5,866.00).....</b>	<b>\$4,678.00</b>
Capital Campaign.....	\$100.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$15.00
School Endowment.....	\$200.00
Adopt-a-Parish.....	\$75.00
Easter.....	\$15.00
Good Friday/Holy Land.....	\$10.00
Home Missions.....	\$20.00
Tuition Assistance.....	\$50.00
Holy Thursday.....	\$16.00

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

**Catholic Home Missions:** over 40% of dioceses in the U.S. are considered mission territory because they're unable to fund essential pastoral work. Donations support religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training.

### RESPECT LIFE

(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? The song resonates in your heart so much that you want to sing it or carry the tune in your heart the rest of the day. That's joy! Let's share it! Share joy with everyone you encounter today - smile, be happy, greet strangers, go out of your way to be nice to people. Slow down. Appreciate the small moments of joy today, and then share it with others.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Cancer Novena to St. Peregrine**, April 25-May 3, 6:30 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes, Sparta.

**Fish Fry**, April 26th, 4:30-8 p.m., American Legion, Rocher. Enjoy 3 kinds of fish. Dine-in/carry-out. Info: 284-9509.

**Yard Sale & Bake Sale**, Apr. 26, 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Sense Hall, Ellis Grove. Miscellaneous items; no clothing.

**Ground Breaking Celebration**, new St. Paul Night Drop-In Center, Apr. 27th, 11 a.m., St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Center, East St. Louis. Info: 618-394-0126.