

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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April 12th, 2009

Easter Sunday

Pastoral Council

Pat Mitchell, Chair
Jim Cauley
John Burch
Joan Holig
Jeanette Crowley, Sec.
Lizzie Mitchell
Finance Council
Jeri Smith, Chair
Mary Puetz, Secretary
Karen Patton
Penny Arens
Kim Betthausser

Stewardship	
Adult Env.	\$1,581.00
Student Env.	13.00
Offertory	199.41
Votives	120.00
Utilities	
Easter Flowers	265.00
Easter Offering	15.00
<u>Other(New Years)</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Total	\$2,198.41

April 13th Monday NO MASS
April 14th Tuesday 8 AM In thanksgiving for Pope John Paul II on 4th anniversary of his death.
April 15th Wednesday 8 AM Linda Fuss +
April 16th Thursday 8 AM Tobias Glavin
April 17th Friday 8 AM Iris Allen +
April 18th Saturday 8 AM Clarence & Gloria Kramer 45th Wedding Anniversary
April 18th Saturday 8 PM Mary McGowan +
April 19th **Divine Mercy Sunday** 9 AM Jack Doyle +
*Sanctuary Lamp - For the Health of Leo Drea by Elizabeth Hall

April 13th 7 PM Maintenance Committee Meeting
April 14th 6 PM Finance Committee Meeting
April 14th 7 PM Parish Council Meeting
April 16th 7 PM Sodality Meeting – Joan Holig, Chairperson
April 19th Divine Mercy Sunday, All encouraged to attend at Cathedral
April 26th 10 AM Polka Mass Followed by the Annual Ham Dinner
April 30th 7 PM – April 23rd St Paul's Class Moved to this date
Note to Parents of CCD Students; The last class will be held on April 19th.
May 1st Adoration following morning mass until 3:00PM, ending with Benediction and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
May 2nd 1st Confession 3:00 PM
May 3rd 1st Communion & May Queen Crowning

Confessions: Sat. 7:15PM & Sun. 8:15AM
Adoration: 7AM before Saturday Mass & 1st Thursday all day
Rosary: Monday – Saturday 7:30 AM before mass
Office Hours: 8:30AM-12:30 PM Monday-Friday
CCD Class: 10:00 - 11:30 AM Sunday

NOTICE: The cleaning schedule to prepare the church basement for the Ham Dinner is as follows:
Wednesday April 22nd 9 AM – 11:30 AM, cleaning/prep
Thursday April 23rd 9 AM – 11:30 AM, table & station set up
Friday April 24th 9 AM until done, scrub potatoes, finish all other necessary preparations.
Men & Women are welcomed and encouraged to participate.

April 17-19 Bishop ListECKI and well-known speaker and author, Father Mitch Pacwa S.J., will be presenting a weekend conference on the **Year of St. Paul and Divine Mercy**. The conference will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral in LaCrosse. Registration is 4/17 @ 6:00 PM. The conference ends on Divine Mercy Sunday 4/19, with Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction. Cost is \$10 per person, \$20/family. See notice on the Bulletin Board. The Faithful who attend at least part of the events of this conference will be granted a Plenary Indulgence by decree of the Bishop. That includes attending the presentations or devoutly taking part in the liturgies or devotions at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman during the days of the conference having fulfilled the required conditions (sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, prayers for the Supreme Pontiff's intentions) and in a spirit of total detachment from an inclination to sin.

We are Easter People

The thought of Easter is always fascinating to me. What a great mystery revealed to us in the event of Easter. Good Friday is momentary; Easter is Eternity. Death of Christ is temporary; His resurrection is everlasting. Our participation in the Passion of the Lord is a process; our experience of Easter is the result. We are Easter People; nothing could prevent us from the great joy of eternity in this passing world.

Church has prepared us forty days for this great experience. We have reached a stage of life in which we could easily participate in the glory of the Risen Lord in the freedom as children of God. It is an experience of regeneration, a new birth in Christ. It is not only the newly baptized who experience a new birth, all the members of the church experience a new birth in our consciousness. We realize a spiritual power that is enlightening, energizing and everlasting in our own mortal bodies. That power is the Risen Lord who is living with us today.

Easter gives three moral certainties that we are longing to attain in our life. The first one is something personal. The deep rooted fear within our being is taken away by the Lord through the event of Easter. Do not be afraid. This is the message of the Angel to the woman who went to visit the tomb of Jesus. It has so many inner layers of meanings. The climax of the meanings is this: Do not be afraid of your own death. God is giving you a life beyond death. Nothing could prevent us in experiencing the peace of Christ in our life.

The second moral certainty is something relational. No genuine human relationship in our life is mere a passing event. All life giving relationships remain with us eternally. The death of dear ones, the loss of true friends and the fading away of a loving community are momentary. Every relationship that we cherish with true love will raise up in its own time. The appearance of the Risen Lord to the disciples confirms this truth.

The third moral certainty is social. All the good works we do for others will have their own reward. Nothing would be a waste. Sometimes, we see good people suffer in life. All the good things they do for others go unnoticed. Mere self projections through advertisements seem to be what is capturing and praiseworthy. The Resurrection of Jesus scatters all these flickering fancies. True good works will never go without fruits. Nobody could stop the mission started by Jesus by killing him.

May this Easter be the time of Peace and Joy. We are the Easter People and Our Song is Joy. Fr. G.Valentine Joseph

Anyone who still has dishes in the church basement please pick them up. Some of these have been here for over a year. If they remain unclaimed they will be sold at the Church Garage Sale this summer.

St. Mary's needs individuals or a group of individuals who are willing to donate a Gift Certificate or Cash, which will be used as prizes for the Door Prize Raffle. If you are interested, please either give the donation to Father Valentine or Lizzie or call either of them. Father: 666-2421 / Lizzie: 666-2721

BIBLE STUDY ON SAINT PAUL - CLASS SCHEDULE
Classes are from 7PM until 8PM. Remaining Class Dates:, **April 30th, June 3rd & 17th**. Remember; April classes are on Thursday Evenings and May classes are moved to June.

Families or groups of parishioners are still needed to sign up for one Saturday of the year to clean the church. If each family could donate one Saturday, you would be obligated less than once per year. Sign up in the back of Church.

April 18th & 19th Second Collection for Low Sunday by the St. Mary's Ladies of The LaCrosse Deanery of Catholic Women (DCCW).

Saturday April 18th, 8 PM
Lectors: Karen Patton, Barb Rogge
Servers: Jessica Patton
Ushers: Jim & Matt McGowan, Dean Walsh
Gift Bearers: Eymard & Noreen Krupa
Sunday April 19th, 9 AM
Lectors: Mary Johnson, Jeanette Conway
Servers: Peter & Pat Cauley
Ushers: Jim Cauley, John Burch, Garrett Madland
Gift Bearers: Pat & Sue Mitchell
EMC: Blood of Christ: Carol Cauley
Jeanette Conway
Body of Christ: Kim Betthausser