

Good News Reflection: How has Jesus helped you?

Are you ready to proclaim the Good News about how Jesus has helped you? What holds you back? Do you hesitate because you don't yet understand how the deaths in your life (the sacrifices, the lost hope, the broken relationships, etc.) have been resurrected into new life?

Such hesitation was the mental state of the disciples on the first Easter morning, as depicted in the Gospel of John.

The attitude of Peter in the reading from Acts is quite a contrast! The disciples now know their calling: They were empowered and commissioned to testify that Jesus is the Savior, and they fully embraced this vocation. Do you understand how Jesus is turning your tragedies and other difficulties into triumphs and great blessings?

To "testify" means to share the truth based on your own experiences. Peter specifically proclaimed that everyone who believes in Jesus receives forgiveness of sins. Of course he did! Peter knew first-hand what it's like to need and then receive Christ's forgiveness.

We will not understand much about how our sufferings have led us to a new and blessed life until we start talking about it. The first inklings of insight awaken when we discuss it within our close, holy friendships, like Mary of Magdala did when she ran to Peter and John after discovering the empty tomb. They, in turn, told the other disciples.

It was while they were together -- in community -- that Jesus appeared and revealed his resurrection to them. Later, after having lots of time to talk about it with friends, the Holy Spirit empowered them to go out and evangelize the world by sharing their experiences with anyone willing to listen.

Questions for Personal Reflection: The empty tomb doesn't immediately make sense. What has been confusing to you during your faith journey? What has caused you to feel empty and frightened? Where might Jesus be in this?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing: How have your own experiences of being forgiven enabled you to feel more compassionate toward others? Does that change the way you talk to them about God and church and other spiritual or moral issues? What is the biggest change that Jesus has brought into your life? What were you like before this change? How did God intervene? What were the results? This is your testimony. Practice sharing it by telling the story to your community of friends.

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Upcoming Eucharist Celebrations ************************************					
Sat.	Apr.08	10 Tatagwa 8 PM	Ron & Karen Greenslade Int. Easter Vigil		
Sun.	Apr.09	9 AM Mass 11 AM	Thanks/Casacop Family Jim Wanner Int.		
Mon.	Apr.10	No Mass			
Tues.	Apr.11	6:30 PM	Gloria & Phillip Fong Int		
Wed.	Apr.	9 AM	Special Int.		
	12	10 AM Bison	Charles & Betty Simon +		
Thur.	Apr.13	9 AM Mass	Yvette Dumaine & Mary		
			Sinclair Int.		
		10 Hilltop	Anthony Matthews +		
Fri.	Apr.14	12:10pm Mass	Anna Zeigler +		
Sat.	Apr.15	10 Tatagwa	Terry Giroux +		
	-	5 PM Mass	Julian Goski +		
		7 PM St Marys	Joe & Florence Ball +		
Sun.	Apr.16	9 AM Mass	Jeanette Klock+		
		5 PM Mass	Bernie & Alice Kot Int.		

Holy Week Mass Times



Palm Sunday Saturday, April 1, 5pm, Sunday, April 2, 9am &, 11am Holy Thursday, April 6, 7pm Good Friday, April 7, **10am Stations of the Cross** 1pm, St. Mary's 3pm, St Vincent de Paul Holy Saturday, April 8, Blessing of Food 1pm, April 8, Vigil – 8pm Easter Sunday, April 9 9am & 11am, St Vincent de Paul 1pm St. Mary's **Divine Mercy Sunday** 9am Regular Mass 2pm-3pm Reconciliation **3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Father Valentine Speaks 5pm Divine Mercy Mass**



Get ready for our Volunteer Appreciation Supper

on Friday, Apr. 21, at McKenna Hall. Social will start at 5:30, Supper at 6:00 pm. Parish Pastoral Council, Father Valentine and Angelo want to show everyone who volunteers in any way, big or small, how much your service to the Parish is appreciated and how much you are all valued and loved! Sign-up sheets are at the back of the church and McKenna Hall.



Heavenly Father, we thank you for all the sings in our lives; for the very world in which we live and for the health and strength you have bestowed upon us. The suffering Christ endured provided healing and power over illness. Lord, direct that healing toward our loved ones who suffer and who believe that you can and will restore them to full health. We call them by name: Jim Wanner, Benedict Vinck, Linda Kot, Larry Stadler, Pat Benning and all those facing an illness or any life's struggles. Our condolences to the family and friends of Anna Maurer. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

WELCOME!

Father Valentine, the Parish Pastoral Council and Val would like to warmly welcome our new office staff, Taylor and Tiffany.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual General Meeting; Scheduled for May 28, 2023. It will be held at Lower McKenna Hall, beginning after the 11am Mass and will start with a lunch at 12 pm followed by the meeting.

There are Openings on the Parish Pastoral Council. These need to be filled. Father would like one representative from each committee. It takes a village to raise a child, so it takes many more to keep our Church running to it's potential.

The St. Vincent de Paul Religious Articles Shop has recently received new stock, including several gift items for First Eucharist and Confirmation. We will be holding our Spring Lobby Sales On Sunday April 30th, Saturday May 27th, and Sunday May 28th. Items can also be purchased through the Church during regular office hours.

Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a New Parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on a table in the foyer! As well, if any parishioner has changed their address, phone number etc., please inform the office.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit: Easter Sunday of the

Resurrection of the Lord, "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." Colossians 3:2. Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.



We welcome into our Church and parish family, Audrey and Blair Miller, Layla Doane and RynnYork who are being baptized this weekend – Daughters of Aiden and Tonya Miller, Kyle and Rayna Doane and Kyle York and Ferilyn

Quin. May you all grow to know and follow the Lord Jesus, through the grace you have received and the help and prayers of your parents, godparents and parish community.



Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration

The Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee is organizing a special celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16, starting at 2pm. We will begin with Adoration and Reconciliation. followed the bv Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song at Father Valentine will make 3pm. special remarks for the occasion, as

well as be open to Q&A. We will conclude with Mass at 5pm. Neighbouring priests from around the deanery will be assisting with Reconciliation. Referring to Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus told St. Faustina, "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened." (Diary 699). Everyone welcome!



Why Catholic Bibles are bigger by Gary Michuta. Why do Catholic Bibles have 73 books, but Protestant Bibles only have 66? Did Catholics add books to the Bible, or did Protestants delete some? From the early Church to the Reformation author Gary Michuta

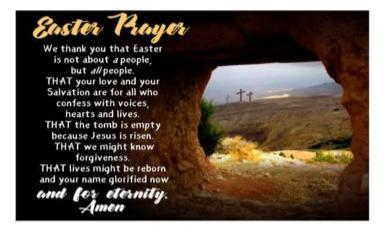
traces the history of the Bible and what caused this tragic divide between Catholics and Protestants. After reading this book you will also be able to explain and defend the reasons for the full, unabridged Catholic Bible. Now available in the Parish Library. Pro Libris!

Things to think about: Evangelization

The Great Omission:

"The world can no longer be left to mere diplomats, politician and business leaders. They have done the best they could no doubt. But this is an age for spiritual heroes-a time for men and women to be heroic in their faith and in spiritual character and power. The greatest danger to the Christian church today is that of pitching its' message too low".

-Dallas Willard, The Spirit of The Disciplines



The CWL is Asking for Help from All Parishioners

There are seven families coming from the Ukraine next week! These families often arrive with only the clothes on their backs. They will be in need of the basics of life plus furniture, dishes bedding etc. anything you will do will be very much appreciated.

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Counters Sherry Dreis, Kerry Dolter, Richard Wick						
Stewardship of Time & Talent - April 15 &16						
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Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Pat Wolensky	Ingri Roman			
		Stewart Ferguson				
Eucharistic	Mary Janeczko	Susan Kot	Shirley Mondor			
	Betty Van Staveren	Jean Woodard	Sheldon LeBlanc			
Ministers	Bruno Tuchscherer	Aime Isabey	Ken LeBlanc			
	Zeus Hinlayagan	Ron Klein	Chimdalu Ejiofor			
	Charlie Ernst		Kamsi Ejiofor			
Power Point	Roberto Roman	Gerry Langlois	Jennifer Woodard			
Children's Liturgy			Dawn			
Hospitality	Yvonne Dzuba	Roseanne Mantei	Judy & Mel VanBetuw			
· ·	Jim wanner	Willie & Adele Nimegeers	Gordon Rutten			
	Margaret &Bruno Tuchscherer	Betty Herlick Audrey Michel	Calvin & Danette Tracey			
	Counters Joanne Babiarz, Wendy Pitre, Christie McKenzie					

Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, Jim Wanner, Wendy Sidloski,
Deanery Rep. - Pat Wolensky, Secretary – Val Wing, Parish Finance Chairperson – Pamela Haupstein
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> **CWL President**: Judy Van Betuw (861-3241) CWL Meetings: (Sept. – June) **Exec Mtg.** – 2nd **Tuesday** of month Gen Mtg. – 3rd **Tuesday** of month

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> **Sacraments:** Baptism and Reconciliation – Contact the parish office Matrimony – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior

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