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Sunday, 9:00 am

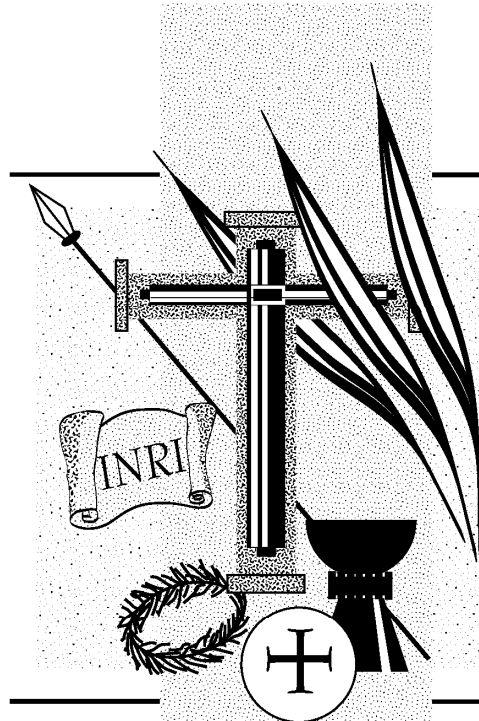
DAILY MASSES: Inside Bulletin

TELEVISED MASS: Thursday, 6:00 pm, Channel 2, Cable TV

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 4:00 pm or by appointment (For Changes In Regular Schedule, See Inside Bulletin)

WHEN TRAVELING: Find Mass times around the country at: www.MassTimes.org

Open wide the doors and gates.
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HIGHEST!

ENTER into the PASSION
and GLORY of the LORD

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Palm Sunday of the
Passion

March 29, 2015

Blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord!

FROM THE DESK OF FR. TIM: In this week's bulletin you will find the Holy Week Liturgy schedule. Please keep this in a place where you can easily find the times and liturgies for this week.

This week we celebrate Holy Week. There are ways to make Holy Week more meaningful.

Think prayer, while working or in school this Holy Week. Think about how you can incorporate prayer breaks into each day.

Go to Reconciliation. If you haven't gone to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you have several opportunities this week to go. Check your Holy Week schedule.

Make it a point to FORGIVE someone on Good Friday. Make it right with them, talk to them, love them and forgive them. A weak person is a person who cannot forgive others, especially those we love.

Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, individually or as a family. Pray the Stations of the Cross. Attend all of the Triduum Liturgies—Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Last Supper, 7 pm; Communion Service on Good Friday with the Passion, 12:10 pm; Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil, 7 pm; Easter Sunday morning, 9 am.

Invite family members, friends, neighbors, especially people who have strayed from the church to come to Mass with you. Invite them for dinner on Easter Sunday. These are a couple of ways in which to observe Holy Week.

May your Holy Week be a prayerful one. If you are traveling during Easter break, be safe on your travels.

Have a good week!

Liturgical Ministers for Holy Thu & Good Fri, Apr 2-3, 2015

Thu, 7:00 pm:

Servers-A Swinney, A Smith

Proclaimer-B Reading

Leader-R Bauer

Euch Min-C Kuskie, C Marchant, K Swinney, B Enos, J Sorenson

Greeters-C Bila, R Bila, J Gardner, A Gardner

Music-P Chasek, D Kuskie

Fri, 12:10 pm:

Servers-M Daniels, A Dressel

Proclaimer-L Detwiler

Leader-T Detwiler

Euch Min-L Jamison, L Mathis

Greeters-D Eitemiller, F Gonzalez

Music-P Chasek, D Kuskie

Liturgical Ministers for Holy Sat & Easter Sun, Apr 4-5, 2015

Sat, 7:00 pm:

Sacristan-B Scheopner

Servers-A Smith, T Pourier

Proclaimer-M Lane

Leader-H Kent

Euch Min-A Lane, S Pourier, L Kallhoff, C Baehler, M Baehler

Greeters-M Morse, N Wordekemper, B Cebula, K Vahrenkamp

Music-J Hoffman, Guitar Group

Sun, 9:00 am:

Sacristan-K Swinney

Servers-A Dressel, K Boeselager

Proclaimer-L Detwiler

Leader-T Detwiler

Euch Min-J Songco, C Rasmussen, G Klein, L Mathis

Greeters-N Dressel, S Dressel, S Schiaffo

Crestview-

Hosp/Prairie Pines-T McLain

Music-J McLain, Men's Choir

Cleaning Schedules

Church Cleaning for Main Sanctuary,

Saturday, April 4 (or whenever convenient during the week): Mike & Annie Loutzenhiser

Church Window Cleaning for the month of April:

Kris Vahrenkamp

Sunday Offering: Contributions needed weekly to meet

budget: \$6,000 (3-22) Reg: \$4,653.22; Online: \$25.00;

Bldg: \$295.00; Children: \$12.00; Dioc Appl: \$485.00

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Special Offering—Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land.

Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.

Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are housing and feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. For more information, visit MyFranciscan.org/good-Friday.

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.

Prayer Requests

Prayer Line – If you have a prayer request, please call Darlene Yantzi, 432-5432; Mary Baehler, 432-4994.

RIP—Please remember Spencer Dierks who died recently in your prayers. He was the nephew of Lisa and Bob Tiensvold.

Inspirational

Social Ministry Quote: Let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join the holy song: 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the King of Israel.'" St. Andrew of Crete

Next Sunday's Readings ~ *Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015* ~ Acts 10:34,37-43 (Salvation in Christ) Colossians 3:1-4 (Seek Heavenly Things) John 20:1-9 (Renewed Faith)

THIS WEEK

Sun 9:00 AM—Mass [Benefactors]
Mon No Mass
5:15 PM—Reconciliation
7:00 PM—Lenten Prayer Service
8:00 PM – AA (closed), in the parish center
Tue 5:30 PM—Mass [Jake McLain]
6:00 PM—Reconciliation
Wed 7:30 AM—Mass [+Stoner Family]
No Religious Formation classes
Thu Communion calls to shut-ins
7:00 PM—Mass of the Lord’s Supper [+John Nollette]
8:00 PM – AA (open), in the parish center
Fri 12:10 PM—Solemn Commemoration. Special Offering is for the Holy Land
Sat No Confessions
7:00 PM—Easter Vigil Mass [+Jim Wilburn]
8:00 PM—AA (open), in the parish center
Sun 9:00 AM—Easter Mass [Parishioners]

Knights of Columbus News

Sunday, April 12, 4th Degree Knights for First Eucharist, 11 am Mass
Sunday, April 12, Regular meeting, 6 pm
Saturday, April 25, 4th Degree Knights for Confirmation, 5:30 pm Mass

Newcomers—We extend a warm welcome to Michael and Christa Katen and their son, Wyatt, to St. Patrick’s!!

Parish Health Notes—Too often, signs and symptoms of eating disorders are overlooked as significant behaviors when in fact many of these are early warning signs of eating disorders. If someone is exhibiting signs or thoughts of struggling with an eating disorder, intervening during the early stages of development can significantly increase the likelihood of preventing the onset of a full-blown eating disorder. By increasing awareness and access to resources, we can encourage early detection and intervention, which can improve the likelihood of full recovery for millions. While eating disorders are serious, potentially life-threatening illnesses, help is available and recovery is possible. It is important for those affected, and their loved ones, to remember that they are not alone in their struggle. A free online screening for eating disorders is available at MyBodyScreening.org.

Right to Life

“Catholics hold that marriage is a vocation, a “call.” It is a way of life that offers continual opportunities to be in loving service to the other.”

—Life Matters: Marriage, the Sanctuary of Life,
2012 USCCB Respect Life Program

Religious Formation News

Pre– 6th Grade Faith Formation Information

April 1—no class, Holy Week
April 8—class, 1st Communion practice, 5:30 pm, in church
April 12—1st Communion Mass, 11 am. Everyone is welcome!
April 22—last class
April 29—picnic
*1st Communion parents: April 8, 5:30 pm meet at the church for practice.
*April 12, 11 am, 1st Communion Mass. Please have children there at least 15 min. early.
*Please turn in your lunch RSVP’s by March 25 to Christine or Dawn. Thank you!

7th—10th Grade Faith Formation Information

No classes, Wednesday, April 1

A new fundraising effort called, “Sponsor a Student” has begun. There are student forms complete with picture and information available in the gathering area. Please take a look.

Service to others is a way for the youth to show others the light of Christ and to help build up their own sense of service to others and an appreciation of the service that others provide to them. Hours are required for 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th grade Confirmation students. If you have any projects that are in need of helping hands, don’t wait any longer. Students must have hours completed by April 15. They are eager to serve. Contact Kaci!

If you are interested in donating funds for the youth to attend diocesan events, please visit the Faith Formation web page at www.stpatsfaith.weebly.com or you can place them in an envelope marked “youth ministry.”

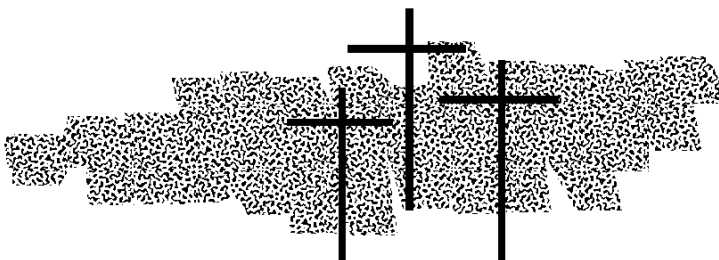
Registrations for Higher Ground retreats are now being taken online at www.youthgidiocese.weebly.com. If you need help registering or would just like information, visit the webpage.

The Big Event—The Big Event is on April 25 at Chadron State College, and is a student-led day of community service designed to say “Thank You” to our communities that continually support Chadron State College throughout the years. We are in need of job sites for The Big Event and would like to personally invite you to participate in The Big Event. If you have any questions or would like to apply to be a potential job site, please do not hesitate to contact us. — CSC Big Event Staff 2015

Follow Christ’s command—On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus gathered with his friends to celebrate the Passover. During the supper, Jesus got up from the table, poured water into a basin and went from man to man washing the feet of the disciples and drying them with a towel. Peter protested, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” Peter relented and asked Christ to wash his hands and head as well (see John 13:1-16).

Afterwards, Jesus said to his friends: “If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example that you also should do as I have done to you” (John 13:14-15).

On Maundy Thursday, let us remember Christ’s command and his example of humility, service and love.



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One Minute Meditations

St. Bernadette Soubirous

Bernadette was a good but simple teen from a

poor family in the south of France. The Blessed Virgin Mary chose to visit Bernadette eighteen times in a cave beside the Gave River (1858-59). A miraculous spring with healing waters poured from the spot and Lourdes remains one of the most visited religious sites in the world. Bernadette suffered terribly, but bravely, from learning difficulty, poor health, world scrutiny. After becoming a nun, she died at the age of 35.



We are one Body

On the road to Damascus, Jesus told Saul that when he attacked Christians, he attacked Jesus. "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting" (Acts 26:15). Our Lord cannot be separated from the members of his Body. We stand united with all who suffer for Christ.

"He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."

John 6:54



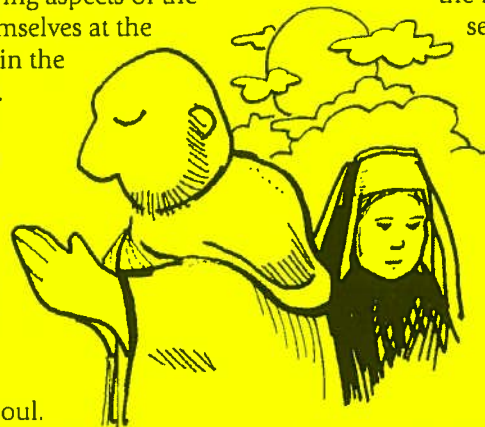
The Year of Consecrated Life

Most of us are called to a vocation of marriage and family, but some are called to live with Christ in a different relationship. For some of these chosen, this involves leaving aspects of the world to put themselves at the service of others in the Consecrated Life.

Caretakers of Christ's Church:

The role of a someone consecrated to God by vows of chastity, poverty and obedience is often as a caretaker of the soul.

Whether it is teaching in schools, providing aid to the sick and dying, caring for those in need, or living a life dedicated to manual labor and prayer, they bring Christ's charity to the world.



Someone to pray for us: For the consecrated religious, praying can be a full time job. To better understand the needs of God's children and to learn the Father's will, they often

separate themselves in some manner from worldly cares. This way, they can freely represent us on the front lines of the battle for salvation.

Real role models:

"Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). Those living

the consecrated life try to live their baptismal promises more intensely and serve with open hearts and willing spirits. When looking for role models, we can look to these men and women striving to live a holy life for God.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics need faith?

"Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). Christians know that Jesus is our Savior and our lives are in his hands. We also know that by virtue of his suffering,



death, and Resurrection, we have hope of sharing in his glory in Heaven. He said so.

It is through faith that all the other virtues flow. Through faith we believe, "For with God, nothing will be impossible" (Luke 1:37).

The path that Easter built

Easter is more than a happy ending to Jesus' travels on Earth. In fact, it leads to a new life for anyone who follows Jesus. Here are some ways to find the right path.

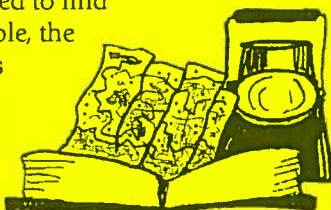
Use a map. Our faith holds all the tools needed to find peace, personal well-being, and security. The Bible, the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the Mass point the way.

Travel light. Avoiding materialism is the challenge of our time. Keeping only what we need reminds us of our dependence on

God, gives us an appreciation for what we have, and helps us be more sensitive to others in need.

Follow a guide. The journey can be easier when someone lights the way. Perhaps a priest, deacon, or religious in your parish can become a spiritual mentor. Or choose one of the saints to be a role model who can light the path.

Bring a friend. Spiritual companions can help us maintain perspective, challenge us to grow, and make the trip more enjoyable.



from Scripture

From Scripture: John 10:11-18, The Good Shepherd

This Gospel describes the ideal for our relationship with Jesus. In our society today, we are told that it's good to act for ourselves first, stand on our own, and do what is best for us as individuals. Our allegiance to others is secondary. The problem becomes, on whom can we rely for help when we encounter trouble?

In Jesus' day, a shepherd lived with his sheep, cared for them, and even put himself at risk to keep them safe. He kept them in a flock for safety to protect them from predators. Their shepherd was trusted and familiar, and

the sheep recognized his voice and wouldn't follow another, unknown voice. He was their Good Shepherd.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd for all of humankind. Jesus placed himself in the role of a shepherd and predicted that he would give his life for his sheep. Although his sheepfold began in

Israel, he hopes to have one flock made up of the whole world. His flock is the Church he founded and all who follow his voice are his sheep.



Q & A Is it better to say formula or spontaneous prayers?

Prayer is raising our hearts and minds to God and any form of prayer is key to maintaining a strong relationship with God.

Formula prayers are memorized prayers someone has written, while spontaneous prayers are vocalizations that come from the heart. Both types of prayer have the same goals – to praise God, ask for his help, to thank him, and reflect on his goodness.

When young Catholics are often taught formula prayers, such as the "Our Father", "Apostles Creed", and "Hail Mary", to help us learn about God and to develop the habit of speaking with him. Then, as we grow in our faith, praying spontaneously from the heart becomes another, more personal option. It is possible, and even fruitful, to combine both forms in our communication with God.

For example, spontaneous prayer during Eucharistic Adoration is made richer by enjoying the silence and presence of God. In turn, beginning Adoration with the Rosary – a formula prayer - can lay the groundwork for a higher level of spontaneous prayer.

Feasts & Celebrations

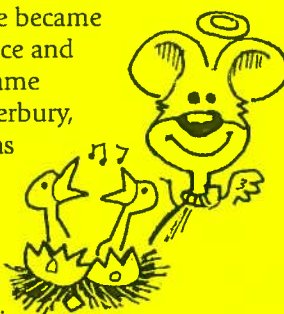
April 5 – Easter Sunday. The solemnity that marks Jesus' Resurrection. It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

April 11 - St. Stanislaus (1079). As Bishop of Krakow in 1072, St. Stanislaus attempted to reform the violent and depraved king of Poland, Boleslas II. When his efforts failed, he excommunicated the king. In retaliation, Boleslas murdered the saint as he said Mass.

April 12 – Divine Mercy Sunday. In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and asked that the Sunday after Easter

become the "Feast of Mercy." Jesus promised that anyone who honors him as the King of Mercy and prays The Chaplet of Divine Mercy – the prayer he gave to St. Faustina – will receive special graces and great mercy.

April 21 – St. Anselm (1109). A native of Italy, St. Anselm initially enjoyed a carefree life at court. After his mother died, he became a monk in France and reluctantly became bishop of Canterbury, England. He was exiled for rebuffing the king's interference in Church matters.



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Holy Week Liturgy Schedule

Palm Sunday: Saturday, Confessions 4pm - 4:30 pm.
Mass 5:30 pm. Sunday Mass at 9 am. Depending on the weather, mass will begin outside of the church. The blessings of the palms and procession into the church.

Monday, March 30: Confessions: 5:15 pm- 6:15 pm
Ecumenical Lenten Prayer Service 7 pm at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Tuesday, March 31: Mass at 5:30 pm. Confessions 6pm - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1: Mass at 7:30 am; Confessions 6 pm - 7 pm.


Holy Thursday, April 2: No morning mass, no confessions, Mass 7 pm.

Good Friday, April 3: No morning mass, no confessions; **Communion Service & Passion 12:10 pm.**

Holy Saturday, April 4: No confessions.
Mass 7 pm.

Easter Sunday, April 5: Mass 9 am.

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