



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Easter Vigil

8:00pm: +Peter G. Klauck

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Easter Sunday

6:00am: +Filemon Guijarro

8:15am: Butch Damson

11:15am: For the Parish

MONDAY, APRIL 01

7:00am: +Shirley Wall

TUESDAY, APRIL 02

7:00am: +Amos Boren

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 03

7:00am: +Butch Damson

THURSDAY, APRIL 04

7:00am: Spring Pro-Life Novena

9:00am: * Theresa Arnold

FRIDAY, APRIL 05

7:00pm: Francisca Malantin

SATURDAY, APRIL 06

8:00am: For the Unborn

5:00pm: +James R. Rousseau

SUNDAY, APRIL 07

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:15am: For the Parish

11:15am: Ted & Jean Sikora

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



Happy Easter to you all. The Lord has risen – Alleluia! I hope you have enjoyed the wonderful celebration of the Triduum.

This is my favorite time of the Liturgical Year. The following meditation is from Easter Sunday in *The Word Among Us: Catholic Mass Readings and Daily Meditations*. The readings for the day are: **Acts 10:34, 37-43/Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Colossians 3:1-4/John 20:1-9.**

Think of what is above. (Colossians 3:2)

Today is a day of great joy and celebration. That is because Jesus Christ, who suffered a cruel death and rose from his tomb, is now risen in glory. And now that you are “raised with Christ,” he invites you to enter into his joy. **(Colossians 3:1)**

You may feel full of joy today. But what if you do not? What if you feel weighed down by worries and burdens? There is still a way that you can experience Easter joy.

How? By faith.

As St. Paul writes in today's second reading, “Think of what is above” **(Colossians 3:2)**. By faith, you can recall that God loves you, that he is with you, and that he has won the victory over death and sin -including all of your own sins! Scripture promises that “there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus” **(Romans 8:1)**. That is you! “When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory” **(Colossians 3:4)**. That is you!

Recalling these truths can lead you into another experience of Easter joy: the joy of serving the Lord and his people. Peter must have been overjoyed when Jesus told him, “Feed my lambs” **(John 21:15)**. His failures and sins - even his denial of the Lord - had been washed away! Now he could participate in the mission of the risen Christ. As you serve Jesus today – by loving others, by sharing your faith or by joyfully preparing a family meal - believe that, just like Peter, you are also participating in Jesus' mission. And that is a true and certain path to joy.

Easter joy is not just about gathering for Mass, enjoying a feast or wearing a special outfit - you know that! It comes about through faith and service, and it can last all year long. So set your heart on “what is above” today **(Colossians 3:2)**. Then hear Jesus say, “Come and share in my joy!”

“Jesus, I rejoice in your resurrection!”

You are in my daily thoughts and prayers. I hope you have a very blessed Easter Sunday, followed by 50 days of Easter joy as we continue our celebration until Pentecost. May God bless and keep each of you safe.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe



PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Rachel Johnson, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Sayre Family, Richard Wertz, Maddie Clearly, John Rourk, Jr., Cindy Morales, John & Linda Dimmock, Josephine Stratton, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Dan Vandergrift, Judi Trygg, Marianna Young, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Antonio Beltran, Ramona Hallit, Mike Gonzalez, Bernice Geigel, Jane and Dena Bell, Juliana Goode, Marie Basta, Wanda Boren, Richard Brown, Jena Lanszell, Charlotte Johnson, Emma Lang, Diane Goguen, Matthew M., Selena M., Steven Weems, Serge Corvington, Bob Strang, Mateo Hernandez, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburm, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Mary Bell, Emma Rose Montague, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Heidi Brown, Mary Vandergrift, Jeff Baldwin, Ben Sundry, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Claude Davis, Mary Flatt, Kennita Turner, Theresa Arnold.

Note

If you wish to add someone to the prayer list, please contact Renate at the parish office. When that person recovers, please call again to remove their name so that others can be put on the list. Thank you, Fr. Joe

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 11-23 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Matthew 28:8-15	Friday	Acts of the Apostles 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27a John 21:1-14
Tuesday	Acts of the Apostles 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 John 20:11-18	Saturday	Acts of the Apostles 4:13-21 Ps 118:1,14-15ab, 16-21 Mark 16:9-15
Wednesday	Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Luke 24:13-35	Sunday	Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31
Thursday	Acts of the Apostles 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 Luke 24:35-48	<i>Divine Mercy</i> <i>Sunday</i>	

SVDP SHARE THE HARVEST APRIL 6/7 The St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry has a special need for rice (1-2 lb. bags), dry beans, crackers and canned meats. No bulk items, please.

If you would like to donate any of these items, please do so at the next regular food pantry collection at the weekend Masses on April 6 and April 7.

Thank you for your continued support for those in need in our community. For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Mark at morgidam@gmail.com or 256-658-8981.

SAVE THE DATE AND SAVE YOUR STUFF! If you're wondering what to do with your gently used items from spring cleaning, save them for the Treasures of the World Sale, June 27 and 28. Contact Tammy Hoskins at tldhoskins@gmail.com or 256-783-8625 for more information.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS! Our Plant Sale coordinator, Judy Morgida, is asking for volunteers to provide knowledge, expertise and seedlings to support this April 27 event.

Sign-up sheets are in the breezeway and vestibule to provide your contact information and your particular gardening specialty. Judy will welcome your assistance!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE, located at 2140 Jonathan Drive, NW, Huntsville is in need of a truck driver.

This is a paid position and would be about 20 hours per week. A CDL is not required, but a good driving record is. If interested, please apply in person, or call 256-851-8881 and ask to speak with the Manager. Store hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is an Equal Opportunity Employer and pay rate will be determined by qualifications and experience.



SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation to seasonal flower arrangements or request a special commemoration, please call the parish office at 256-534-8459.

CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 15,951.41
Other Designated Funds	\$ 6,638.33
Tanzanian Water Project	\$ 8,831.40

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

APRIL 6-APRIL 7, 2024

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Troy St. Germain
8:15am: Caed Lynch, Maddie Lynch
11:15am: Jackson Lewis

LECTORS

5:00pm: Patty Ayala, Diane Hollingshead
8:15am: Bart Lynch, Gina Bain
11:15am: Joe Pohuski, Jerolyn Golightly

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Webb Tadesse*, Tammy Hoskins, Sherri Lynn Ross, Jamie St. Germain, Gus Smith
8:15am: Teri Lynch*, Josette Dant, David Brost, Laura Hall, Ellen Styles
11:15am: Kristy Hayne*, Michelle Jansen, Jim Powell, Bruce Taylor, Helen Taylor

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



Lenten Water Project

Our Lenten Water Project ends this weekend. Have you brought back your jar? If you haven't, please bring it to RE by April 7. Thank you!

Mark your Calendars

Vacation Bible School is coming in June! Sign-up for VBS begins on April 7.

Dates and times: June 3-7, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish Life Center. Let's dive into friendship with God at SCUBA!

FORMATION CALENDAR

March 31	NO RE/OCIA—Happy Easter!
April 7	RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. HFS (enter via Messmer Center) OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building
April 14	RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. HFS (enter via Messmer Center) OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building LWC at 8:15am & 11:15am Masses
April 21	RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. HFS (enter via Messmer Center) OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building
April 28	RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. HFS (enter via Messmer Center) OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building LWC at 8:15am & 11:15am Masses

EASTER CELEBRATION after the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday, March 31 in the Messmer Center. Join us for games, activities and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Activities for children include: ages 1-4 will dig for eggs, ages 5 and up will participate in egg and spoon race, Easter Bingo, piñata and arts and crafts. Come and enjoy!

Sponsored by Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary.

EASTER RECEPTION The Joyful Bakers will host a reception in St. Francis Hall immediately following the 8:15 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures and refreshments will be served.

JOB OPPORTUNITY St. Joseph parish has an opening for a Director of Religious Education (DRE). Qualifications include:

- College graduate
- Bilingual English-Spanish preferred
- Catholic religious education background with teaching and church administrative experience
- Computer skills, including proficiency in Microsoft office applications and database management software

Interested qualified candidates should submit their resume to jlubrano@salvatorians.com.

HOLY FAMILY MAROON & WHITE SOIRÉE, April 26, 2024 at the Huntsville Botanical Garden. This is our largest fundraising event of the year, and we are celebrating 68 years of educational excellence, unity, and the community impact of Holy Family School.

For more information and ticket sales, visit the school's website at www.holyfamilyschoolhsv.org.

Here Is What's Happening This Week

MONDAY, APRIL 01

Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY, APRIL 02

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)
6:00pm: Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 03

6:00pm: Knights of Columbus (SFH)
6:00pm: 11:15am Choir (SJC)
7:00pm: 8:15am Choir (SJC)

THURSDAY, APRIL 04

6:00pm: Adult Formation (LMR)

FRIDAY, APRIL 05

11:00am: Eucharistic Adoration (SJC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 06

Hospitality after the 5:00 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 07

Hospitality after the 8:15 a.m. Mass

9:30am: RE/OCIA (LMR/LIB/SFH/HFS)

Facilities Key

FMC = Messmer Center/Gym
SJC = St. Joseph Church
SFH = St. Francis Hall
LMR/LIB = RE Center
STA = St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel
BRZWY = Breezeway
VBC = Von Braun Center