EASTER SUNDAY

“Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”

- Mt 28:5b-6

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## Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of The Lord

### April 9, 2023

#### Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions for the week

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#### Please pray for the sick

- Tina Adams
- Jenny Andrzelewski
- Joan Andrzelewski
- Shelia Bachtell
- Pete Balotti
- Patrick Beckman
- Jerry Belew
- Marnie Boyle
- Sue Brockelmeyer
- Doug Browning
- Carol Buerman
- Harold Buescher
- Butch Carr
- Charlene Carson
- Peaches Conoyer
- Jeff Cook
- Gene Dallas
- Dorothy Davis
- Susan Dauten
- Patty Derhafe
- Jim Doyle
- Fred Dyer
- Charli Elliston
- Emelia Emke
- Carole Ermeling
- Deacon Tony Falbo
- Joe Flood
- * Alexandra Ford
- Margie Fortman
- Randy German
- Carol Green
- Katherine Green
- Ron Haas
- Al Hagedorn
- Michelle Haines
- Bella Herman
- Vi Higgins
- Jason Hoag
- Kelly Hurley
- Jack Kaiman
- Vivian Koester
- Chuck Lammert
- C J Lindner
- Joyce Lumetta
- Liz McCarthy
- Trace Gillam Martin
- Joe Marzaloes
- Lisa Masek
- Rich Meyer
- John Miller
- Norma Miller
- Mary Minton
- Kathy Mueggge
- Ron Niffen
- Keith R. Noah
- Mary Fran Oldani
- Amelia Paquette
- Becky Philipp
- Dave Raley
- Jim Pini
- Rita Rast
- Jerry Reese
- Rita Reeves
- Jim Reeves
- Laura Rehagen
- Eric Reinholz
- Kenneth Robinson
- Barbara Roth
- Ed Scaglione
- Elise Schue
- Tim Schneider
- Mark Schoene
- Jim Schoonover
- Bob Sheils
- Suellen Shuey
- Andy Stoltman, Sr.
- Caron Story
- Samantha T
- Debbie Teson
- Linda Tocco
- Barbara Tuma
- Tom Walsh
- Dorothea Wallace
- Michelle Weinrich
- John Whitener
- Jenny Whitman
- Richard Weck
- Shelly Wilfong
- Mason Wolodarski
- Janet Yanez

#### Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

- † Michael White, brother of Gerry Vogt
- † Nova Jean Watson, mother of Lesley Watson

*May their souls rest in our Lord’s eternal embrace.*

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Please keep us updated regarding the sick list. Please let us know when we need to add or remove anyone. Thank you!
Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice. It is then that we are truly Easter people! As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box (located at the rear of the church in the main aisle), know that you are a sign of God’s love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.

‘Every action you take is like a vote for the person you want to be.’
James Clear
A HAPPY EASTER SUNDAY TO YOU ALL! Easter is one of my favorite days of the whole year, not only because the weather is usually beautiful, not only because it’s a great time for families to gather, but because it celebrates what is at the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians: that God loved us enough to have his Son die for us on a cross but also that, by means of His Son’s death and Resurrection, we have become His sons and daughters as completely as Jesus is!! In fact, this is what every Mass celebrates. Put simply, every Mass, especially Sunday Masses, is Easter! Below, you will find a prayer titled “Stay with me, Lord,” a prayer composed by St. Padre Pio (1887-1968), a prayer which Archbishop-emeritus Robert Carlson shared with us at last week’s Parish Mission. It’s a prayer that makes that link between Easter and every Sunday Mass to be so clear:

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You.
Stay with me Lord, because I am weak, and I need Your strength, so that I may not fall so often.
Stay with me Lord, for You are my life, and without You, I am without fervor.
Stay with me Lord, for You are my light, and without you, I am in darkness.
Stay with me Lord, to show me Your will.
Stay with me Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You.
Stay with me Lord, for I desire to love you very much, and always be in Your Company.
Stay with me Lord, If You wish me to be faithful to You.
Stay with me Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of Love.
Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late, and the day is coming to a close, and life passes, death, judgment, eternity approach. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way and for that, I need You.
It is getting late and death approaches. I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile.
Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers, I need You. Let me recognize You as Your disciples did at the breaking of bread, so that the Eucharistic Communion be the light which dispenses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart.
Stay with me Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to you, if not by Communion, at least by grace and love.
Stay with me Jesus, I do not ask for divine consolation because I do not merit it, but the gift of Your presence, oh yes, I ask this of You.
Stay with me Lord, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more.
With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly during all eternity. Amen.

THIS WEEK WE CONTINUE OUR “LIVING JOY” SERIES:
RULE 5: ENGAGE YOUR BODY IN THE BATTLE FOR JOY

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you . . . ?
Saint Paul (1 Corinthians 6:19)


The Challenge: 1. Keep it simple. Set one, easy to achieve goal for the week to improve the care of your body. 2. Practice sitting and standing LIKE A BOSS. 3. Go ahead. Smile more. 4. Set when and where you plan to work out and just show up! 5. Do an examination of kitchen. Come up with 3 foods you need to get rid of. 6. Try to sleep more and reflect on how that impacts your overall mood.
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 16, 2023
St. Joseph Catholic Church
(1355 Motherhead Road, Cottleville MO)

Doors open at 2:30 pm
Early arrivals please remain in your car as baptisms won’t conclude until 2:30

Confessions and Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament will begin at 2:40 pm
Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3:00 pm followed by the Holy Rosary

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered at 4:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Novena Begins On Good Friday

“I demand the worship of My mercy through the solemn celebration of the Feast and through the veneration of the Image which is painted. By means of this Image I shall grant many graces to souls.” (742)
“I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over its enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory.” (Diary 48)

Lenten Confession will be sufficient to obtain Plenary Indulgence when other conditions of Holy Mass, Holy Communion, Spiritual or Corporal Works of Mercy, detachment from all sin, and prayers offered for the Holy Father’s intentions are met. For more information, please contact: Ann Yeager 636-734-7663
On the Second Sunday of Easter, April 16, 2023, the Church celebrates the Sunday of Divine Mercy. It provides an important opportunity to share Christ’s message of mercy, especially with those who suffer because of their participation in one or more abortions. By the age of 45, as many as 1 in 3 women have had an abortion, and a similar number of men and family members have been involved. Many feel that abortion is “the unforgivable sin.” They need to hear that, through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God forgives every sin of a repentant heart, even the sin of abortion. In fact, Jesus’ message to St. Faustina is that the greater the sinner, the greater the right to His mercy.
THE CONVERSATION:
A Catholic Perspective on Cycle-of-Life Issues
PRESENTED BY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE, REGISTER BY APRIL 10TH!

SATURDAY | APRIL 15, 2023
10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. (lunch provided)
Assumption of the B.V.M. • Parish Hall
403 N Main St • O'Fallon, MO

TOPICS INCLUDE:
• **Principles of Catholic Bioethics,**
  Fr. Peter Fonseca
  - Ordinary & Extraordinary Means of Preserving Life
  - Quality of Life & the Dignity of the Human Person

• **Advance Directives & Estate Planning,**
  Raymond Kreienkamp

• **Charitable Legacy Planning,**
  Michael Weisbrot, Roman Catholic Foundation

• **Funeral & Cemetery Planning,**
  Fr. Nicholas Kastenholz
  - Pastoral Care of the Sick & Dying
  - Anatomical Donation & Cremation

“This very well organized, well presented information that every person should hear”
-Judy Neary, St. Clare of Assisi parishioner

To register, please visit rcfstl.org/the-conversation or call 314.918.2890.
David Furlong and Donna Pezold received the sacraments of initiation, baptism, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. LeeAnn Holke and Jason Weise made their profession in the Catholic Church, were confirmed and received Eucharist also at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, April 8.

On Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 pm, the new initiates into the Catholic Church, David Furlong, Donna Pezold, LeeAnn Holke and Jason Weise will tell of their experiences of entering the fullness of the Faith at the Easter Vigil. Come and join the RCIA group and other interested Catholics in the Duchesne Room to hear their stories.

Duchesne High School Dream Home Raffle Tickets

Dreaming of a new home or a nicely padded bank account? Duchesne High School’s Dream Home Raffle can make your dreams come true! Don’t miss this fabulous opportunity to win BIG money—and to assist the students who benefit from Duchesne’s exceptional Catholic, college preparatory education.

The Dream Home Raffle has the best odds in town: No more than 3,500 tickets will be sold, and one ticket gives you 20 chances to win BIG cash prizes! The lucky grand prize winner will receive $150,000 toward a new home from Fischer& Frichtel Homes, OR $120,000 CASH! Second prize is $5,000 cash, and 18 additional cash prizes ranging from $500 to $1,500 will be awarded!

Dream Home tickets are just $100 each. You can purchase tickets by calling DHS at 636.946.2603 or online at www.duchesne-hs.org/2023-dream-home-raffle.html. The grand prize drawing is April 28, 2023, livestreamed on our Facebook page. (You need not be present to win.)

All Dream Home proceeds directly benefit our students - so every ticket is not only a chance to win big, but also an investment that stays in the community and helps Duchesne shape leaders in mind, body, and spirit! Ticket sales end on April 21 or when they sell out, so get your tickets today!
Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of The Lord

Functional Fitness Exercise and Fellowship 4 Seniors

The new session of our exercise class, a 7-week session, is starting **April 11, 2023**, Tuesday and Thursday mornings 8:30—9:30am, $35 for the session.

For more information contact: Marianne Belcke, MHS, OTR/L, 314-265-5231 sbelcke@gmail.com; or Judy Voss, Certified Personal Trainer, 314-330-5831 judvoss@sbcglobal.net

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three weekend experiences are listed below. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

5/5/2023 - 5/7/2023 - Cape Girardeau, MO
8/4/2023 - 8/6/2023 - St. Peters, MO
9/29/2023 - 10/1/2023 - St. Peters, MO

“THE SMALLEST BUT THE STONGEST” PARISH

If you were here for Mass last weekend, you know that I spoke at all the Masses about St. Cletus remaining a “stand alone” parish under the All Things New pastoral plan to be announced on May 28, Pentecost Sunday. I pointed out that, though the smallest parish in population and territory, we are being challenged to become the strongest in our planning area. I then invited us to learn from our Fish Fry experience to commit ourselves to this goal in large ways and small ways. Two of the small ways I encouraged to build up the spirit of our parish would be to wear our parish nametags and to serve as a greeter and/or usher at our weekend Masses. Please use this sheet to sign up for a nametag (if you have lost/can’t find) your original one, but also please use it to sign up to serve as a greeter and/or usher. Thanks!!

Fr. Jim Benz

NAME ______________________________ PHONE #: _____________________________

(Please circle each appropriate response)
I need a parish name tag: Yes / No  Preferred Name: _________________________
I want to be a greeter: Yes / No
I want to be an usher: Yes / No

Please return this form to the Parish Office in person, via email, or in the collection basket.

A tree is known by its fruit, a man by his deeds.
A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship; he who plants kindness gathers love.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

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**Welcome New Parishioners!**

To receive a registration form or indicate an address change or move from the parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket, or call the Parish Office (636-946-6327).

| Names:__________________________________________ |
| Adults_______                 Children________   |
| Address:_________________________________________ |
| Phone:__________________________________________ |
| Email:___________________________________________ |

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**Be a Pioneer for a Day!**

Hey 7th graders! Experience Duchesne High School at our “Pioneer for a Day” event on Friday, April 21.

There will be games, ice breakers, pizza, a scavenger hunt, trivia, and MORE!

Parents, you can register your child today by visiting [https://www.duchesne-hs.org/pioneer-for-a-day.html](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/pioneer-for-a-day.html). The deadline to register is April 14.

Join in the fun, and be a Pioneer for a Day!

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**Come & See Weekend Retreat with the Daughters of St. Paul**

Curious about religious life? Join the Daughters of St. Paul in St. Louis from May 26-28 for a weekend of vocational discernment. This retreat includes daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, a silent retreat day, conferences by the Sisters, an experience of the Pauline apostolate, community time and recreation, and more. Open to single Catholic women ages 18-30. For more information or to request a retreat application, visit [connect.pauline.org/vocation-events](http://connect.pauline.org/vocation-events).

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**“St. Charles Young Married Couples Group”**

Join St. Charles Borromeo’s Young Married Couples (20s & 30s-ish) for a Game Night on Friday, April 21 at 7pm. We will meet at St. Charles Borromeo in the Cafe. Bring your favorite game to share and your own beverage. We will have chicken nachos. Please contact John & Zoey Plummer with any questions 636-627-1756 or [ziplummer@gmail.com](mailto:ziplummer@gmail.com).