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Tuesday - Thursday:
9:30am to 1:00pm
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April 4th Easter Sunday



LET US
rejoice
AND BE
glad.
PSALM 118

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The Bishop Arthur Tafoya Knights of Columbus Council is again offering scholarships to graduating seniors. For more information and an application call James Ozzello at 719-547-2603

As Fr. Edmundo mentioned the weekend of 20-21 March, we met/exceeded our 2020 DMF goal of \$75,870. All subsequent donations received for the Diocesan Ministry Fund are being counted and will be used to meet our 15% assessment of parish income in the name of **ADVANCING MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP**. Please remember to give to the parish what you previously gave to the DMF. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 3 HOLY SATURDAY

3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
7:00 PM EASTER VIGIL

SUNDAY, APRIL 4 EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 AM MASS
10:30 AM MASS

3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Castro Families (Anthony Castro)
†Gabriel Garcia (Sarah Trujillo)
† John & Lenora Brogan (Rich & Anne Selle)
†Jacob Artzer (Joseph Artzer)
Frank & Shirley Palacio—Health & well being (Frank Palacio)

MONDAY, APRIL 5

NO MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

NO MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

9:00 AM MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
3:00 PM- ADORATION & CONFESSIONS
5:00 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

NO MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

9:00AM MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
4:00 PM MASS (ANTICIPATORY)

† Sue Fisher (Ron & Kathy McCulloch)
† Epifania Ortega (Ron & Kathy McCulloch)

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

7:30 AM MASS
10:30 AM MASS
3:00 PM DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Frank & Shirley Palacio— Health & Well-being (Frank Palacio)
† Mike Kuezwara (West Family)
† Raul Castro (Anthony Castro)
† Bernice Mondragon (Anthony Castro)
† Jr. Castro (Anthony Castro)
† Margaret & Fred Tochter (Mike & Jean Tochter)
† Eva Artzer (Jacob Artzer)

Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 4, 2021

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Who are you? This question was most assuredly asked of Jesus on the day of resurrection and it is a question asked of each of us. Our identities can be described in so many ways. We can start with our gifts and our talents, expertise and unique personality expressions. We can describe things we like and things we prefer to set aside. As descriptive and captivating as these can be, none come close to our essence, our real and true self. While accurate in their own right, the self who lives and interacts with the world is the self we want others to see, the one we project. But there is much more to us just as there is much more to Jesus.

Jesus could describe himself based on all of the same criteria we use for ourselves. After all, Jesus is totally human. With all that people witnessed and all that Jesus knew about his physical human self, his divinity also shined forth. There was so much more to know about him. Whereas once Jesus was transfigured on top of a mountain before his disciples' eyes, so today he is transfigured before our eyes as he reveals his resurrected self as the Christ. Alleluia, Christ is risen! His glorified presence stands before us showing us that we are all much more than we see ourselves to be and show to others. We have a depth, purpose, and essence that go way beyond the superficial treasures of our existence to the very core of who we are.

Within each one of us is a spark of Divine Love where creature and Creator meet, and we are known uniquely by the name God whispers to us. It is not the earthly name that was given to us but the one that flows from Divine Power and claims us as one who is special and chosen in God's eyes. This is the self that will rise one day with the eternal Christ of God and live eternally as God provides. This is the self that when free from all superficial constraints layered upon it in this life can discover and know freedom in a way never possible before. This is love lifting us up and transforming us into who we really are, not who we want or need ourselves to be. Who are you? A special, unique child of God who has been fashioned in God's image, sustained by the power of God's love and kept eternally with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. Get to know this deeper, truer self as it is who you really are. ©LPi

From Bishop Berg's letter on ADVANCING MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP... "In all our endeavors to strengthen our mission, we find one constant question: How do we develop among ourselves, our clergy and lay people, a spirituality of giving? There is much more to this than financial restructuring. Much has been accomplished with stewardship as a way of life in Catholic communities across the world. From these experiences, it is clear that stewardship always starts with the personal experience of Jesus. The examples of work, services and ministries of the church as promoting good stewardship include evangelization and witness to the Gospel, catechesis, and the faith formation central to our mission."

Ask yourself these questions... How do I personally demonstrate the spirituality of giving? Do I truly trust Jesus to be my guide in deciding how and how much I give of my time, talents, and treasure? Am I truly an evangelist spreading God's word through my speech, my actions, and the way I live? What lifestyle changes could I possibly make to improve my personal experience of Jesus. If you answer these questions honestly, you will truly be a part of the diocesan vision of ADVANCING MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP.

Please remember our Sick and Homebound.

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| Conni Billinger | Marietta Kahl |
| John Buglewicz | Holly McPhearson |
| Patrisia Cordova | Christine Dickson |
| Cortese Family | Chris Pettigrew |
| Janet Cruz | Peter Sorensen |
| Olga Dick | Tony Torres Jr. |
| Keith Emert | Judy Howard |
| Char Finch | Martha Archuleta |
| Butch Goddard | Steve Olsen |
| Robert Hayman | Kathy Krueger |
| Lloyd Jacquez | Angela Vigil |
| Pat Laintz | Mary Jo McDermott |
| Jeremy Laintz | Klara Silipo |
| Mary Lontine | Renee Hadad Cichon |
| Isaiah Maez | James Hiner |
| Cameron Martin | Carol Edgeworth |
| MaryAnn | Norman Kuhns |
| McCloskey | Carol Kuhns |
| Kevin McCloskey | Marci DeFoe |
| Fr. Mike (friend of the McCloskey's) | Martie Burns |
| Dorothy Orr | Robert Begel |
| Kirsten Pachek | Cheryl Salay |
| Kai Pedersen | Fred Gonzales |
| Shirley Palacio | Niaomi Rosales |
| | Frank Palacio |

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We will have classes on the following Sundays: March 21st, April 11th, April 18th and our last class will be April 25th. We will not have classes on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday. As always, your support is deeply needed and appreciated.

May God bless you with a joyful Easter!

Gaylene (719) 821-0051

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Beginning Good Friday, April 2nd, the Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets will be prayed daily at 3:00 pm in the church through Saturday, April 10th in anticipation of Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Lord specifically asked that the Chaplets be recited as a Novena especially on the nine days before Divine Mercy Sunday and promised, "By this Novena (of Chaplets) I will grant every possible grace to souls." (Diary of St. Faustina, 796) Prayer leaflets will be made available.