

THE MESSENGER

Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy, Year C
April 24, 2022

Serving the Catholic Parishes of
*Sacred Heart, Villa Grove, Illinois &
St. Michael's, Hume, Illinois*



Divine Mercy Sunday
Jesus will not allow anything to come
between you and His mercy.
No demon, no power, no curse, no sin,
no anger, no loss, no bitterness
can prevent you from accepting
His full forgiveness.
Only your will
can separate you from Jesus,
but the moment you ask forgiveness,
Jesus' mercy is yours.
Jesus, I trust in You.

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Secretary: Amy Walch

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Friday: 8:30 am — 1:30pm
(Closed on Holidays and Holy days)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass at Sacred Heart
Tuesday—Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil at Sacred Heart: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass at St. Michael's: 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart: 10:00 a.m.

CONFESSION

Saturday at Sacred Heart: 3:15 p.m.

Or by appointment

HOLY DAY MASSES

6:30pm: Vigil Mass at St. Michael's

8am & 6:30 pm: Holy Day Masses at Sacred Heart.



Mass Intentions

April 23	4:00 pm	Alan Bender by Darrel & Millie Griffith
April 24	8:00 am 10:00 am	Mike Pangburn by Phillip Parentheimer Gene & Anna Partenheimer by Linda Pangburn
April 25	8:00 am	NO MASS
April 26	8:00 am	Rev Paul Skelton by Jeff & Marilyn Holmes
April 27	8:00 am	Deceased members of the Argwried Family by Dorothea Lasley
April 28	8:00 am	Kiley Kramer by Tony Kramer
April 29	8:00 am	Harry & Louise Schmidt by the Schmidt Family
April 30	4:00 pm	Mary Adell Kramer by Ton Kramer
May 01	8:00 am 10:00 am	John Sullivan by John & Cindy McGuinness Marge Koberlein by Kathy Rainey



Mass Intentions Requests

Submit Mass Intention requests to the Parish Office and prayer chain requests to Amy Walch: a.walch65@gmail.com



Prayer Requests

We pray for: Geneva Allen, Teresa Balmer, Kay Barrett, Verna Bennett, Doris Birkner, Judy Cler, Pat Dillon, Tita Fleener, Malea Fonner, Bill Frank, Peter Frank, Kim Franzen, John Gilles, Faith Grave, Denise Griffith, Daphne Grise, Vicki Harmon, Julie Harrison, Bob Jones, Christina Kappes, Tyler King, Debbie Koberlein, Kiley Kramer, Meghan Kramer, Tony Kramer, Dorothea Lasley, Ann Maxwell, Sally McNamara, Doris Miller, Amy Mitsdarfer, Yair Flores Molina, Ezinne Theresa C. Ndeanaefo, Michael N. Ndeanaefo, Lara Nguyen, Christopher and Nicholas Nolte and their families, Robert Phillips, Rosemary Raeske, Phyllis Rund, John Rothecker, James Smith, Joseph Smith, Matt Smith, Rosemary Sprague, Mary Tipsend, Barbara Waymire, Susan Wilkey, Cathy Weatherford, and Mike Webb.

Daily Scripture Readings

Apr 23: R1: ACTS 4:13-21 Gospel: MK 16:9-15	Gospel: JN 3:16-21
Apr 24: R1: ACTS 5:12-16; R2: REV 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-10; Gospel: JN 20:19-31	Apr 28: R1: ACTS 5:27-33 Gospel: JN 3:31-36
Apr 25: R1: IPT 5:5b-14 Gospel: MK 16:15-20	Apr 29: R1: ACTS 5:34-42 Gospel: JN 6:1-15
Apr 26: R1: ACTS 4:32-37 Gospel: JN 3:7b-15	Apr 30: R1: ACTS 6:1-7 Gospel: JN 6:16-21
Apr 27: R1: ACTS 5:17-26	May 01: R1: ACTS 5:27-32, 40b-41 R2: REV 5:11-14 Gospel: JN 21:1-19

St Michael's Parish Tithing Goal

The Parish Tithing amount for March collections was calculated at **\$436.00** or 10% of the monthly collection which was \$4,358.00 and a check will be sent to the diocese. Making the PCT payments total **\$3,890.00**

Ministry Schedule



April 30th and May 1st, 2022

4:00 pm LECTORS: Kim Lytle
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: **EEEEEEEEEE**
SERVERS: Jobella Crafton

8:00 am LECTORS: Kevin Smith
USHERS: Phyllis Stone
COM SERVERS: Lily Brown & Leah Wood
GIFTS: Lily Wood

10:00 am LECTORS: Cory Kappes
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
COLLECTION COUNTERS: Mary Burgett &
Mary Hawkins
SERVERS: Carson Kappes & Landon Kappes

Sacred Heart:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. & Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

St. Michael's: Sunday, 8:00 a.m.

Weekly Collection

Week Ending Sunday, April 17, 2022



• **Sacred Heart Church**
Weekly Collection: \$ 306.00 **\$725.00** Loose Cash: \$358.00
Building Fund: **\$50.00** Seminary: **\$290.00** **\$175.00**
Holy Land: \$335.00 **\$80.00**
Easter Collection: **\$595.00** **\$100.00**
PCT: **\$ 70.00**
Online Giving: **\$1200.00**
Total Deposit: \$3084.00

• **St. Michael's Church**
Weekly Collection: \$ 50.00 **\$150.00** Loose Cash: \$50.00
Palm Sunday : \$50.00 Seminary: **\$720.00** **\$50.00**
Holy Land: \$310.00 **\$30.00** Stained Glass Window : **\$50.00**
Easter Offering: **\$ 120.00** Catholic Home Missions: **\$100.00**
Online Giving: **\$230.00**
Total Deposit: \$2680.00

*All collections OTHER than the Diocesan Collections may be tithed
Diocesan Collections will be denoted here in a different color.*

Sacred Heart Parish Tithing Goal

The Parish Tithing amount for February collections was calculated at **\$2,170.00** or 10% of the monthly collection which was \$21,698.00 and a check will be sent to the diocese. Making the PCT payments total **\$10,332.00**

Pastoral Reflections

Scripture Reflection (2nd Sun of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday. Year C)

In this reading Luke presents the apostles as the risen Lord's emissaries who plainly exhibit the power they have received through the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). As Jesus did when he walked among them before his death, now the apostles likewise perform many signs and wonders, inviting people to make progress in the journey of faith. Today's Gospel from John contains two appearance stories. The first one is to all the disciples, except Thomas. The second appearance happens a week later; this time Thomas is with the disciples.

Jesus appears to his disciples. Immediately after Jesus was killed, the disciples, for fear of the Jews, stationed themselves behind locked doors. All of a sudden, Jesus appears to them, wishing them peace. Nothing is said about how he got into that room. There is no response on the part of the disciples to Jesus' greeting of peace. Only after he shows them his hands and side do they seem to understand who he is. Jesus offers the disciples his peace once again, and this time they rejoice because they recognize him.

Commissioning and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

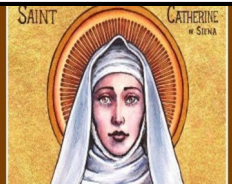
There is no discussion with the disciples about how Jesus was raised from dead. As soon as Jesus offers the disciples

his second gift of peace, he immediately commissions them to do the same tasks that God has given him. This commissioning is confirmed with the gift of the Holy Spirit breathing new life into the disciples. Part of this commissioning is the disciples' power to forgive or retain sins.

Appearance to Thomas. The second appearance takes place when Thomas is with the disciples. They tell Thomas what had happened when the risen Jesus appeared to them. Thomas, in turn, states that unless he has the same experience with the risen Lord as the other disciples have had, he will not believe. Notice this is not doubt but rather Thomas wanting to see the same evidence that the others were granted. Much to his surprise, the risen Jesus grants Thomas his desire and appears to him with the offer of putting his hands into the wounds for confirmation. Thomas does not touch Jesus at all. Immediately he comes to full faith, confessing Jesus to be, "My Lord and my God." The evangelist is well aware of the fact that no one in his community will actually see the risen Lord. Even so, they will be able to come to full faith in him through the witnesses of those who have gone before them. Even though they have not seen, they have believed and are blessed.

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Saint Catherine of Siena ~Mar 25, 1347-Apr 29, 1380~



The value Catherine's life experience is complete surrender to Christ. She was an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly

encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace, and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation. She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her, men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374. In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her "children" and was canonized in 1461. Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*. Her feast day is observed on April 29th,

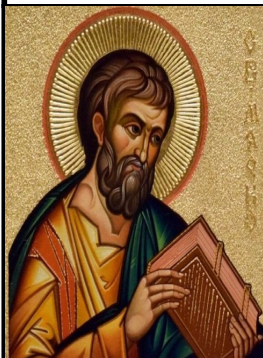
Coming Soon ~01, May, 2022~

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41. Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13. Revelation 5:11-14. John 21:1-19.

Serving Breakfast. In this third appearance of the risen Lord to his followers, Jesus prepares breakfast on the shore for the disciples toiling in the sea. What an image! Jesus cooks. Jesus feeds them so they can go out and feed and tend the flock.

- **What will this weekly meal of Communion enable me to be?**
- **What will this meal empower me to do?**
- **How can I then do the mercy work of giving drink to the thirsty and food to the hungry?**

Saint Mark ~?-c. April 25, 68~



Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.

**~The Gospel of St. Mark 16:15-16
Feast Day: April 25th**



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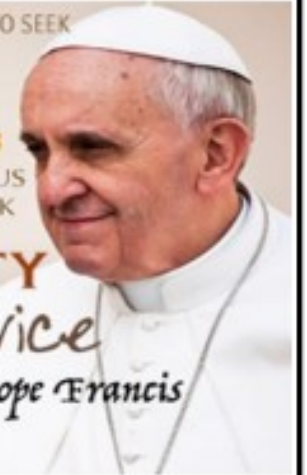
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Announcements, Events and Activities

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

04 03 Emmett Mitsdarfer
 04 04 Isaac Mitsdarfer
 04 05 Kathleen Holthaus
 04 09 Matthew Albin
 04 09 Tyler Wilson
 04 10 Trevor Baker
 04 12 Donita Smith
 04 14 Amber Schweighart
 04 17 Lydia Howard
 04 17 Alexa Howard
 04 18 Andrew Albin
 04 18 Arris Trammel
 04 23 Josh Howard
 04 25 Doris Stone
 04 26 Carolyn Kappes

04 26 Phyllis Rund
 04 28 Kiley Kramer
 04 29 Landon Kappes



Anniversaries

04 08 Mike & Malea Fonner
 04 12 Harold & Mary Jeanne Brown



Lent to Pentecost



We could all use a little more prayer in our life, but sometimes it can be hard to find the time

or know exactly how to pray. So, to help you jumpstart your prayer life, we've created a challenge for you. Starting Monday you will receive an email (assuming the office has your email) each morning with your prayer challenge for that day. We encourage you to stick with it these next 14 days and do the simple, short challenge each day in order to deepen your prayer life. I can't think of a better way to extend the Easter season. If you are not receiving these emails by Monday, and would like to, please contact the office with your current email address and we will get you added to the list.

This & That

A HUGE thanks goes out to everyone involved in making our Holy Week and Easter services at both parishes both beautiful and moving experiences for everyone. This includes all the servers, lectors, and musicians, as well as those involved in decorating the churches. The altars looked lovely and the crowds were wonderful as well! Sacred Heart thanks Kathleen Holthaus for the beautiful spring flower baskets she created and look forward to many years of use! They compliment the lilies just beautifully. Photos will be in next week's bulletin.

Save the date: the Fellowship committee is making plans for a parish wide potluck/picnic this **June 26th** (Sunday) afternoon to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart, our parish patron saint. Stay tuned for more info.

Reminders

**** This Month (April) the Altar Society prayer intention is for those suffering from addiction. ****



Holy Week and Easter schedule is listed below for both parishes

SH: Finance Council : Thursday May 5 2022 , 6:30 pm
SH Pastoral Council: Tuesday April 12, 2022, 6:30 pm
SH Altar Society next meeting May 18, 2022 6:30 pm
SM: Finance Council : Sunday May 22 , 7:00 am
SM: Pastoral Council: Sunday June 5, 2022, 7:00 am

Don't forget to check the bulletin board in the church vestibule for flyers about events at local area church etc. that bulletin space limitations prevent it's posting.

Pastoral Councils

The current members of the Sacred Heart Pastoral Council are : **John Carmack** who serves as Chair, **Kim Lytle** who serves as secretary and on the Stewardship committee, **Ruth Stauder** who serves on the Liturgy and Education committees, **Mary Burgett** who serves on the community life committee **Bobbie Morgan** who serves on the Stewardship and Community Life committees, **Amy Mitsdarfer** who serves on the Fellowship committee, **Chris Conner** who serves on the Fellowship and Community Life committees , **Phillip Holthaus** who serves on the Maintenance and Liturgy committees and **Ed Cler** who serves on the Maintenance committee. Both **Mike Stauder** and **Amy Walch** serve as ex-officio members as parish staff. Mike serves on the Education, Liturgy and Stewardship committees and Amy serves on the Fellowship and Stewardship committees.

The members of St Michael Pastoral Council are: **David Smith** who serves as chair, **Phyllis Stone** who serves as secretary and on the Youth commission, **Neal Wood** who serves on the Maintenance commission, **Justin Wood** who serves on the Maintenance commission, **Kim Keske** who serves on the Education commission, **Glenda Waller** who serves on the Stewardship/Fellowship commission , and **Kevin Smith** who serves on the Liturgy commission.

These are the hardworking folks who organize events and keep the parish running smoothly and Fr Aloy & the staff are extremely grateful for their efforts!








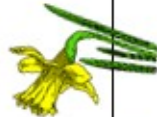
Parish Mailing List

The office is once again working to update our mailing lists with the office of communications at the Diocese, so if you are **not** receiving your weekly Catholic Times magazine, please let the office know so we can be sure your address is up to date.



April 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 SH Mass 8 am MI: Mark Waymire	2 Confessions 3:15 pm Mass 4p MI: Ruth Schweighart
3 <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> Mass SM 8 a MI: Mike Waller SH 10 a MI: Harry & Louise Schmidt PSR: SM 8:45 - 9:30 SH 9 - 9:45 am	4 	5 SH - Mass 8a MI: Marge Koberlein	6 SH - Mass 8a MI Pat & Martha Carr	7 SH - Mass 8a MI Mike Pangburn	8 SH - Mass 8a MI: Alan Bender	9 <i>Palm Sunday</i> Confessions 3:15 pm Mass 4p MI: Rolland Sprague
10 <i>Palm Sunday</i> SM Mass: 8a MI: Anthony Gordan SH MI: Marge Koberlein	11 	12 SH Pastoral Council 6:30 pm	13 SH Mass 8a MI Bradley Fleener	14 <i>Holy Thursday</i> SH Mass 7 pm MI: Pat & Martha Carr	15 Good Friday SH - Mass 7pm MI: Harry & Louise Schmidt	16 <i>Easter Vigil</i> SH Mass 8:00 pm MI: All Parish Families of SH & SM
17 <i>Easter Sunday</i> SM Mass 8 am MI: Gloria Secore SH 10am MI: Mary Margaret Rund SH 9 - 9:45 am	18 	19 SH - Mass 8a MI: Marge Koberlein	20 SH - Mass 8a MI Pat Carr	21 SH - Mass 8a MI: Henry & Mary Kramer	22 SH Mass 8a MI: Mike Pangburn	23 Confessions 3:15p Mass 4p MI: Alan Bender
24 <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i> SM Mass 8a MI: Mike Pangburn SH 10am MI: Gene & Anna Partenhier PSR: SM 8:45 - 9:30 SH 9 - 9:45 am	25 	26 SH Mass 8a MI: Rev Paul Skelton	27 SH Mass 8a MI: Deceased members of the Argwried Family	28 SH Mass 8a MI: Kiely Kramer	29 SH Mass 8a MI: Harry & Louise Schmidt	30 SH Confess 3:15. Mass 4p MI: Mary Adell Kramer

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