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St. Mary Parish of Appleton is a Catholic faith community that makes Eucharist the primary celebration of our unity in Christ. We are committed to nourishing spiritual needs and responding with our gifts to Jesus' call to stewardship both locally and in our world.



*Christ
the
Lord is*
RISEN
Today

Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Mass details. Includes dates from April 17 to April 23.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 17 (Mon)

- 6:30 PM THEO/Community Room
8:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting/L6

April 18 (Tues)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel
11:30 AM Children's Choir/McDonald St. Campus
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl/SJL9
2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel
5:30 PM Facilities Committee Meeting/Community Rm.
6:30 PM CrossWalk Choir/L5
6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting/Community Rm.
6:30 PM Adult Confirmation Class/L7

April 19 (Wed)

- 11:30 AM Children's Choir/Marquette St. Campus
12:05 PM Mass
4:00 PM IPRF 2017-18 Registration
4:30 & 6:30 PM IPRF Classes

April 20 (Thurs)

- 11:30 AM Children's Choir/Oneida St. Campus
12:05 PM Mass
6:30 PM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible/L7

April 21 (Fri)

- 8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

April 22 (Sat) Divine Mercy Weekend

- 7:00 AM Engaged Retreat/Community Rm. & LL
9:00 AM Confessions/Church
4:30 PM Mass

April 23 (Sun) Divine Mercy Weekend

- Masses: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Babysitting available during 9:30 AM Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9:30 AM Mass
Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 & 9:30 AM Masses

CONTRIBUTIONS

OFFICE: April 3-7: \$13,853.56
WEEKEND: April 8-9: \$11,236.74
CHILDREN'S: \$36.00

Prayer Requests: Contact Luanne Witthuhn (dlaawi@yahoo.com) or Anne Walkowski (830-1534) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the needs in our prayer baskets.

In Joy & Sorrow...

Pondering Together the Treasures of our Faith

As it is National Poetry Month, and April 27 is "Poem in your Pocket" Day, maybe a poem would do us good as we celebrate the Holy Season of Easter! The poem I have selected is "I dwell in Possibility" by Emily Dickinson.

I dwell in Possibility -
A fairer House than Prose -
More numerous of Windows -
Superior - for Doors -
Of Chambers as the Cedars -
Impregnable of eye -
And for an everlasting Roof
The Gambrels* of the Sky -
Of Visitors - the fairest -
For Occupation - This -
The spreading wide my narrow Hands
To gather Paradise -

(*a type of gable roof with two slopes on each side.)

The Irish ethicist and theologian, Oliver O'Donovan, suggests that the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is like a stone which God has thrown into the pool of history. From its central position, one can trace the ripples that spread out all around it.

The Resurrection of Jesus is everything. Saint Paul suggests that if Jesus has not been raised from the dead, our faith is meaningless. All things are possible because Jesus and his love for us were not extinguished by his death. Nothing can stop the Lord from loving us. Nothing is stronger than his love, not darkness or terror or hatred or violence or prejudice or sin. The risen Jesus has conquered all of these, and even death itself.

The key for you and me is to spread wide our hands and open our hearts in invitation to the Risen Lord. Invite him into your life and all things become possible. In the midst of hurt or illness, in the face of addiction or fear, overwhelmed by anxiety, grief, obsession or loneliness, the Risen Jesus, alive and well, comes into our lives. Now it is possible to experience peace and strength, to be able to cope and hope. Our struggles may still remain but there is now the possibility of accepting them as we trust more and more that the Risen Lord will always be with us.

A week ago, on Palm Sunday in Rome, Pope Francis invited young people to become people of the way of Jesus, and "to do so with joy, to do so with your aspirations, without fear, without embarrassment, to do so courageously. See beauty in small things, that everyday beauty: to see it, not to lose it. And to be thankful for what you are: I am like this; thank you! So often in life we waste time asking ourselves, But, who am I? But ask yourself, For whom am I? For whom, for which person am I? Do a job that makes you think, that makes you feel, and that makes you work. The three languages: the language of the mind, the language of the heart, and the language of the hands....But, Father, I have sinned, I fall so many times. There comes to mind a very beautiful Alpine song, which the Alpine troops sing: "In the art of climbing, what is important is not to not fall, but not to stay fallen." Go on! You fall? Get up and go on."

Just maybe this is what resurrection looks like in our ordinary, everyday lives. There is always the possibility for something good to come out of every situation. With the Risen Jesus on our side, all things are possible! Happy Easter!

Father Bill +

Adult Faith Formation

Please register with Carol Jensen for these events – call 739-3700 x22 or email (cjensen@stmaryparish.org).

Adult Confirmation classes for those who have already been baptized and received Eucharist, but have not been confirmed. Tuesday evenings, 6:30 PM, April 18–May 30. Register with Carol.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

(formerly Quick Journey Through the Bible)

Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM, or Friday mornings 10-11:30 AM, beginning the week of April 20. This eight week study will help you make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life. Cost: \$19.95 (includes materials which are yours to keep). Please register with Carol by April 17.

Spiritual Journey Retreat

Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, a Relevant Radio regular, will be in Appleton on April 21-22. All are welcome (you can attend Friday evening, Saturday or both, sponsored by the Appleton Area parishes). Find registration forms and more at www.AppletonCatholics.com.

History of St. Joseph Parish

Monday, April 24 • 7:00 PM • St. Joseph Holly Hall

Jim Krueger, St. Joseph parishioner and member of the Appleton Historical Society will present his full presentation on the history of St. Joseph Parish. This is an expanded version of the presentation he gave at the 150th Celebration at the Paper Valley. All are welcome! No cost, but please register with Carol.

Congratulations & Thank You

Many of our parishioners were part of this year's Passion Play at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre. What a moving experience for those who could attend! Thank you to all who participated in any way!

Adoremus

Friday, April 21 • 7-9 PM • Xavier High School Chapel

All high schoolers are welcome to this monthly night of prayer. Contact Juan Aragon at 19jaragon@xaviercatholicschools.org for more information.

Religious Formation Coordinator

St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishes in Appleton are looking for an Inter-parish Religious Formation Coordinator. This person will:

- Partner with a collaborative team
- Be responsible for K-Gr. 4, including 1st Eucharist preparation
- Be a faith-filled, committed Catholic

The position includes a 10 month agreement beginning Aug. 15. Bachelor's Degree and/or Certification from Commissioned Ministries/Emmaus recommended. Experience preferred.

Send resume and three references by April 28 to:

Inter-parish Religious Formation

Attn: Fr. James Leary

404 W Lawrence Street, Appleton, WI 54911

IPRF News

Registration for 2017-2018 religious education classes
Wednesday, April 19 • 4 – 7:30 PM
St. Mary Community Room

Sign up your children for IPRF classes if they attend public school, grades K-11 (12th graders complete their preparation for Confirmation).

Children from St. Joseph & St. Mary parishes attend classes in a combined program.

The IPRF Pizza & Bake Sale will take place on April 19 from 5 – 6:30 PM in the Community Room.

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration

Sunday, April 23 - Beginning at 12 PM - St. Pius X, Appleton
Please join us for a special celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday.

12 PM–3 PM: Confessions & Adoration

3 PM: Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:20 PM: Mass (Bishop David Ricken, Celebrant)

Veneration – Divine Mercy Image and 1st Class Relic of St. Faustina in our Mary Chapel

Blessing of Religious Articles

All are invited to a reception in the north narthex following Mass to celebrate the 13th Anniversary of the "Chapel of Divine Mercy."

Xavier Food Fair Book Sale

We are still collecting items for the used book sale at Food Fair. We are looking for books, magazines, DVDs, CDs, puzzles, games, etc. The last day we can accept items is Friday, May 5. Donations can be dropped off at Xavier (at the door by the flag pole). Thank you! Questions? Contact Kim Oskar at 830-1822.



Help for Sudan

After three years of civil war, 100,000 people in South Sudan are experiencing famine and one million more are on the brink of starvation. Pictures shown on a recent *60 Minutes* program were horrific.

Matthew 25 Committee learned that a group called International Medical Core is an emergency response team presently working in Sudan. They provide food, water, sanitation, mental, and psychological support. Their approach is to train and hire survivors so that learned skills are anchored in the community should disaster strike again. Matthew 25 Committee is grateful to send a \$1,000 check in the name of St. Mary Parish from your envelope donations to assist the needs of the Sudanese people in crisis.



**DISASTER
RELIEF**

In Loving Memory

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for those who have lost a loved one. We remember especially the family & friends of Sr. Catherine Lyons. May fond memories comfort you during this difficult time.

If you have lost a loved one and would like to have him or her remembered in the bulletin, please call the office at 739-5119.

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