

HE IS RISEN

Hallelujah!



*Then the other disciple also
went in, the one who had
arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.*

John 20:8 (NAB)

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Christ the King Parish

McFarland, Wisconsin

April 3/4, 2010
Easter Sunday

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Masses

Weekdays: Monday thru Thursday
8:30 A.M. in Chapel
Liturgy of the Word on Friday
8:30 A.M. in Chapel
Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 A.M.
Holy Rosary is prayed in the Chapel 30 minutes
before each Mass

Bulletin articles are due on Monday morning
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 P.M. and by appointment
Weddings by appointment, please notify Pastor
at least four months prior
Baptism every month - Call Parish Office
New Family Registrations - Call Parish Office

April Generations of Faith



The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

(Galatians 5:22-23)

Please join us for our final Generations of Faith program for this catechetical year, *We Believe in the Holy Spirit*. The program will be held on Sunday, April 11, from 4:30 to 7:00 P.M. We will begin, as always, with a meal, inviting you to share food and fellowship within our church community.

Following dinner, we will focus on growing the Fruit of the Holy Spirit in our own lives. Adults and high school students will learn about the fruit of the Spirit and what each of those individual words mean in the context of Paul's writing and in our lives. We will discuss cultivating these ideals in our world.

Elementary and middle school students will listen and participate as a professional storyteller uses this art form to teach the development and importance of these fruits in their lives. Students in the younger grades will also get to participate in some activities planned especially for them.

Please contact the church office by April 7 at 838-9797 or e-mail ctk@myparish.com to let us know how many from your family will be attending so that preparations can be made.

KingFest 2010 August 13-15

Planning is underway for KingFest 2010. If you would like to join a committee, come to our next meeting on Sunday, April 11, at 11:30 A.M. in the St. Ann room.



If you are unable to participate on a committee, please watch for the volunteer sign-up sheets which will be located in the back of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Co-Chair Linda Budnar at lbudnar@stellar-services.net
Co-Chair Sheila O'Connor at madtownsheila@verizon.net
Volunteer Chair Anita O'Keefe at arokeefe@earthlink.net

Volunteers make KingFest successful.
Thanks for volunteering!

Looking for Toys



KingFest kids games are in need of your toy donations. Keep us in mind as you clean out toy boxes and closets in the coming weeks. Items may be used but need to be in good shape. There are marked bins in the parish hall for these donations. We are looking for stuffed animals, jewelry, usable electronics, puzzles, etc. Keep in mind we need items for kids ages 1-13.



Spring Luncheon

All retired members of the parish are invited to a luncheon hosted by the youth of the parish at noon on Sunday, April 11. It will be held at the Skaalen Village Clubhouse. Please RSVP to Alyce Hellmer at 838-7570 or Sarabeth Bowe at 838-9797 by April 7.



Know Our Volunteers Beth Kolk



Beth serves as an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion and as a captain. She sells Scrip and is the chair of the parish personnel committee. She has worked with her husband Dan on marriage preparation in the parish and in the diocese. Beth taught in the parish religious education program for twelve years. She served on the fundraising committee for the construction of the remodeled church and parish center.

Save the Date - April 21 at 7:45 P.M.

All catechists, religious education students and parents are invited to a catechist thank you party in the parish hall. We will celebrate our catechists with a special blessing, cake and punch. Please join us to show your appreciation for the work these dedicated teachers do to pass our faith to the next generation.

Garage Sale

Now that spring is upon us, do you have the urge to clean all those closets and rearrange your furniture? If so, please keep the St. Vincent de Paul Garage Sale in mind. The sale will take place the same weekend as the Community Garage Sale (June 19) and all donations would be appreciated. The profits will remain in McFarland and be used by the local St. Vincent de Paul Conference to assist our neighbors in need. We will begin collecting items two weeks before the sale. If you have any questions, contact Vince or Karen Wagner at 838-7123.



MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of April 5, 2010

Monday	8:30 A.M.	† Marian Olsen
Tuesday	8:30 A.M.	† Fr. Art Koth
Wednesday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for the Dead
Thursday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for the Dead
Friday	8:30 A.M.	† Liturgy of the Word / Communion Service
Saturday	5:00 P.M.	† Joseph Cotleleer
Sunday	8:30 A.M.	† Parish
	10:30 A.M.	† Evie Breitenbach

Readings for the Week of April 4, 2010



Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 / Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12
Monday	Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2:36-41 / Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3:1-10 / Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Acts 3:11-26 / Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Acts 4:1-12 / Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Acts 4:13-21 / Mk 16:9-15
Sunday	Acts 5:12-16 / Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 / Jn 20:19-31

Faith Sharing on Next Sunday's Gospel

April 11, 2010

Divine Mercy Sunday / Doubting Thomas

Take 10 minutes to share your faith with your family or friends, at the beginning of Parish Committee meetings, etc. For an opening and closing prayer, go to www.myparish.com.

Proclaim the Gospel:

John 20:19-31 (Appearance to the Disciples)
(Other readings: Acts 5:12-16, Rev. 1:9-13, 17-19)

Invitation to Share:

Even though Thomas doubted, Jesus treated him with compassion, forgiveness and respect. How can we do the same as we reach out to those in our families or community who suffer from doubt?



If you would like to learn more about faith sharing opportunities or resources, contact Julie Allington at 838-8324.

THE PASTOR'S BLOG

Happy Easter! You have heard me say many times that Easter is not just a single day. It is a fifty day celebration that extends through Pentecost Sunday on May 23rd. In the 4th century, St. Athanasius proclaimed today "great Sunday" as the first day of our Easter celebration. The first eight days of Easter are called the Octave of Easter (from the Latin word for "eight" as in octagon) in which each of these days are Solemnities, the highest status of any liturgical celebration.

So, why all of this celebration today? Many folks are simply coloring eggs and eating chocolate. In the 7th century, Venerable Bede said the name "Easter" came from the Saxon god Eastre who was their great mother goddess. Her name came from the Teutonic word for "spring." So Easter bunnies became a symbol of fertility and the new life of spring. Other sources date the pagan celebration to a much earlier time. Like many other feasts, Christianity "baptized" this celebration as that of the Lord's resurrection.

We celebrate New Life. But not the new biological life that comes from the earth. While necessary for the sustenance of the ancient people who believed that certain gods and goddesses control the elements of nature, the New Life we celebrate today is the New Life that delivers us from the death of sin to the New Life of grace.

Today we proclaim a "yes" to the Paschal Mystery. We joyfully proclaim today the long-omitted – but hopefully not forgotten – "Alleluia" as our anthem to proclaim this mystery. For the ancient and maybe even present-day pagans, Easter celebrated the victory of spring over winter. Today, and throughout the fifty days of Easter, we celebrate the victory of light (as seen in the Easter candle) over darkness (the darkened night), of grace over sin and of goodness over evil.

Yet it is not only the "what" but the "how" that we celebrate through our Easter victory. The "how" is the Paschal Mystery. For the ancient Israelites under political slavery in Egypt, the paschal lamb was bloodily sacrificed for their deliverance. For us the paschal lamb is Jesus who sacrificed His life for our redemption.

And so today we celebrate. Yes, today we might eat some chocolates or other special treats and many even the traditional ham. Still we do not celebrate springtime, but the Paschal Mystery of our redemption. We celebrate our deliverance from sin and our reception of God's own divine life. Happy Easter!

Fr. Steve

Weekly Events / April 5 - April 11

MONDAY, April 5

1:00 P.M. Kids of Faith Pool Party at the McFarland High School

3:00 P.M. Youth Involvement Comm. at Culver's

TUESDAY, April 6

7:00 P.M. Baptism Preparation Class - St. Joachim

WEDNESDAY, April 7

12:30 P.M. Little Rock Scripture Study - St. Ann

6:30 P.M. Religious Education Classes - Grades 6-8

THURSDAY, April 8

FRIDAY, April 9

SATURDAY, April 10

8:45 A.M. Bus leaves for Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit

9:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -Chapel

5:00 P.M. Mass

SUNDAY, April 11

8:30 A.M. Mass

9:30 A.M. St. Vincent de Paul Business Mtg - St. Ann

9:30 A.M. Choir Rehearsal (10:30 Mass)

10:30 A.M. Mass

11:30 A.M. Baptisms

11:30 A.M. KingFest Meeting - St. Ann

12:00 P.M. Skaalen Village Luncheon

4:30 P.M. Generations of Faith Program

7:00 P.M. rEVOLution of Love Program at St. Ann's, Stoughton - Grades 9-11

Looking Ahead:

The CTK Book Club will meet on Monday, April 12, at 7:00 P.M. in the St. Joachim Room. All are welcome to discuss *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.

Liturgical Ministers / April 10 - 11

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. MASS

Commentator: Lisa Starke
Lector: Anne Nichols
Servers: Linda Budnar and Tori Chapman
Gift Bearers: Rollie Budnar Family
EMHC Captain: Anita O'Keefe
Ushers: Tim Benishek
John Feldner
Bob Tercek
Social: Hickey and Weber Families
Scrip: Catherine Taylor

SUNDAY 8:30 A.M. MASS

Commentator: Michelle Garvey
Lector: Jerry Herbst
Servers: Harrington Children
Gift Bearers: Koch Family
EMHC Captain: Sarah Harrington
Ushers: Bill Ziech
Dave Ziech
Curt Bakk
Fred Schwartz
Don Tofte
Social: D. Ziech Family
Scrip: Mary Beth Doll

SUNDAY 10:30 A.M. MASS

Commentator: Mike Poquette
Lector: Mike Friedel
Server: Michael Caya
Gift Bearers: Chandler Family
EMHC Captain: John Daugherty
Ushers: Bob O'Donnell
Rick Hoffman
Al Orvis
Mike Bergen
Erin Bergen
Social: Sletten Family
Scrip: Mary Richardson
Nursery Care: Volunteers
Harmony: Dennis Bennett

**Finance Report
Envelope Revenue**

Week Ending	General/Misc.
March 7, 2010	\$ 7,232
March 14, 2010	\$ 4,153
March 21, 2010	\$ 4,751
March 28, 2010	\$ 4,276

Food Pantry Donations



Food will be collected for the McFarland Food Pantry on April 3/4 and 10/11. Donations for the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry will be held on April 17/18 and 24/25.

Thank you for your generous contributions to both these food pantries as they continue to reach out to our neighbors in need.

Religious Education Classes

Middle School Classes

Wednesday, April 7 and April 21 - Middle school students will meet from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.

High School Classes

Sunday, April 11 - Please note time and location change. The third and final rEVOLution of Love Theology of the Body series will be held at St. Ann's Parish in Stoughton from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. Monica and Ryan Freng, Chris Gernetzke, Marissa Mastrangeli and Brad Lipinski will be part of the Living Out Theology of the Body panel. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child. Please meet us at St. Ann's or gather at CTK parish at 6:40 P.M. to car-pool to the event. Parent drivers and chaperones are needed. Please contact Sarabeth at 838-9797, ext. 107 if you can assist.

Sunday, April 25 - Students will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. and discuss Chapter 11, *Dating with Purpose and Purity*.



Youth Ministry

Sunday, April 11 - The youth of the parish will host a luncheon at Skaalen Village at noon. Call Sarabeth if you are planning to assist.

Wednesday, April 14 - A baccalaureate planning meeting will take place at the McFarland Lutheran Church on April 14 at 7:15 A.M. All interested high school seniors are invited to attend this 30-minute meeting to share your ideas and thoughts on the 2010 baccalaureate celebration.

Saturday, April 17 - The Wisconsin Right to Life and Teens 4 Life annual state convention will be held at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point. Interested youth may pick up a registration form at the office or go to www.wrtl.org for more details.

Sunday, April 18 - From the producers of *Facing the Giants* and *Fireproof* comes a heartfelt tale of inspiration, hope and redemption. *Letters to God* is a story of what happens when one boy's walk of faith crossed paths with another man's search for meaning. The resulting transformational journey touches the lives of those around them. After viewing the movie at a local movie theater we will enjoy discussion and a treat at a local restaurant. This is open to middle and high school students. Parent drivers and chaperones are needed. (Time of movie yet to be determined.)

Our prayers and condolences go to these families:

The Lynette and Bruce Pauls Family

(We Care Area 6-A)

Lynette's mother, *Lillian Price*, died on March 23.

Her funeral was held on March 26 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Madison.

The Rick and Mary Schunk Family

(We Care Area 6-C)

Rick's mother, *Virginia Schunk*, died on March 25.

The graveside service took place on March 27 at St. Matthews Cemetery in Shullsburg.

God's blessings to these families as they mourn the loss of their loved one.

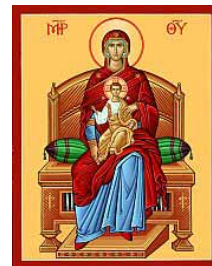


Seat of Wisdom Class #2

All adults in the parish who are interested in deepening their knowledge in our Catholic Faith are invited to attend *Scriptural and Theological Foundations*, the second class in the Seat of Wisdom Institute course "Introduction to Sacred Scripture". This class, taught by Paul Matenaer, will be held on Monday, April 26, from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. at Christ the King Parish.

This class will build upon the theme of Salvation History taught in March. Concepts included in this class are: the study of Man and his capacity for God, how we can know God and many of his properties through reason alone, how God has revealed Himself most fully in the person of Jesus Christ, the transmission of divine revelation in the Church, the origin and principles of Sacred Scripture, and the nature of faith as an assent to what God has revealed.

All catechists and those who may be interested in teaching in our religious education programs are encouraged to attend this Seat of Wisdom Institute class. The diocese is asking that over the next few years all catechists receive a religious education teaching certification, and the Seat of Wisdom Institute is a means to do that. Every adult in the parish is welcome to attend, and there will be no cost to participate.



Please RSVP to Kathie Fritz at the parish office by April 22 so that appropriate materials may be prepared. Questions may be directed to Kathie, Sarabeth or Julie.

Baptism Class

A class for parents wishing to have their children baptized at Christ the King Parish will be held on Tuesday, April 6 at 7:00 P.M. It will be held in the St. Joachim room. Call the office to let us know if you will be attending.