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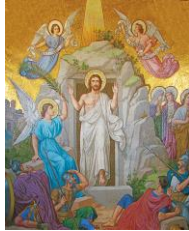


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APRIL 4, 2021 – EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

He is
RISEN
Celebrate
EASTER



~ SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENT ~

The St. Stephen Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the 13th annual Easter Egg Hunt this morning after Mass. Donuts and beverages will be provided in the gym before the hunt. All who attend Mass are welcome to join us.

March 28th Offertory ~ \$2,562.00
3 in 1 Special Collection ~ \$50.00

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Funeral Set Up:** The Altar Society is putting together a list of student volunteers who would be willing to help set up tables and chairs for events/funerals held at Swinkey. This would be a great opportunity for your child to fulfill their community service. They won't be needed often, but we would like a list of names we can call upon throughout the year. Please contact Sally Lemongelli at 573-231-6980 or churchst.stephen@gmail.com if your child is willing to help.
- **Altar Society dues** of \$15 may be given or mailed to Julie Hays at 27501 Monroe Rd 391, Monroe City, MO 63456.
- **The next Finance Committee meeting** will be Thursday, April 8th at 6:00 PM in Holy Rosary's parish office.
- **The next Parish Council meeting** will be Tuesday, April 13th at 7:00 PM in the gym.
- **A Weekly Rosary** will be prayed each Monday at 12 PM at St. Stephen for both parishes to petition for an end to the pandemic, its victims and any other requested intentions.
- **Live Streaming of Mass:** The weekend Masses at Holy Rosary and St. Stephen can be viewed at "Greg Oligschlaeger" Facebook page. There is seating available in the Gym for St. Stephen's 8:00 AM Mass, allowing a good amount of social distancing.

~ SCHOOL NEWS ~

- **Classes will not be held** on Easter Monday, April 5th.
- **Track Meet** on Wednesday, April 7th at 3:30 PM at the Monroe City Field.
- **Mass** at 8:20 AM on Friday, April 9th will be led by the 6th grade students.
- **Kindergarten Registration** will be held at Holy Rosary School on Thursday, April 15th at 6:30 PM.
- **The Talent Show** is tentatively planned to be shown virtually on the afternoon of Friday, April 30th.

~ K OF C NEWS ~

- **Magnets:** Some of the Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets we sold have deteriorated and didn't last very long. We are not sure why that happened, as they were bought from a reputable Catholic supply company. If you have already purchased a car magnet, you may take another one for free. Extra car magnets will be in the vestibule while supplies last.
- **The April KC meeting** will be held Thursday, April 8th with the rosary at 7:00 PM, followed by the meeting. All are welcome to join with the Knights praying the rosary.
- **The Family Fully Alive booklets:** These can be found on the literature table in the vestibule. The theme for April is "Mercy and Forgiveness".

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday 4/4	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Carolyn Whelan, Tom & Jack Quinn
	Holy Rosary*	9:45 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary
Monday 4/5			No Scripture Service
Tuesday 4/6	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Graver & Davis Families
Wednesday 4/7	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Ina, Bernard & Greg Mudd Bill Winthrop Jr.
Thursday 4/8	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary Living & Deceased
Friday 4/9	Holy Rosary	8:20 AM	Joe & Bertha Williams
Saturday 4/10	Holy Rosary*	5:30 PM	Rink & Channie Benson
Sunday 4/11	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary
	Holy Rosary*	9:30 AM	Luke & JoAnna Long & family

*Masses can be viewed on Facebook @ "Greg Oligschlaeger"

RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary
7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen
Or by appointment 735-4718

~ PASTOR'S NOTES ~

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! The white decorations of the sanctuary and the sweet smell of the Spring flowers fill the Church. The new Paschal candle stands straight and tall and its light is bright with the fire of the Holy Spirit. These are the sights and sounds of Easter in our church as we begin this Easter Season. Alleluia and Happy Easter!

The Easter Vigil is our most ancient celebration of Easter, but from early on in the Church, Christians extended the celebration into Sunday. After all, in scripture we hear that early on Sunday morning, St. Mary Magdalene ran to the tomb and found it empty, and that evening the Lord met and walked with His disciples on the road to Emmaus. Alleluia!

Today we renew our baptismal promises. We recommit ourselves to being Christian. This renewal is where Lent has brought us. We have recognized our temptations and sinfulness. Our sins are nailed to the cross with Jesus and died with Him. His blood, like the blood of the lamb sprinkled above the door posts in Egypt at the time of Moses, protected us from the pain of death. Like the parting of the Red Sea, we walk through the waters of Baptism to new life, and the water that flowed from Jesus' side at His crucifixion washes us clean. We are renewed in our relationship with God our Father in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ His Son. Alleluia!

Easter Morning marks the first day of the Easter Octave and it truly feels like a new season. The Easter Octave is the eight days of celebration that marks Easter week. Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Octave of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday. The Easter Season lasts for 50 days and ends with Pentecost.

Spring is a busy time of year. Let us pray that this year the Easter Season serves as a reminder to put Christ first in all we do and see the beauty and hope in being God's children Baptized in Faith and Risen in Glory. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayers and blessings,

Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger

~ APRIL PRAYER INTENTIONS ~

You are invited and encouraged to unite your prayer intentions with those of Pope Francis and Bishop McKnight's intentions:
Intention of Pope Francis: "We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis."
Intention of Bishop McKnight: "Let us pray for a renewed understanding of our baptismal dignity as sons and daughters of God the Father, and a commitment to living in peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ."

~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

Father, we lift up those today that are fighting disease and ailments, whether in mind or body. When they want to give up, give them fresh strength and courage. Comfort them in times of pain, give them peace in times of fear and bless them with your healing touch. Come Lord Jesus!

Richard Elliott	Rusty Adam	Regina Hays	Daniel Patrick Mudd
John Kendrick	Bonnie Werner	Dcn. Mike Long	Trent Zeiger
Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert	Natalee Amos	Rosemary Evans
Deanna Buckman	Jackie Ryan	Logan Maher	William P. Smith
Mark Leake	Kenneth Ryan	Bonnie Ess	Barbara Kendrick
Connie Kendrick	Nick Mudd	Tim Quinn	Teresa Ritter Toland

For all who are ill, especially those who are awaiting surgery or seriously ill, and for their caregivers and for those who have died, we pray to the Lord.

~ FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD ALONG WITH DONNA ~

- **Happy Easter!!** Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." John 11:25-26
- **The Sacrament of Confirmation** for Holy Rosary Church and St. Stephen Church will be April 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church. Please pray for our students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Natalee Amos	Kyndal Benson	Waylon Degrave
Kyle DeLaporte	Maddix Dowell	Owen Fuemmeler
Cynthia Gamble	Mari Gares	Marah Greiman
Kylie Harris	Cole Hays	Denten Hays
Ella Hays	Meghan Hays	Naaron Hays
Ryan Hays	Aiden Hunter	Myra Jones
Kylee Kauble	Olivia Kendrick	Anna Lemongelli
Carson Miller	Makenna Miller	Kolton Moss
Josie Orf	Aiden Oswald	Taylor Pfaff
Ana Potterfield	Chloe Purool	Alston Richardson
Matthew Salyer	Devyn Shramek	Natalie Shively
Parris Shively	Abigail Smith	Rachel Underhill
Rhett Watson	Isaiah Werr	Grant Yager
Audri Youngblood	Ava Yutzky	

- **FORMED.org:** Grace - <https://watch.formed.org/grace-1>
Have you wondered what grace is? What is its purpose and how do we receive it? This video explores all those questions and more.
Don't forget the 4-part series on St. Joseph on FORMED Now. <https://watch.formed.org/saint-joseph-series>
To see FORMED Pick of the Week visit Holy Rosary and St. Stephen's Websites, look under the Parish Life tab for Faith Formation.
- **To inquire about faith formation/religious education** contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718. My office hours are 8:00 AM-12:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

~ MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE ~

- **MidWest March for Life:** Join thousands of Missourians at the Missouri State Capitol on April 14, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm for the MidWest March For Life. Exhibits open at 9:15 am; March begins 10 am; Rally 11 am; grilled hot dog lunch by Knights; followed by Adult Apologetics with Eric Scheidler; Youth Apologetics by Students for Life; Live play Viable on steps of Capitol; Jeanne Mancini, President of March for Life-Keynote along with other speakers. Shuttle Service. Go to www.midwestmarchforlife.com or call 573-340-8444 for more info.
- **The Randolph County Chapter of Missouri Right to Life** will host a Pro-life Banquet the evening of April 22, 2021 at the Moberly Municipal Auditorium starting 6:00 PM. Our theme is "BE THE ONE" with keynote speaker Terry Beatley of Hosea Initiative. Tickets are \$40. Contact Therese Sander 660-651-9748 or Sarah Mefford 660-651-8327 to RSVP. Terry will present how Dr. Nathanson deceived our nation with 1) the lie that abortion is women's healthcare; 2) the "Catholic Strategy"; 3) The Negro Project and 4) his unintended consequences.

~ FR. MIKE QUINN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE ~

Father Mike Quinn's Golden Jubilee celebration will be held on June 6, 2021 at 3:00 PM at the armory in downtown Hannibal, MO. Everyone is welcome. Please R.S.V.P. your reservation to Melody at the Holy Rosary Rectory before June 1st for food preparation count. Bring your own lawn chair, blanket, etc. Social distancing will follow CDC guidelines at that time. Masks will be provided if anyone needs one. Contact Kathy Kroeger @573-795-1950 or Mary Pipkin @573-221-6841 with any questions.

The Adoration Chapel Committee is working on getting the **150 hours** that the Chapel is open filled. Please consider taking an open hour listed below:

- Sunday: 1-2pm, 2-3pm, 3-4pm
- Monday: Midnight to 1am, 1-2am, 2-3am, 4-5am, 6-7am, 5-6pm, 11pm-midnight
- Tuesday: Midnight to 1am, 1-2am, 2-3am, 11pm-midnight
- Wednesday: Midnight to 1am, 1-2am, 2-3am, 2-3pm, 10-11pm
- Thursday: 8-9pm, 11pm-midnight
- Friday: 2-3am, 3-4am, 7-8am, 10-11am, 4-5pm, 6-7pm, 8-9pm, 9-10pm, 10-11pm
- Saturday: Midnight to 1am, 1-2am, 2-3am, 7-8am, 9-10am, 1-2pm, 2-3pm.

*Note that there are several blocks that are 3 hours. In the past, two people have split the 3 hours, each taking 90 minutes, which is preferable to a lot of Adorers. That eliminates having to have so many people to fill the hours.

Please pray to St. Joseph in a 9-day novena, starting Easter Sunday to fill these hours satisfactorily so we may once again have our Adoration Chapel opened. We are planning on April 13th as our opening day **IF** all goes well. Please contact Phyllis Campbell at 735-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard at 573-735-4552 if you can take an hour.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR APRIL 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 (44B) The community of believers shared "one heart and mind." No one claimed ownership over anything, everything was held in common, nobody went needy among them, and all "bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting."

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God. "The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth."

Gospel: John 20:19-31: Jesus appeared to the disciples and said, "Peace be with you" and breathed the Holy Spirit on them. Thomas doubted and then believed saying, "My Lord and my God!"

Liturgy Appointments

April 4 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Rosary	Maureen Lemongelli
Music	Debby Quinn & Jan Adam
Song Leader	Julienne Burns
Servers	Tyler Hays & Chloe Purool
Lector	Debbie Kendrick
Communion Ministers	Kay Turnbull & Beth Whelan
Counters	Lee Anderson & Ted & Judy Irons

April 11 – Divine Mercy Sunday

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Rosary	Nancy Shively
Music	Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns
Song Leader	Lee Anderson
Servers	Josie Orf & Holden Orf
Lector	Greg Maher
Communion Ministers	Phil Whelan & Kathy Anderson
Counters	Lee Anderson & Robert Keller

April 18 – Third Sunday of Easter

Sacristan	Doug & Julie Orf
Rosary	Kaye Spalding
Music	Sr. Sue Walker
Song Leader	Judy Irons
Servers	Meghan Hays & Joey Purool
Lector	Desiree Mudd
Communion Ministers	Lee Anderson & Deanna Buckman
Counters	Lee Anderson & Debbie Kendrick

Ushers for April

Ralph Lemongelli & Luke Lloyd

* All Liturgy appointees for the Mass, please check with the Sacristan 15 minutes before Mass so all Eucharistic ministries are covered.

Pastoral Council Members: Chair., Amanda Spalding; V. Chair., Doug Orf; Sec'y, Carol Hagan; Members: Lee Anderson, Eric Keller and Danny Sims.

Finance Committee: Monica Otto-Lloyd, Chair.; Tom Hagan, Sec'y; Phil Whelan, Susan Winking

K of C's: Grand Knight: Ed Born; Deputy Grand Knight, Kevin Long; Recording Secretary, Michael Maher; Financial Secretary, Shane Spalding

Altar Society Officers: Pres., Lynn Ogle, Treas., Julie Hays

Picnic Committee: Coordinators, David & Julie Hays; Treas., Shane Spalding

Cemetery Committee: Pres., Joe Purool; Treas., Marie Purool; Dwayne Williams, Matt Hays, Shane Spalding, Dan Buckman