

April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday the Resurrection of the Lord

EASTER SUNDAY

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MASS TIMES

Monday April 18	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	Word & Communion
<i>Within the Octave of Easter</i>	8:30 am	Annunciation	† Dan Slimmer
Tuesday April 19	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Allen Jarrot
<i>Within the Octave of Easter</i>	5:30 pm	St. Stephen	† Bernard & Olivia Omann
	5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	† Tom Bukowski
Wednesday April 20	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Barney & Linda Molitor
<i>Within the Octave of Easter</i>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† David Gaida
Thursday April 21	8:00 am	St. Stephen	† Roger Trobec
<i>Within the Octave of Easter</i>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Loren Hall
	8:30 am	Annunciation	† Delores & Michelle Brown
Friday April 22	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Julie Hudalla & the Hudalla Family
<i>Within the Octave of Easter</i>	8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Esther Then
Saturday April 23	5:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier	† Rose Pearson
<i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	5:00 pm	Sacred Heart	† Bob Borgert
<i>Divine Mercy</i>	7:00 pm	St. Stephen	† Scott Monson
Sunday April 24	8:15 am	Annunciation	† Barney, Linda & Jerry Molitor
<i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00 am	*Sacred Heart	For the People of the Parishes
<i>Divine Mercy</i>	9:30 am	*St. Francis Xavier	† Cindy Segler
	10:00 am	St. Stephen	† Alice Supan

*Livestreamed Mass

PASTORAL SERVICES

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 pm Sacred Heart
4:00 pm St. Francis Xavier
7:50 pm St. Stephen
Sunday 7:40 am Annunciation

Anointing of the Sick
Home Bound Communion
Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests,
Marriage and Baptism Preparation

If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.

Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact your Parish Office for more information.

DAILY READINGS

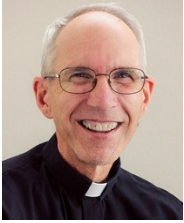
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

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

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



Do we believe that Jesus literally came back from the dead? What does “Resurrection” mean? In the face of the suffering of the world that still goes on, does Easter actually matter today?

I have found inspiration in thinking about these critical questions in Parts One and Two of the work Pope Emeritus Benedict wrote over a decade ago: *Jesus of Nazareth*. The first covers Jesus’ earthly ministry; the second, Holy Week and Easter.

As to rising from the dead, Benedict said:

Jesus’ Resurrection points beyond history and our experience of time but it has left a footprint within history. ... the apostolic preaching with all its boldness and passion would be unthinkable unless the witnesses had experienced a real encounter with the risen Christ, coming to them from outside, with something entirely new and unforeseen. The Apostles’ testimony draws life from the impact of an event that no one had invented, surpassing all that could be imagined.

Why did Jesus only reveal himself to a small flock of disciples, upon whose testimony we must now rely? ... It is part of the mystery of God that he acts so gently, that he only gradually builds up his history within the great history of humanity. He becomes man and so can be overlooked by his contemporaries and the decisive forces within history. He suffers and dies like all of us. And having risen again, he chooses to come to us only through faith. He continues to knock gently at the doors of our hearts and slowly opens our eyes if we open our lives to him.

And yet, is this not the truly divine way? Not to overwhelm with external power but to give freedom, to offer and elicit love? Is it not what seems so small that is truly great? Does not a ray of light issue from Jesus, growing brighter across the centuries, that could not come from any mere man and through which the life of God truly shines in the world? ... With Thomas we hear the invitation to touch the pierced side of Jesus and confess: “My Lord and my God!”

We know well that pierced side. “My Lord and my God” is not only an expression of joy when we recognize the risen Jesus, but also a cry of compassion when we recognize him in the suffering members of his Body. We watch as the war in Ukraine, tornadoes, and disease cause untold suffering. A pandemic disrupts the world’s health care, education, commerce, and politics, and the effects still linger. A loved one is diagnosed with cancer. A child dies. An accident leaves a friend paralyzed. A son goes to war. A daughter is laid off.

The catalog of human sorrows is long, and all too familiar. Suffering touches every life in some way – sometimes overwhelmingly. Happiness, security, even life itself, can seem so fragile. Where is God?

(Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

Easter matters, because we need hope and mercy. The Resurrection of Jesus is our assurance that God has heard, and has responded, precisely with that hope and mercy. God is in our midst, still today and forever here as the Risen One.

Christ has died – and so death itself is holy, because we can share it with the Lord.

Christ is risen – and so the power of sin and death is overcome. We still experience them in time; but now they are just that – things of time, not of eternity. Before the Resurrection, it seemed for all the long ages that life was a brief moment, and then death went on forever. But now, in Christ, it is death that will pass away, and life that will go on, forever.

Christ will come again – and so there will be a resolution and a healing for all the suffering and sorrows we endure. These were precisely the sufferings and sorrows that he took on himself at the Cross. Bearing them in union with him, we find fresh courage, strength, and hope.

God has heard our cries; God has responded to our prayers; God has redeemed the world. In Christ – the same Jesus who comes to us every time we receive the Eucharist – death is destroyed, and life triumphs. We are renewed in hope and strength, and we are sent to share this same love with those around us in need: “Do this in memory of me.”

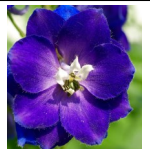
Easter matters, precisely because we know what it is like to suffer. We need hope and mercy; and they are given to us today, in love, by the Risen Lord.

Fr. Tom

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DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship-making is a lifelong process .

What causes us to disrespect, ignore and sometimes mock the poor, the ill-clad, the needy?

Scripture says, by contemplating the love of Christ. Jesus taught us how to love. Jesus enlarges our heart as we are grateful for His heart.

Consider: How do we correct our hearts?

I John 3.18 Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

BAPTISMS

We welcome the following child baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:

Jack Thomas Kockler, son of Mitch & Beth.

Anna Rose Dubay, daughter of Jacob & Kristen, both baptized at St. Francis Xavier.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE



- I Nick Frisbee & Katie Zimmermann
St. Stephen
- II Kevin Justin & Renee Fearing
St. Stephen

YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

Young Adult Bible Study

Our next gathering will be on Holy Thursday (**this Thursday**). We will attend 6:30 PM Mass at Sacred Heart, followed by Adoration, and concluding with a small gathering to discuss chapters 3 & 4 of Mark. All you need to do is bring a Bible and join us. Contact Jason Prigge if you have any questions.



INTERNSHIP WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES

POSITION

Social Concerns/CCHD Intern

PROGRAM NAME

Social Concerns

HOURS

15 Hours per week

EDUCATION

Student training toward a degree in Community Service, Social Work, Theology, Peace Studies or a related field.

EXPERIENCE

Excellent computer and social media skills, ability to write clearly and creatively. Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

The individual must be able to support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) values of solidarity building, participation with the poor, and Catholic social teaching principles. The individual must also uphold and support the Mission, Principles, Values, and the Code of Ethics of Catholic Charities.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Jennifer O'Leary

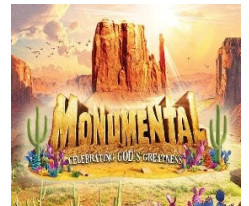
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MONUMENTAL VBS

Planning for VBS is underway and this year our One in Christ Catholic Parishes are teaming up and offering not one but **TWO** choices of VBS sessions at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell!



Join us for this **Monumental** week for a choice of an evening track, June 19 - 23 (6:00 - 8:30 PM) OR in the morning, June 20 - 24 (9:00 - Noon). VBS is for students ages 4 to grade 5. Cost for VBS is \$25 per student. Register now to guarantee your spot, your shirt and much more!

Payment and forms are available online at: oneinchristacc.org/vbs. All checks should be made out to: St. Francis Xavier.

All paperwork can be turned into your home parish office. If you have questions, please contact your parish office.

VBS Volunteers

While we are excited for this **Monumental** step in our ACC, there is a **HUGE** need for volunteers to make VBS happen for all of our families and young people. Volunteers who are in grade 6 and up (young adults / adults) are welcome and appreciated to help with crews, stations, etc. Form to volunteer can be found at: oneinchristacc.org/vbs **All volunteers who have students attending VBS have their tuition waived.**

2022 HUMANAЕ VITAE AWARD

July 25, 2022 will mark the 54th Anniversary of Humanae vitae! In celebration, we'll host our annual diocesan Humanae vitae Mass & Award Reception on Thursday, July 28 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud at 7:00 p.m. with Bishop Donald Kettler. We are blessed to have people in our diocese who have dedicated themselves to the promotion of Natural Family Planning and the principles of Humanae vitae. If you know a person(s) who has demonstrated courage in promoting Natural Family Planning, submit your nomination in writing (500 words or less). For more information visit: <https://stcdio.org/event/humane-vitae-award-nominations-open/> Send, fax, or e-mail nominations before April 29, 2022 to the Office of Marriage and Family, Natural Family Planning Advisory Committee, 305-7th Avenue North Suite 100, Saint Cloud, MN 56303 Fax: 320-258-7658 e-mail: omf@gw.stcdio.org Questions? Contact Sheila Reineke, sreineke@gw.stcdio.org or 320-252-4721 x308.



The Lord is risen! Blessings to you and those you love on this most holy of days.

CHICAGO MISSION TRIP

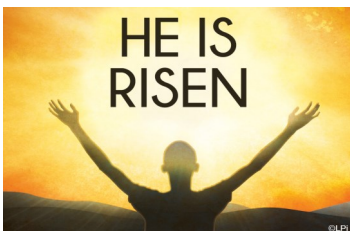
Exciting opportunity for all students in grades 9 - 12, young adults and adults in our ACC! You're invited to join us for our Chicago Mission Trip, July 16 - 22. Details can be found at: oneinchristacc.org/chicago.

Hurry, spots are being filled! See your Trip Directors for questions and to register.

YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

Young Adult Mass and Meal

Looking to make connections with other young adults (18 - 39)? Join us on Saturday April 30th at 5 PM Mass at Sacred Heart. Check in using the QR code before going into Mass and meet in the Gathering Space after. If you have questions or plan on joining, contact Jason Prigge (320.281.9486).



REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers the family of Daniel Booth who recently passed away from St. St. Francis Xavier.

The family of Emma Walker who passed away April 5, and Evelyn Bennett who passed February 14, 2022, from Sacred Heart.

Eternal Rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them.



DIOCESAN TV MASS

Viewers in the St. Cloud Diocese can watch the Mass on KSTC-45 at 11 am each Sunday via cable, satellite or antenna (check your cable provider for channel number). Charter Communication airs the Mass on Channel 17.

SPONSORS COUPLES

The Office of Marriage & Family is hosting a Sponsor Couple Ministry Enrichment event on Saturday, April 30 from 2-4:00 PM at Seven Dolors parish in Albany. RSVP electronically by April 20th at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SC-RSV-2022>. Questions contact pflynn@gw.stcdio.org or 320-258-7619.

TOUR WITH FR. BINSFELD

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

September 12-23, 2022

Join Fr. Steve Binsfeld on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Spend 4 nights on the Sea of Galilee, visiting the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth, the neighborhood of the Holy Family and sites of Jesus' public ministry: Capernaum, Mount of Beatitudes, the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, the Garden of Gethsemane, and the Way of the Cross with Jesus' tomb in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Visit Bethlehem and Shepherd's Field and Ein Karem—place of the Visitation and John the Baptist's birth. Celebrate Mass every day in a site sacred to our faith. For more information, call **Magi Travel at 952-949-0065**, visit www.magitravelinc.com or email Fr. Steve Binsfeld at frsteve@stmaryalexandria.org

JOIN US

The One in Christ Area Catholic Community (ACC) planning council is looking for new members. Some members of this council have been serving for the past 3 years and their terms will be ending in December. The ACC council, with representatives from all 4 parishes, works to collaborate in providing for the needs of all the parishes in order to re-energize parishioners so all parishes can thrive. Please consider serving on this council as a representative from your parish. Contact your pastor if you are interested. Check out our website, www.oneinchristacc.org for more information.

ST. STEPHEN

Contact: Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520
Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor
Office Hours: M-F 2:00 - 6:00 pm
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com
Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066

Financial Offerings - April 2 & 3

Adult.....	\$2,391.00
Plate.....	783.00
Children.....	12.00
Online Giving March 26-April 1.....	495.00
Total: \$3,681.00	
Weekly Adult/Online needed for budget: 2,500.00	

Easter flower donations are in memory of:

Tillman & Genevieve Knapp	Novak Day families
Joe & Gertrude Hellmann	Alice Hlebain
Sura & Puchalla families	Clarence Justin
Mary Ann & Stanley Legatt	Margaret Robich
Cyrella Skroch Roger Trobec	Janis Paggen
Stephen Slivnik Donald Vouk	Carole Frank
Edwin & Virginia Kowitz	Robert Slivnik
Dennis Smoley	Clarence & Martha Reichmann family
Deceased members of Steve & Francis Supan family	



Faith Formation Meal - April 20-Sloppy Joes

Tractor & seed blessing

April 24 after 10:00 AM Mass.
Bring your tractors, big & small,
and park them in the East
parking lot.



Thank You!! To everyone who donated to the Bake Sale, and those who purchased items to support the Youth of the Parish. A Big Thank You goes out to Liz Legatt, Jeanette Justin, Marilyn Schumer, Mary Lee Vouk, Barb Nathe, Ralph Barhorst, Nancy Vouk, Dianne Blonigen and the Youth Group for helping to make the Bingo, Book and Bake Sale a success! It is very much appreciated.

Danna Gasperlin

Well n Fit exercise classes has new Summer Hours

Lorene Deford will be leading the classes on Wednesday & Friday mornings from **9:00-10:00** in the Parish Hall starting April 20. The Wednesday morning exercise class will be followed by a half hour Line Dancing class.

Helping Hands Outreach

Senior Dining - Every Wednesday at **Rusty Nail** at noon followed by cards. Cost is \$6.00 per meal.
Monthly Lunch & Learn - will be April 21 starting with 11:30 social, followed by meal, speaker & entertainment in the Parish Hall.
Feet First Clinic - Call Helping Hands to set up an appointment. 320-746-9960

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Contact: Cindy Gans 320-252-1729
annunciation@cloudnet.com
Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor
Faith Formation: Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941
thekids@cloudnet.com

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for Sunday, April 3rd, 2022

Adult Sunday	\$4,305.00
Visitor	\$184.00
Youth	\$13.25
Easter Flowers	\$325.00
Votive Candle	\$2.00
Building Fund	\$35.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$10.00
Easter	\$100.00
Total Income	\$4,974.25

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00*

Mass Schedule

Sun April 24th, 2022, 8:15am Mass: First Communion

Lector: Shirley Scapanski

Eucharist: Gene Poser

Servers: Reid Kiffmeyer

Greeters: Chuck Wocken and Mason Zwilling

Ushers: Peter Ackerman, Jenny Zwiling, Chuck Wocken
and Lora Knafila.



Wedding Banns III

We are happy to announce that there is a promise of marriage between:

Josh Puhalla and Sarah Hendrickson.

Happy Birthday: John Bemboom, Diane Brand, Leon Lahr, Kade Haus, Bob Popp, DJ Spiczka, Beverly Bernard, Jared Pflipsen, Greg Ireland,

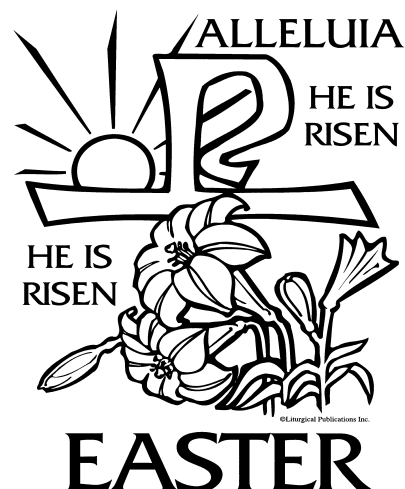


Religious Education:

Wed. April 20th at 6:30pm

Sun. April 24th: First Communion 8:15am

Wed. April 27th at 6:30pm—Last Class



SACRED HEART PARISH

Contact: Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114
parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

Office Hours: Monday – Closed
Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for the Week of April 3, 2022

Adult Collection.....	\$19,771.60
Children's Collection.....	\$10.50
Friends in Need.....	\$155.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$45.00
Easter.....	\$905.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$130.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$18,500

Income for the week of April 10 not available at the time of printing.

ALTER SERVERS NEEDED

Attention boys & girls in 4th grade and older! If you would like to become an alter server at Mass, please contact Jill Kiffmeyer in the office to set up training. Scheduling for alter servers is flexible and based on family preferences and availability.

KID'S CHOIR PARTY

The end of the year Kid's Choir Party will be at Blacklight Adventures on Sunday, May 1st at 4pm. We will be eating pizza, playing Bazoobakball, and doing an Escape Room! Please remember to turn in your waiver to Jill Kiffmeyer by April 27th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 18; 5pm—Men's Group
7pm—KC Meeting
- April 19; 7pm—Sacred Heart Men's Club
- April 20; 5pm—Faith Formation
7:15pm—WNL
- April 21; 1pm—Card Making
6:30pm—Young Adult Team Meeting
8pm—Finance Council Budget Meeting
- April 23; 9am—First Communion Retreat
3:30pm—Reconciliation
- April 24; 9am—Confirmation Rite of Sending
1pm—First Communion Retreat

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the following prayer list, please call 320-251-8115.

Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain. Please call 320-492-9361, 320-252-3401 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

PEER MINISTRY TEAM

This Wednesday is the **deadline** for Peer Ministry applications. Peer Ministry is a great way for current students in grades 8 - 11 to serve their peers, church and community! If you have questions, please contact Jason.

WNL

WNL is back this Wednesday! Grades 5 - 12 welcome from 7:15 - 9:00 pm. Bring a friend!

DAY OF SERVICE

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Spring Day of Service, Thursday, April 28, 4:30-8pm. Volunteers will enjoy a light meal and then will be sent as a community to clean yards, windows or other manageable projects along with visiting home owners. There still may be an opportunity to help even if this day does not work. Please contact Dcn Joe at jkresky@sacredheartsaukrapids.org or the parish office at 320-251-8115. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the Church Gathering Space.

WE CAN HELP: Are you in need of some spring yard clean-up, window cleaning or manageable house projects? Please contact Dcn Joe.

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS NEEDED

Seeking individuals who desires to serve the homebound and residents of Good Shepherd through your caring presence and the Holy Communion. You will meet amazing people and touch the lives of others more than you can imagine. Contact Deacon Joe Kresky for various options depending on your availability.



EASTER THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who put in extra hours of preparation to make our Triduum and Easter celebrations so beautiful. Special thanks to the choirs, musicians, cantors, audio/visual ministers, liturgical ministers, and Art & Environment committee members. May God send you His blessings and peace this Easter season.

SKD THANK YOU

While St. Katharine Drexel School (and the other CCS elementary schools) patiently wait for the Schulze Family Foundation to review the donor lists from our recent \$25,000 Matching Grant Challenge, SKD would like to offer a huge THANK YOU to the many parishioners, alumni, current school families, parish groups, and many other benefactors who contributed and supported this goal. St. Katharine Drexel is humbled and grateful for such an amazing outpouring to the school and to this exciting challenge. May God Bless You for your generosity and support to our Catholic school mission!

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Contribution information was not available at the time of printing.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN



Christian Women will meet Tuesday, April 19th at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Place. Please join us.

OUT REACH MINISTRIES

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name He may give you. This I command you: love one another." John 15 16-17

Do you know of someone who is homebound and would like to receive a visit and Eucharist? Do you know of someone who has been deployed or is in the military who would like to receive correspondence? Or are you interested in doing homebound visits or corresponding with our active military? Please contact Sandee Kremers as we continue to grow our Out Reach Ministries. 320-252-1363 x1103



Spring for Students Annual Event

All are invited to the Spring for Students annual event on **Friday, April 29, 2022** for a social at 6 p.m., then cuisine and an inspiring program at 7 p.m. in the parish

Gathering Place.

We hope to raise \$70,000 (100% will be used fully for scholarships). Last year, 1/3 of our students needed scholarships to make a Catholic education possible.

Reserve your seats today:

Contact:

Michael Hemmesch at michaelhemmesch@gmail.com or Anne Strack at annestrack.10@gmail.com

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