

Offertory 2017 Needed

	Wkly Offering	Needed	Difference	Balance to cover Monthly Exp. \$14,000.00
April 2 nd	\$3,494.35	\$3,500.00	(\$ 5.65)	\$10,505.65
April 9 th	\$3,056.56	\$3,500.00	(\$ 433.44)	\$ 7,449.09
April 16 th		\$3,500.00		
April 23 rd		\$3,500.00		
April 30 th				
Total				

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Daily Readings April 17th – April 23rd

Mon – Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mat.28:8-15

Tues – Acts 2:26-41; Joh. 20:11-18

Wed – Act. 3:1-10; Luk. 24:13-35

Thurs – Act. 3:11-26; Luk. 24:35-48

Fri – Acts.4:1-12; Joh.21:1-14

Sat – Acts. 4:13-21; Mar.16:9-15

Sun. – Acts.2:42-47; 1Pet.1:3-9; Joh.20:19-31

Please Remember the Following:

Linda Arian; Lorin; Jack Thompson; Dan Browning, Patricia Carroll; Savanna King; Rita Witchman; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Born Family; Dan Christ; Linda Christ; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Gal Kessel; Debbie Enneberg, Carmen Orsi; Katie Jordon; Mindy Hopfer; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; Jennifer Christy; Chuck & Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Carlos Coit; Jeff Born; Peggy Kasberger; Glen Johnston; Jessie and Gilbert Sharp; Hazel Engstrom; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Hans Kaumanns; Jim Lanning; Cal and Bernice Dubisar; Dolores Myers; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Jeanne Enos; Kim Rempel; Deborah Horrell; Hernan, Enrique Caceres; Veronica Natalia Chavez; Maria Sol Montel; Veronica Rodriguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez; Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Gustavo Caceres, Susan Markie, Anne Pimentel Hehr; Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Julie Nolte, Ben Woodward, Clifford Schell, Sam Lane, Kyle Salgado, Fr. Fabian, Matty Cunningham, Ron Edgerly, Gerry Pimental for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

**Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday Mass 9:00 am English
12:00 Noon Spanish**

Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

Parish Office Administrative Assistant: Anne Greenwood

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Rosary Schedule

Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass
Date: April 23rd 2017
Led by: Choir
Every committee is responsible for the rosary being said each Sat. & Sunday

Sacraments

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday: 3:30- 4:30pm
Other times by appointment
Contact Fr. Joseph for the preparation of the Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, Living Bread come down from heaven, in Your Name we ask the Father to bless the Diocese for Baker with vocations to the priesthood. By the prompting of the Holy Spirit call forth from among us men who are able to sympathize with our weakness and deal gently with the wayward, men who will give us confidence to draw near to the font of Mercy and find grace in the time of need. Send us priests to bring comfort to the afflicted, pardon to the sinner, and peace to the dying; priests to hand You over to us in the Breaking of the Bread. High Priest, of the New and Eternal Covenant, we place our trust in You. To You be glory and praise forever. Amen
~Composed by Bishop Liam Cary~

2017 April Weekend Ministry

Assignments

Saturday April 22nd 5pm:

Lectors – Brett Edgerly
Elle’ Edgerly

Euch. Min. – Mary Norton
Sue Godat

Altar Serv. – Kaylee Weygant
Ethan Edgerly

Sunday April 23rd 9am:

Lectors – Ron Wortman
Shane Viescas

Euch. Min.- Evelyn Stirnaman
Nancy Redfern
Amy Koivisto

Altar Serv. – Avery LeFevre
Shane Viescas

Sun. April 23rd 12pm:

Lectors – Juana Villagomez
Martha villagomez

Euch. Min. – Alfredo Villagomez
Artemio Tapia

Altar Serv. –Edgar Tapia
Allen Sotello

If you cannot be available please find a substitute.

Fr. Joseph’s Corner...

Easter Reflection

Jesus, the Nazarene, was born more than 2,000 years ago. He lived just like any other human, except that He was a person of principles. He valued life more than law and sought to give dignity to every human—regardless of caste, creed, gender, occupation, etc. He never feared to “call a spade a spade” and confronted those who burdened the weak and lowly. He was a radical preacher and went about doing good.

More than anything else, Jesus revealed who the God He believed in was by His words and deeds. He revealed a God He could address as *Abba* (Father)—someone who cared for each person, and someone who sought the good of humanity.

What Jesus preached was in conflict with what the religious leaders of his time taught, and for this He was put to death. The death of Jesus was a consequence of His steadfastness to the values He preached and lived by. He would die rather than “water down” His truth convictions. He preferred to remain faithful to His God.

We believe that God raised Jesus from the dead and restored Him to the heavenly place prepared for Him. In this, each of us can also hope for an eternal future time in the presence of God.

The Spirit of Jesus is alive among us. We see countless people in history, and in our own time, who have stood for and even given their lives for “life-promoting”

values. The mission of Jesus needs to be continued by you and me.

The mission of Jesus is universal—it is not only for Christians or any other particular group. Our world today is marked by war and violence, discrimination and abuse, corruption and nepotism, and environmental degradation. How many of us dare to stand up and challenge those in authority and make them accountable? How many of us actually bother about the poor people in our towns and cities? How many of us are willing to “let go” of our comforts and take the side of the disadvantaged? How easy it is for us to keep doing “our” work and to be blind to the reality around us! How difficult it is to keep walking the path that Jesus took—the “road less travelled.”

Easter should not be merely a celebration. It should be a time for us to rededicate ourselves to the cause for which Jesus died. If you really believe that *Jesus is risen . . .* then, well, we have to live a life that Jesus expects and invites us to live!

May the Risen Jesus fill you with much joy so that your life will be full.

May the Risen Jesus bless you with strength and courage so that you will be able to stand for the values Jesus preached and lived.

May the Risen Jesus flood you with peace so that you’ll know that you are doing God’s work—and He is laboring with you!

*With warm Easter greetings and
much love,
—Father Joseph*

Rosary Schedule

April 16th – Knights of Columbus
April 23rd – Choir
April 30th – SVDP
May 7th – Eucharistic Ministers



The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **May 7, 2017**

Social Time

Please join us for coffee after the Sunday 9:00 am Mass Sunday Coffee Hour **Schedule**
April 9th – Carol Smith
April 16th – Betty Viescas
April 23rd – Albina Stagnoli

Mass Intentions April 15th – April 21st

One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul.

(L) =Living (D) = Death
Sat. 8am – Dolores and Ron Meyers (L) / Karin Davis

Sat. 5pm –For the People

Sun. 9am - Lu Streetman (D) /Streetman Family

Sun. 12pm – Alejandra Robles, Sacramento Ortiz, Eduardo Ortiz (D) / Silvia Robles

Mon. 8am- Edd Robson (D) / Mary Gotshall

Tues. 8am – Edd Robson (D) / Mary Gotshall

Wed. 12:15pm – Adrian Irwin (D) / Barbara Mannenbach-Kurtz

Thurs. 8am – Edd Robson (D) / Mary Gotshall

Fri. – 12:15pm - Thomas Garry Payne (D) / Carol Payne

Married Parishioners 50 yrs and older

Gilbert and Jessie Sharp	71 yrs
Richard and Carol Moore	66 yrs
Charles and Dolores Wettstein	65 yrs
Wallace and Rosemary Boe	62 yrs
Roy and Jean Hutley	62 yrs
Leo and Joan Collette	58 yrs
Robert and Lola Godat	58 yrs
Robert James and Kathie Leonard	58 yrs
Gerald and Deanna Pimental	56 yrs
James and Joanne Gleason	55 yrs
Larry and Theresa Leach	54 yrs
William and Frances Butrico	53 yrs
Gary and Sandy Shriver	53 yrs
Thomas and Georgia Fitzgerald	52 yrs
Delwin and Joan Holland	50 yrs

If you have been married 50 years or more please contact the parish office before Friday, April 10th, at 541-447-6475 and we will add your name. Mass at 10 am (bi-lingual)



Parish News

We will continue to have the weekday mass on Wednesday at 12:15pm.

No Mass on April 24th to April 28th. Fr. Joseph will be on Retreat in Mt. Angel.

CRS Rice Bowl is one way Catholics can enhance their Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals to [Catholic Relief Services](#) . . . in order to help those who do not have enough to eat. You will find the rice bowls in the vestibule of the church.

Sunday, April 30, 2017, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph (May 1st), the head of the Holy Family and the patron saint of our Parish. On this day we will honor our parishioners who have shared **fifty or more years of marriage.** There will be a special bilingual Mass at **10 am.** There will be a celebration in the Parish Hall from 11:30am -2pm. Coffee and punch and cake will be provided. **There will be no noon Mass on April 30th.**

First Holy Communion May 7th 12pm mass.

There will be a breakfast in your honor after the 9am mass. All are invited so please plan on attending. There will be a **group photo at 11:00am.** We want no one left out so be prompt and ready for the photo and ceremony. The

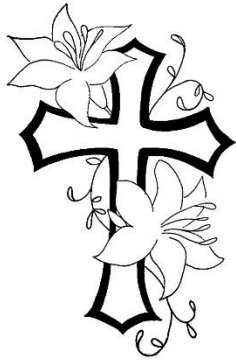
attire for the girls is all white, the attire for the boys is black slacks, white shirt and black tie. This is a proper First Holy Communion attire, it is mandatory.

Religious Ed. Students, the next food bank volunteer opportunity is Friday, April 21st.

It's not too early to start thinking of items for the Annual Christmas Bazaar. There will be an organizational meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 1pm, in the Parish Hall Meeting Room. Please attend and bring ideas. Questions – Call Nancy Redfern 541-508-9872.



Easter Sunday



1st R. Acts 10:34a 37-43
Res. Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
2nd R. Col. 3:1-4
Gospel Accl. Cor.5:7b-8a
Gospel Joh. 20:1-9

A certain kindergarten teacher was telling her students the story of Jesus. In her class was a little boy who came from a non-Christian family. He was paying very close attention to the story because it was all new to him. As the teacher told how Jesus was condemned and nailed to the cross to die the boy's countenance fell and he murmured, "No! That's too bad!" The teacher then went on to tell how on the third day Jesus rose from the dead and came back to life. The boy's eyes lit up with delight and he exclaimed, "Totally awesome!" On Good Friday we heard the story of the suffering and death of Jesus. Like the little boy many of us felt like "No! That's too bad!" Today we hear the rest of the story and again

with the little boy we can now exclaim "Yes! Totally awesome!" Today we can again sing "Halleluiah" that we have not sung all through Lent. **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad** (Psalm 118:24).

Why do we rejoice today? We rejoice because our faith in Christ has been vindicated, truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice and tragedy has turned into comedy. It is like watching one of the episodes of Batman. First you see an innocent and helpless victim being attacked, robbed, kidnapped, assaulted and tortured by a wicked assailant. And we feel so bad seeing the triumph of the bad guy. Then, almost at the point where the victim has given up hope and is at the point of death, down from the skies comes Batman to the rescue. He battles and defeats the bad guy and rescues the innocent victim. And we feel happy inside at the triumph of justice.

The story of the suffering and death of Jesus on Good Friday is the story of the triumph of falsity over truth, of injustice over justice, of evil over goodness. Jesus was falsely charged of crimes he did not commit, and unjustly sentenced to a death he did not deserve. His good friend betrayed him, his trusted companions deserted him and his number one man denied him. The people he loved demanded his crucifixion and chose to have the bandit Barabbas released in his place. It is a story of betrayal and lies,

dishonesty and meanness, unfaithfulness and wicked violence directed against an innocent and apparently helpless victim. All this comes to a head on Good Friday when we see Jesus scourged, mocked, led on the death march, nailed to the cross where he dies after a few hours and hastily buried in a tomb. If that were the end of the story that would be a bad story, a tragedy. But glory be to God it is not.

Death is not the end of the story. There is one more chapter. This is the most important chapter because, as the saying goes, they who laugh last laugh best. And in the last chapter of the story of Jesus we see him rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us his embattled followers this is good news.

It is good news to know that truth is immortal. We can suppress Truth, accuse it of being a lie, condemn it, torture it, kill it, bury it in the grave but on the third day Truth will rise again. Remember this and do not give up on Truth even when everybody seems to give up on it. Do not give up on Truth; do not give up on Justice. Do not give up on doing what is right. True will always be true. Just will always be just. Right will always be right even when the world around us would have it otherwise. We must

learn to believe in the sun even when it is not shining, knowing that by and by it will shine again. It is the end of the story that counts. That is why the church asks us today to rejoice and be glad. Even when we are going through very difficult times: through betrayal, unjust discrimination, lies, misrepresentations; even when the enemy seems to be winning the battle in our lives. Today Christ has won. And we know that in Christ we shall overcome. Halleluiah, Praise the Lord!

