

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	\$4,394.00	\$3,500.00	+\$894.00	\$ 3,055.09
April 23 rd	\$2,337.61	\$3,500.00	(\$1,162.39)	\$ 717.48
April 30 th		\$3,500.00		
Total				

Daily Readings May 1st – May 7th

Mon – Acts 6:8-15; Joh. 6:22-29

Tues – Acts 7:51-8:1a; Joh. 6:30-35

Wed – 1Cor. 15:1-8; Joh. 14:6-14

Thurs – Act. 8:26-40; Joh 6:44-51

Fri – Acts.9:1-20; Joh.6:52-59

Sat – Acts. 9:31-42; Joh.6:60-69

Sun. – Acts.2:14a, 36-41; 1Pet.2:20b-25; Joh10:14

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, for the special intentions of ou parishioners and others.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Joseph Kunnelaya T, Administrator



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

Third Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2017

Parish Office Administrative Assistant: Anne Greenwood
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Rosary Schedule

Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass
Date: May 7, 2017
Led by: Eucharistic Ministers
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 May 6th 5pm:

Lectors – Gary Thompson
Mitch Viescas

Euch. Min. – Sue Godat
Mary Norton

Altar Serv. – Roman Stenbeck
Blaine Viescas

Sunday May 7th 9am:

Lectors – Ron Wortman
Kat Rodosevich

Euch. Min – Amy Koivisto
Cathy Baxter
Kathy Thompson

Altar Servers – Johanna Kiovisto
Kaylee Weygant

Sunday May 7th 12pm :

First Holy Communion Mass (bilingual)

Lectors – Lorena Nunez
Tom MacDonald

Euch. Min – Martha Villagomez
Alfredo Villagomez
Dee Wettstein

Altar Serv. – Edgar Tapia
Allen Sotelo
Avery LeFevre

If you cannot be available please find a substitute.

Fr. Joseph's Corner...

What happens in heaven when we pray?

I dreamt that I went to Heaven and an angel was showing me around. We walked side-by-side inside a large workroom filled with angels. My angel guide stopped in front of the first section and said, "This is the Receiving Section. Here, all petitions to God said in prayer are received." I looked around in this area, and it was terribly busy with so many angels sorting out petitions written on voluminous paper sheets and scraps from people all over the world. Then we moved on down a long corridor until we reached the second section.

The angel then said to me, "This is the Packaging and Delivery Section. Here, the graces and blessings the people asked for are processed and delivered to the living persons who asked for them." I noticed again how busy it was there. There were many angels working hard at that station, since so many blessings had been requested and were being packaged for delivery to Earth.

Finally, at the farthest end of the long corridor we stopped at the door of a very small station. To my great surprise, only one angel was seated there, idly doing nothing. "This is the Acknowledgment Section," my angel friend quietly admitted to me. He seemed embarrassed. "How is it that there is no work going on here?" I asked. "So sad," the angel sighed. "After people receive the blessings that they asked for, very few send back acknowledgments."

"How does one acknowledge God's blessings?" I asked. "Simple," the angel answered. Just say, "Thank you, Lord." "What blessings should they acknowledge?" I asked. "If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world. If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy, and if you get this on your own computer, you are part of the 1% in the world who has that opportunity. If you woke up this morning with more health than illness. You are more blessed than the many who will not even survive this day. If you have never experienced the fear in battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation... You are ahead of 700 million people in the world. If you can attend a church without the fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death you are envied by, and more blessed than, three billion people in the world. If you can hold your head up and smile, you are not the norm, you're unique to all those in doubt and despair....." "OK," I said. "What now? How can I start?"

The Angel said, "If you can read this message, you just received a double blessing in that someone was thinking of you as very special and you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world who cannot read at all." Have a good day, and count your blessings.

—Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph



Rosary Schedule

April 30th – SVDP
May 7th – Eucharistic Ministers
May 14th – Lectors
May 21st – Knights of Columbus



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:
May 14th - Carol Smith
May 21st – Betty Viescas
May 28th – Sammie Pedersen & Karin Davis

Mass Intentions April 29th – May 5th

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 – Naomi Blankenship (L) / The Parish
Sat. 5pm –For the People
Sun. 10am – Dan and Ricky Nehls (D) / Mary Nehls
Mon. 8am- Lu Streetman (D) /Streetman Family
Tues. 8am – Cal and Bernice Dubisar (L) / The Parish
Wed. 12:15pm – Richard and Carol Moore (L) / TheParish
Thurs. 8am – Karin Davis (L) / Anne Greenwood
Fri. – 12:15pm – Nancy MacDonald (L) / Tom MacDonald

Congratulations to our parishioners who have been married 50 Years or more!!!



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

Parish News

On this day we are honoring our parishioners who have shared **fifty or more years of marriage**. There is a celebration in the Parish Hall from 11:30am -2pm. Coffee and punch and cake will be provided.

Please note: We have combined our Rosary pamphlet, St. Michael's prayer and Pray for Vocations (English and Spanish) into one sheet, for your convenience.

First Holy Communion May 7th 12pm mass. There will be a breakfast in the honor of our First Holy Communicants after the 9am mass. All are invited so please plan on attending. There will be a **group photo at 10:00am**. 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.

There will be an organizational meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 1pm, in the Parish Hall Meeting Room. For thinking of items for the Annual Christmas Bazaar. Please attend and bring ideas. Questions – Call Nancy Redfern 541-508-9872.

We are looking for volunteers for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors,

Altar Servers (men or women, young and old) there will be training for these positions. If you are interested please call the Parish Office at 541-447-6475. Your help is greatly appreciated.

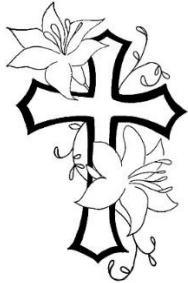
Volunteers for Coffee Hour, if you are interested in volunteering for setting up in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour, please call the Parish Office 541-447-6475. Help is needed and appreciated.

Knights of Columbus, Pennies for Heaven container will be in the vestibule if you have forgotten to donate last Sunday to support our seminarians at Mount Angel and other seminarians through the Christopher Fund. Thank you for your donations.

Need for Mass Intentions
A Mass Intention is a special way to remember a friend or loved one after death or to honor someone on a special occasion. (Mother's Day, Father's Day, anniversaries, birthdays, special intentions, health, death anniversaries.) The Mass will be said by our Parish Priest or visiting Priests. To schedule a Mass Intention, come by the Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm (closed 12pm-1pm). If you can't make it to the Parish Office, we have envelopes in the pews. Please write who your intention is for and from who with your donation.



Third Sunday of Easter



1st R. Acts 2:14, 22-33

Res. Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

2nd R. 1Pet. 1:17-21

Gospel Accl Luk. 24:32

Gospel Luk 24:13-35

Easter III [A] (April 30)

Our Scripture lessons for today have one common, encouraging theme: No matter what happens in our lives, the risen Jesus is always with us. God is near to those who seek Him and who want to live in His presence, doing His will. The Emmaus incident is the story of a God who will not leave us alone when we are hurt and disappointed. As Francis Thompson put it, He is *The Hound of Heaven* Who relentlessly follows us when we try to escape from His love.

The message of today's Scripture readings is that the followers of Jesus are to maintain contact with their risen Lord through the Eucharist and the Bible. The readings also remind us that our belief in Jesus' presence in the consecrated Bread and Wine should help us to understand better his presence in the Bible and in the believing and worshipping community. Putting the two appearances

(to the Emmaus disciples and to Peter), together, it is clear that the risen Jesus wants Peter to act as spokesman for him and that the faithful who seek to follow Jesus should seek his company in the Eucharist and the Bible under the direction of Peter and his successors.

Scripture lessons: The first reading, from Acts, is taken from the beginning of Peter's first public proclamation about Jesus and how God raised Jesus from death, thus fulfilling the Messianic prophecies about the promised descendant of David.

In the second reading, Peter exhorts the early Christians to place their Faith and Hope in God Who has saved them through the precious Blood of His Son and who has raised Jesus from the dead. The Emmaus incident described in today's Gospel is the story of a God who will not leave us alone when we are hurt and disappointed.

The message of today's Scripture readings is that the followers of Jesus are to maintain contact with their Risen Lord through the Eucharist and the Bible. The readings also remind us that our belief in Jesus' presence in the consecrated Bread and Wine should help us to understand better his presence in the Bible and in the believing and worshipping community.

Jesus meets us on our Emmaus Road. The risen Lord meets us on the road to our Emmaus in the ordinary experiences of our lives and in the places to which we retreat when life is too much for us. We, too, have hopes and dreams about better health, healing, financial security and family relationships. These dreams often get shattered. The story promises us, however, that Jesus will come to us in unfamiliar guises to support and strengthen us when we least expect our risen Lord. Emmaus moments come to us

when we meet the risen Christ on our life's journey through rough times.

The road to Emmaus is a road of companionship. Jesus, now freed from the space-time limits of his earthly life, is present in our midst and wants to be our Friend. The risen Lord desires that we walk with Him and with one another: *"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the LORD, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior"* (Isaiah 43:2-3). He wants to join us in our travels of life: *"I am a Companion of all who fear You, and of those who keep Your precepts"* (Psalms 119:63). *"Where two or three are gathered in My Name, I am there among them"* (Matthew 18:20).

We meet Jesus on a daily basis in our life's journey. The Church instructs us to hear Jesus on a daily basis through the faithful reading of, and meditation on, the Bible and to experience him through our participation in the Eucharistic celebration where Jesus gives himself to us, through our personal and family prayers and through our family meals. When we meet our risen Lord through the Word of God, we commune with him. We renew our relationship with Jesus through prayer. These two meetings will enable us to meet the risen Jesus living in all the people we meet and to do them humble, loving and selfless service.

Do our hearts burn when we listen to the Risen Lord in the Bible? Christ comes to us most clearly in the Word. Our tradition teaches us that the reading of the

Scriptures, the study of the Scriptures and the proclamation of the message of the Scriptures are the primary ways in which we meet God. Vatican II (*Dei Verbum* 21) tells us that Jesus is to be equally venerated in the Eucharist and in the Bible. Therefore, we need to study the Bible, learn the Bible, memorize the Bible and meditate on the word of God. We know that Christ lives in the Bible, and so we need to spend time in the Bible to have a deep, intimate, loving, caring, long-term relationship with Jesus Christ.

Find Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread. In the Gospel story for today, we learn that we find Christ is in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. When we kneel at the altar to receive the Sacrament, we see and receive Christ. In John 6, Jesus says, *"Whoever eats My Body and drinks My Blood shall live with me eternally."* The Eucharist is true "soul food," the Bread of life for eternity. It feeds us and fulfills our spiritual needs. It is a pity that often we don't realize what is happening during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the sacred banquet of all believers. In this meal, we are in communion, not only with Jesus, but also with our family and friends who have preceded us in death. The Eucharist is not simply Bread and Wine for today, but a banquet for all eternity.

