	Needed	Weekly Offering
Apr. 1st	\$3,700.00	\$4,206.25
Apr. 8 th	\$3,700.00	
Apr. 15 th	\$3,700.00	
Apr. 22 nd	\$3,700.00	
Apr. 29th	\$3,700.00	
TOTAL		

Offertory 2018

Please Remember the Following:

Patricia Carroll; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Gal Kessel; Katie Jordon; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; Jennifer Christy; Chuck & Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Jeff Born; Glen Johnston; Jessie & Gilbert Sharp; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Jim Lanning; Bernice Dubisar; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Deborah Horrell; Hernán Enrique Natalia Chávez; María, Sol Montel; Verónica Rodríguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Susan Markie, Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Sam Lane, Ron Edgerly, Naomi Blankenship, Bill Nicholson, Bud Gilvinski; Joanne Gleason, Betty Salgado, Courtney Lynn Viescas, Howard Tocher, Rose Varghese, Leo Kuper, Elizabeth MacDonald Casey, Patricia Monohon, Sandy Shriver, Patrick Arnold, Virginia Martell, Kara Bachand for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings April 9th – April 15th

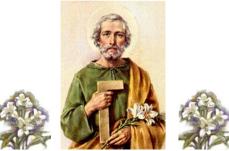
Mon. – Isa.7:10-14; 8:10; Heb.10:4-10; Luk.1:26-38 Tues. – Acts4:32-37; Joh.3:7b-15 Wed. – Acts5:17-26; Joh.3:16-21 Thurs. – Acts5:27-33; Joh.3:31-36 Fri. – Acts5:34-42; Joh.6:1-15 Sat. – Acts6:1-7; Joh.6:16-21 Sun. – Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1Joh.2:1-5a; Luk.24:35-48

A CATHOLIC GUIDE TO End-of-LIFE DECISIONS

Directive and proxy forms are available in the parish office for \$2.50. the GUIDE gives an ex-cellant overview of Catholic end of life teaching that will help you decide in advance on foreseeable treatment options as your life draws to a close.

There will be no weekday masses Mon. –Fri., Apr. 9th – Apr. 13^{th.} Fr. Joseph will be at a Priest Retreat in Mount Angel. St. Joseph Catholic Church (120 S. Main St. Prineville, Oregon)

(120 S. Main St. Prineville, Oregon) Second Sunday of Easter April 8, 2018



Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday Mass 9:00 am English 12:00 Noon Spanish Holy Days 8:00am and 6:00pm Monday- Tuesday –Thursday 8:00am Wednesday and Friday 12:15pm

Rev. Fr. Joseph Kunnelaya T, Pastor

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Sacraments

Sacrament of Penance: Wednesday: 11:45am – 12:15pm, and Saturday: 3:30- 4:30pm Other times by appointment* Contact Fr. Joseph for preparation of the Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Rosary Schedule

Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass <u>Every Sunday after the Rosary</u> the Prayer for Vocations (by Bishop Cary) will be said together. Date: April 8th – Euch. Min. April 15th – Knights of Col. April 22nd – Choir April 29th - Ushers Every committee is responsible for the rosary being said each Sat. & Sunday



Divine Mercy

Jesus promised: "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy." The vessel is this image signed, "**Jesus, I trust in You.**" The prayer: The Divine Mercy Chaplet is said especially for the sick, dying and all sinners. On nine days it is said, along with the novena requests, on Good Friday until Divine Mercy Sunday as a special devotion. Please join others this 2018 Easter Season in the praying throughout the nine days: March 30th through April

8th.



2018 April Weekly Minister Assignment

Saturday April 14th 5pm:

Acolyte – Tom MacDonald Lectors – Tom MacDonald Tawnya Euch. Min. – Evelyn Stirnaman Sue Godat Altar Serv. – Johanna Koivisto Taylor Joyce

Sunday April 15th 9am:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte Lectors – Ron Wortman Kat Rodosevich Euch. Min. – Barbara M Kurtz Nancy Redfern Altar Serv. – Josh Sherman Blaine Viescas

Sunday April 15th 12pm:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte Lectors – Francisco Quero Pedro Gonzalez Euch. Min. – Joel Hernandez Onecimo Ambriz Altar Serv. – Eddie Ruiz Allen Sotelo

*If you cannot be available please find a substitute. *Altar Servers* call Rick Nolte @ 541-954-2331

FR. Joseph's Corner...

St. Faustina and the Image of the

Divine Mercy: St. Faustina of Poland is the well-known apostle of Divine Mercy. On the 30th of April 2000, at 10:00 AM on the Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday, the Feast requested by Jesus in His St. communications with Faustina), His Holiness Pope St. John Paul II celebrated the Eucharist in Saint Peter's Square and proceeded to the canonization of Blessed Sister Faustina. [John Paul himself would be canonized on this same Feast Day – April 27 in 2014 – by Pope Francis.] Saint Faustina invites us by the witness of her life to keep our Faith and Hope fixed on God the Father, rich in mercy, Who saved us by the Blood precious of His Son. During her short life, the Lord Jesus assigned to St. Faustina three basic tasks: 1. to pray for souls, entrusting them to God's incomprehensible Mercy;

2. to tell the world about God's generous Mercy; 3. to start a new movement in the Church focusing on God's Mercy. At the canonization of St. Faustina, Pope St. John Paul II said: "The cross, even after the Resurrection of the Son of God, speaks, and never ceases to speak, of God the Father, Who is absolutely faithful to His eternal love for man. ... Believing in this love means believing in mercy." "The Lord of Divine Mercy," a drawing of Jesus based on the vision given to St. Faustina, shows Jesus raising his right hand in a gesture of blessing, with His left hand on his heart from which gush forth two rays, one red and one white. The picture contains the message, "Jesus, I trust in You!" (Jezu ufam *Tobie*). The rays streaming out have symbolic meaning: red for the Blood of Jesus, which is the life of souls and white for the Baptismal water which justifies souls. The whole image is symbolic of the mercy, forgiveness and love of God.



The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **May 6, 2018**

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee and donuts **every 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday** after the 9am Mass. **Schedule: 4/08** Diane & Cassie Giovanini **4/15** <u>Volunteers Needed</u> **4/22** Sue Williams & Kate Erickson **4/29** No Coffee Hour **5/13** <u>Volunteers Needed</u> **5/20** Linvia Kaumanns **5/27** Betty & Victoria Maska <u>Volunteers Needed</u> for Coffee Hour, to help call Kate Erickson at 541-678-8495





Married Parishioners			
40-50 years			
Ralph & Mary Lee	50yrs		
Dennis & Jacque Rose	50yrs		
Tom & Nancy MacDonald	50yrs		
Gary & Kathy Thompson	49yrs		
Clayton & Kathy Baxter	49yrs		
Gal & Carolyn Kessel	49yrs		
Sam & Bonnie Morris	48yrs		
Hans & Linvia Kaumanns	47yrs		
Tom & Mary Norton	46yrs		
Mike & Susie Carroll	46yrs		
Chuck & Diane Giovanini	46yrs		
Gerald & Rose Honl	46yrs		
Howard & Gari-Lyn Tocher	45yrs		
Robert & Sheryl Denfield	45yrs		
Mike & Jacqueline McCabe	44yrs		
Stan & Lynn Rodgers	42yrs		
Ronald & Sandra Wortman	41yrs		

If you have been married 40 -50 years please contact the parish office before Wednesday, April 11th, at 541-447-6475 and we will add your name. Celebration - Sunday, April 29th Mass at 10 am (bi-lingual)

Parish News

Thank you all who actively took part in our Holy Week and Easter Celebration making it such a beautiful spiritual experience. A special thanks to all the Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, the Choir, flower arrangements and altar display.

<u>Bible Study Wednesday, April 11th</u> at 6:00pm, at the parish school room 1. We are studying the Book of James.

Meetings for April: St. Joseph Annual Christmas Bazaar

Meeting: Monday April 9th @ 1pm in the parish hall meeting room. Brainstorming and craft day, bring a project and ideas. Everyone welcome. Questions please call Nancy Redfern 541-508-9872.

Liturgical Meeting Monday April 16th at 5:30pm in Fr. Joseph's office.

Executive Meeting Tuesday, April 17th at 5:30pm in Fr. Joseph's office.

Tuesday, April 17th Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm in the parish hall.

<u>Finance Meeting</u> Monday, April 23rd at 4:30pm in Fr. Joseph's office.

Pastoral Meeting Tuesday, April 24th at 5:30pm in the conference room of the parish hall.

<u>Sunday, April 29, 2018,</u> 10am bilingual mass 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 **forty to fifty years of**

marriage. There will be a party after the Mass in the Parish Hall to celebrate. If you will have been married for forty - fifty years by the year 2018, please let us know by email: stjosephparish@bendbroadband.com or calling Anne Greenwood in the Parish office. We need the information of those parishioners who have shared forty to fifty years of marriage before April 11th.

<u>CRS Rice Bowl</u> Please bring in your bowls either to the office or Sunday Offering basket before May 1st.

Wednesday April 25th, will be the last day for Religious Ed, for those not receiving a Sacrament.

First Holy Communion, May 6th

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** after the ceremony. 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. Any questions, please call Barbara Dalton DRE at 541-410-3720.

Second Sunday of Easter April 8, 2018

1 st R. – Acts 4:32-35		
Res. Ps – 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24		
2nd R – 1Joh5:1-6		
Gospel Accl – Joh20:29		
Gospel – Joh.20:19-31		

The readings for this Sunday are about God's mercy, the necessity for trusting Faith and our need for the forgiveness of our sins. The opening prayer addresses the Father as "God of everlasting Mercy." In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118), we repeat several times, "His mercy endures forever!" God revealed His mercy, first and foremost, in sending His only-begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord through suffering, death and His Resurrection. Divine Mercy is given to us also in each celebration of the Sacraments, instituted to sanctify us.

Scripture lessons: The first reading stresses the corporal acts of mercy practiced by the early Christian community before the Jews and the Romans started persecuting

them. Practicing the sharing love, compassion and the mercy of God as Jesus taught, this witnessing community derived its strength from community prayer, "the Breaking of the Bread" and the apostles' teaching read at the worship service. The second reading: After focusing on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, John reminds us that we practice spiritual works of mercy by obeying God's commandments given in the Old Testament and especially Jesus' commandment of loving others as He loves us with selfless, sacrificial, agape love. Loving others as Jesus loves us also demands that we treat others with God's mercy and compassion. Today's Gospel vividly reminds us of how Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a sacrament of Divine Mercy. The Risen Lord gave his apostles the power to forgive sins with the words, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (Jn 20:19-23). Presenting the doubting Thomas' famous profession of Faith, "My Lord and my God," the Gospel illustrates how Jesus showed his mercy to the doubting apostle and emphasizes the importance of Faith.

Let us accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy. One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to receive Divine Mercy. The Gospel command, "*Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful,*" demands that we show mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God's mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. It is mainly through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that we practice mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God's merciful judgment.

Let us ask God for the Faith that culminates in self-surrender to God and leads us to serve those we encounter with love. Living Faith enables us to see the Risen Lord in everyone and gives us the willingness to render to each one our loving service ("Faith without good works is dead" James 2:17). It was this Faith in the Lord and obedience to His missionary command that prompted St. Thomas to travel to India to preach the Gospel among the Hindus, to establish seven Christian communities (known later as "St. Thomas Christians"), and eventually to suffer martyrdom. The Fathers of the Church prescribe the following traditional means to grow in the living and dynamic Faith of St. Thomas the Apostle. a) We must come to know Jesus personally and intimately by our daily and meditative reading of the Bible. b) We must strengthen our Faith by the power of the Holy Spirit through our personal and community prayer. c) We must share in the Divine life of Jesus by frequenting the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) presents it this way: "If we pray, we will believe; if we believe, we will love; if we love, we will serve. Only then we put our love of God into action."

We need to meet the challenge for a transparent Christian life -- "I will not believe unless I see." This "seeing" is what others demand of us. They ask that we reflect Jesus, the Risen Lord, in selfless lives bv our our love, unconditional forgiveness and humble service. The integrity of our lives bears a fundamental witness to others who want to see the Risen Lord alive and active, working in us. Christ's mercy shines forth from us whenever we reach out to the poor, the needy and the marginalized, as St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) did. His mercy shines forth as we remain open to those who struggle in Faith, as did the Apostle Thomas in today's Gospel. We should be able to appreciate the presence of Jesus, crucified and raised, in our own suffering and in our suffering brothers and sisters, thus recognizing the glorified wounds of the Risen Lord in the suffering of others.