

## CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm at St. John's  
Sunday: 8:30am at St. John's  
10:30am at St. Mary's



### LITURGY SCHEDULE APRIL 22 Fourth Sunday of Easter

#### Monday, April 23

5:30 p.m...No Mass (*St. John's*)

#### Tuesday, April 24

5:30 p.m...Clarence & Bernice Pahl (*St. John's*)

#### Wednesday, April 25

12:00noon...William & Dean Warren (*St. John's*)

#### Thursday, April 26

5:30 p.m...All Souls (*St. Mary's*)

#### Friday, April 27

11:00 a.m...Mary Jane Somers (*Miller's Merry Manor*)

#### Saturday, April 28

5:00 p.m...Brennan Fanning (*St. John's*)

#### Sunday, April 29

8:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's (*St. John's*)

10:30 a.m...Valerie Paul (*St. Mary's*)

## PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR APRIL:

### Universal – For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

## OUR CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

Session 1 (Chapter 1), Old Testament Background

**Main idea:** Israel's religion required moral behavior and obedience to God's Law before worship.

**Theme:** Sacrifice—see pg 16.

There are several references to Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement, see Leviticus 16:1-34) in the New Testament Letter to the Hebrews. These references help us to see the connection between sacrifice and the forgiveness of sins in both the Old and New Testament. (Pacwa, pg 30)

Both, Sunday Morning Bible Study and Our Catholic Book Club, are studying The Eucharist this session.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Apr. 23: [*St. George, martyr; St. Adalbert, bishop & martyr*] Acts 11: 1-18; Jn 10: 1-10

Apr. 24: [*St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr*] Acts 11: 19-26; Jn 10: 22-30

Apr. 25: [*St. Mark, Evangelist*] 1 Pt 5: 5b-14; Mk 16: 15-20

Apr. 26: Acts 13: 13-25; Jn 13: 16-20

Apr. 27: Acts 13: 26-33; Jn 14: 1-6

Apr. 28: [*St. Peter Chanel, priest & martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, priest*] Acts 13: 44-52; Jn 14: 7-14

Apr. 29: [*Fifth Sunday of Easter*] Acts 9: 26-31; 1 Jn 3: 18-24; Jn 15: 1-8

## NEW BIBLE STUDY SERIES BEGINS

Sunday, April 22, we will begin a short Bible Study Of 6 lessons on *The Eucharist* by Father Mitch Pacwa. If you have not yet purchased a book, please come to the stage in the school basement with your coffee and a snack to get started. We will take 6 to 10 weeks to complete the study at your own discretion. Our Catholic Book Club is also using this same Bible Study.

PS: The study of the Bible Timeline series has been put on "PAUSE"!

For questions or concerns, please contact [susanlannoy4@gmail.com](mailto:susanlannoy4@gmail.com) or by voice or text: 512-627-6863.

## NEW-TO-YOU SHOP IS OPEN

Thursday 11-5, Friday 11-2, Saturday 11-2.

Contact Janet Pluimer 728-2715 if you can give 3 hours a month to work a shift. Thank you to all our volunteers and for your donations.

## COFFEE & DONUTS

Please join the religious education students and teachers each Sunday morning following Mass for coffee and donuts and fellowship prior to class.

## THE STORY

The Bible as one continuing story of God and his people continues each Tuesday, at 6:30pm at Grace United Methodist Church. **This week's topic: New Wandering.**

## SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S APRIL 28 & 29

Sat., 5p.m...Serena Merkel & Madison Merkel

Sun., 8:30a.m...Laurel McVicker & Anya Aulbach

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### St. Mary's

Sunday Collection: \$

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

### St. John's

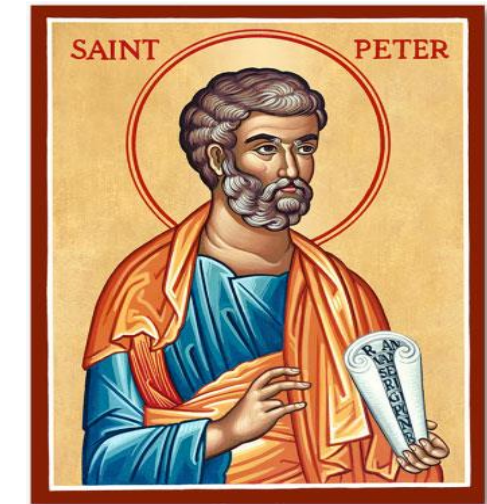
Sunday Collection: \$1,494.00

Rice Bowl: \$30.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

**To be good stewards we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, "leaving the sheep to be snatched and scattered by the wolf."**

## GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:



"He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone." This is St. Peter preaching again in the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

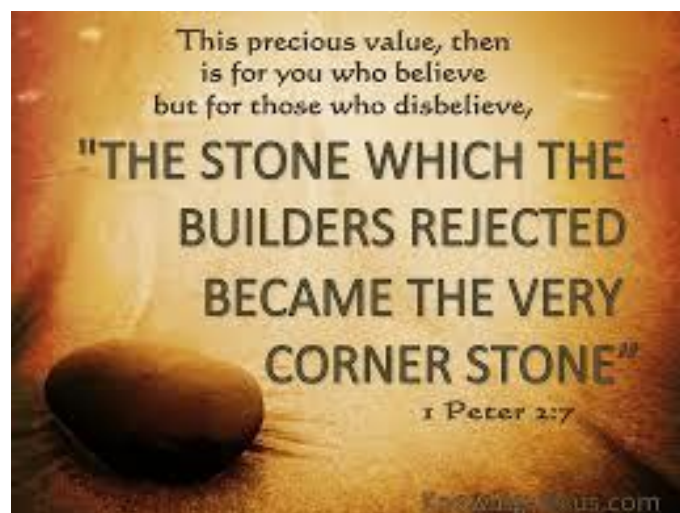
However, in this instance he is speaking at his own trial. He and St. John had been imprisoned.

What a different man Peter is compared to the man who denied Jesus in fear! Peter is no longer intimidated by the authorities; keep in mind that this is in effect the same court which condemned Christ to crucifixion. Earlier in Acts we witness Peter and the other disciples being filled with the Holy Spirit. This is not a one-time event, but something ongoing throughout their lives.

A woman named Corrie Ten Boom was a resistance leader and practitioner in the Netherlands in World War II. She and her sister provided a hiding place for Jews and others being sought by the Nazis. She later wrote a book titled *The Hiding Place* about those experiences. The Ten Booms were betrayed in 1944, arrested, and brought to trial. What she stated at that trial very much parallels what we hear from St. Peter today. She cited the power of the Holy Spirit.

She said, "Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you." Like St. Peter and Corrie Ten Boom, we are all filled with the Holy Spirit. Do we let it flow out of us?





**Spiritual Direction**-If you are interested in individual or Group Spiritual Direction call one of these numbers: Sr. Rita Musante, OLVM-260-402-5034 or Dorothy Stewart-765-348-5654.

**THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 24, Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's  
Wednesday 25, K of C 7:30pm at St. John's  
Saturday 28, Haiti at St. John's  
Sunday 29, Bible Study 9:30-10:30am at St. John's Haiti at St. John's

**Sisters to host When Psalms Meet Mandala**  
People of all faith traditions are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for the upcoming workshop "When Psalms Meet Mandala," scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday, May 12, at Providence Spirituality & Conference Center. When Psalms and Mandala meet, they will bring out thoughts of wisdom, guide you to discover inner essence and lead you to be still. Cost is \$50, which includes lunch and materials, and the registration deadline is May 7. Register online at [Events.SistersofProvidence.org](http://Events.SistersofProvidence.org) or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing [jfrost@spsmw.org](mailto:jfrost@spsmw.org).

**PRAY THE ROSARY**

Let us pray the rosary that as we have been given new life through Jesus' death and resurrection we too can offer new life to ourselves and others through mercy and forgiveness and love.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The Women's Bible Study meets each Tuesday, from 9-11am in the parish hall. All ladies are welcome and invited to join us.

**NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?**

If you or someone you know is not able to attend Mass because of a lack of transportation, perhaps the Knights of Columbus can help you. To see about a ride to Church call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a Knight. The expectation is that the rider can get around on his/her own, but simply needs a ride.



**PRAYER CHAIN**

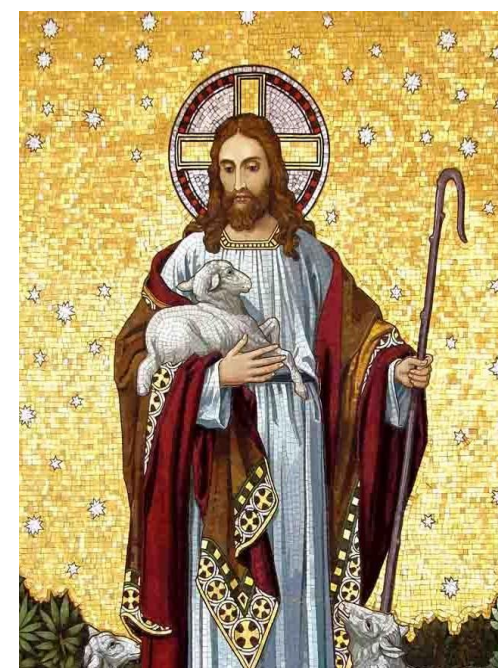
If you have someone to put on prayer chain, please contact Janice at 348-1521 and please leave a message if no answer. If you wish to be included in our prayer chain contacts, please call Janice or the office to be added. It only takes two or three minutes to offer a prayer for someone in need, but the benefits are innumerable.

**OUR SPONSOR ADVERTISING SHEETS**

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This week's sponsor is:

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:  
St. Mary, the first Thursday 6:00-6:30pm  
St. John, the first Saturday 1:00-1:30pm and third Saturday after 5:00pm Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

Generally, Fr. Dave is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

**The Clustered Parishes  
Of**

**St. Mary, Dunkirk**

**St. John the Evangelist,  
Hartford City**

**Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana**

**Pastor, Fr. David J. Newton**

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**PARISH REGISTRATION**

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

**RCIA**

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information.