

St. Mary's Catholic Church

5th Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019



Dear parishioners,

If we haven't done it already, it's time to get serious. Lent is a time to reflect on Jesus' life, passion, and death. It's a time to pray for all those preparing to become members of the Catholic Church. It's a time to prepare ourselves to more authentically live our baptismal vows. If we haven't set aside time to do that yet, it's time to get serious. If we don't, Holy Week and Easter will pass us by as just another nice holiday. We will miss the profound significance of the mysteries we celebrate.

Rosemary had chosen for her first reading at her funeral some verses from the Book of Wisdom: "God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the earth are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the nether world on earth, for justice is undying. For God formed humankind to be imperishable; the image of God's own being he made them. By the envy of the devil, death entered the world, And we who are in his possession experience it."

What is it that we need to be saved from? What was the reason for Jesus' suffering and death? That reading gives us a glimpse of what we need to be saved from. Because of the sin of Adam and Eve, death and sin entered the world. Jesus gave his life to overcome the power of sin and death. We still suffer the effects of original sin, but it is not forever. We now have Jesus' power to overcome sin (if we are open to asking for this power) and we have the promise of eternal life.

Sister Carol

Weekend Masses

Sat Apr 6	4:00 p.m.	Jim and Ruth Badertscher
Sun Apr 7	10:00 a.m.	Eleanor Hermiller Rosemary Meyer
Sat Apr 13	4:00 p.m.	Angela and Richard Knott Melissa Calvelage
Sun Apr 14	10:00 a.m.	Leonard and Sally Rieman Sue Schlumbohm & Kent Bullman

Communion Service

Fri Apr 12 8:00 a.m. St. Mary's

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$2,840.00	Loose \$774.00
Children	\$91.00	Total \$3,705.00

82 envelopes returned = 39%

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Assignments for April 13 & 14, 2019

Money Counters: Deb Buck and Deb Goldenetz

4:00 p.m.

Greeters: Jan and Diana Emmert
Cantor: Jenny Roby
Ushers: Dave and Shirley Siefker
Lector: Jason Swartzlander
E.M.: Jerry Wehri, Jeanne Parinello,
Amanda Woolley
Servers: Derek Swartzlander, Eli Jones,
Shylee Kaufman

10:00 a.m.

Greeters: Sherry and Mel Heitmeyer
Cantor: Choir
Ushers: Mike and Rhonda Maag
Lectors: Joe Herrmann and Matt Ellerbrock
E.M.: Mark Zwiebel, Tricia Herrmann,
Larry Hoffman, Crystal Ellerbrock,
Candace Meyer
Servers: Grace Yarnell, Ethan Hoffman,
Evan Grothause

Readings for April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Reading: Luke 22:14—23:56

