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*Lord make me an
instrument of peace...*



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am
Wednesday - 7:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class
required for first time parents
and inactive Catholics.
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating
marriage must contact Lilly at least
6 months prior to wedding date.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 785-625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

Sunday, April 2, 2023 ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sun. April 2 | 8:00 am | L/D Mark & Dora Leiker family |
| Wed. April 5 | 7:30 am | +Curt Pfannenstiel |
| Thu. April 6 | 5:30 pm | +Steve & Aaron Pfannenstiel |
| Sun. April 9 | 8:00 am | +Edward & Oliva Pfannenstiel |
| Wed. April 12 | 7:30 am | +John Zimmerman |

SERVERS

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|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Sunday, April 2 | Jacob Leiker & Rexton Leiker |
| Holy Thursday | Hayley Gerstner & Trenton Staley |
| Good Friday | Alec Gerstner & Makailyn Leiker |
| Sunday, April 9 | Ahnalyn Leiker & Reylyn Leiker |

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

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| Sunday, April 2 | Bea Suppes & Tina Waddell |
| Holy Thursday | Ernie Binder & Wendy Richmeier |
| Good Friday | Lauren Moeder & Ken Richmeier |
| Sunday, April 9 | Nathan L, Rhonda S, Josh W, Michelle W |

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

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| Sun. April 2 | Lauren M. & Brian P | Frank & Paulette Seib |
| Holy Thurs. | Ken Richmeier | Rich & Sherri Ruder |
| Good Friday | Ernie B. & Tina W. | |
| Sun. April 9 | Natalie Oborny | Randy & Niki Sauer |

GREETERS

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| Sunday, April 2 | Joe & Mindy Pfannenstiel |
| Holy Thurs & Good Fri | VOLUNTEERS |
| Sunday, April 9 | Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel |

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, April 2

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Gary Staab

Holy Thursday & Good Friday—VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, April 9

Blake Leiker, Greg Pfannenstiel, Glenn Stramel, Neal Younger

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

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| Sunday, April 2 | Aaron & Kolleen Dome |
| Sunday, April 9 | Randy & Michelle Werth |
| Sunday, April 16 | Darold & Evelyn Younker |
| Sunday, April 23 | Ken & Peggy Richmeier |

REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Matthew 26:14-27:66

Recently I have been listening to some CD lectures on Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. The presenter Fr. John Baldwin, a Jesuit, is professor of historical and liturgical theology at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. Fr. Baldwin says today's second reading is like a theme for the entire week of Holy Week. In this reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians, Paul quotes an ancient hymn in which Jesus emptied himself of his glory and took on our human flesh in the Incarnation. Jesus does not grasp at glory or take it by force like Adam and Eve did in the garden of Eden when they disobeyed God. Rather he surrenders himself. This self-gift of surrender reached its climax when Jesus died on the cross. Because of Jesus' total obedience to the Father, Jesus was exalted as Lord. This emptying in self-surrender was the pattern that Jesus gave us on Holy Thursday, especially on Good Friday, and was brought to completion on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. This paradigm is what we are to follow in our daily lives if Holy Week and Easter are to have any lasting impact for us. As we journey through these Holy Week celebrations, we must not see them as events that merely happened in the past. Instead, we must participate in them as if they are happening anew in our lives and take on that attitude of Christ's obedience and self-surrender to God.

Today's first reading is from the prophet Isaiah and deals with the suffering that the prophet is enduring. Prophets throughout the Old Testament were persecuted and rejected because the words they spoke made their listeners uncomfortable. The people responded out of fear and guilt and often even put the prophets to death. Today's reading is called the third "Servant Song", and in the reading the prophet proclaims that his mission is to "speak to the weary a word that will rouse them". Each morning he listens to God's voice, and God's word does not disappoint him or leave him alone. His obedience and surrender, however, brings buffets and spitting from God's people. Like Jesus' self-giving attitude in the letter to the Philippians, the prophet always takes on this same posture of surrender even in the midst of ridicule and rejection.

Our Gospel today is the Passion according to the evangelist Matthew who probably was a Greek-speaking Christian. This writer wanted to portray to his readers that Jesus was the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies and writings. Patricia Datchuck Sanchez, in her reflection on today's Passion, said that everything that happened in Jesus' life including the Passion was part of God's foreordained plan. Nothing happened by chance but was God's design. One example of Jesus being the fulfillment of the Old Testament is Jesus' agonizing cry on the cross of "My God, my God why have you forsaken me". This statement could be seen as Jesus despairing of the Father when in actuality Jesus was probably praying Psalm 22 from the Old Testament. In Psalm 22, the individual laments that God has forgotten his servant, but at the end of the psalm the person rejoices in confidence that God is faithful and always present.

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As we enter into Holy Week, our reflection should lead us to see how Jesus, even in the midst of betrayal by his friends, doubt about his mission, and excruciating pain and suffering on the cross, surrendered himself to God's plan. Jesus gives us this example of obedience and self-emptying so that in all we do in life we might follow his way of holiness. This pattern brought Jesus to great glory from the Father and can bring us great joy and happiness if we follow in fidelity and trust. Like Jesus, we know that "Good Friday" and its passion is not the end, for there always follows resurrection and the new life of Easter Sunday.

~ Deacon Steve

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EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3 p.m., Sunday, April 16**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church. **Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2 p.m.** This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.

Coffee, rolls and conversation following Mass this morning hosted by the parish.

Religious Education: Wednesday 6:30 pm

Communal Penance Service, Wednesday, 6:30 pm. Another opportunity for Confession before Easter.

Daughters of Isabella 100th Anniversary! THIS IS FOR EVERYONE. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A D OF I MEMBER. No tickets will be sold after April 14, 2023. Daughters of Isabella, Isabella Circle #254 will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary Saturday, April 22, 2023, Rose Garden Banquet Hall; 2350 E. 8th St. Social hour 5:30 pm and Meal following at 6:30 pm. Guest speaker, Tom Krause, who is a contributing author to the Chicken Soup for the Soul book series. This event is open to the public. Tickets are on sale now for \$35.00 per ticket. Please contact Peggy Feltis 785-628-1336, Janet Koerner 785-623-3407, Barbara Zimmerman 785-628-8074, Donnetta Pfeifer 785-628-1094, or Geri Zerr 785-432-1028. An Anniversary Mass will be on Sunday, April 23 at 10:00 am at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

HOLY WEEK INFORMATION



Holy Thursday Mass ~ 5:30 pm
(Exposition following.)

Good Friday Service ~ Noon

Easter Sunday Mass ~ 8:00 am
(Food will be blessed, on Mary's Altar)

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Special Collections: Holy Thursday ~ Rice Bowls
Good Friday ~ Holy Land

Pastoral Council Meeting - Tuesday, April 18th 6:30 pm.

Stewardship Renewal Forms 30% have been returned. All parishioners are asked to complete them and return as soon as possible. This information is helpful to plan ministries at Mass as well as keep our parish records up to date. ***What gifts of time, talent and treasure will you share?*** Thank



Here at St. Francis of Assisi Church, we are privileged and honored to have a relic of the 'True Cross'. This relic will be on display and used during Veneration on Good Friday. *"We venerate the relic of the True Cross because it was the instrument on which our Lord made His supreme sacrifice for our salvation."*



Matt Shorman, Rick Werth, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carol Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities. Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know. *Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. The pandemic hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

Sunday, April 2

St. Joseph - Communal Penance Service 3:00pm

Tuesday, April 4

St. Nicholas – Service & Confessions 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 5

Munjor - Communal Penance Service - 6:30pm

Thursday, April 6, Holy Thursday

Catharine - 7:00pm

Comeau Campus Center - 5:45pm

IHM - 7:00pm - Bilingual, No 5:00pm Confessions Munjor - 5:30pm

Schoenchen - 5:30pm

St. Joseph - 7:00pm

St. Nicholas - 7:30pm

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

Antonino - Service 1:00pm

Catharine - 2:30pm

Comeau Catholic Campus Center - 12:10pm

IHM - 3:00pm English Service, 6:30pm Spanish Service

Munjor - Noon

St. Joseph - Stations 12:05 p.m., Good Friday Service 3p.m.

St. Nicholas - Service 5:30pm

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday

Comeau Campus Center - 9:00pm

IHM - 8:30pm Bilingual, No 4pm Confessions and 5pm Mass

St. Joseph - 8:30pm

St. Nicholas - 8:00pm

Sunday, April 9 - Easter

Antonino - 10:30am

Catharine - 9:00pm

Comeau Catholic Campus Center - 9:00am, 11:00am, No 6:00pm Mass

IHM - 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm (Spanish). No 6pm Mass

Munjor - 8:00am

Schoenchen - 8:30am

St. Joseph - 7:30am, 10:30am

St. Nicholas - 9:30am & 11:00am

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal

(785) 625-3131

- April 3 2nd - 6th Gr. Reconciliation
- April 5 4th Gr - Field Trip Cosmosphere
- April 6-10 NO SCHOOL - *Easter Break*



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal

(785) 625-6577

- April 4 8:00 am All School Mass
- April 6-10 NO SCHOOL - *Easter Break*

Job Openings TMP-Marian

Finance Coordinator. Responsibilities include bank statement and account reconciliation, general bookkeeping, tax receipting, and providing accounting oversight for the Alumni/Advancement/Endowment Offices. Preferred qualifications for this position include a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting/Finance, finance/bookkeeping experience, experience with *QuickBooks*, and experience with database management.

Alumni Coordinator. This position is responsible for the development and on-going maintenance of alumni relationships and for the development, planning and coordination of Alumni events. Duties and Responsibilities include leading efforts to track and update Alumni information and planning for Alumni events. Preferred qualifications for this position would include being an Alumnus of TMP-M.

For more info contact Mason Ruder, Advancement Director at 785-621-5427 or at ruderm@tmpmarian.org.



Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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Mission Statement:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and to be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.

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