

CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

OPENING HEARTS, CHANGING LIVES

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April 9th, 2023

Easter Sunday



Sunday Masses

9:15am & 8:00pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30pm

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (4/11):

Tech College Bible Study 12:15-1pm

Peer Ministry Meeting 4:30-5:30pm

College Students Bible Study 5:30-6:30pm

Music Rehearsal 7pm

Wednesday (4/12):

Faith Formation 5:30-9pm

Thursday (4/13):

College Student:

Theology on Draft at House of Pizza-Sartell 6pm

Sunday (4/16):

Mass: 9:15am & 8pm



Because the deadline to get the bulletin to print is Monday of Holy week, I find it a bit of a challenge to write this article on Palm Sunday, knowing that many of you will be reading it at different times during the Easter Triduum.

Some of you may be reading this before Holy Thursday, some will read this reflection after the Easter morning celebrations, and some will read it everywhere in between.

This makes me think, we are all on different journeys and view things differently. As many parishioners as we have in our three-parish cluster, that is how many different views on life we have; but to know we are all asked by Jesus to pick up our cross and follow Him on a Paschal Mystery-this is what makes this week and the upcoming Easter season so Holy.

I want to challenge you to take time to put yourself in the shoes of one of the people in the Gospel. Maybe, in your journey, you are like Simon of Cyrene, being asked to help carry the cross. Maybe, you are the good thief, going through a lot in your life, feeling like you are on a cross and asking Jesus to forgive and help you. Maybe, you are Veronica, Salome or one of the Marys walking with Jesus and being close to Him, experiencing his crucifixion, his death, encountering an empty tomb, or perhaps experiencing his resurrected body. Or even Peter, zealous in following Jesus, overcome with fear and denying him, and then experiencing a deep forgiveness.

We are all different. We are all on different journeys, but let us all walk together in experiencing the Paschal Mystery in our own personal lives.

On behalf of all of us, I am happy to welcome Hunter Rodriguez, an SCSU college student and the Winskowski family, new members of Holy Spirit Parish, as they join us in our collective journey, especially Asher and Elijah, who just began their spiritual journey through Baptism at the Easter Vigil.

I want to thank each and everyone who made our liturgies possible: the staff, all the members of the Choirs, Lectors, Servers, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, and all the volunteers who have helped set up behind the scenes to make these liturgies beautiful. Thank you so much!

Blessed Easter to All!

Shalom in Christ,

Fr. Mark Stang

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First Eucharist Reception

Join in celebrating our First Eucharist students on Sunday, April 16th, 2023! Following the 9:15 Mass there will be a reception in the Gathering Space here at Newman. Come enjoy coffee, juice and cupcakes! Celebrate the new members joining us at the table of Jesus!



Join Us for a "Clarification of Thought" gathering (Thurs, April 20th)

The Central MN Catholic Worker community is beginning to offer a monthly "Clarification of Thought" gathering -- and Newman Center will host the first one, on Thursday, April 20th, from 7-8 pm.

These gatherings -- a tradition in the Catholic Worker movement -- are opportunities for participants to engage in dialogue about various social justice issues, drawing upon our faith tradition, Scriptures, lived experiences, and related resources.

This month's theme is "hope" -- about its meaning and its sources.

Those interested in participating can do so in person on the Terrace (a simple meal of soup-and-bread, beginning at 6:15 pm, will be available) -- or via Zoom

To learn more about this gathering, to indicate if you plan to join in-person, or to request a Zoom link, contact Kevin LaNave at ,<klanave@scsucatholic.org>, or (320) 640-7627

FREE April TEC Retreat

The April TEC is free! TEC (Together Encounter Christ) is a three-day retreat for both youth (age 16+) and adults. TEC has been described as action packed, intense, life changing, affirming, relevant, and unforgettable. It's an opportunity to discover more about yourself and to deepen your relationship with Christ. Central Minnesota TEC holds its retreats at its location just north of Little Falls For registration information for this weekend and others, check out the web site at www.cmtec.org or call (320)532-4455. Or call Becky Christie at 320.492.3018

Prayer Quilt Ministry is Back.

Stacy is our Staff Representative for this ministry. Barb Pladson and Theresa Bisek are working with Stacy and hoping for quilters of the past to reconnect, please!! Contact the office or Stacy with any questions.

If you or those you love could use the comfort and prayers of our blessed quilts, please let us know.

Parish Prayers

†Anne Fields	Schroeder	†Deborah Rodriguez
Nancy Huber	Kelly Hoppe's mother-in-law	†Valerie Meinz
Penny Zook	Helen Trisko	†Bette Bartos
Waletzko's grandson Isaac	Carol Agnes	†Rich Theisen
Kathy Williams	Brett Wise, son-in-law of Kevin & Vickie Strobel	†Mike Schmiesing, brother of Sharon
Kevin & Melissa Kruger's brother Mark	Cathy Wieme's mother, †	†Carol Reiter
Linda Urbik	Carol Skoien	†Ed Schnettler
Courtney Vorell's father	†Katie Waletzko	†Jim Pehler
Paul Snyder	†Don Prom	†Denise Keller
Grace Bellicot	†Renee Miller	†Jennifer Symalla
Doug Nieters	†Will Ellenbecker	†Elaine Quella
†Mil Voelker	†Stanley McElhone	†Bob Huber
Tom Keaveny	†Bill Schroeder	†Dawn Newton
Isla Johns	†Vern Cronin	†Robert Surma
Aaron Volker	†Donald Lardy	†Geneva Cameron
†Gene Hoelscher	†Sallie Bellicot	†William Luketich
Millie Moran, sister of Jay		†Michael Garrity

Donations for Easter Flowers

We are accepting donations to go toward purchasing Easter flowers. If you would like them in memory of a loved one please write that persons name and give it to the office.

A Reflection on the Meaning and Power of Resurrection

As we enter the Easter season, I'm reminded of the following quote from Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu (who fought against apartheid in South Africa, and led the subsequent Truth and Reconciliation Commission), which invites us to consider what it means to believe in resurrection.

"All over this magnificent world God calls us to extend [God's] kingdom of shalom—peace and wholeness—of justice, of goodness, of compassion, of caring, of sharing, of laughter, of joy, and of reconciliation. God is transfiguring the world right this very moment through us because God believes in us and because God loves us. What can separate us from the love of God? Nothing. Absolutely nothing. And as we share God's love with our brothers and sisters . . . there is no tyrant who can resist us, no oppression that cannot be ended, no hunger that cannot be fed, no wound that cannot be healed, no hatred that cannot be turned to love, no dream that cannot be fulfilled." <https://cac.org/daily-meditations/the-invincibility-of-gods-love-2022-04-19/>

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are found at
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