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April 27, 2025

**2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday**

Sunday Masses
10am & 8:00pm

Confessions
Sunday, 7:30pm

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*In case of immediate need, call your parish office to reach a priest directly.

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (4/29)

ACC Staff Retreat (Office Closed)
9:30am Bread Baking
5:30pm Bible Studies (Wil's Place)

Wednesday (4/30)

5:45pm SEND/Root (Last One)

Thursday (5/1)

6:00pm Student Bonfire Bash

Friday (5/2)

7:00pm St. John's Boys Choir

Sunday (5/4)

Student Gift Bags & Blessings
Children's Liturgy of the Word
Coffee and Donuts

Dear brothers and sisters,

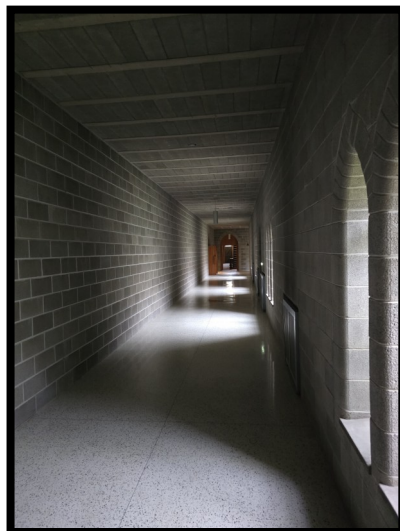
We are all mourning the passing of beloved Pope Francis, who died on Easter Monday of this last week. He truly died as he lived, giving of himself until the very end. I've since watched his short, but sweet, Easter address to the pilgrims gathered at St. Peter's Square. Then, he took a ride in the popemobile and greeted the thousands of people that were there. Little did the world know that this would be his last public appearance. How fitting, though, that he died within the Octave of Easter. Pope Benedict XVI died during the Octave of Christmas and Pope John Paul II died the night before Divine Mercy Sunday, also within the Octave of Easter. This is clearly the Holy Spirit's work! I am so grateful for Pope Francis and his heart for the Church.

There will be a special Mass in honor of Pope Francis **Tuesday, April 29th, 8am at Holy Spirit**. Please join in praying for his soul and for each other. Also, keep in prayer the conclave that will take place in the next weeks. May the Holy Spirit lead the Cardinals to choose wisely who will next lead the Catholic Church.

As I write this, I am on retreat at New Mellary Abbey in Poesta, Iowa. While I was in seminary in Winona, my spiritual director was a Trappist monk from this abbey. He has since passed away and I was blessed to be able to visit his grave. He helped me tremendously in those first years of discernment of what God was speaking to me in my heart and helped me see that priesthood was indeed in that plan!

Here are some pictures of the Trappist Abbey I am visiting.

Peace,
Fr. Derek



In Loving Memory, Easter 2025

Thank you to all who offered memorials and donations for Easter flowers. Your generosity has helped decorate our church for this Easter Season.

Mary Kaye Bruning

Katie Waletzko

Louis Schellinger

Sam & Sarah Hendrickson

John W. Licht

Janet Hendrickson

Ofelia Licht

Joe & Laura Kodesh

Conrad Urbik

Mike Kodesh

Jeff Schreder

Andy Anderson

Richard Lord

Nominations for Parish Council

The Parish Council is collecting nominations for 3 permanent member positions. You may nominate someone you would like to see on the Parish Council, or you may nominate yourself if you are interested. Nomination forms are on the ends of the pews and available in both entrances. They may be placed in the collection baskets or dropped off at the office. Nominations will be collected until May 18th and then nominees will be contacted. Three names will be picked out of a basket on May 25th, to begin their tenure on the Parish Council in August 2025. For those of you who may be new to Newman, the Parish Council, with the pastor as presider, is responsible for the pastoral care of the parish. This group discerns what needs to be changed or developed in the parish to make it more faithful to what God is calling it to be. Members serve a three-year term.

Gift Bag Donations needed!

The end of the school year is sneaking up on us! Our end of the year tradition is to give students a small gift bag of goodies and a blessing to send them on to their summer adventures. Donations are needed to make about 60 bags for our students. We are looking for fun snacks for grade school through college students including: candy, chips, juice pouches, gum, or whatever you think would be a sweet idea! Please label GIFT BAGS and drop off your donations on the bench by the front desk no later than April 30th, Thank you for your donation.

CONGRATULATIONS



Thomas Czek

Philip Caputo

Andres Butkowski

On receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation

Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit!

Youth Group Calendar for April / May:

April 27th: Activity Night (Line Dancing)

May 4th: Adoration (Senior Night)

May 11th: No Youth Group (Mother's Day)

Parish Prayers

†Bob Trisko
†Mary Morton
† Millie Moran Sister of Jay Schroeder
† Sam Skoien Father of Cathy Wieme
† Mark Haberman
† Betty Strobel
Family of Blake Sundby

Rise!

Evenings of Faith, Hope, and Healing!

May 5 - May 12 - May 19 6:30pm-8:30pm

Saint Mary's Cathedral St. Cloud, MN Upper Church

All are invited to join our community as we prepare to encounter the Lord through a three-night mission of spiritual, emotional and physical healing. Whether Catholic or not, active in the faith, or not, Rise and encounter the Holy Spirit in a new and personal way.

PRAISE & WORSHIP - PRAYER - TESTIMONIALS - SPEAKERS - ADORATION

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