

APRIL 6, 2008: EASTER SUNDAY 3

THE CALENDAR:

Sunday, April 6: Easter Sunday 3

8:00 a.m. First Communions (D)
9:30 a.m. First Communions (HF)
Blood Pressure screening after all the Masses
8:30-12:30 Lions Club Breakfast (D)

Monday, April 7: St. John the Baptist de la Salle

Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Ruth Ann Simon
3:15-4:15 CCD (D) grades 1-6
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (D) Church basement

Tuesday, April 8: Easter Weekday

Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Janice and Robert Schellhase (25th Wed.)

Wednesday, April 9: Easter Weekday

Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Doug and Craig Meier
5:00-6:30 Community Supper (Lutheran Church)
7:00-8:00 CCD (D) grades 7-12; (HF) 1-19
8:05 p.m. Worship Commission Meeting (D)

Thursday, April 10: Easter Weekday

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Noah Simons

Friday, April 11: Easter Weekday

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59
6:30 a.m. No Communion Liturgy (D)
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Bernard Shappie

Saturday, April 12: Easter Weekday

Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69
3:45-4:45 Sacrament of Penance (D)
5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Owen Kissinger (First Communion)

Sunday, April 13: Easter Sunday 4

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners (First Communions)
12:00 Noon Prayer Hour (HF)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

To what extent have you suffered injustice? In what sense do your sufferings have the same power as Jesus' to save? The readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10.

BAPTISM

The next pre-baptismal programs for new or expectant parents will take place on April 20 at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. Please call the office to register. The following were recently welcomed into the church through baptism: Kaden Benjamin Starkey, Zachary Aloysius Rahm, Brayden Michael Wagner and Carson Paul Arden.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Marriage Encounter, (March 28-30 at Dayton, Oh) can enhance your marriage. Please call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00. **Retrouaille** (French for Rediscovery) can help you save your marriage. Please call 1-800-470-2230 for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Adam Dirksen and Jana Buschur who were married yesterday at St Louis Church, North Star. Danielle Keiser and Jason Schutz plan to marry at St. Denis on Saturday, April 26. Robert and Janice Schellhase will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Tuesday, April 8. Robert Grilliot of 732 Main St. will celebrate his ninetieth birthday on April 13.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS April 13, 2008

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday: April 12

Ushers: Group 1 *Lector:* Zita Henry
Eucharist: Diane Elsas, Jerry Elsas, Phyllis Guillozet (P); Cheryl Huelskamp, Dave Huelskamp, Jeff Keiser, Karen Keiser, Sharon Kramer, Stephanie Kramer, Katie Mestemaker, Diane Martino

Servers: Andrew Kramer, Zachary Grilliot, Eric Huelskamp

Gifts: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Sunday, April 13

Ushers: Group 8 *Lector:* John Harman
Eucharist: Orville Borchers, Ryan Borchers, Brittany Reed (P); Mary Ann Gump, Lauren Subler, Krista Harman, Nicholas Harman, Betty Jutte, George Kuether, Michael McClurg, Lester Monnin

Servers: Emily Harman, Casey Rismiller, Joshua Borchers

Gifts: Paul and Mary Jean Meyer

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Deacon Jack

Ushers: William Baltes and John Grilliot
Lector: Judy Barga *Eucharist:* Kelly Buckingham (P), Alan Stammen and Deacon Jack (C);

Servers: Justin Bruns, Brittany Bruns and Justin May

Gifts: Brad and Penny Henry Family

Cleaning: Alma May, Sharon Stammen, Marilyn Bergman

11:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 12 & 16 *Lector:* Brittany Drees
Eucharist: Bob Goubeaux, Curt Goubeaux, Ken Moorman (P); Betsy Moorman, Matt Hileman, Caitlin Liette, Kristi Luthman, Marvin Luthman, Brittany McMaken, Shirley McMaken, Dale Meier

Servers: Jacquie Moorman, Danielle Condon, Samuel Prakel

Gifts: Doug and Lori Davidson Family

VOCATIONS

Recognize Jesus in the breaking of bread. Your heart is burning within you. Think about the possibility of walking the path with Jesus as a brother, sister, priest, or deacon. (Luke 24:13-35)

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Avoid caffeine, heavy foods, and exercise for two hours before bed. **Mind:** Be a critical thinker, question things you do not understand. **Spirit:** Forgive someone you have a grudge against.

CAST YOUR NETS

The vocations office and youth office will hold a vocations awareness event called Cast Your Nets, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in McCartyville, on Sunday, April 13 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Mass included). All high school age youth are strongly encouraged to attend. This will provide an opportunity for youth to get in touch with their vocations on a spiritual level. There is no charge for this experience. Contact the office for more information.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

We take up the annual Catholic Relief Services collection today. The whole collection will support worldwide catholic organizations that help relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters. Please visit www.usccb.org/crscollection for more information about how you can help *Jesus in disguise*. Envelopes are in your boxes or pew.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Call 937-492-4449 for more information. Call 513-588-0080 or email pfeirstine@cinci.rr.com for more information.

FATHER DAVE

The Holy Spirit has come upon our ninth graders. I want to thank all who helped them receive the Holy Spirit, especially their parents and families. Without strong Catholic families, we would have a very weak church. After their parents, I want to thank their catechists and others who have helped form them in the faith.

I also want to emphasize that these have not made their confirmation, as if they did something themselves. Rather they have received the sacrament of confirmation. In the sacrament of confirmation, as in all sacraments, Christ came to them to give his grace. They had only to receive what God offered them. Now they have more power to live the Christian life fully according to their age and position in the church. The sacrament has not conferred adulthood on them, but has made them fully initiated into Christ, capable of holiness according to their age and station in life.

LITURGY -- RCIA

Over the years at times, people have made much to-do about speaking in tongues. We have just celebrated the sacrament of confirmation, both at the Easter Vigil and this past Thursday. While some people may speak in tongues under the influence of the Holy Spirit, most of the time, the Holy Spirit enables us to do the job God has sent us to do. You have received the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins (last Sunday's gospel). God sends his Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ. The Holy Spirit makes marriage fruitful and consecrates in Holy Orders. The Holy Spirit impels us into the vocation God has for us. St Paul could speak in tongues, but he much preferred to speak a word of understanding for others (1 Corinthians 14:18). The greatest gift of the Spirit enables each of us to confess that "Jesus is Lord" (1 Corinthians 12:3). Those sealed with the Holy Spirit have the power to live solidly Christian lives.

COMMUNITY SUPPER – ALL WELCOME
Every Wednesday. 5:00-6:30
At Trinity Lutheran Church
We cook April 16; see bulletin board for details.

NOTICES:

"The Impact of Adoption on Siblings" Seminar: Catholic Social Service will give this workshop on Thursday April 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the CSS Center for Families at 1046 Brown Street, Dayton. It will address the impact of adoption on siblings. Call 1-800-300-2937 xt. 2122 or register by e-mail at ikirtt@cssmv.org.

D of I Meeting: The D of I will meet on April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION

We have four openings on the pastoral council beginning in June, two for Holy Family and two for St. Denis. The council meets the first Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m. Please call the parish office with your name or the name of someone you recommend. We will vote in May.

SOLDIERS AND SPOUSES

The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein has invited Father Phil Salois, a veteran of the Vietnam War, to help with a day of sharing and support for soldiers and their spouses on Saturday, April 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Register by April 11 (419-925-7625).

WELCOME

We welcome all here, whether longtime residents or newly-arrived, whether Catholic or not, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have a comment or would like to register or give a change of address, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____
 ZIP: _____ Phone: _____



When he broke the bread, their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

COLLECTION
March 30, 2008

Holy Family	
Envelopes (44)	\$ 731.00
Loose (28)	\$ 190.00
Total	\$ 921.00
CMA Appeal	\$ 460.00
St Denis	
Envelopes (213)	\$3069.00
Loose (173)	\$ 758.25
Total	\$3827.25
CMA Appeal	\$2043.00

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MANY THANKS

??? **YOUTH MINISTRY** ???

Senior Citizen's Prom: The Senior Citizen's Prom will be Friday, May 2, from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m. in the St. Denis Church Basement. All senior citizens are welcome. RSVP by calling the church office at 526-4945.

World Youth Day Cross: We have twelve people going to World Youth Day in Australia this summer. The World Youth Day cross is here this weekend, and next weekend. On April 12-13, we shall ask you to contribute to help defray the expenses for either the whole group or an individual going. Use the envelope we shall have available and drop it in the collection basket.

World Youth Day Sidney, Ohio: Unable to make it to Australia for World Youth Day? Come to Sidney, OH, for the next best thing! This overnight event is July 19-20. We expect thousands of young people from Ohio and Michigan. It will have live video feeds, fantastic music, speakers, Mass and reconciliation. This is for youth grades 8-12 and young adults 18-30's. It costs \$90.00 per person. Pick up forms at the church exits.

Stuebenville Final Payments: You must have all payment and forms in April 25. Pick up forms on Wednesday.

Junior High Spiritual Survivor: All our junior high CCD grades will attend Spiritual Survivor at Maria Stein, April 16 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Students should turn in forms and money at CCD by Wednesday, April 9.

Apologetics Course: Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

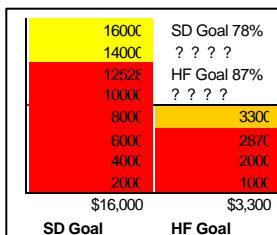
Happy Easter

FIRST COMMUNION

Today we welcome to communion for the first time Alec Ahrens, Andrew Ahrens, Justin Ahrens, Aliya Barga, David Barlage, Andrew Heckman, Julie Kramer, Cierra Longenecker, Kari Mangen, Mark Mayo, Selena Todd and Paola de la Torre.

We shall welcome Amber Barga, Pete Barga, Elliot Bruns, Samuel Eiting, Timothy Foreman, Adam Gehret, Noah Grisez, Mitchell Huelskamp, Kyle Jones, Aaron Knapke Sarah Kremer, Cori Lawrence, Steven Mangen, Kamie McEldowney, Nathaniel Nelson, Danielle Nerderman, Cole Niekamp, Cassie Parsons, Jorja Pothast, Noah Richard, Dana Rose, Kayley Ruschau, Joshua Steinbrunner, Joel Turpen and Jarrod Wagner next weekend. We shall welcome Payton Berger, Elizabeth Didier, Mallory Marshal, Marcus Marshal, Cassandra Peters, Preston Platfoot, Jeffrey Ware, Noah Waymire and Faith Wilker on April 27. Our parishes should rejoice that finally these young Catholic will join us at the table of communion.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



The Catholic Ministries Appeal has replaced the Archdiocesan Fund Drive. It only addresses six areas of ministry or service to people. It does not fund any of the other areas of the former drives. We can keep 10% of what we collect over our goal. I have sent letters last week to those whom we do not know have given.