



Opening Song

Entrance:

COME WORSHIP THE LORD (TALBOT)
Come, and worship the Lord, for we are His people,
the flock that He shepherds. Alleluia!

1. Come, let us sing to the Lord,
and shout with joy to the rock who saves us.
Let us come with thanksgiving,
and sing joyful songs to the Lord!
2. Come, let us bow down and worship, bending
the knee before the Lord our Maker.
For we are His people,
we are the flock that he shepherds...

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer,
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading

Acts 4:8-12

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said: "Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, name-

ly, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is *the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.*

There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

The Word of the Lord.....Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

R. (22) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.
It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD;

we bless you from the house of the LORD.
I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Second Reading

1 Jn 3:1-2

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

The Word of the Lord.....Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Jn 10:15

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 10:11-18

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord....Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from

true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory Song

LAY IT DOWN (MATT MAHER)

Ev'rything I am, Ev'rything I long to be

I lay it down at Your feet

Ev'rything I am, Ev'rything I long to be

I lay it down, at Your feet

CHORUS

I lay it down I lay it down

I lay it down at Your feet

I lay it down I lay it down

I lay it down at Your feet.....

BRIDGE (2x):

Oh pearl of greatest price, No act of sacrifice
Can match the gift of life, I find within Your gaze
Oh what a sweet exchange, I die to rise again
Lifted up from the grave, Into Your hands of grace

Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of
God you take away the sins of the world, grant us
peace.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un-
der my roof, but only say the word and my soul
shall be healed.

Communion Songs

GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT (Omer Westendorf)
CHORUS

You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat
Come give to us, O Saving Lord
The bread of life to eat

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep
They know and heed his voice
So when You call Your family, Lord
We follow and rejoice!
2. With joyful lips we sing to You
Our praise and gratitude
That You should count us worthy, Lord
To share this heav'nly food
3. Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf declare

Our oneness in the Lord

4. The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord
No mortal tongue can tell
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell

5. You give Yourself to us, O Lord
Then selfless let us be
To serve each other in Your name
In truth and charity

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD (TOMLIN)

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in Light, and darkness tries to
hide

And trembles at His voice Trembles at His voice

CHORUS

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

2. Age to age He stands And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end Beginning and the end
The Godhead Three in One Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb The Lion and the Lamb
(to chorus)

3. Then sings my soul my Savior God to thee, how
great Thou art, how great Thou art.
Then sings my soul my Savior God to thee, how
great Thou art, how great Thou art (to chorus)

Recessional Song

JOYFUL JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE (Hymn
to Joy)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround Thee
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays
Stars and Angels sing around Thee
Center of unbroken praise

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Field and forest, vale and mountain
Flowery meadow, flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee

Thou art giving and forgiving
Ever blessing, ever blest
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest
Thou art Father, Christ our brother
All who live in love are t'Thine
Teach us how to love each other
Lift us to the joy divine!

Mortals join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began
Love divine in reigning o'er us
Binding all within its span
Ever singing march we onward
Victors in the midst of strife
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life!

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PREVENT AND PROTECT STL

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a Safe Environment Program called Prevent and Protect STL and IHM is required to be in compliance with this program. All volunteers of any kind and employees who minister or work with or near minors and/or vulnerable adults are required and asked to register in the new system. **If you have not yet registered, please do so ASAP.**

- 1) It is mandatory**
- 2) It is free to you**
- 3) IHM will pay for your background check**

To register, please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org. Enter passcode **stlprotect** when prompted and complete all of the modules to be approved. Step by step instructions are located at the end of the bulletin.

Thank you so much for your cooperation. Please contact Karen Hall (safe.environment@ihm-stl.org) at the rectory for assistance.



Please consider contributing to the Annual Catholic Appeal. The Annual Catholic Appeal lets us as Catholics spread the gospel by good works right here in our own city. Here are some ways the Annual Catholic Appeal has helped out people in our parish!

- Our parishioner Deacon Jack Ruzicka received fantastic formation through Kenrick-Glennon Seminary as he prepared for priestly ordination this spring!
- One of our parish leaders received coaching and support from the Office of Evangelization and Discipleship.
- Young engaged parishioners attended weekends for prayers, learning, and sharing in the Archdiocese's "God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage" program, preparing them for holier and happier marriages.
- Grieving parishioners received support through the grief ministry programs sponsored by the Catholic Renewal Office.

The ACA also helped teens at Catholic High schools, children at the South City Deanery Parish School of Religion, college students at our Catholic Newman Centers, and families helped through Catholic Charities. Our ACA chair, Barb Vineyard, would be happy to give you more information about the ACA and the good it does. For your convenience, Barb Vineyard will make ACA pledge cards available the weekend of May 1 and May 2 in the Father Keaney Center after each of our Masses.

I thought you should know – April 21, 2021

Happy Easter! I am excited to be able to give you an update on our search for someone to take our new Worship Leader position. We have six candidates, including Greg Hulub who's been graciously helping us during the pandemic. I am working on recruiting a team to help me with the hiring process. I hope to start interviewing candidates in mid-May. Please keep praying for our discernment of who to hire!

I'd to explain a little more my thinking as I prepare to hire for our new Worship Leader position. I'm grateful that you took your time to share your thoughts with me. One reason I decided to create this position was that I felt a sense of urgency. In the years 2015-2019, the average Sunday congregation at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish declined 16%, from 534 to 370. My fear is that if the same pattern continues for another decade, the Archdiocese will judge that our parish lacks vitality, jeopardizing our future. And even more importantly, each year that Immaculate Heart of Mary's congregation shrinks is another year in which we will have missed the opportunity to bring the Gospel to people in our neighborhood who desperately need the wisdom and grace given by our Catholic faith. A decade may seem like a long time. Yet years go by swiftly, and learning how to go from being a shrinking congregation to a growing one will not be easy. I did not think we would be serving people in our parish well if I let a year go by before increasing our parish's investment in music for our Sunday Masses and Saturday Vigil Masses.

I believe that growth really is possible at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish. We have a core of wonderful parishioners. We also live in a great neighborhood. Did you know that the largest age demographic in our neighborhood is people who are 25 to 34 years old? We can do so much good for those young people, for the world, and for our faith if we can learn how to help more people become disciples and if we can learn how to help people grow as disciples. Moreover, I believe that weekend worship at Mass is our parish's biggest opportunity to make disciples and grow disciples. I also believe that excellent music is incredibly important—together with relevant preaching and a warm welcome—in helping people worship, pray and grow at Mass, especially for people who are just getting started in their faith.

Accordingly, after much discussion and prayer, I decided that our parish should significantly increase our investment in the worship music for our weekend Masses, in part by creating a new Worship Leader position with expanded duties. Since the person who leads our music is one of the most important positions affecting the success of our parish, I decided we should use a hiring process to find the best possible candidate rather than just offering the process to someone by default. I'm hopeful that the Lord Jesus and His Blessed Mother will lead us to a candidate who will make a huge difference in our worship and our evangelization in the years ahead. Since music is so important, I'm always glad to hear your ideas, concerns, and suggestions on how we can improve.

Finally, I wanted to make you aware of a new resource to help you pray when you are at weekend Masses here at Immaculate Heart. As you know, we have been using our bulletin to provide everyone with the readings and song lyrics. This started because we can't use the missalettes during the pandemic, but I've really liked how the change is helping people pray, because I think it is easier for guests and people just starting in the faith to use our bulletin rather than navigate a missalette. However, I know that some people really like having a missalette so they can read the readings throughout the week and prepare for mass. International Liturgy Publications makes a wonderful hardcover book called "Word of the Lord" that can serve you as a missalette for all the Sundays of every year! We have some copies at the rectory office; so feel free to stop by and take a look; if you would like to order one, our wonderful Pastoral Associate Debbie Gartner will tell you where to find it.

God bless you! The next installment of our "Share What You Have" homily series is below.

Courage is for facing fear, so it's remarkable when someone at same time has both courage and peace. Pope John XXIII had served in years that took required courage and had the peace to get a good night's sleep. For at the end of day, when he went to the chapel to pray, he'd talk with the Lord about what he as Pope had done poorly and what he had done well; he's pray about all the sufferings and problems he had heard about, and all the decisions he would fact tomorrow, then he would say, "Lord, it's your Church. I'm going to bed." The fact of Jesus' presence, that Jesus was in control, not the Pope, gave John XXIII courage and peace.

For us, too, there is a deep source from which we can draw courage and peace. Jesus rose from the dead. If you like me are a Christian, you heard about that fact from others. This week, we're in the second week of a new homily series

called “Share what you have”. It’s a homily series but about what unites us, because the foundation for sharing with is unity with others. Whether we realize it or not, the good news is that Jesus in his resurrection gave us spiritual treasure that deeply unites us with others. So, if we dive deep into that treasure, we come up with energy to share.

Today, I’d like us to dive deep into the basic fact of Jesus’ resurrection. The basic fact of Jesus’ resurrection is one of the biggest treasures given to us by Jesus. Let’s think about the something basic, that the resurrection is a claim about facts. When a Christian says, “Jesus rose from the dead” that’s not a claim about a mystical experience accessible only to a few. Nor is it a claim about a technique that makes your life better the more you practice it. Nor is it a claim about an idea or viewpoint that changes the way you see the world the more you study it. Later on, some steps down the road the fact that “Jesus Christ rose from the dead” connects to ideas and viewpoints and techniques and mystical experiences. But first of all, a Christian who says, “Jesus Christ is risen from the dead” is making a claim about facts, about the reports of eyewitnesses, eyewitnesses who knew that Jesus had died crucified in apparent contradiction to his claims to bring the Kingdom of God, and eyewitnesses who claimed that Jesus had been with them again in his body here on earth after he rose from the dead.

That certainly is a remarkable claim. Whatever you might believe about an afterlife, the normal expectation is that dead people don’t come back to live again on this earth. Yet though the claim is a remarkable one, it’s a claim about history and about facts, a claim about what happened, and so a claim you can investigate using historical methods, to see if the evidence makes that claim more or less probable than it first appears. If that sounds interesting to you, I highly recommend this book by Michael Licona about the historical evidence around Jesus’ resurrection and the historical arguments pro and con, “The Resurrection of Jesus: A New Historiographical Approach”. I loved this book, though it’s thick, because it is readable and I found the author to be even-handed, careful, and insightful. He’s not interested in persuasion by emotion; he’s interested in history and facts.

Our Scripture readings today show that also the first Christians were interested in facts. Luke reports that the resurrected Jesus let his startled and terrified friends touch him and talk with him and feed him food. Why did Jesus do this? Why did the first Christians pass on these memories? Why did Luke write those details down? It was because they knew about visions and dreams and parables and about crazy people. It mattered to the first Christians that the details of their experiences did not fit with the explanation of a vision or dream or parable or hallucination, but fit with the explanation that they had met in person on earth in his body their friend Jesus after he rose from the dead.

That’s why Jesus says to them, “you are witnesses of all these things” and Peter fifty days after Easter tells the crowd that apostles are witnesses. In court, if you are a witness and a lawyers asks you to give an opinion, the lawyer on the other side, the opposing counsel will say, “Objection! Calls for a conclusion”. If the lawyer questioning you asks you to make a guess, the lawyer on the other side will say, “Objection! Calls for speculation”. The job of a witness is not to guess or explain, but to tell what they personally know and how they learned it. Jesus called his disciples witnesses because the foundation stone of faith and the core of the Christian religion is a claim about facts, the claim that God had raised Jesus Christ from the dead.

That unites us to others, even to people who don’t believe. For a claim about facts is something that reasonable people can discuss, not a claim about a mystical experience that only people who have it can describe, or a claim about a technique that only its practitioners can discuss. What is more, the fact that the core of faith is about facts means that wherever you are at in your faith life, whether you are super advanced or just getting started, or somewhere in between, you can share your faith with others. You can report a fact to others even before you can explain it, before you understand it. That means, you can help someone who needs courage, you can give someone peace, even before you have faith all figured out. You can say to someone who is grateful and happy, “God is so good”. You can say to someone who to someone who is discouraged, “I have hope for you”. You can say to someone wondering if it makes sense to trust God or strive for what’s right, “Jesus rose from the dead” If it is true for anyone, it is true for everyone, so you can simply report the fact, and then be patient and friendly and listen while the other person thinks about what you said and whether they want to try to build on that foundation.

So this week, I invite you to share what you have. Share your faith. For we all need a foundation that makes courage and peace make sense. And in Jesus’ resurrection, we all have it.

—Fr. Aaron Nord

Communion of Saints

In last week's column, I mentioned the importance of sharing our experience of God in our lives. As disciples, we can never under estimate the power of our faith and God working in our lives. Over the past twenty plus years, I have heard one sentence continuously; "I do not know what I would do without my faith."

Isn't that the truth?! Through the happy times, frightening and worrisome times, having faith and people of faith to rely on, offers hope, peace and carries us through. As Christian, we are united by our faith. As disciples we are called to share our faith, especially with those who are struggling or who do not know Jesus. Sharing your knowledge or love of Scripture can begin to stir the Spirit.

Sharing your personal experiences, that which speaks of your own personal relationship with Jesus and belief in the resurrection can open their minds and offer curiosity and hope.

Years ago, I shared a God moment that provided me with peace, awe and increased belief in the resurrection as well as the Communion of Saints.

Many years ago, on a Monday my test results came back that I had HIV and Hepatitis C. The doctor said she would run additional tests. I was devastated, I didn't know what I was going to do. I had myself dead and buried. All I could think was that I was going to die. My youngest daughter Alison was going to make her First Communion that weekend. I didn't think I would be here for her graduation; I wouldn't be here for my family...your mind can race out of control.

Wednesday, at 3:00 in the morning. I woke up and I couldn't sleep. I watched my husband sleep, I went in my daughter's room and watched her sleep. I thought of my family and overwhelming grief brought me to tears. I sat on the sofa rocking and crying, calling out to God. I asked, please may I be spared. I began calling out the names of anyone and everyone I knew who had died; family, friends, parishioners, the Blessed Mother. I asked for them to intercede for me. In a split second my living room was filled with arches of light. The arches left almost as quickly as they arrived. I knew the arches of light were my loved ones, the people who I had just prayed to. There were no faces, no body shapes, just the light and the knowing I was surrounded by love.

That Sunday at Alison's First Communion Mass, for the first time, I had a new understanding and increased belief in the Communion of Saints! Our loved ones have seen the face of God, they are in heaven and with us. Jesus's promise of the resurrection is alive and real.

I share this story that we may all find hope and comfort in knowing God is real! Heaven is real! Our rising on the last day is real! Our loved ones are with us! May we all be united and find strength in our faith.

Through sharing our faith and experiences, may we all continue the work of the first disciples and those who followed them. May we the parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary continue to grow as disciples and grow God's Kingdom, by growing new disciples! Amen!

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Saint of the Week



Saint Pedro de San José Betancur

Saint of the Day for April 26

Saint Pedro de San José Betancur's Story

Central America claimed its first saint with the canonization of Pedro de San José Betancur. Known as the "Saint Francis of the Americas," Pedro de Betancur is the first saint to have worked and died in Guatemala.

Pedro very much wanted to become a priest, but God had other plans for the young man born into a poor family on Tenerife in the Canary Islands. Pedro was a shepherd until age 24, when he began to make his way to Guatemala, hoping to connect with a relative engaged in government service there. By the time he reached

Thavana, he was out of money. After working there to earn more, he got to Guatemala City the following year. When he arrived, he was so destitute that he joined the breadline that the Franciscans had established.

Soon, Pedro enrolled in the local Jesuit college in hopes of studying for the priesthood. No matter how hard he tried, however, he could not master the material; he withdrew from school. In 1655, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order. Three years later, he opened a hospital for the convalescent poor; a shelter for the homeless, and a school for the poor soon followed. Not wanting to neglect the rich of Guatemala City, Pedro began walking through their part of town ringing a bell and inviting them to repent.

Other men came to share in Pedro's work. Out of this group came the Bethlehemite Congregation, which won papal approval after Pedro's death. A Bethlehemite sisters' community, similarly founded after Pedro's death, was inspired by his life of prayer and compassion.

He is sometimes credited with originating the Christmas Eve *posadas* procession in which people representing Mary and Joseph seek a night's lodging from their neighbors. The custom soon spread to Mexico and other Central American countries.

Pedro died in 1667, and was canonized by Pope John Paul II in Guatemala City on July 30, 2002.

Calling the new saint an "outstanding example" of Christian mercy, the Holy Father noted that Saint Pedro practiced mercy "heroically with the lowliest and the most deprived." Speaking to the estimated 500,000 Guatemalans in attendance, the Holy Father spoke of the social ills that plague the country today and of the need for change.

"Let us think of the children and young people who are homeless or deprived of an education; of abandoned women with their many needs; of the hordes of social outcasts who live in the cities; of the victims of organized crime, of prostitution or of drugs; of the sick who are neglected and the elderly who live in loneliness," he said in his homily during the three-hour liturgy.

The liturgical feast of Saint Pedro de San José Betancur is celebrated on April 25.

Reflection

As humans, we often pride ourselves on our ability to reason. But as Pedro's life shows, other skills may be an even more crucial element of our humanity than a clever mind: compassion, imagination, love. Unable to master studies for the priesthood despite his efforts, Pedro responded to the needs of homeless and sick people; he provided education to the poor and salvation to the rich. He became holy—as fully human as any of us can ever be.

Military Plaque

We have a plaque in the vestibule of church honoring military personnel from IHM.

In honor and appreciation for their service, we are updating the plaque and adding people who are serving or have served in the military.

If you would like to have someone included, please let us know their name and branch served. Please submit by Monday, May 10th.

Thank you to Greg Gutknecht for assisting with this important project.

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Celebration of the Holy Mass

Saturday	4:30 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday	7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Weekdays	Monday-Friday 8am Mass (Church)
1st Saturday of the Month	8:00 a.m. (Church)
Holydays	As announced inside bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration

1st Saturday of the month following 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 11:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Sacraments

Please call the Rectory to inquire about receiving the Sacraments.

Care for those who are homebound, hospitalized, or in nursing home. Please call the Rectory to arrange for Communion to be brought to any parishioner who is unable to come to Mass. Please inform the Rectory as soon as any parishioner is admitted to any hospital or nursing home.

New Parishioners

Please call the rectory to register as soon as possible.

PARISH NEWS

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
LIVE STREAM

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY LIVE STREAMING
YOU SPOKE, WE LISTENED!**

We are now Live Streaming our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass.

Special Holy Days & Other Events

Please consult bulletin and website for specific schedule

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON	Apr 26	7:00 pm	Sodality Board	FKC
TUES	Apr 27	8:30 am	Exercise Class	FKC
FRI	Apr 30	8:30 am	Exercise Class	FKC

IMPORTANT!

Meetings in the FKC are limited to 50 people and meetings in the RMR are limited to 15.

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED.

**REST IN PEACE**

In your charity please pray for

Robert Wolfslau
(husband of Betsy and father of Jim)

**May he join his loved ones
in joyful reunion with Jesus.**

Fourth Sunday of Easter
**Mass for the
 Intentions Week**

Mon.	4/26	8:00 a.m.	Walter Pierzynski
Tues.	4/27	8:00 a.m.	Mary Matzig
Wed.	4/28	8:00 a.m.	William Forthmann
Thurs.	4/29	8:00 a.m.	Chris Pfaender
Fri.	4/30	8:00 a.m.	Melvin Light
Sat.	5/1	8:00 a.m.	Ryan Knapp
		4:30 p.m.	Melba Landmann
Sun.	5/2	7:30 a.m.	John Pfau
		10:00 a.m.	Our Parish Family



LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

Pray for those who are sick and their caregivers. Pray for Marilyn Harris (sister of Judy Bruegger), Jan Cattaneo, Beth Bujnak, Beverly Engler (aunt of Kelly Cato), Norbert Groppe, LaRita Heet (daughter of Judy Bruegger), Jerry Yudt, Ted Shear (husband of Therese), Angelo Bartola (husband of Katherine), Gayle Mohr, Andrew Freeman (Grandson of Jim and Roxanne Wolfslau), Jerry Brendel (husband of JoAnn, father of Jason), Sandy Ceriotti, Steve Baum (nephew of Jean Provaznik), Bob Simmons, Frank Sandrowski, Dorothy Seper, Rosemary Young, Kathleen Moody (daughter of Charlie & Julie), Deacon Jack Burke (brother of Joan Mowery), Stephanie Hagan (wife of Barry), Anna Corson, Nick Corson and those who are home-bound, those no longer living in their homes, and all in our Prayer Book. May our Lord Jesus bring them comfort and healing.

If someone has been left off the prayer list or if you would like to add someone, please contact the rectory office.



ROSES FOR EXPECTANT MOMS!!!

If you are expecting a child, we as a Parish would like to pray for you throughout your pregnancy. There are red roses on the table in front of the Blessed Mother's statue in the back of Church. Please write the parents-to-be names and due date on the card attached to one of the roses asking for prayers until the delivery. After baby (ies) arrive, please call Kathy at 314-832-6553. We will then share your blessing in our bulletin.

Keep the following couples in your prayers:

Kim & Scott June
 Michael & Kat July

God Bless, Immaculate Heart of Mary Pro-Life

April 25, 2021

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

LECTORS

April 24/25th

4:30 p.m. Art Benjamin
 7:30 a.m. Mike Kuhlman
 10:00 a.m. Kevin O'Sullivan

May 1/2nd

4:30 p.m. Darlene Kustra
 7:30 a.m. Barb Vineyard
 10:00 a.m. Becky Will

May 8/9th

4:30 p.m. Art Benjamin
 7:30 a.m. Mike Kuhlman
 10:00 a.m. Judy Hudson

Reverend Jonathan "Jack" Ruzicka

Will be celebrating his
 First Mass of Thanksgiving
 on

**Sunday, May 30th
 2:00 pm**

Reception following in the
 Father Keany Center

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NOVEMBER 2019

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You may use the links in your approval checklist to access these requirements. These steps may be completed all at once or may be completed separately at your convenience. You will receive an automated email weekly to remind you which requirements are outstanding. When all compliance requirements have been completed, your account will be approved and you will be clear to work with minors and vulnerable adults.

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- ☐ Complete "[Protecting God's Children](#)" training
- ☐ Complete "[Mandated Reporter](#)" training
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