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Phone: 618-234-2068 April 11, 2021 Sunday of Divine Mercy

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:

Friday, April 16th, 9:00 a.m. - No Communion Service Sunday, April 18th, 7:30 a.m. – For The Parish

Saturday, April 17th, 5:00 p.m. – Patricia Lemon Sunday, April 18th, 9:00 a.m. - Frank Spaniel

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 20 minutes before Mass

STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:

Envelopes \$1,350.25; Loose \$351.21; Candles \$77; Cemetery \$15; Rice Bowls \$140; Easter \$2,793; Holy Land \$604; CHM \$20; Maintenance \$50 - Thank you

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY & NEXT WEEKEND:

Saturday, April 17th, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 18th, 7:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 18th, 9:00 a.m.

Sande Gerdes

Lector Carol Reiter Pat Vogel

Sunday of Divine Mercy

The Sunday of Divine Mercy is a day established by Pope John Paul II as "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face with confidence in divine benevolence the difficulties and trials that humankind will experience in the years to come". 1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 - This summary of the early community of believers at Jerusalem depicts an ideal community, one we can strive to emulate. Would that we, like they, see our unity in the one heart and mind of Jesus Christ and hold everything in common, for everything ultimately belongs to the Lord! The community took care of everyone's needs as it centered its work on witnessing to the Resurrection and living out the message of new life in the Risen Christ. 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1- $\mathbf{6}$ – Throughout the Sundays of Easter Time, the 2^{nd} Readings come from the 1st Letter of John. Today, we hear words from the final chapter of this letter. These words instruct us that love of God's children is intimately connected to love of God and obeying God's commandments. Faith conquers all that is evil in the world. God's children have confidence in this truth for we believe Jesus Christ conquered death. And, when our memory lapses in regard to this truth, we only need listen to the testimony of the Spirit. Gospel: John 20:19-31 - Peace is Jesus' gift to the disciples when he appears to them in locked room. "Receive the Holy Spirit," he says. You have the power to forgive sins. Even on the basis of the disciples' testimony, Thomas did not believe they had seen the Lord. Would we have is the question this Gospel passage leads us to ponder today. Perhaps owing Thomas's doubt, Jesus appears again a week later offering the same gift of peace, and not judging Thomas at all, invites him to see for himself that Jesus is indeed his Lord and God.

So Many Catch Phrases Today

"The doors were locked." "Peace be with you." "There was no needy person among them." "His mercy endures forever." "His commandments are not burdensome." Locked doors cannot keep Jesus away. He speaks peace to us, even in these Covid-19 days. Because he is peace among us - no one has need. Because he is full and overflowing with mercy - nothing is a burden.

- How will I manifest peace, be peace this Easter week?
- How will I show mercy, be mercy this week?
- Whose burden will I ease?

QUILT OF THE MONTH RAFFLE

Our winner of the January quilt was parishioner Barbara Olack, the winner of the February quilt was parishioner Frank Norkus and March winner was Diana Bievenue. You still have 9 more chances to win!

2021 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL

A most heartfelt thanks to all those who have already responded with a gift to The 2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not done so yet, there's still plenty of time. One-time donations or pledges – in any amount – are needed and can be made through your parish or at www.diobelle.org (click on "Giving to the Diocese"). Your generosity supports 16 agencies and programs that daily serve thousands of people. Please consider making your gift today or at any time you are able in the coming months. We also ask for your prayers for the success of this year's appeal and all those we serve. Thank you and may God bless you always.

COVID VACCINE

If anyone 16 years or older wants to receive the COVID Vaccine and needs assistance getting an appointment please call Barb Jany at 618-920-5384 and she will be happy to assist you.

St. Michael's Prayer Chain - To request that someone be added to the Prayer Chain contact Karen Mueller at 473-3401. The person will be on the "prayer chain" for one (1) month, unless the person that requested the prayers asks for longer.

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE

Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Belleville Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul NEEDS YOUR HELP in providing essentials to the poor they serve. SVDP's Night-Time Drop-In Center needs lunch items (individually packaged) cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta in a cup, bottled water; luncheon meat/cheese for sandwiches also appreciated.

GIBAULT NEWS

FFA Plant Sale begins April 6 and runs until all items are sold. Sale hours are Weekdays 3-5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am until noon. Annuals, perennials, hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, succulents, and much more!

Mark your calendar for our Women's Club Poker Run on April 18. All types of vehicles welcome! Registration begins at 11:30 am at Triple Lakes Tavern, with the ride beginning at noon. Silent Auction will be held at the last stop. Free soft drinks and a special drawing for designated drivers! For full details, find Gibault Catholic High School Women's Club on Facebook.

Gibault Summer Golf Classic in being held on Friday, June 11, at Annbriar Golf Course.

CRS Rice Bowls

Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the offering basket or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

The Shrine is offering a program: Not All Factual – But All True: The Story of the Old Testament on Tuesdays beginning April 13th thru May 4th from 10 a.m. - 12 Noon. Cost is \$40 for the series or \$10 per session. Registration Required – Snows.org

LECTORS & GREETERS NEEDED

Anyone wishing to volunteer for the ministry of Lector and/or Greeter would be greatly welcomed. We are looking for Lectors for Saturday, 5:00 pm and Sunday, 9:00 am. and Greeters for all three Masses. If interested please call the Parish Office at 473-2798 or see Fr. Jim or Sue Walsh. Thank you!

ONLINE GIVING

Just a reminder that you can give to the parish online. You can go to our website: stmichaelspaderborn.org and click on the online giving tab. You can give a one-time donation or have a recurring donation. If you have any questions please call Sue Walsh at the office and she will be happy to help you navigate the process.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM: St. Michael's April collection; Laundry soap, bleach, fabric softener, stain removers - Thank you!