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April 28TH, 2019 ☆☆ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

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May God Continue to Bless our First Communion Students Leana Biesek Gabrielle Giebel Quinn Gruszka Genevieve Guderski Averey King Maggie Koziczkowski Eleanor Landwehr Maegan Smykal Alexandrea Woyak Emily Zuniga

St. Joseph Parish Mass Schedule & Intentions			
Saturday, April 27			
4:00 P.M. Intentions of Fr. David by Theresa Benz			
Sunday, April 28			
8:00 A.M. ⁺ Ed Lippert by The McCardell Family 9:30 A.M. ⁺ Agnes Bielmeier			
by Family			
12:00 P.M. For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish			
Monday, April 29			
8:00 A.M. † Joyann Benz by Beth Burdick			
Tuesday, April 30			
8:00 A.M. † Marion Cox by Butch & Helen Cox			
Wednesday, May 1			
8:00 A.M. †			
9:00 A.M.			
Thursday, May 2			
8:00 A.M. †			
Friday, May 3			
8:00 A.M. † Elizabeth Koenings			
by Tom & Patsy Koenings			
Saturday, May 4			
9:00 A.M. First Saturday Mass			
4:00 P.M. Deceased Members of the			
Hofmaier and Erdman Families			
Sunday, May 5			
8:00 A.M. † Living & Deceased Members of the CCW			
9:30 A.M. † Deborah Arndt by Phyllis Dollar			
12:00 P.M.For the Living and Deceased(Spanish)Members of St. Joseph Parish			

SCRIP cards are available after all weekend Masses. Any questions or to place an order, call Jan

Klicka at 920-622-3891.



The profit since July 1, 2018 is now at \$3,572.50. Thank you!

Financial Report

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	Wee	k Ending	Ye	ar-to-Date
Income (Actual)	4/	27/2019	7/1	1/18-6/30/19
Envelopes	\$ 3	5,068.00	\$	186,521.19
Basket		998.46		32,399.91
Other		546.11		84,746.20
Scrip		0.00		1,000.00
Raffle		0.00		2,000.00
Festival		900.00		11,697.19
Total Income	\$	7,512.57	\$	318,364.49
<u>Use of other funds</u>		0.00		15,000.00
EXPENSES (Actua	1)			
Parish Festival		00.00		8,592.50
Total Operating	-	8,931.92	\$	318,905.01
Over (Under) Cash	\$	(1,401.35)	\$	5,866.98
BUILDING & GROUNDS				
Income	\$	0.00	\$	5 20,054.85
Expense		<u>553.26</u>		37,837.60
B&G (Under) Cash	\$	(553.26)	9	5 (3,782.75)
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Congratulations to our April 23rd Raffle Calendar Winners!

\$60 - Steve Hassmann, Katy, TX
\$25 - Hannah Courter, Chippewa Falls
\$25 - Tammie McCardell, Wild Rose
\$25 - Rick Ratzlaff, Coloma
\$25 - Ken Feye, Muskego
\$25 - Richard France, Wautoma
\$25 - Barbara & Dennis Reid, Darian, IL



THE FATIMA STATUE

The Fatima Statue will be at the home of Luz O'Matta during the week of April 28th Please join her in your home praying for peace, at the request of Our Lady of Fatima.

Liturgical Ministers May 4 & 5

Servers

4:00 P.M.	Youth
8:00 A.M.	Patrick & Eddie McCardell
9:30 A.M.	Youth
12:00 P.M.	Valeria & Lupita Barcenas

Lectors

4:00 P.M. Helen Cox & Larry Kane 8:00 A.M. Helen Fisher 9:30 A.M. Colleen Kasubaski

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 P.M. (H-T) Carol Rondou Diane Ruhland Julie Vargas Karen Wenninger

8:00 A.M. (H-T) Dan Nowak Therese Kasuboski Diane Mrkvicka Dan Mrkvicka Jeanine Nowak Jeff Kasuboski



- 9:30 A.M. (T) Dawn Tompkins Deanna Grimm
- 12:00 P.M. Cindy Loa Miguel Gonzalez

Hospitality Ministers

4:00 P.M.	Butch Cox
	Gwen Scholler & Barb Przybylski
8:00 A.M.	Harry Handel
	Bill & Mary Adams
9:30 A.M.	Keith Kasubaski
	Gary & Letty Curler
12:00 P.M.	Lupe Cervantes
	Sergio Sierra

We ARE in Christ Food Challenge

Thank you to those who contributed to the We ARE in Christ 4000 Lenten Food Challenge.



Food items donated Easter Sunday totaled 225 and \$622 money donation which equals 898.

Added to the March donations of 412 food items and \$992 money the total St. Joseph Parish contributed to the challenge is 2251. Amazing!!!

The Week Ahead at St. Joseph Parish

Monday, April 29 8:45 A.M. Mission Society 6:00 P.M. High Tea - Hall Tuesday, April 30 6:00 P.M. Pastoral Council Meeting Wednesday, May 1 9:30 A.M. Parish Mission Planning Friday, May 3 8:45 A.M. First Friday Adoration 12:00 P.M. Benediction Saturday, May 4 9:00 A.M. First Saturday Mass 4:00 P.M. Mass Sunday, May 5 8:00 A.M. Mass 9:30 A.M. Mass 12:00 A.M. Spanish Mass

Readings for the Week

Monday * Acts 4:23-31 / Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday * Acts 4:32-37 / Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday * Acts 5:17-26 / Jn 3:16-21 Thursday * Acts 5:27-33 / Jn 3:31-36 Friday * 1 Cor 15:1-8 / Jn 14:6-14 Saturday * Acts 6:1-7 / Jn 6:16-21



Sunday, May 5 Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19 *or* 21:1-14

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following people: Jeffrey Lewallen, Kevin Kelm, Patti Mudd, Maureen Fahrenholz, Linda Cohan, Vicki Dollar, Keri Ihlenfelt, Tom Koenings, Dawn Tyler, Nancy Lauters, Brian Reilly, Jim Wolter, Jeff DeLaura, Sue Strey, Denise Przekurat, Gail Trapp, Jane Heding, Jean Unger, Ron Bollig, Paul Duquette, Nicki Koenings, Andrew Schmitz, Dick Yeska, Joel Matek, Nathan Mohling, Marianne Rubiano, Chuck Mrkvicka, Kate Surprise, Holly Kallestad.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Today we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Gospel reading is a witness to Jesus' radical mercy to those who need help in believing. In His mercy, Jesus meets us where we are so that we might have faith. Please keep the following student in your prayers as they receive their First Holy Communion at the 9:30

Mass. Leana Biesek, Gabrielle Giebel, Quinn Gruszka, Genevieve Guderski, Averey King, Maggie Koziczkowski, Eleanor Landwehr, Maegan Smykal, Alexandrea Woyak, and Emily Zuniga.

> <u>Upcoming Important Events</u> Sunday, April 28th 9:30 First Holy Communion

> > Family Mass with Youth Ministry



Sunday, May 12th 3:00 Confirmation at St. Mary Magdalene, Waupaca

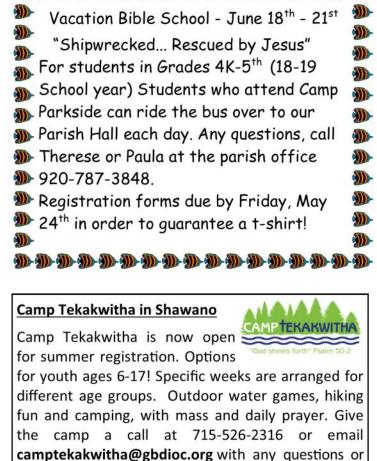
Wednesday was our last Religious Education Class for the year. We would like to thank everyone who has been instrumental in shaping our youth's faith. There are many people who share their time and talents without being noticed. We are blessed, and grateful, to have so many volunteers in our program.

Thank you, Father David, for all your support throughout the year with our students and families. And thank you to our wonderful office staff who are truly a huge part of the Religious Education Program, always there to help in any way!

Blessings to you!

Therese Kasuboski Coordinator of Religious Education, 1-5

Paula Caswell Coordinator of Religious Education, 6-11



more information on the Camp.

Thank you to Ken and Martin for helping Troy with the tree clean up and chipping the branches. The extra hands were greatly appreciated.

Earth Day should be celebrated more than one day a year. Here is another idea to help our Mother Earth.

Plant a tree, or two, or three! Get your hands dirty and plant some native flowers or trees to help restore local habitats and keep our planet beautiful.



Just a friendly reminder... the High Tea will be Monday, April 29th at 6:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall. Bring your appetite to sample the variety of tea time food and

beverages.

(White gloves and hat are optional)

Bishop's Appeal 2019 Update

As of 24 April, 122 people have contributed \$25,328.00, which is \$2,475.00 **OVER** our goal of \$22,583.00. Thank you so much! Even though we have again exceeded our goal, you can still make a donation to the Bishop's Appeal. To make a gift please check out the materials on the table in the church or use the pledge card you received at home. Our parish will receive back 50% of any money over our goal. Thank you for your gift to the Bishop's Appeal and for your support of St. Joseph Parish which is helped in many ways by it!

Thoughts on First Holy Communion

This Sunday we will celebrate the First Holy Communion for ten young members of our parish. Congratulations and God's blessings to them and their families! Below is an article entitled **"Why a Child's** *First Holy Communion is a Big Deal"* by Whitney Hetzel, a wife, mother of nine children and a catechist. Her article, dated 22 April 2017, is on the *Catholic Company* website

"As Catholics, we know that the Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith: it is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Pope Francis has called it the "Sacrament of Love": "The Eucharist is at the heart of 'Christian initiation', together with Baptism and Confirmation, and it constitutes the source of the Church's life itself. From this Sacrament of love, in fact, flows every authentic journey of faith, of communion, and of witness."

For children who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion, this is a big deal. And for all of us, no matter how many times we have received Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, **it should always be a big deal**. What makes it so special the first time is the same thing that makes it special every time! Jesus comes to us in a unique way in the Eucharist. When He comes, we receive Him into our body and our soul. This is very beautiful, personal, and intimate. We should not take it for granted!

This is why the first time a family member makes their Holy Communion, it is an exciting event for the whole family. The boy or girl preparing for this sacrament is going to be profoundly united with Jesus in a way that they never have before! It is such a holy, joyful occasion. Our souls become the bride of Christ. That is why girls wear white dresses and boys wear suits. Relatives are invited. Parents take pictures. We celebrate. **And the very act of celebrating reveals our belief in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist**.

Unfortunately, for many of us Catholics, First Holy Communion has become simply a rite of passage. The essence of the celebration is lost among the parties and gifts. "Parties and gifts are fine," says one priest, " as long as the focus never strays from what the celebration is truly about." First Holy Communion is, without question, a time of great joy. The saints in heaven, who are delighted to intercede for us, are celebrating along with your family.

"You come to me," says St. Maximillian Kolbe to Jesus, speaking for all of us, "and unite Yourself intimately to me under the form of nourishment...What miracles! Who would have ever imagined such!" St. Mother Teresa also has words for you and your family: "Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. **If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist...**" Yes, the celebration of a child's First Holy Communion IS a big deal. Don't let anyone tell you otherwise."

Divine Mercy Service

We will have a Divine Mercy Service on <u>Sunday, 28 April, at 1:30 P.M.</u> It will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet and concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is welcome.

Members of the Knights of Columbus: this year's Tootsie Roll Drive will be the weekend of May 3rd & 4th. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dan Mrkvicka at 920-622-3639. Thank you!

Colecta Anual 2019 Actualización

<u>A partir del 24 de abril, 122 personas han contribuido \$25,328.00, que es \$2,475.00</u> **SOBRE** nuestro objetivo <u>de \$22,583.00.</u> ¡Muchísimas gracias! A pesar de que hemos superado de nuevo nuestra meta, todavía puedes hacer una donación a la Colecta Anual. Para hacer un regalo por favor revisa los materiales en las mesa de la iglesia, o usa la tarjeta de compromiso que recibiste en casa. Nuestra parroquia recibirá de nuevo el 50% de cualquier dinero sobre nuestra meta. ¡Gracias por su regalo a la Colecta Anual y por su apoyo a la parroquia de San José, la cual es ayudada de muchas maneras por ella!

Pensamientos en la Primera Comunión

Este domingo celebraremos la primera Santa Comunión para diez jóvenes miembros de nuestra parroquia. ¡Felicitaciones y bendiciones de Dios a ellos y a sus familias! A continuación se muestra un artículo titulado "**Por Qué la Primera Comunión de un Niño es un Gran Asunto**" por Whitney Hetzel, una esposa, madre de nueve hijos y un catequista. Su artículo, de fecha 22 de abril de 2017, está en el sitio web de la *Compañía Católica*.

"Como católicos, sabemos que la Santa Eucaristía es la fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe: es el Cuerpo, la Sangre, el Alma y la Divinidad de Nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo. El Papa Francisco lo ha llamado el "Sacramento del amor": "La Eucaristía está en el corazón de la 'iniciación cristiana ', junto con el bautismo y la confirmación, y constituye la fuente de la vida misma de la iglesia. De este Sacramento de amor, de hecho, fluye cada auténtico viaje de fe, de comunión, y de testimonio."

Para los niños que se están preparando para recibir su Primera Comunión, esto es un gran asunto. Y para todos nosotros, no importa cuántas veces hayamos recibido a Nuestro Señor en la Santa Eucaristía, siempre debe ser un gran asunto. Lo que lo hace tan especial la primera vez es lo mismo que lo hace especial cada vez Jesús viene a nosotros de una manera única en la Eucaristía. Cuando él venga, lo recibiremos en nuestro cuerpo y en nuestra alma. Esto es muy hermoso, personal, e íntimo. ¡No debemos dar por sentado!

Es por eso que la primera vez que un miembro de la familia hace su Santa Comunión, es un evento emocionante para toda la familia. ¡El niño o niña que se prepara para este Sacramento va a estar profundamente unido con Jesús de una manera que nunca antes habían tenido! Es una ocasión tan santa y gozosa. Nuestras almas se convierten en la novia de Cristo. Es por eso que las niñas usan vestidos blancos y los niños usan trajes. Los parientes están invitados. Los padres toman fotos. Celebramos. **Y el acto mismo de celebrar revela nuestra creencia en la verdadera presencia de Jesús en la Eucaristía.**

Desafortunadamente, para muchos de nosotros los católicos, la Primera Comunión se ha convertido simplemente en un rito de paso. La esencia de la celebración se pierde entre las fiestas y los regalos. "Las fiestas y los regalos están bien", dice un sacerdote, "siempre y cuando el enfoque nunca se aleje de lo que realmente es la celebración". La primera comunión es, sin duda, un tiempo de gran gozo. Los santos en el cielo, que están encantados de interceder por nosotros, están celebrando junto con su familia.

"Venid a mí", dice San Maximillian Kolbe a Jesús, hablando por todos nosotros, "y uníos íntimamente a mí bajo la forma de alimento... ; Qué milagros! ¿Quién hubiera imaginado alguna vez tal!" Santa Madre Teresa también tiene palabras para usted y su familia: "Jesús ha hecho el pan de vida para darnos vida. Día y noche, él está allí. Si realmente quieres crecer en el amor, vuelve a la Eucaristía..." Sí, la celebración de la Primera Comunión de un niño ES un gran asunto. No dejes que nadie te diga lo contrario.

Servicio de Divina Misericordia

Tendremos un Servicio de Divina Misericordia el domingo, <u>28 de abril, a la 1:30 P.M</u>. Consistirá en la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento, orando la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia y concluyendo con la Bendición del Santísimo Sacramento. Todo el mundo es bienvenido.



