# March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

#### Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, Apr. 1 <u>Intention</u>

8:00 am Birthday blessings for

Bernadine Metzger

Wednesday, Apr. 3

8:00 am Emma Grace Harcharik

Birthday blessings

Thursday, Apr. 4

8:00 am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, Apr. 5

8:00 am Steven Young

Sunday, Apr. 7

10:00 am Declan Nashland

## St. Isidore Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Apr. 2 <u>Intention</u>

8:00 am Celebrant's Intention

Sunday, Apr. 7 All Parishioners

8:00 am

## Our Gifts to God and Our Parish

Thank you for your blessings to our parishes Our Lady of the Holy Spirit

St. Isidore

\*Our Blessings report will return next week

<u>The Decatur Area Youth Group</u> that meets at Holy Family dates are: April 7th, and the retreat is April 20th & 21<sup>st</sup>. Questions? Deena 217-855-9845.

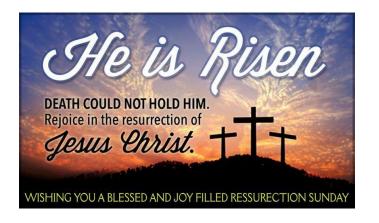
**Don't Forget** Catholic Radio.



Check out the Pilgrimage Retreat Flyer in the bulletin this week and sign up by Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>!

Check out the Rummage Sale Flyer in the bulletin this week and support the CCW in April.

Next Sunday is Hospitality Sunday after 10 am Mass, please join us!





Join us as we welcome Keynote Speaker Monsignor Jason A. Gray Executive Director of the Archbishop Fulton Sheen Foundation Hear about the Canonization Process regarding Ven. Archbishop Fulton Sheen and much more! WDCR Decatur Catholic Radio 13<sup>th</sup>Annual Dinner Thursday, April 25th Mt Zion Convention Center Doors open 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. Reservations \$50pp or \$400 Table of 8 To Purchase your Reservations Please call 217-464-1099 or for a reservation flyer go to wdcrradio.com You may also purchase reservations after



### Why is Easter Important?

A blessed Easter to All our parishioners and friends!

As good and wonderful people you are as parishioners and friends of Our Lady of the Holy Spirit and St. Isidore Churches, I wish every one of you a blessed and happy Easter. It has been a blessed and fantastic experience being your pastor through these months and continuing. As we continue our Easter celebrations, I want us to remember what Easter is all about.

Easter is a season of peace, joy, holiness, and special gratitude to our Risen Lord and Savior, who suffered the torments, mockery, hatred, ignorance, and wickedness of the people he loves. As we embrace the fruits of this season and enjoy the blessings of Christ's sacrifices, let us remember HIS ultimate mandate, which is: I have done all these to leave you an example to follow if you must be my disciple (1 Peter 2:18-25).

In this season, as members of the Church Militant, we must keep these realities in mind and reflect on them as often as possible.

The resurrection of Christ as the centrality of our Christian life has an indispensable place in our divine worship and daily lives. It must influence and inform all we do as members of the Body of Christ – the Church.

**Paschal Mystery and the Triduum:** The Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil) is the "matrix" of the Christian life, as it reintroduces the significant events of salvation performed by Christ, projecting the faithful into the horizon of their future and reinforcing their commitment to witness in history.

May we, as followers of Christ, as a community of people who love Jesus, and as a parish family, continue to strive after a life that points to Jesus and the paths he traced for us. The paths of love, sacrifice, generosity, and personal discipline ultimately lead to a life of holiness, happiness, and healthiness. Amen.

Happy and Blessed Easter to You All.

Fr Peter

#### **Scholarship opportunities**

The Mt Zion Knights of Columbus is offering 2 \$1000. scholarship towards post secondary tuition. Please note: this includes college and trade schools. Qualifications include: must be a High School student graduating this year, son or daughter of a registered OLHS or St. Isidore parishioner, and submit form by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Forms are available in the office or email secretary@mtzolhs.org. Return your form to the office via mail or the brown locked box outside the parish office by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **OLHS Parish CCW is offering one**

\$1,000 educational scholarship for a qualified individual. All submissions are due by May 6th, 2024. For details on qualifications and submission process, please send email to <a href="mailto:secretary@mtzolhs.org">secretary@mtzolhs.org</a>. Copies of scholarship forms are also available in the vestibule.

Please note this scholarship is at the Parish level and the other CCW scholarship is at the Diocesan level and they are separate requirements and submissions. You can reach out to Kati Ledbetter for further details (217-767-7750).

**Mobile App: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit** 

Website: www.mtzolhs.org

Facebook: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church

and St. Isidore Catholic Church – Bethany

**Email**:

Father: <a href="mailto:pchineke@dio.org">pchineke@dio.org</a>
Carol: <a href="mailto:secretary@mtzolhs.org">secretary@mtzolhs.org</a>
PSR: <a href="mailto:faithformation@mtzolhs.org">faithformation@mtzolhs.org</a>

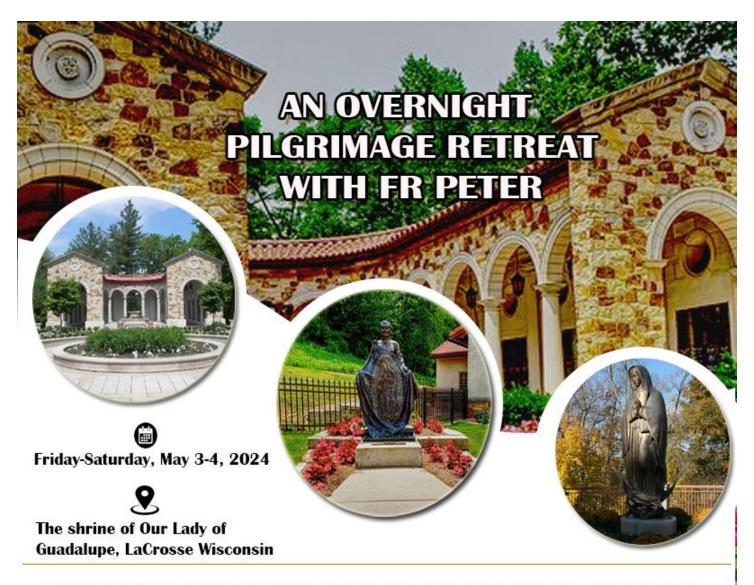
ONLINE GIVING Go to www.mtzolhs.org and click on the link under the Online Giving button.

<u>FORMED.org</u> The Catholic Faith on Demand. Sign up as a parishioner, it's free! Go to formed.org

<u>Remember your church</u> in bequests and insurance policies. <u>Adoration at St. Mary's Hospital Chapel</u>. Call Jan Mudd 217-864-5175

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<u>Traveling?</u> In need of an area Mass times and place? Go to masstimes.org to find location and times.



Amidst the noisiness and uncertainties in our world and everyday lives, Our Blessed Mother invites us to deepen our relationship with her son – Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fr Peter invites us to this overnight bus trip to one of the world's finest spirituality places.

This overnight retreat is an opportunity to go away from our daily routines and rejuvenate our spiritual lives by spending quality time with one another, our Blessed Mother, and her son Jesus Christ.

#### **Payment Details:**

- 1. \$220 for a Child sharing a room with an adult.
- 2. \$290.00 for a person in a shared room with two Queen Size Beds.
- 3. \$350.00 for a person in a private room with a King Size Bed.
- 4. \$590 for a couple in a private room with a King Size Bed.
- ☑ For payments, please contact Carol at Parish Office 217.864.3467.
- ☐ Checks should be made to Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Church

#### **Pilgrimage Details:**

We leave Our Lady of the Holy Spirit, Mt. Zion, at 7:00 am on Friday, May 3, 2024.

We arrive back at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit, Mt. Zion, at 7:00 pm on Saturday, May 4, 2024

If you can or cannot make this trip with us but want to pay for someone who wants to go but cannot afford it, please let Fr Peter or Carol at the office know. And, if you want to go but cannot afford it, please let Fr Peter or Carol at the office know.

Payment covers hotel, bus, shrine donation, and lunch on both days



# Annual Church Rummage Sale at

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit 400 N. Whitetail Circle Mt. Zion Illinois

Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am -5:00 pm
Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
(\$3.00 Bag Sale Saturday Apr. 20th 8:00 am-12:00pm)
Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> After 10:00 am Mass-2:00 pm
(\$1.00 Bag Sale Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> After 10:00 am
Mass-2:00 pm)

# Drop off your items

Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 8am to 2 pm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> After 10 am Mass (approximately 11:00 am) - to 2 pm Monday, April 15th thru Wednesday, April 17th<sup>h</sup> 8:00 am -8:00 pm in the parish hall

Please refrain from bringing large exercise equipment, older style tv's, and computers

Furniture, Household, Tools, Lawn/Garden, Toys, Collectibles, KnickKnacks, Seasonal, Clothing, etc. in selling condition welcome.

Need assistance with drop-offs?

Call Käti Ledbetter at 217-767-7550