

APRIL 7, 2024

“Peace be with you!
AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME,
I AM SENDING YOU.”

JOHN 20:21

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



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SATURDAY MASS 5:00PM
SUNDAY MASS 8:00AM & 10:00AM



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MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 7:00PM



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EACH MONTH 6:30PM

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Jesus,
I Trust in You.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

**Second Sunday of Easter - Year B
April 7, 2024**

Sensing our troubled world and disturbed hearts, today Jesus greets us with the most elusive word:

“PEACE BE WITH YOU!” It is not a run-of-the-mill greeting but it is a significant creation of Jesus’

RESURRECTION; it is a blueprint of his LOVE.

This Resurrection PEACE opens our hands to accept the responsibility of PEACEMAKING. It engages us in fostering a community where PEACEMAKERS will be of one heart and one mind. PEACEMAKING is the heart’s passion for justice and peace!

Fr. Henri Nouwen, one of the greatest spiritual leaders and theologians of our times, described in his book, *Road To Peace*, the importance of peacemaking. He said: “Peacemaking is a full-time vocation that includes each member of God’s people...”

Christians today, if they want to be Christians, have to find the courage to make the word PEACE as important as the word freedom. There should be no doubt in the minds of the people who inhabit this world that Christians are peacemakers. “A peacemaker prays. Prayer is the beginning and the end, the source and the fruit, the core and the content, the basis and the goal of all PEACEMAKING. I say this without apology, because it allows me to go straight to the heart of the matter... that PEACE IS DIVINE GIFT...”

This Easter Season, embrace that Divine Gift of PEACE, because it is a PEACE that is “not constructed by tough competition, hard thinking, and individual stardom, but rooted in simply being present to each other and working together in harmony.” Likewise, “it is often hidden from the wise and the wealthy, and revealed to those who feel empty, inarticulate and poor.”

And today, Jesus is sending you to the world to be a PEACEMAKER - a disciple who is not afraid to say to someone you love, to a friend, and even to a stranger: “PEACE BE WITH YOU!”

Jr. Vincent L. Parsons

*Blessed
ARE THE
peacemakers*
MATTHEW 5:9

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	4/8	No Daily Mass
Tuesday	4/9	No Daily Mass - Pew Exchange
Wednesday	4/10	No Daily Mass
Thursday	4/11	No Daily Mass
Friday	4/12	9:00am Service (Brookfield) † Roger Nowak By Jane Kasson
Saturday	4/13	5:00 pm Mass (SPP) † Margaret Thompson By Family
Sunday	4/14	8:00 am Mass (SPP) People of the Parishes 10:00 am Mass (SPP) † Joseph & † Victoria Radke By Shirley Hanisch & Family



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be Sunday, April 14
At 10:00am Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul Church!
We are blessed with 26 First Communicants!
You may want to plan to attend 5pm or 8am Mass if
you are not wishing to witness First Communion.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL 13TH & 14TH

May God Bless you & strengthen your faith through this ministry. Amen

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

SACRISTAN: Michael Happ / Kevin & Cindy Sestak / Julie Baquet

GREETERS: Liana Wroblewski & Family

LECTOR: Kathy Hahn

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Sharon Tibbetts / Meagan Dubas

SERVERS: Claire Dubas / Verah Paulsen

EASTER SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik

GREETERS: Al & Janet Wemhoff / Bob Dvorak

LECTOR: Alan Lewandowski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Rick Harrahill / Connie Becker

SERVERS: Kendyl Fowler / Jaxen Fowler

EASTER SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet

GREETERS: First Communion Families

LECTOR: First Communion Families

EM: First Communion Families

SERVERS: First Communion Families

TRI-PARISH YOUTH Religious Education

Preschool - 4th Grades: **Sundays 9-10am**
 5th - 11th Grades: **Wednesdays 7-8pm**
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center Classrooms
 DREs ~ Becky Knox 308-571-0430 & Judi Baker 308-750-8418
Parents & 2nd Grade Students please plan to attend
First Communion Practice -
Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00pm
Sts. Peter & Paul Church

2nd grade families... please bring your completed picture order/money envelopes to First Communion practice on April 10th!

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
Shaylene Rathman
 MARCH 30, 2024 - STS. PETER & PAUL

BAPTISM
Silvey Rathman
 APRIL 1, 2024 - ST. ANTHONY

PICTURED: RHEE, AUSTIN, SHAYLENE, & SILVEY RATHMAN



GOD Bless + THIS Child

BAPTISM ANNOUNCEMENT
 SUNDAY, APRIL 7
 Following 10am Mass
Azraeyl Nudger
 Son of Matt & Ann Rief



TOTUS TUUS
 COMING TO OUR TRI-PARISH THIS SUMMER
 JULY 28TH - AUGUST 2ND
 REGISTRATION INFORMATION COMING SOON!

Tri-Parish Pre-Baptismal Class
 for Parents wishing to get their child Baptized
Sunday, April 14, 11am-12pm Parish Life Center
 Please call Church Office to Register. (Next Class - July 14)



Bulletin Folders Needed
 Please consider helping fold bulletins on **Fridays at 11:30am** in the Quilting Room



If you have been saving Best Choice labels, please bring them to Church by April 15.

CCW All ladies of Parish over 18 are CCW members!
 Please put your **\$10 - 2024 annual dues** in the envelopes provided at back of Parish Hall & drop it in the collection.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 1918 next Meeting:
Tuesday, April 9th, 7:00 PM
at SPP Parish Center NW classroom
 OUR MISSION: Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, & in their community.

Easter Flower OFFERING

Alleluia

In loving Memory of...
Michael & Delores Valasek ~ By Teresa Valasek Martinsen
Bob & Mary Ann Peard ~ By John & Trish Valasek
Eldon Geiger ~ By Pat Geiger
Husband, Sons, Parents, & Siblings ~ By Judy Kaminski
...with prayers to God our Father

So very
THANKFUL

January 2nd to March 18th, 76 days. Time that will never be given back, yet time that passed by so quickly! That is the timeframe from the day an incredible group of parishioners assisted in the initial demo of our church, (Amazing day to say the least!) to the day another great group of people assisted in the move from the Parish Hall. In that span of time there are so many people to thank for assistance. I provide much appreciation for cooperation from the contractors and vendors, Mark Starkey Construction and crew, Brandon Gorecki (electrician), Chris Bernt Welding and crew, Wissing Drywall, Nathan from Yanda's (sound system), Tom Mudloff and crew from SE Smith, Tony Morrow (Wells Plumbing), and John Mudloff (Carpet Plus) along with Lance Parlin who did the majority of the work. It was a true pleasure. Then additional thanks to certain individual Parishioners who were always "on call" if I needed an extra hand at any time, Denny Hahn, Chris Townsend, Brady Townsend, Kieth Christensen, Deacon Neil, Marty and Tanner Mrkvicka, Trevor & Riley Jakubowski, and Lisa Jerabek. So thankful to be able to rely on the assistance! Then to Father Vince: Thank you so much for not only putting your trust in me, but for the cooperation we created while working through the various situations that we were dealt! (I believe it was Ann Rief that has a picture that tells so much) Thank You Father V!
 Sincerely, Glen Killion

Mass for the Solemnity of the Annunciation
 on Monday, April 8 at 5:30 PM at St. Leo's Church in Grand Island. All are invited, Bishop Hanefeldt will be the celebrant. The "Blessing for Child in the Womb" will be given during Mass. All expectant mothers with their families are invited to receive this special blessing. After the Mass, a reception will take place at the parish center.

Spring Assembly Grand Island Diocesan CCW
 April 15 - April 16 \$50/person at St. Joseph, Broken Bow Cobblestone Hotel or Boarders Inn use code CDM when book
 Speaker: Kate Sciba—a nine-time Catholic Press Award Winner columnist. She states that the best part of her ministry is spreading the hope and humor of Christ to fellow souls.

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience
 Are we like Thomas and doubt the power of God? Lean the tools to put God in your sacrament of Marriage. The next WW Marriage Encounters are: April 26-28, Dillon, CO; April 12-14, Elk Mountain, WY; Oct. 4-6, Grand Junction, CO; & Nov. 1-3, Dillon, CO For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 402-370-5839 Space is limited, reserve early. For more information also can visit www.wwme.org

National Eucharistic Revival... We know what happens when two or more are gathered in the Lord's name-but what happens with 80,000?! Join the Grand Island Diocese delegation to attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN, July 17-21. Details of the diocese travel package & other info. can be found at <https://gdiocese.org/national-conference>. The final travel package price has been reduced to \$750.
See Travel Package Flyer on Church Bulletin Board.

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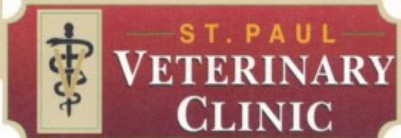
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 General Fund- \$3,862.00 | Easter- \$3,440.00
 Easter Flowers - \$130 | Home Mission - \$10
 Parish Life Center - \$25.00
 Restoring Our Father's House - \$ 360.00

St. Anthony
 General Fund - \$1,537.00

St. Joseph
 General Fund - \$205.00

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Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonian 5:17