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Reconciliation/Confession:
Thursday 5:30-6pm
Baptism: by appointment
Marriage Prep: Notify the priest six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick & Visits

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Please call the office if you know of someone in need of a pastoral visit.

Diocesan Website: www.cdlex.org

Mass times:

Sunday 10:30am 4:00pm Spanish Thursday 6pm Confession 5:30 on Thurs. 10AM on Sun.

Easter Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

April 9... James Hyska

April 13... For Turkey & Syria

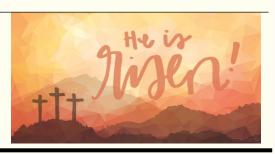
April 16... Diana Ingram

April 20... Victims of Violent

April 23... Dan Lane

April 27... Those affected by Natural Disasters

April 30... Trisha Chandler



A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, April 9, 2023

One thing I always noticed in Wisconsin when I pastored there, in my brief two month stint as a "retired" priest in Pennsylvania and in the past five months as pastor here is how extraordinary ordinary people really are. It always seems to happen when you're in a challenging, even traumatic, situation and inevitably an otherwise ordinary person comes into your life as if sent by some higher power understanding your need for a kind word, a smile, a needed- even heroic- gesture. You might say that Thomas Merton came closest to seeing it. In his heavenly vision that occurred on a street corner in Louisville, every one of those "ordinary" people he envisioned from that corner was transformed as if transfigured on Mount Tabor. It takes a mystic to see what ordinary vision misses.

Not to wander too far from my point, juxtapose Jesus as a humble servant at John's version of the Last Supper or even at his last moment on the cross and those healing words, "Forgive them Father . . ." Of course none of the above denies the existence of evil, even in the "ordinary people" I have described. But no evil has the power to destroy the innate goodness planted in the heart and soul of every human being. Who knows- it may take an eternity for that omega point in the life of humanity to be realized in all its God-given splendor. But something exists deep within me that believes it will truly happen.

Have a blessed Easter. Peace

Easter Egg Hunt!

Sunday, April 9, 2023 after the 4PM Mass

Easter Egg Hunt will be at the Laudato Si Garden, our newly acquired plot on High St. across from Faulkner, King & Wenz, PSC. All are welcome!





St. Patrick Catholic Church and Steve Lane would like to thank Jim Bonfield for his service on the Safety Committee.

We wish him well on his path to recovery.

April Birthdays

4/14-- Elizabeth Ruiz

4/17-- Erin Zappa

4/19-- Alexcis Reyna, Sara Zink

4/20-- Yesenia Moreno

4/21-- Kevin Enriquez

4/26-- Alexa Melendez

4/27-- Olivia Brown, Yuri Lopez, Jafeth Ramirez

4/29-- Aylin Guerrero

4/30-- Arian de los Santos, Rachel Zink



Reminder!

We will be collecting the Rice Bowls on **Sunday**, **April 9**, **2023**. Please bring them to the church that day. If you are unable to that day, please bring them by the office.

Hours are Tuesdays-Thursdays from 12-6:30PM.

Easter Morning Prayer

As the world sings triumphant cries to heaven over death that You conquered, help us, Lord, tomorrow as well, when the dresses are put away and the candy is all eaten and on with life we go let us not forget. The celebration of Your Resurrection over death is a celebration of life that should continue well beyond the sunrise service and the music, rehearsed for days prior; it is beyond the sign of spring beyond the lily beyond new lambs grazing in open fields.

Resurrection is a daily celebration over fear; man's greatest and most powerful enemy. Fear of tomorrow, fear of our yesterdays, fear of what shall become of our young our old our unborn.

Resurrection is replacing fear with physical action.
This alone, the most touching and profound of Your signs that fear is dead and belief in You brings, not just hope but life. What better living parable could You have brought? All fear death. All. Even in the garden, You took on our fear if for only moments, it was as real as our fears can be real and You knew then that this single enemy must be destroyed. And, You sacrificed Your life, leaving those who had been comfort, and follower; You left them behind, to conquer fear. I shall cling to this now, and the tomorrows given me.

Peace and Thanksgiving lifted unto You.

Amen.

Help Wanted!

Jim Bonfield, who has worked hard with to help maintain the grounds of St. Thomas Cemetery, is needing to find a replacement coordinator for the care of the cemetery. If you are interested in the position, please contact Jim directly or contact the office.

We are also looking for families that would like to help with keeping the grounds of the cemetery clean. If you or your family would like to volunteer, please contact Jim or contact the office.

St. Patrick would like to thank Jim for his nearly 30 years of dedication to the upkeep of St. Thomas Cemetery.

Ladies' Luncheon

Thursday, April 27, 2023 @ 1PM

La Mexicana de Acapulco

420 E. Main St. Mt. Sterling, KY 40353



Contact Teri Russell @ (740)-505-0121 if interested!

The Pope Video

Let us pray for a more widespread culture of non-violence, that will progress when countries and citizens alike resort less and less to the use of arms. Pope Francis – April 2023

"Living, speaking, and acting without violence is not surrendering, losing or giving up anything, but aspiring to everything.

As Saint John XXIII said 60 years ago in his Encyclical Pacem in Terris, war is madness. It's beyond reason.

Any war, any armed confrontation, always ends in defeat for all.

Let us develop a culture of peace.

Let us remember that, even in cases of self-defense, peace is the ultimate goal, and that a lasting peace can exist only without weapons.

Let us make non-violence a guide for our actions, both in daily life and in international relations.

And let us pray for a more widespread culture of non-violence, that will progress when countries and citizens alike resort less and less to the use of arms."

