

QUEEN of APOSTLES PASTORATE



SAINT DENNIS PARISH

A CATHOLIC CHURCH CENTERED ON CHRIST



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.” - Lk 24:46

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April 14, 2024

QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORATE SAINT DENNIS MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 14

8:30 In thanksgiving: Delores Wentland and family
10:30 Parish members of Saint Peter
and Saint Dennis

Monday, April 15

8:00 Don Winkler

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 Conal Fleming

Wednesday, April 17

8:30 Sister Alfonso Glancey (Mass with children)

Thursday, April 18

8:00 Alberta Femrite

Friday, April 19

8:00 Chuu Hoang

Saturday, April 20

4:00 Jim Hronek

Sunday, April 21

8:30 Parish members of Saint Peter
and Saint Dennis
10:30 Deceased members of the
Knights of Columbus

Rosary follows daily Mass in-person and livestream except on Wednesdays it is before Mass at 8:00 a.m. in-person only in the chapel. Reconciliation 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORATE SAINT PETER MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 14

9:00 Anne Shermel-Farley

Tuesday, April 16

5:00 Living and deceased members of the
Ladies Guild

Wednesday, April 17

9:00 Barbara Mcbudt

Thursday, April 18

9:00 Phil Schaller and James and Viola Tourdol

Friday, April 19

9:00 James Back

Saturday, April 20

4:00 Healing for Ruth Savard

Sunday, April 21

9:00 Gertrude Hogan

Reconciliation and Adoration from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
on Tuesdays.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be gathering this Tuesday, April 16. We will meet from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.



Those of you who either knit or crochet are invited to join our ministry. There is always someone who can offer advice and a good supply of yarn is available. The furthest church door on the right under the canopy will be open until it locks at 7:30 p.m. Those needing entrance from Dempsey Road, use the door on the left.

If you know of someone who would like a Prayer Shawl, just let us know. Questions? Call Mary Kay at 608-249-0566 or call Ginny at 608-244-6879.

YOU ARE INVITED

Learn more about the Knights of Columbus Saint Joseph Council 4586 serving Saint Dennis Parish and School since 1958. Guests and their families are welcome to attend our social meeting and potluck dinner on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:00 p.m. with the rosary and then meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

"We need more good men to do more good deeds." Be that man and become a Knight of Columbus. Questions? Email Rick Raulin at rickraul in@gmail.com.

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST SERIES

Starting Wednesday, April 17

The Queen of Apostles Pastorate is inviting you to participate in a seven-week program with Father Michael starting Wednesday, April 17. We will have a session at 9:45 a.m. and at 6:30 p.m. at Saint Peter Church.

Jesus and the Eucharist is a dynamic, seven-session study designed to help you connect with your fellow parishioners as you fall deeper in love with Jesus and our Eucharistic Lord. Immerse yourself in the beauty of our faith in an intimate small group setting, hear from some of the most brilliant voices in Catholicism, and explore the mystery of the Eucharist anew as a part of the National Eucharistic Revival. For more information call Saint Peter's Office at 608-249-6651.

SPRING BUNDLE SUNDAY

The Saint Dennis Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul members are handing out bags Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21 for you to take home and fill with gently used clothing, linens, small household items and personal items. On Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28, a truck will be in the back church parking lot before all the Masses. Helpers will be there to collect your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, often referred to as Last Rites, is a ritual of healing appropriate not only for those in immediate danger of death but also for those suffering from physical, mental, or spiritual sickness. When a priest confers this Sacrament, the individual receives from the Holy Spirit strength, peace, and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age. Also, the Sacrament formally unites the suffering of the individual with that of Christ's Passion and confers a Grace that contributes to the sanctification of the whole Church.

A priest will always come to anoint a loved one who is facing the end of life, but that is not always possible. Please do not wait until the last moment to call for Anointing; we want to ensure that there is adequate time for your loved one to receive the Sacrament. The Church also offers this Sacrament communally, that is, at a liturgy where many can be Anointed at once. We will offer this opportunity twice every year, in the spring at Saint Peter Church and in the fall at Saint Dennis Church. We will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, April 16 at Saint Peter Church for all who are facing physical or mental health challenges, or the frailty of old age. When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives forgiveness of sin, and the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.

RIVER FOOD PANTRY

In 2023 alone, 17,079 of our neighbors relied on The River Food Pantry for food. While they always appreciate monetary donations, there are additional ways you can support The River that will have a significant impact on our community, including:

- Volunteering on your own or with a group: riverfoodpantry.org/volunteer.
- Purchasing food and essentials off our Amazon Wish list: riverfoodpantry.org/amazon-wish-list.
- Organizing your own fundraiser: riverfoodpantry.org/third-party-fundraisers.
- Becoming a recurring donor: riverfoodpantry.org/recurring-giving.
- Host a food and/or hygiene drive with family, friends or co-workers: riverfoodpantry.org/host-a-food-drive.

Father Gary and Father Michael

MEN INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PERMANENT DEACON

**Saturday, April 27
9:00 a.m.**

**Holy Name Heights
702 South High Point Road**

The Diocese of Madison is hosting an inquiry meeting for men who are interested in learning more about the call to being a permanent deacon. You will learn about the life and ministry of a permanent deacon, along with the discernment and formation process. Please inform your pastor or parochial administrator that you are interested in the vocation and plan to attend the meeting.

Wives may attend with their husbands, and pastors and parochial administrators are invited. Reservations are requested. Contact Deacon Chris Schmelzer, director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate, by email at chris.schmelzer@madisondiocese.org by Friday, April 19. Men are asked to include their wives' names if they are attending the meeting.



"The motherhood of Mary is the most direct and easiest paths leading us to the paternal tenderness of God. Our Mother leads us to the beginning and heart of faith, which is a boundless gift that makes us beloved children, tabernacles of the Father's love."

4-10-2024



MOTHER'S DAY BRINGS JOY TO MOMS AND BLESSED BABIES

May 11 and 12

Roses are the traditional flower that means, "I love you." This Mother's Day, show your love for your dear one and at the same time, bless babies who need the basics of life. Generous donations provided \$10,000 of grants to pro-life groups in Dane County who provide safe sleep resources, health care, parenting education and more. Your donation for roses means so much to the one you love and to the ones we do not know, but who receive loving kindness through your gift.

If you can volunteer to help after any Mass, call Mary Pronshinske at 608-221-4402 or 608-444-1141.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. at Saint Dennis and on Tuesdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. at Saint Peter with Adoration. Fathers will be happy to meet by appointment. Just call the office at 608-246-5124.

SAINT DENNIS CLASS OF 1969

55-Year Class Reunion

A 55-Year Class Reunion for the Saint Dennis Class of 1969 will be August 10 at Saint Dennis Parish Center. Reunion Committee is looking to connect with members of this class **and** anyone who attended Saint Dennis with this class from first grade to eighth grade. The committee and class would like to connect with eighth grade graduates and those who did not actually graduate from eighth grade at Saint Dennis but were part of this class. If you, a family member, a friend or anyone you know was part of this class, contact Cindy Clausen (Schrader) at cinboots@gmail.com or call 920-369-6429 to be included on the invitation list.

YOUNG ADULT ADORATION

Adoration
Small Group Discussion
Prayer

Friday, April 19
7:00 pm
St. Dennis Chapel



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened “
- Luke 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Week’s Activity (April 6 and 7)

Envelopes	\$	9,840
Offertory change	\$	2,373
Total	\$	12,213
Online offertory	\$	9,302

Would you prayerfully consider treating Saint Dennis Parish as one of your children in your will/estate planning?

Give Your First Fruits Back To God

- 5% to local parish
- 1% Annual Catholic Appeal
- 4% to personal charities

CARE FOR CREATION

“The environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all.” - Pope Francis



Earth Day April-24

The global theme for Earth Day 2024 is “Planet vs. Plastics.” This theme unites people worldwide in an unwavering commitment to call for the end of plastics for the sake of human and planetary health. The goal is to achieve a 60% reduction in plastic production by 2040 and ultimately build a plastic-free future for generations to come. To accomplish this, EarthDay.ORG has outlined several key objectives:

- **Raising Public Awareness:** Promoting widespread awareness of the damage caused by plastics to human, animal, and biodiversity health. This includes demanding more research on plastic’s health implications and releasing relevant information to the public.
- **Phasing Out Single-Use Plastics:** Rapidly eliminating all single-use plastics by 2030, with a commitment outlined in the United Nations Treaty on Plastic Pollution by 2024.
- **Addressing Fast Fashion:** Demanding policies to end the vast amount of plastic produced and used in the fashion industry.
- **Investing in Innovation:** Supporting innovative technologies and materials to create a plastic-free world.

Plastics not only pose an environmental threat but also endanger human health. As plastics break down into microplastics, they release toxic chemicals into our food, water, and air. Let us take action to safeguard our planet and well-being!

The Care for Creation Team thanks our parishioners for their response to the Plastic Film Recycling Project. In the coming weeks we will tackle other plastics issues related to the Planet vs Plastics.

If you have any questions or suggestions about how we can participate in caring for creation, send them to the Care for Creation Team at careforcreation@stdennisparish.org or join us at our next meeting this Sunday, April 14 following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the school faculty room. Use the school doors in the back of Fellowship Hall.

SAINT DENNIS FELLOWSHIP

- May 11 and 12 (Saint Dennis Home and School)
- June 1 (Saint Dennis parishioners)
- June 2 (Women of Saint Dennis)

EUCCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be traveling through Wisconsin this June on its way to the National Eucharistic Congress. Make plans to join the pilgrimage as it enters into the Diocese of LaCrosse on Friday, June 7. For \$55 you can ride a deluxe motorcoach with other pilgrims from the Diocese of Madison from Holy Name Heights in Madison to downtown LaCrosse. We plan to join the procession as it travels through downtown LaCrosse to the LaCrosse Center for the Answer Eucharistic Rally. The rally will begin with Mass and feature speakers Chris Stefanick, Immaculée Ilibagiza, Josh Rosa, and Father Justin Kizewski along with music, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, and more. For info and registration www.madisondiocese.org/answer.

CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP

Coming soon: an opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you, and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life! It all starts with the Called and Gifted workshop!! Patrick Conley and Colleen O'Dowd from the Catherine of Siena Institute will offer the introductory Called and Gifted workshop on Saturday, April 27 starting at 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall. The workshop sold out last year, so register soon! To register go to madisondiocese.org/called-and-gifted or contact Amy Klarkowski at amy.klarkowski@madisondiocese.org or call 608-821-3068.

Many married couples' lives are hectic. Take a rest break today. Yes, you may have responsibilities, but if you can not find time to rest today, commit to doing it some day this week. Rest in each other's arms for a moment, or an hour.



SAINT MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA

"There are times in life when the soul finds comfort only in profound prayer. Would that souls knew how to persevere in profound prayer at such times. This is very important." (Diary, 860)

AGRACE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to assist customers, operate the cash register and sort donations at the Agrace Thrift Stores in Madison, pack donated merchandise in donors' homes, or make companionship visits to local Agrace Hospice patients in patients' homes, nursing homes or assisted living centers. Agrace will host volunteer orientation Tuesday, May 21, from 5:00 p.m. at the Agrace campus in Madison. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 608-327-7163 or visit Agrace.org/Volunteer and fill out an application.

"I WAS SICK AND YOU VISITED ME."

The westside Madison parishes and area hospitals are working together to recruit and train Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit local hospital and residential hospice patients. Since the onset of the pandemic, this important ministry has nearly collapsed. We seek dedicated parishioners to take Holy Communion from their home church to area facilities on a regular schedule.

Join us for a special training workshop by Father Pat Norris, OP on Sunday, April 28 from 11:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided! Father Pat is a longtime priest chaplain and medical ethicist for Saint Mary Hospital, and former pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish. He will offer an overview of the Diocese of Madison Norms for the Use of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and then explore the specific considerations of visiting patients in the hospital and hospice residential facilities. This training workshop is designed to equip EMHCs with the confidence and skills needed to navigate these unique settings. We will also discuss how to access the Blessed Sacrament from your home church and return any remaining hosts to the parish. Additional training will be offered by the local facilities regarding their specific requirements and procedures, such as obtaining and safeguarding patient lists, maintaining confidentiality, referrals to chaplains and priests, etc. Facilities seeking new volunteers include Saint Mary's Hospital, VA Hospital, UnityPoint Meriter Hospital, UW East and West Hospitals, Select Hospital, and Agrace Hospice.

Contact Erik Gyr, 608-833-2600 for additional information. Register by email judy@stamadison.org.

AGRACE OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are needed to assist customers and operate the cash register at the Doc Rock Café located inside the Agrace Madison campus or make companionship visits to local Agrace hospice patients in patients' homes, nursing homes or assisted living centers. Schedules are flexible, and free training is provided. Anyone interested should contact Agrace at 608-327-7163 or visit Agrace.org/Volunteer.

AGRACE ADULT DAY CENTER OFFERS DAYTIME CARE

Do you care for or know an older adult who cannot - or chooses not to - stay alone all day? The Agrace Adult Day Center in Madison gives seniors the reassurance and comfort of having others with them throughout the day. It is especially helpful for people who have dementia or trouble with their memory, and can be a welcome break for family caregivers, too. Learn more at 608-327-7303 or Agrace.org/AdultDayCenter.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- Father John Muir

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by

the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late arriver, it is something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: *Word*, followed by *Eucharist*. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so *that* we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

It is time for a refresher course on the best ways to love your spouse. Come learn what millions of couples have learned from Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Give your marriage the boost it needs by signing up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 27-28 in Mundelein, IL, May 4-5 in Muskego or August 3-4 in Wisconsin. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call 888-574-5653.

READINGS

Week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/
Lk 24:35-48
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

PARISH INFORMATION

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Saint Peter Parish Office

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Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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