



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

April 14th & 15th

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 & 10:15 a.m.

Liturgy of the Word for Children; Sundays at the 10:15 a.m. Mass

Weekdays: Mon.-Thurs. & First Friday & First Saturdays 9a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Thursday, First Fridays and First Saturdays following the 9a.m. Mass or at the Rectory with an appointment

For other Sacraments:

Please call the Parish Office

6 months in advance for Marriage

3 months in advance for Baptism

3rd Sunday of Easter April 14th & 15th

... from the Pastor's Desk:

The Rest... of the Story...

Folks of a certain age will remember the Paul Harvey radio show called "*The Rest of the Story*." Harvey always reserved until the last thing in his show a surprise ending to the story he had been reporting that week.

Well, Sunday's Gospel contains the surprise ending to a tale we all know well, the Emmaus story. As you remember, two disciples, walking in sorrow to that small town, had been joined by a stranger who began explaining to them the story of Christ as foretold in the Jewish scriptures. When the three arrived at Emmaus they ate, and the men had known in a flash who this was—at the moment he broke the bread. They had to run to Jerusalem as fast as they could, to tell the remaining apostles.

Then, this week's Gospel contains "*The Rest of the Story*." The two men were very excited, (though the account in Luke just says that they "*recounted*" what had happened). In the midst of their enthusiasm, suddenly, without warning, Jesus stood there in their midst. "They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost."

Jesus replies, ghosts do not have flesh and bones, now, do they? Touch me and know I am real. He shows them his hands and feet, with the wounds of the cross now gilded by God's love. He says he is hungry; how much more un-ghostly could you get? He helps himself to the baked fish they bring him, just as he had done so often in their life together.

He begins to explain the events that had seemed like pure disaster to them: his passion and death. He opens for them everything written about him "*in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms*." He explains why the Son of Man had needed to suffer, die, and be raised.

Surely he referenced the Book of Job to begin with: Job, who had been a loving and moral man, but had lost absolutely everything. This had led to a direct encounter with God.

Maybe this story serves as a prefiguring of Jesus' passion events.

And of course, the Book of Isaiah must have been part of it:

*It was our pain that he bore,
our sufferings he endured.*

*We thought of him as stricken,
struck down by God and afflicted,
But he was pierced for our sins,
crushed for our iniquity.*

*He bore the punishment that makes us whole,
by his wounds we were healed. ([Isaiah 53:4-5](#))*

This is the heart and soul of the Hebrew Scriptures. Our Christian and Catholic belief holds that its fulfillment came in Jesus.

Including a hint at the resurrection:

*Because of his anguish he shall see the light;
because of his knowledge he shall be content;
My servant, the just one, shall justify the many,
their iniquity he shall bear.*

*Therefore I will give him his portion among the many,
and he shall divide the spoils with the mighty.*

([Isaiah 53:11-12](#))

And so the apostles are converted by "*everything written about [Jesus] in the Law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms*." Peter will go off preaching about what God "*had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer*" ([First Reading](#)) and die and would be glorified. In other words, Peter and the others at last had learned the "*rest of the story*."

And on Easter, so have we!

John Foley, SJ





In the Book of Isaiah 11:2-3, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are described. In the passage the gifts are considered ones that the Messiah would have possessed. Through Jesus, we also receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Wisdom helps us recognize the importance of others and the importance of keeping God central in our lives.

Understanding is the ability to comprehend the meaning of God's message.

Knowledge is the ability to think about and explore God's revelation, and also to recognize there are mysteries of faith beyond us.

Counsel is the ability to see the best way to follow God's plan when we have choices that relate to him.

Fortitude is the courage to do what one knows is right.

Piety helps us pray to God in true devotion.

Fear of the Lord is the feeling of amazement before

The Mass Schedule April 14th-22nd

04/14	Sat	5:00pm	†Ed Corrigan
04/15	Sun	7:30am	Mass for the People
04/15	Sun	10:15am	†Tom Hubbard
04/16	Mon	9:00am	†Anne K. Krempely
04/17	Tues	9:00am	Int. of Megan McElroy
04/18	Wed	9:00am	†Bill McElroy
04/19	Thurs	9:00am	Covel-DeBruin Families
04/20	Fri	9:00am	Communion Service
04/21	Sat	5:00pm	†Sandy Parker
04/22	Sun	7:30am	Mass for the People
04/22	Sun	10:15am	†Leon Lenney

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND THOSE WHO NEED

OUR PRAYERS: The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, Steve Straessler, Tristan Humble, Mauro DeTrizio, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bonnie Clark, Renee Dierckx, Jackson Langdon, Nina Cantacessi, Debbie Sickma, Lisa Adams, Margaret Potchatek, Charlotte Facchini, Anne Benjamin, Erasmo Roque, Phyliss Smith, Ken Davis, Marilyn Lechuga, Chuck Fritch, George Fannuci and Ed Antonio

FOR THE SOULS OF: Jack Macy, Nathan Krempely, Charlie Rogers, Paul Davis, Jeanne Vandeberghe, Bruce Campbell, Dennis DeCota, Frank Mantellina, Ray Hill, Alice Puruggannan, Howard Furlong, Richard Marson, Al Pisenti, Margaret Winrich, Carmen Leon-Guerrero, Rose Mary Bernstein, Barbara Bobrowski and Virginia Marson

LAST WEEK'S PLATE COLLECTION: \$ 7,517

Our altar flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Anne Katarina Krempely.



April 21st & 22nd Fourth Sunday of Easter

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat, April. 21st 5 pm	#1-J. Albers #2-M. Davis	Dino Boito, Pat O'Brien, Mary Ellen Freisen, Dominica Mollahan, Elly Manfredi	As Available	As Available.
Sun., April. 22nd 7:30 am	#1-B. Antoniuc #2-P. Edson	Jane Hoffman, Arlene Storm, Kathie Dole	As Available	Elizabeth McDonnel.
Sun, April .22nd 10:15 am	#1-M. Cusack #2-K. Shanahan	Lauri Berlo, Michelle Davis, Donna Kaiser, Dennis Krempely, Jolon Wagner, Dave Adams, Kathy Stevens, Diane Hobaugh, Babette O'Shell	As Available	Jerome Salvador

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Barbara Nishimoto

Homebound Week of April 18th M. Davis, P. Breuer, T. Pimentel

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation Grades 1-6

April 14th & 15th



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples and invites them to touch him to see that he is really alive. He calls the disciples to be his witnesses. They have Good News to tell—that love is stronger than death, victory can come from suffering, and life can come from death. <http://www.pflaumweeklies.com>

All Classes are in session until the second week of May! We will begin registration for the coming year (2018-19) in the month of May! All those registered this year will have priority in the month of May! Full registration (for all) will begin the week of June 4th.



Confirmation candidates will gather this Monday (4/16) from 6:30PM -8:30PM in the Holy Family Room we will look at “Building Virtue – Your Spiritual Workout!” Don't forget to bring your book and a **snack to share with the group!** *Mark your calendars for our G.R.E.A.T. Retreat (God Really Enjoys A Teenager) April 27/28th at the CYO Camp in Occidental!*



Wednesday, April 18th 7 -8:30PM in the Holy Family Room

ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS ARE WELCOME to join us for Breaking Open the Word and an episode of Joan of Arcadia ! “God asks Joan to perform certain tasks which ultimately have moral and philosophical consequences. Join us for a great show, discussion and prayer. **BRING A FRIEND!**

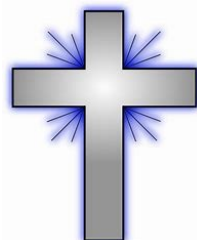
Any questions, please contact Megan O'Neill (m.oneill-hsc@outlook.com) .



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Newly initiated Catholics will gather on Thursday, April 19th at 6:30PM in the Holy Family Room for our second Mystagogy Session. This week we will be reflecting on “*Living a Resurrection Life.*”

Anyone wishing to become Catholic or wanting to receive further Sacraments, i.e., First Communion or Confirmation, may contact Megan O'Neill for more information. You are invited to a period of Inquiry!



FAITH
is like Wi-Fi,
it's invisible but
it has the power
to connect you to
what you need.