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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord—April 16, 2017

Gospel Acclamation: Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord. cf. 1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a

Traditional Latin Mass: will be offered Sunday, April 23, at 12:30 p.m. Father will be celebrating a *Missa Cantata* in the Extraordinary Form. Everyone is welcome.

Taking Home Easter Water: Be sure and take home some holy water which was blessed at the Easter Vigil. Any clean container will do for taking the water home.

Rice Bowls (donations for the poor collected during Lent): are due on Easter Sunday. 25% of the money collected will be used here locally to help the poor; 75% of it will go to CRS, Catholic Relief Services; they carry out international relief efforts including aiding those who suffer due to natural disasters, war, and to help the poor and the needy.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

Sunday, April 16

No Meeting: CCD
Sacrament of Reconciliation – 9:30 to 9:45 am
Rosary – 9:30 am
Easter Sunday Mass – 10:00 am
Easter Egg Hunt - following Mass
No Meeting: Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting

Monday, April 17

The Trudy Schroeder Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am
Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

Tuesday, April 18

Men of St. Martin - 6:30 am
Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

Wednesday, April 19

Holy Mass - 5:15 pm

Thursday, April 20

Holy Mass - 12:15 pm

Friday, April 21

Holy Mass - 6:30 am
24 Hours of Adoration - 4:30 pm - Saturday, April 22 4:30 pm

Saturday, April 22

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 4:45 to 5:15 pm
Holy Mass—5:30 pm

Sunday, April 23

CCD - 8:30 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation – 9:30 to 9:45 am
Rosary – 9:30 am
Holy Mass – 10:00 am
Missa Cantata, Traditional Latin Mass - 12:30 pm
Divine Mercy Holy Hour - 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation, Sorrell Chapel - 4:35 pm
Holy Mass, Sorrell Chapel - 5:00 pm
Jr. High & High School Teen Meeting - 6:15 pm - 7:30pm

24 Hours of Adoration April 21-22: In thanksgiving for God's blessings this year and in order to pray for our parish, we will have 24 hours of adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, beginning Friday, April 21 at 4:30 pm – Saturday, April 22 at 4:30 pm. **Please sign up for an hour on the bulletin board in the parish hall.** You can also call or email us and we will sign you up if necessary. Fr. Irwin is challenging both our parishioners and the college students to each fill up all 24 hours of slots so that we have two people per hour.

Sprinkling Rite & the Easter Season: The Easter Season is the most proper time to use the sprinkling rite. It is used in place of the Penitential Rite where we ask for the Lord's mercy at the beginning of Holy Mass. The sprinkling rite reminds us of our baptism where we first received the forgiveness of our sins, the removal of the stain of original sin, and the new life of God. In the sacrament of baptism, we die to our old self and rise to new life in Christ. This is a reality into which we all need to be constantly renewed. That is, we need to be freed of our sins and renewed in God's forgiveness. This happens when we confess them in the sacrament of reconciliation. This is how we experience the new life of God. In using the sprinkling rite during the Easter season, we rejoice in the new life the Lord has given us already and the promise of eternal life which lies ahead of us.

Divine Mercy Devotion: Pope John Paul II proclaimed the second Sunday of Easter "Divine Mercy Sunday" back in the year 2000. In doing so, he recognized the authenticity of the apparitions of Jesus to a Polish nun named Sr. Faustina (who is now a saint). Jesus revealed to this nun the depths of the infinite mercy of God and invited everyone to come and experience the healing power of God's mercy. **The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday.** Pick up a pamphlet at the back of the church so that you can participate.

***Divine Mercy Holy Hour Sunday, April 23rd 3:00 – 4:00 pm.**

Personal Hygiene for Prisoners & Canned Goods for the Troy Area: About 250 of the prisoners at Easterling Prison, where Fr. Irwin visits once a month, are indigent and cannot afford to buy their own supplies. Therefore, please **only donate** the following: **deodorants (non-aerosol), bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes** for these men (there is not a lot of need for shampoo). Please note: the prison has strict rules as to what you can bring in! These items are given only to those who cannot afford them. Please leave these items in the box in the parish hall. Our Lord said, "I was in prison and you visited me" Matt 25. **Please turn these items in by Easter Sunday.**

Yard Workers Needed: if you could help mow, edge, & trim the grass on our property, please give Vern Crowe a call (██████████). We could really use your help, and it is a great service to the parish.

Big Thanks to Jana Rogers & Kelsey Burgans: for taking care of refreshments for all four nights of our parish mission! That was a lot of work and was greatly appreciated by everyone.

Pray the Rosary Sunday at 9:30 am



Let us Pray for:

Raymond F. Klein, Mike McCorkle, Sharon Listul, Ellen Blum, Bruce Tustin, and Carol Gibbs. Please send an email to [REDACTED] to add or remove a name from the prayer list.



Spring Party, Friday, April 28th: Come on out from 7 pm until 10 pm for some good food and live music from Chris and Zack. These two perform all over Montgomery and are popular because they simply play well-known popular songs and not their own stuff! This is an outdoor and adult-only event which is open to those who are in college (or college age) and older.

The 8th Annual Empty Bowls Luncheon will be held on this Friday, April 21st, at Bush Memorial Baptist Church Family Life Center from 11:00am - 2:00pm. A \$20 donation (\$10 for Troy University students with an ID) will provide you with a hand-crafted clay bowl, choice of many delicious soups, bread, desserts, and water or tea. All proceeds go to the Pike County Salvation Army food bank. See Debi Green for more information.

Spotlight on FORMED.ORG

Talk:

- Why God Still Matters by Karlo Broussard
- My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent by Bishop Robert Barron
- Forgiven: the Transforming Power of Confession (Series)
- Use FORMED.ORG on your computer, tablet, or smartphone.
- Scripture Studies, Adult Faith Formation, Marriage Preparation and Enrichment, RCIA, Sacrament Preparation, Small Group Teen Discipleship, and much more!

The Parish Code for Access to FORMED.ORG: is [REDACTED] Please keep in mind that this code is for our parishioners and students only. I believe very strongly in honoring these sorts of rules. After all, if we want good Catholic material to learn from and share with our children, someone has to pay for it! (In case friends from other places enquire about getting access to FORMED, individuals are welcome to purchase access to the site as well as parishes). Thanks, Fr. Irwin

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK

Saturday – April 22, 2017

Greeters: Chris Gambles
Lectors: Maria Bernardo, Brittney Meyer
Ushers: Michael Meyer, John Leveque
Gift Bearers: The Gibbs Family
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Barbara Staskowski, Nick Drosyk
Altar Servers:

Sunday – April 23, 2017

Greeters: Jeffrey and Stace Blair
Lectors: Mark Christensen, Emily Reiss
Ushers: Parker Reiss, Bobby Hussey
Gift Bearers: Anna Chuplis, Jo Ann Gibson
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Chris Huner, Randy Leutzinger
Altar Servers: Isabel Robledo, Dominic Estis, Brady Huner

Calling all Adults who have not been Confirmed: please call Adriana in the office or email us if you are interested in receiving the sacrament of confirmation this coming fall when Archbishop Rodi comes to our parish to celebrate this sacrament. We are planning some meetings for adults only (separate from our teens) to prepare for the sacrament. The meetings will begin in early May.

Abstaining from Meat each Friday of the Year: Catholics are to abstain from meat each Friday of the year, not just during Lent, in commemoration of the suffering that our Lord endured for us on Good Friday. Unfortunately, this worthy and traditional practice has been lost to some of us, probably because it has not been taught and promoted properly. The only difference between our current practice and that of years gone by is that our bishops have given us the option to offer up some other sacrifice on Fridays outside of the Lenten season. Nevertheless, abstaining from meat is still the recommended penance. Exceptions to this law occur when major feast days (called solemnities) fall on Friday; examples are: the Fridays within the Christmas & Easter octaves, as well as the major feasts of our Lord, the Virgin Mary and the saints. When this occurs, we would not need to do any penance.

Renovating the Old Rectory: The old rectory is located above the parish office and consists of a living room, small kitchen, and two bedrooms with their corresponding bathrooms. Because it is so small in its current layout, it is a much underutilized space. The living room can only seat about 11 people comfortably and so is not usable for our teens, Spanish speakers or adult faith study groups. The proposed renovation would be fairly simple and inexpensive. It would involve: removing the old, dirty carpet and replacing it with some type of laminate flooring, painting the walls, and adding some lighting. Furthermore, the biggest change would involve taking out two walls so that the living room, kitchen and one of the bedrooms become one large room (the other bedroom would remain intact). Fr. Irwin presented the idea to the pastoral council, and there was unanimous approval among the eight members at the meeting (one council member being absent). Best of all, through the donation of a parishioner, the entire cost of the renovations will most likely be covered.

Thank You from Mission Priests: We want to express our deep gratitude to all of you for your warm welcome, your incredible hospitality and your generosity in the collection while we were with you for your Parish Mission. Your generosity allows us to continue our missionary work, especially in poorer parishes, and to support our own Redemptorist community. We consider it a wonderful blessing that we were able to preach the Word of God and share our faith with all of you. Your energy and witness are a true inspiration to us. Blessings of health and peace to all! The Lord willing, we shall meet again. And please remember our Redemptorist missionary work in your prayers.
-Fr. Patrick Keyes, C.Ss.R. & Fr. John Schmidt, CSSR

Tithing Report April 9, 2017

Regular - \$4,614.50
Aide to Central Europe/Africa - \$397.00

Renovation Campaign
Pledges Received - \$92,719.00
Percent of Total Pledged - 88%

Total - \$5,011.50