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**April 26, 2009**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

**HOLY MASSES: April 25-26:**

Sat. 4:00PM Vincent Robke/Barney & Mary Eversgerd

Sun. 9:00AM Al WuebbelsJr/August Lampe/Rita Hemker/ Keith & Melinda Knobloch 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv.

**HOLY MASSES: April 27-May 3, 2009:**

Mon. NO MASS

Tue. 7:45AM Parish

Wed. 7:45AM Parish

Thu.7:00PM **Confirmation Class**

Fri. 7:45AM Peace/Mary Ann Rakers/Bill Becker

Sat. 4:00PM Norbert & Helen Beer/ Irene Holtgrave

Sun. 9:00AM Frank Holtmann/Dickie Winkler/Lee Mittino

**NEXT WEEKEND May 2-3**

**LECTOR**

Sat. 4:00PM Diane Michels

Sun. 9:00AM Rich Timmermann

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Diane Gomez, Judy Kampwerth, Michael & Phyllis Miller, Barb Voss

Joe Langhauser, Dennis Loepker, Mike & Jan Luitjohan, Mary Sue Langenhorst

**GIFTBEARERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Beer/Holtgrave Families

Sun.9:00AM Holtmann/Winkler/MittinoFamilies

**MASS SERVERS**

Erica Lampe, Jacob Albers, Emily Peters

Paetyn Albers, Paige Langenhorst, Jessica Albers

**ROSARY LEADERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Joan Theising

Sun. 9:00AM Dick & Pat Frerker

**USHERS**

Ken Brauer, Norman Endres, Gervase Hemker

Dave Kohnen, Denis Lakenburgs, Tim Langenhorst

**GREETERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Maurice & Jonella Spihlmann

Sun. 9:00AM Greg & Norma Cook

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPERS**

Sun. May 3: Marie & Randy Wesselmann

Brandon Becker, Kyle Kohnen

**CANTORS**

Sat. 4:00PM Maurice Albers

Sun.9:00AM Mariah Hughes

**Tue. April 28:** 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Novena and Rosary Devotions

7:00PM Choir practice. The choir will sing at the 9AM Mass on May 3

**Sat. May 2:** 3:00PM Confessions

**STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS:** Envelope: \$2,158.00; Loose: \$340.00; Candles: \$6.00; Easter: \$620.00; TOTAL: \$3,124.00.

Good Friday: \$1.00. **SISTER PARISH COLLECTION** will be held next weekend, May 2/3.

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL.** The Archdiocese of Anchorage has 11,500 registered Catholic families, 140,000 square miles, and only 30 active diocesan priests. Sadly, such a shortage occurs often in United States mission dioceses. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports religious education and seminary training to bring increased pastoral care to our home mission parishes. Please give generously to this appeal which will be held April 25/26. Envelopes are with your regular set.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Faith Formation class receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 30 at 7:00PM, here at St. Boniface Church: (name in CAPS is chosen Confirmation name) Jalen LAWRENCE Albers; Kendra CECILIA Albers, Morgan GIANNA Albers, Brandon ALBERT Becker, Zachary GEORGE Beckmann, Drew JOSEPH Foppe, Kevin PEREGRINE Haar, Kelsey MARY Heimann, Mary Jo FRANCIS Hollenkamp, Brooke ELIZABETH Kniepman, Christian ANTHONY Kohnen, Kyle JOHN Kohnen, Anna JOANNA Lampe, Jordan HUBERT Lampe, Mitchell LUKE Langenhorst, Justin FRANCIS Rolfingsmeyer, Kyler JUDE Scheer, Morgan THERESE Toennies, Alexis ELIZABETH Tonnies, Travis ANDREW Wuebbels, Stephanie THERESE Wuebbles.

**MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR:** This Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Braxton will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Boniface Church in Germantown at 7PM. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation youth from the cluster parishes of St. Cecilia in Bartelso, St. Mary in Carlyle, St. Teresa in Marydale, and St. Boniface in Germantown will celebrate the gifts of the Holy Spirit with Bishop Braxton. I would like to say that anyone and everyone from the parish is welcome to attend. You are. But chances are really good that there won't be enough room, enough pews to go around, after we take care of the parents, sponsors, and other close family relatives. Every third year St. Boniface hosts the Confirmation, and this is our year. We welcome Bishop Braxton. We welcome the confirmandi from the cluster parishes. This past week I was celebrating an 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with an individual and his family. During the course of the evening, a great grandson was marveling at the age of his great-grandfather, and asked: "How old is God?" And speaking of age, this Sunday, St. Boniface Church secretary, Melinda Knobloch and her husband Keith are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. We join their son, Brandon and daughter, Brianne in congratulating Melinda and Keith. They are one of the youngest looking silver anniversary couples I have seen. Makes me wonder how old they were 25 years ago. And none of us will dare ask the age today!

**MOTHER'S DAY ROSES.** Red roses will be available at all Masses on May 9 and 10, for \$2.00 each, and a vase for Memorial Roses will be placed on Mary's Altar. Proceeds go towards Pro-Life.

**SPECIAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING.** Bishop Edward K. Braxton will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving and Appreciation at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Belleville at 1:30PM on Sunday, June 7 to honor all couples in the Diocese celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries this year. A reception will follow in the McCormack Center. If this year is a jubilee year the Bishop would like to send a personal invitation to this event. Please contact Melinda or Fr. Jim at the parish office (523-4271) as soon as possible (no later than May 4) with your name and address so that we can forward it to the Office of the Bishop, or you can send the info directly to the Bishop's Office at [kcostello@diobelle.org](mailto:kcostello@diobelle.org). If you decide at the last minute to attend, you are still most welcome to attend, no special tickets are required for this event.

#### READINGS & QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: Recognizing Christ

Reading I: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19 (Repent and be converted)

Reading II: 1 John 2: 1-5a (Jesus is expiation for our sins)

Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48 (Emmaus)

Adults: What decisions can I make to protect the fragile gifts of our earth's environment?

Children: Do I realize that God has given me my body and that I must take care of it?

**PRAYER PARTNERS FOR CONFIRMANDS.**to help prepare the students who are receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, we are inviting the St. Boniface Parish community to become **Prayer Partners**. In the entrance of church a poster displays the 2009 Confirmation Class. Please take the **name card only** of one of the Confirmands and pray for him/her during the next few weeks as he/she prepares for their special day on April 30. Send the child a card or note, c/o Ruth Eversgerd, PO Box 270, that you have been praying for him/her.

**YOUTH MINISTRY** is looking for a Summer Softball Coach. Call Ev Kuhn at 224-7535 or email [stboniface@charter.net](mailto:stboniface@charter.net)  
Medical and sign up forms may be found in the entrance to church.

**YM SUMMER SOFTBALL REGISTRATION** is taking place. Forms may be found in the entrance of church.

**SONROCK CAMP.** Looking for all interested high school and adult helpers for "Sonrock Camp" VBS to be held the week of June 22-26 from 9AM to 11:30AM. Call or e-mail Ev Kuhn for details. Planning meeting date pending.

**CONFIRMATION** will be held here at St. Boniface on Thursday, April 30 at 7:00PM.

**ST. MARY'S ALTAR SODALITY SCHOLARSHIP.** St. Mary's Altar Sodality of St. Boniface is sponsoring two \$250 scholarships to Mater Dei High School, for two students presently in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Germantown Elementary who will be attending Mater Dei for the 09/10 school year. Essay information will be sent home with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students this week. Deadline is May 8.

**AMERICAN LEGION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP.** The Germantown American Legion Women's Auxiliary is proud to announce that they will be awarding one scholarship in the amount of \$100 to an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Germantown Elementary School for the 2009 academic year. Applications will be sent home with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Deadline is May 1.

**PRO-LIFE PRAYER SERVICE,** Wed., April 29, sponsored by the Breese Knights of Columbus and St. Dominic Parish. This outdoor service will begin at 6:45PM in the Prayer Garden area near St. Dominic Church, just west of the All Saints School building at the intersection of North Cherry and North 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets. Please join us in prayer to honor the millions of unborn who have died by abortion and to bring about a culture of respect for all human life in our world. The service will be moved to inside the church in case of inclement weather.

**MATER DEI MEGA RAFFLE.** Mater Dei High School is pleased to announce the creation of the Mater Dei Mega Raffle, sponsored by the Mater Dei Fathers & Friends Club and the Office of Institutional Advancement. Beginning April 1, you can purchase a chance to win one of 26 cash prizes: one \$10,000 Grand Prize; two \$2,500 prizes; three \$1,000 prizes; and twenty \$100 prizes. The winning tickets will be drawn at the Mater Dei Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 6. To purchase your \$100 ticket(s), please contact a member of the Fathers & Friends, St. Boniface school board member Phyllis Beer, Fr. Chuck Tuttle or Mrs. Kathy Huelsmann in the Mater Dei Office of Institutional Advancement at 526-7216.

**QUILTERS POTLUCK** will be held April 29 in the rectory basement at 6PM for anyone who helped in any way with the quilting. Bring a covered dish, the meat will be provided.

**THE LEGION OF MARY OF THE ST. TERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH** will sponsor a 24-hour vigil rosary at Our Lady of the Snows Shrine beginning on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 11AM and ending May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11AM. The vigil will begin with Mass at 11AM and have continuous rosary prayed for 24 hours. We are asking for groups, families and parish organizations to come for one hour and lead the rosary. This vigil is for thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother for her intercession and petition for her aid for Pro-Life victories in ending abortion. Please call Ginny Ryan at 277-0361 if you can give one hour of prayer to this devotion.

**BREAKFAST,** sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Clinton County Chapter #269, April 26, 8AM to Noon at Germantown American Legion. Proceeds go to Chapter #269 Vietnam Veterans Charities.

**GYA MEETING,** April 26, 10:00 – 11:00AM in the rectory basement.

**LEMONADE STAND** for Bruiser's Buddies Heart Walk Team will be held April 26 from 10AM to 1PM on the sidewalk of IGA in Germantown. Hosted by Bruiser's Little Buddies. "Bruiser", aka, Elijah Kohrmann. Proceeds benefit the American Heart Association.

**THE PTA** has several flavors of butter braids and cookie dough remaining from their Spring Fundraiser. Butter Braids are \$11.00 and the cookie dough is \$14.00. If interested contact Jenna Kues at 523-4673.

**GERMANTOWN LIBRARY** wishes to thank all those who entered our recent contest during National Library Week. Winner of the attendance prize was Kevin Albers. Coloring contest winners were Darren Hemker, Bradyn Kuhl, Sophia Kuhl, Erica Schomaker and Nick Timmermann.

**THE PARK BOARD** is accepting bids for a new sidewalk from the large pavillion to the bathroom at Schoendienst Park. Any questions contact Scott Kohrmann at 523-4502. Bids are due May 1<sup>st</sup> and can be mailed to Scott at PO Box 356, Germantown.

**BULLDOG DASH.** Mark your calendar for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Bulldog Dash 2K and 5K run/walk to be held on Sat., May 16 at 9AM at Schoendienst Park. This important fundraiser has contributed over \$50,000 to Germantown Elementary over the last four years. Entry forms are available at [www.germantownbulldogs.org](http://www.germantownbulldogs.org), at Unforgettable Photography by Anna (Diamond Sponsor), GTSB, IGA, Becker Shell and at school. Join us for a great cause, over 170 awards, food and lots of fun. All runners and walkers are welcome – we need your support.

**ATTENTION QUILTERS:** Phone in registration for the Germantown Spassfest Quilt Auction is on Saturday, May 9, 2009 from 8:00AM to 10:00AM. Call Sandy Lohman at 523-7781 with your information. There is a minimum size requirement of 90 x 108 inches. No preprints please!