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April 4, 2010

The Resurrection of the Lord

HOLY MASSES: April 3-4

Sat. 7:00PM Parish

Sun. 9:00AM Cletus Toennies/Ollie Albers/Tony Sterkis

HOLY MASSES: April 5-11

Mon. NO MASS

Fri. 7:45AM Peace

Tue. NO MASS

Sat. 4:00PM FIRST COMMUNICANTS / Tom Reis

Wed. NO MASS

Sun. 9:00AM Corny Kniepmann/Frances Pille & Ervin Winkeler

Thu. NO MASS

NEXT WEEKEND: April 10-11

LECTOR

Sat. 4:00PM Brenda Theising

Sun. 9:00AM Rob Otrembiak

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Joan Young, Bernie Barth, Colette Hitpas, Lorinda Jansen, Ben Koch

James & Joanne Lampe, Joe & Mary Langenhorst, Dennis Loepker

GIFTBEARERS

Sat. 4:00PM First Communicants

Sun. 9:00AM Kniepmann/Pille/Winkeler Families

MASS SERVERS

Ben Lampe, Melissa Kuhl, Brenden Tonnies

Braden Schroeder, Hannah Schroeder, Gabrielle Hoelscher

ROSARY LEADERS

Sat. 4:00PM Verene Haake, Dolores Kohnen

Sun 9:00AM Dennis & Mary Lopeker

USHERS

Jim Pingsterhaus, Maurice Spihlmann, Paul Spihlmann Choir

Terry Deerhake, Leroy Diesen, Jerome Eversgerd

GREETERS

Sat. 4:00PM Greg & Norma Cook

Sun. 9:00AM Walter & Carolyn Beer

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPERS

April 11: helpers will be notified

Tue. April 6: 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Novena & Rosary Devotions

7:00PM Choir Practice

Sat. April 10: 3:00PM Confessions

Sun. April 11: 10AM to Noon Eucharistic Prayer for Pro-Life and Vocations

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING: Envelopes: \$2865; Loose: \$281; Candles: \$34; TOTAL: \$3180. Catholic Relief Services: \$10; Easter flowers: \$73. Thank You! **SISTER PARISH COLLECTION** will be held this weekend. Please be generous! **THANK YOU** to the Delores Spees family for the memorial donation to St. Boniface Parish.

WOULD YOU CONSIDER St. Boniface Parish in your estate plan?

CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL. Thank you to the households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of the Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal. So far \$10,960.00 has been pledged. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR: HAPPY EASTER!! We pray that the joy of the Risen Christ will renew our faith and enliven our everyday witness to His presence. We welcome into our parish family our newest members at the Easter Vigil: John Attaway, and the five Harmon children, Josef, Gretchen, Elise, Kirsten and Ingrid. They are the children of Don and Nancy Harmon. Always there are so many who do so much during Holy Week. Many, many thanks to servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, who do extra during Holy Week. Tom Lampe and the choir add so much to the Holy Week liturgies. Ev Kuhn, Deacon Rich Bagby and the adult catechists of St. Boniface have given much to help prepare the 5 Harmon children and John Attaway for the Easter Vigil. Many thanks to those who prepared the reception in the school cafeteria after the Easter Vigil. For the next 2 weeks, there will be very few Masses scheduled during the week. Only on the Fridays – all school Masses. I basically will be gone the week of April 4th - and on retreat at St. Meinrad the week of April 11th.

FUTURE ST. BONIFACE DATES: 1st Holy Communion: Sat., April 10th, 4PM; Confirmation: Thurs., April 29th, 7PM at St. Mary's in Carlyle.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY. Sunday, April 11 is Divine Mercy Sunday, and will be celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral, 200 West Harrison, Belleville. We will be having Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers, Rosary, Confessions and Benediction from 1PM to 2:40PM. Come join us to celebrate this feast of Jesus' many mercies to us. What better way to thank Him for His mercy, and in turn, for us to learn to be more merciful to others. Refreshments to be served from 12:15-3:30PM.

CASSEROLES FOR COSGROVE'S KITCHEN. Once again St. Boniface Parish, along with the other parishes in our cluster, will participate in the Casserole Campaign for Cosgrove's Kitchen. Pans and recipes have been scheduled to be handed out the weekend of April 10/11, with casseroles being returned to IGA by April 18 and delivery to Cosgrove's Kitchen on April 20. **Since April 10 is First Communion here at St. Boniface, we will have pans and recipes available in the usher's bench the week before to eliminate congestion in back of church after the First Communion Mass.** Sunday April 11 we will hand out pans as we normally would. Please help out with this worthy cause!

Easter Sunday

Reading I: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43 (Witness of Christ)

Reading II: Colossians 3: 1-4 (Raised with Christ)

Gospel: John 20: 1-9 (The empty tomb)

Adults: How has my faith about the risen Christ been nourished?

Children: If I were with Peter and the beloved disciple, what might I have thought?

PRAYER PARTNERS FOR FIRST COMMUNION. To help prepare the students who are receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion, we are inviting the St. Boniface Parish community to become PRAYER PARTNERS. In the entrance of church a poster displays the 2010 First Communion Class. Please take the **name card only** of one of the First Communicants and pray for him/her during the next few weeks as he/she prepares for their special day on April 10. Send the child a card or note, c/o Joan Theising, 501 Maple Street, Germantown, IL 62245, that you have been praying for him/her.

MATER DEI SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the St. Mary's Altar Sodality, will be given to two students presently in 8th grade at Germantown Elementary for \$250 who are attending Mater Dei for the 2010/2011 school year. Two students will be chosen from the following guidelines: Participation/attitude in Religion Class; Volunteer for various events throughout the school year, service projects, youth ministry; An essay, with a minimum of 125 words, addressing two ideas: "Why I want to attend Mater Dei High School and how a Catholic education will benefit me." The essay must be typed. On the reverse side, print your name, with signature, and a parents signature, and return to Mrs. Ruth Eversgerd by May 7. The winners will be announced at the last all school Mass at St. Boniface.

CATHOLIC HOLY FAMILY SOCIETY has a scholarship opportunity for Catholic High School Students. The student applying must be a Catholic Holy Family Society policy holder. These \$2,000 scholarships may be used for tuition only. Please contact the Belleville office for additional information at 233-0286.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS: MATER DEI: April 5: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM; April 12: Mothers & Friends Meeting, 7:30PM; April 19: Band Parents Meeting, 7:30PM. **CENTRAL:** April 7: PAWS Meeting, 7:30PM; April 19: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM

BOOK STUDY ON "THE SHACK" by William P. Young. Meet others to explore and discuss this best-seller in spiritual fiction. Come any or all Wednesdays of April from 10AM to Noon at the King's House Retreat & Renewal Center, 700 N. 66th St., Belleville. A free will offering will be taken for the discussion. Stay for lunch for an additional \$10. 24 hour advance registration is required. Call 397-0584.

VATICAN SPLENDORS: A JOURNEY THROUGH ART AND FAITH is the largest collection of Vatican art and objects to ever be exhibited in North America. The exhibition will be displayed exclusively in only three cities in the US, with the only exhibit in the Midwest this year at the Missouri History Museum in St. Louis for a limited time beginning May 15. To get tickets at \$2 off the normal admission price through PARISH ADVANTAGE call 1-877-282-8422, and mention your parish name, or visit mohistory.org and enter the code word Parish to receive your discount. This discount is only available until June 30. Objects in the exhibit -many never before on display- are presented in dramatic settings and recreated environments such as the Tomb of Saint Peter, the Sistine Chapel, and the Ancient Basilica of Saint Peter. With its vast collection of nearly 200 objects dating from the earliest days of the Church. Missouri History Museum is located in Forest Park. For directions or additional information call 314-746-4599.

"BELIEVING IS SEEING: TAKE A CLOSER LOOK". Enjoy a prayerful, quiet weekend retreat just for you and your spouse. This retreat will be held from supper on Friday, April 9 to lunch on Sunday, April 11. Come and enjoy the spiritual insights of Fr. Dave Kraus, OMI and Sr. Janis Yaekel, ASC. Includes presentations, celebrations of the Eucharist, optional Sacrament of Reconciliation, creative prayer services, a renewal of Wedding Vows, six cooked meals, snacks, and lodging. Suggested offering is \$310/couple. Call King's House for more information or to register at 397-0584. Or visit www.kingsretreatcenter.org

A COMING TOGETHER: THREE WOMEN TELL THEIR STORIES, JEWISH-CATHOLIC-MUSLIM. April 18, 2-4PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. Admission: \$5, registration requested by calling 394-6287.

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES. The Retrouvaille Program starts with a weekend, June 4-6 and has 6 follow up sessions. If you are facing financial difficulties, we can work with you. For confidential information about Retrouvaille, call Chuck and Linda at 314-453-0110, or toll free at 1-800-470-2230, or visit www.retrouvaille.org

QUILT OF THE MONTH WINNERS: February: Aden Poettker, Germantown; March: Brenda Otten, St. Libory; April: Laurie Welch, Breese.

KERNAL NUT CLUB EASTER EGG HUNT, Sunday, April 4, 11AM on the church grounds for ages up to 5th grade. If raining will be held at Germantown School cafeteria.

THE GERMANTOWN BOARD is in the process of searching for a superintendent for 2010-11 school year. The Search Committee is in the process of gathering community input. Surveys have been sent home with the oldest child in family's report card. Additionally, surveys can be found at the Germantown Library, on the school website and on the railing at the main entrance of church. Surveys can be sent back with report cards, dropped off at the school office or mailed to the district. Our return address is on the backside of the form. Deadline to return the survey is Wednesday, April 6.

JOB OPENING. St. Dominc Church is now accepting applications for their Office Manager/Bookkeeper position. If anyone is interested in applying for this full-time position, please contact St. Dominic rectory during business hours for an application, (526-7746)

TRIVIA NIGHT, April 9, St. Anthony, Beckemeyer. Doors open at 6:30PM, first round starts at 7:30PM. \$80/table of 8 max. Call 227-8236 for more info or to register a team.

SCAVENGER HUNT, April 10, 7PM: team registration, 7:30-10PM: scavenger hunt. Starts and ends at Gridiron Bar & Grill in Breese. Hosted by Footsteps to a Cure Relay for Life Team.

RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE, April 15, 5PM to 9PM, April 16, 10AM to 3PM, April 17, 9AM to 1PM. St. Augustine Parish Center, Breese

NEWMAN AUXILIARY QUILT & CASH BINGO, April 25, Hecker Community Center, Hecker, IL. Doors open at 11AM bingo at 1PM. Lunch available from 11AM. All proceeds support the Newman Catholic Student Center at SIU-Carbondale.

APRIL IS ALCOHOLISM AWARENESS MONTH. St. Elizabeth's Hospital's Behavioral Healthcare Services is sponsoring free Alcohol Screening throughout the month of April. Please call to schedule a time for your personal and confidential evaluation at 234-2120, ext. 1555.

