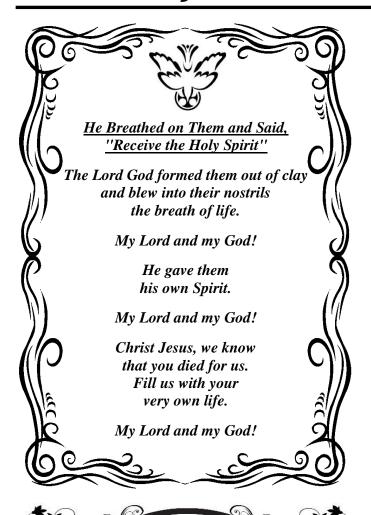
April 8 – Second Sunday of Easter



CHRIST HAS RISEN! HE LIVES!

SET YOUR FAITH ON FIRE!

- + I am inspired by those who come to Mass faithfully even when their Catholic spouse does not.
- + People who help set my faith on fire are grandparents who see that their grandchildren get to Mass.
 - + I admire young people who have a weekend job who make room in their limited free time to come to church - that helps keep my faith on fire.

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., April 11 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer Fri., April 13 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., April 7	4 PM	Dale Tunny
Sun., April 8	10 AM	Don Gilland
Sat., April 14	4 PM	Bertha Walke
Sun., April 15	10 AM	Elizabeth Schwering

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – April 14 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Glen and Diane Bohman

Brian and Karen Horan

Server: Kara Merkel Cantor: Sharon Miller

Lectors: Terry Harmeyer, Jack Ferkinhoff Euch. Ministers: Judy Steuri, Bill Deller, Janet Deller, Beth Simon, and Gene Moorman

Sunday – April 15 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Students

Servers: Brady Borgman, Connor Toops

Cantor: Scott Simon Lectors: Students

Euch. Ministers: Susan Schutte, Patty Simon, Vicki Wagner, Dana Newhart, and Rita Kress

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3704.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 27.28
Loose Collection	\$ 531.00
Total Regular Collection	\$4262.28
Easter	\$1532.00
Capital Improvement	\$700.00
Capital Improvement Holy Land	\$700.00 \$319.00

He Has Risen. Alleluia!

"You and I came into the world to live; he came into the world to offer his life for us. And so he founded a new type of religion. All other religions, without exception, go from man to God, either by contemplation or by a kind of mortification and self-denial....But with our Blessed Lord, religion comes from God to man. We need help and, particularly, redemption from sin." ~ Fulton Sheen

<u>SANCTUARY LIGHT</u> – The sanctuary light will burn April 8 through April 15 for Arthur and Eva Simon.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – Today the Church also celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. This feast was originally established in 2000 by Pope John Paul II. Today we rejoice in the gift of God's mercy that Jesus offered to the whole world through his cross and resurrection. Let us thank God for that mercy and pray for the grace to extend that mercy to one another.

<u>BLOOD PRESSURE</u> – You can get your Blood Pressure checked this weekend in the St. Anne Room after the Masses. Roseann Wirth and Jodi Meister will be there to assist you.

<u>CHURCH IN AFRICA</u> – This weekend, you are asked to help support Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Please drop your envelope in the regular collection.

ANNIVERSARY COUPLES - TOGETHER Keeping Your Faith on Fire! What faithfulness! What commitment! What sacrifice! We are honored to celebrate your many years of marriage. The celebration begins at Mass this weekend and continues at 5:30 PM Sunday evening. Let us truly celebrate your witness of love to one another and to the Church. Alleluia! Alleluia!

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We are grateful to our Liturgy Committee for creating Easter beauty in our sanctuary and church; to our musicians and all liturgical ministers, which includes our servers. Your ministry is essential to the celebration of the Word and Eucharist. Easter Peace to you!

<u>PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES</u> – If you had your picture taken for the Pictorial Directory and have not gotten your copy of the directory, they are in the vestibule of church. We will not be sending them in the mail. **Thank you** to our committee who shared their time and talent in creating this new directory!

<u>ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING</u> – The Anniversary Committee will meet this Monday,

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FAITH FORMATION MEETING – The Faith Formation Committee members will meet Thursday, April 12, 4:30 PM.

OFFICE – I will be out of the office from April 11th to the 15th attending the Chapter of Elections at our Motherhouse in Oldenburg. Pray the Holy Spirit will hover over us. Thank you!

FIRE DEPARTMENT BREAKFAST – The Napoleon Fire Department is having their Pancake Breakfast **today**, Sunday, April 8, serving from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Free will donation.

SPRING SMORGASBORD – Our smorgasbord is next Saturday, April 14. We need everyone's help to make this a success! Also, help is needed this Thursday to help debone turkeys and cook beef on Friday. If you can help, please call Arlene Gehl or Susan Schutte.

<u>**RELIGIOUS ED**</u> – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5, Wednesday, April 11, 6:45 PM. A meal will be served.

Classes for Grades 6 through 11, next Sunday, April 15, 8:30 AM.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – People instinctively fear people with beards (like Santa Claus, or the homeless guy who sits next to you on the bus), when, historically speaking, it should be mustaches we most worry about (e.g., Hitler, Stalin, John Wilkes Booth). (Richard Paul Evans, The Walk)

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

"Be of one heart and one mind. Share everything in common!" What kind of a world is that? How is this way of life even possible?

Through everything he did and taught, Jesus believed in this way of life. He never wavered from his mission to proclaim that the reign of God was possible and to call disciples to preach that message to all the ends of the earth.

We begin to hear the hints of Pentecost in this Sunday's readings. In 1 John, the Spirit is truth. In John's Gospel, the Spirit comes upon them as breath. And in the Acts reading, we see the fruits of the Spirit in the way that the community members treat one another. (Deacon Dick Folger)