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Catholic Church

APRIL 14, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME!

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MASS TIMES

Tues, Wed, Fri 8:15 am

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Word & Communion Service

Mon, Thurs. 8:15 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place
in the Reconciliation Room

Saturdays 4:30 pm

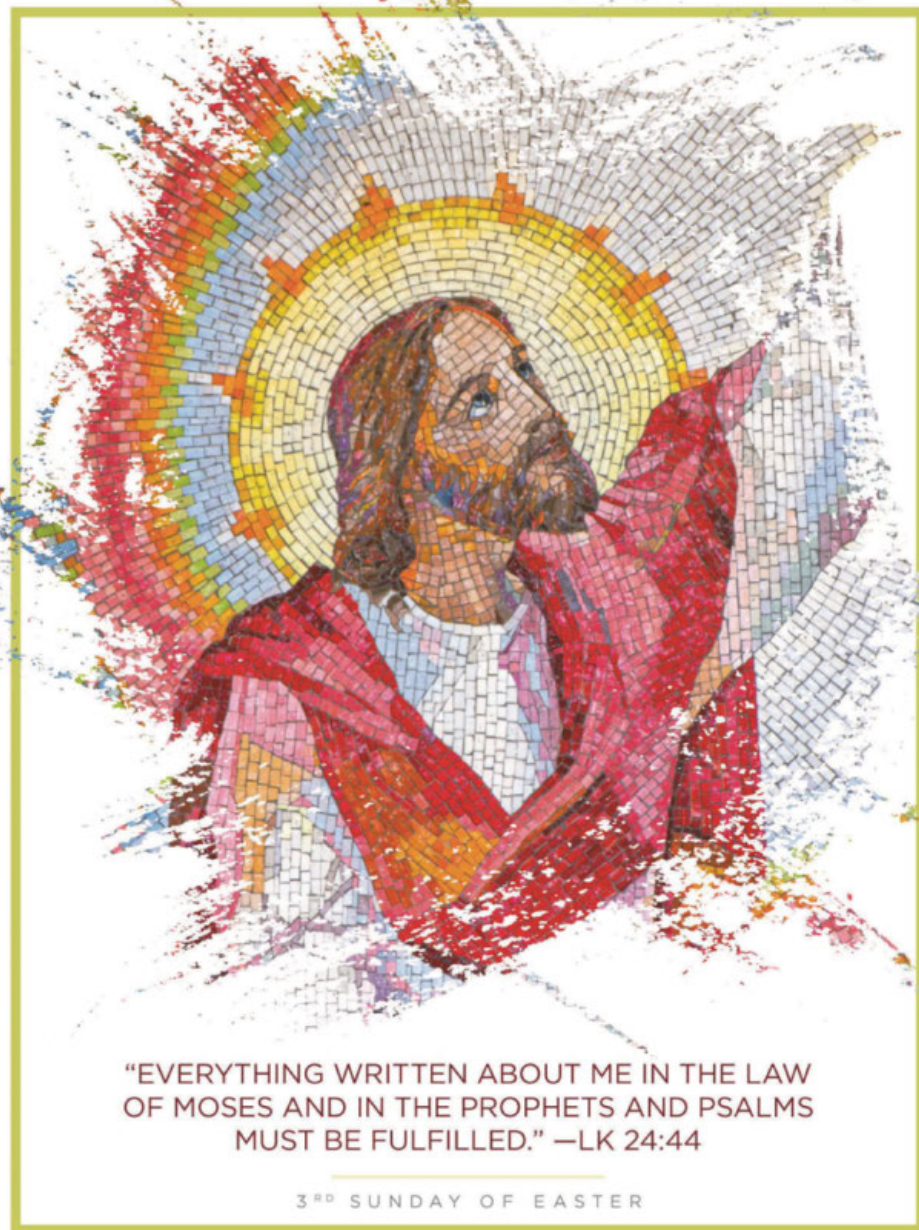
or by appointment

ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel



*You are the
Light of the World*



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With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts,
we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

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Our journey with The Eucharist has brought us to examine how we “gather”; then how we do the “storytelling” of the Scriptures. This weekend brings us to the “meal sharing” that takes place at the Eucharistic table. Often the times of gathering to share food opens up communication and bonds of friendship. When Jesus is present in the food, suddenly the encounter becomes quite significant. May our celebration this weekend open us to the transforming power of God’s love.

Peace,

Fr. John

MASS INTENTIONS PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MONDAY, APRIL 15 ACTS 6:8-15; JN 6:22-29

8:15 am Word and Communion Service

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 ACTS 7:51-8:1A; JN 6:30-35

8:15 am Mass Katherine Thro Frost †, Genelle Lenort †,
Jim Murray †, Harold John Drummer Sr †

WEDNESDAY April 17 ACTS 8:1B-8; JN 6:35-40

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †, Perry Diehl†,
Ethel Frost † Jeremy Wyrowski †

THURSDAY, April 18 ACTS 8:26-40; JN 6:44-51

8:15 am Word and Communion

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 ACTS 9:1-20; JN 6:52-59

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †, Barbara Fink †,
Harold John Drummer Sr †

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 ACTS 9:31-42; JN 6:60-69

5:15 Mass James Anton †, Gretchen Adams †,
Michael Burkhardt †,
Don and Maxine Wilde and family †

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 ACTS 4:8-12; JN 3:1-2; JN 10:11-18

8:00 am Mass James Brozik†, Patricia Norris†
Larry Schoettler†, Chris Goebel †
Rose and Archie Elbert† Richard Makela †

10:00 am Mass Harold John Drummer Sr †, Richard Makela†
Thomas Frederick†, KimMarie Winans†



*Flowers for Mary
Bonnie Murray
In memory of
Jim Murray*

Financial Report



MARCH 28 - APRIL 5, 2024	
Adult Support	\$ 9,808.00
Offertory	\$ 3,625.25
Donations via website 03/29-04/05/24	\$ 1,751.13
Holy Day	\$ 6,741.00
Interest	\$ 26,080.57
Weekly Total	\$ 48,005.95
Weekly Offering goal is: \$ 18,163.73	
Year-to-date income as of 04/05/2024	\$ 860,069.21



Children's
Weekly Stewardship
\$539.86

Money Counters

April 15 - Team 1
April 22 - Team 2
April 29 - Team 3

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses.

Your generosity is appreciated!

ST. JOHN'S AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Welcome

New members of our parish community.

Sydney Scheel , Sr. Linda Wanner, Jessie Klinnert,
Andre and Roxanne Skane,
Al and Becky Tolzman

Please feel our warm welcome!

Summer Tutoring: Good Counsel Learning Center is offering one-on-one tutoring for three weeks each month June, July, and August for grades K – 12 in reading and math. Various hourly sessions are available from 9:00am - 5:00pm weekdays. Register online at gclearningcenter.org/registration. For more information contact Sr. Dorothy at the Center, 507-389-4229.

The School Sisters of Notre Dame Associate Program is delighted to welcome you to our preliminary "Come and See" events on April 20th and 21st at St. John the Baptist, following mass. At these events, we will briefly introduce the SSND associate relationship, inviting interested congregants to visit with sisters and associates in the narthex.

The annual April Salad Supper for the Blue Earth Area Council of Catholic Women will be held Monday, April 29th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Easton at 6:00 pm. Rosary and meeting will follow at 6:40 pm. All women are invited to share in an uplifting spirit-filled evening.

Espresso Gathering will be held on April 19th after 8:15 mass in the Narthex. Please stop by and enjoy a spring treat.

Flowers for Mary If you would like to donate a gift of \$35 or more to our Flowers for Mary ministry to honor or in memory of a loved one please pick up an envelope entitled "Flowers for Mary" from the kiosk in the narthex and return to the Parish Office.

*"Be kind and merciful.
Let no one ever come to you
without coming away better
and happier."* Mother Teresa

Simon Ministry

Help our parish to be the salt for our community as we share your love with those caught in the struggles of life. We are always in need of basic products. If you can help us serve our visitors, some items needed are:

Personal Care Items - shampoo, body wash, deodorant, etc.

Detergent (50 oz or less)

Dish Soap

Any help is appreciated! Items can be placed in the bins/baskets at the church entrances.

ECHO Food Shelf

What service can you do for your neighbor this week? A few blocks from this church is a great need for community service. More and more families are coming to the ECHO food shelf with the higher food prices. New volunteers are urgently needed. The team work and camaraderie is terrific! Please consider giving a call to **ECHO at 345-7477** and volunteer.

SACRAMENTS



61st WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

April 21, 2024

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact Dcn. Chris Walchuk at

Dcn.cwalchuk@stjohnsmankato.net

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.



TODAY'S READINGS

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

First Reading:

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

Psalm:

Lord, let your face shine on us. (Ps 4)

Second Reading:

He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

Gospel:

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." (Lk 24:46)

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Dear brothers and sisters!

Each year, the World Day of Prayer for Vocations invites us to reflect on the precious gift of the Lord's call to each of us, as members of his faithful pilgrim people, to participate in his loving plan and to embody the beauty of the Gospel in different states of life. Hearing that divine call, which is far from being an imposed duty – even in the name of a religious ideal – is the surest way for us to fulfil our deepest desire for happiness. Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty and peace, wherever we find ourselves.

To young people, and especially those who feel distant or uncertain about the Church, I want to say this: Let Jesus draw you to himself; bring him your important questions by reading the Gospels; let him challenge you by his presence, which always provokes in us a healthy crisis. More than anyone else, Jesus respects our freedom. He does not impose but proposes. Make room for him and you will find the way to happiness by following him. And should he ask it of you, by giving yourself completely to him.

This Day is dedicated in a particular way to imploring from the Father the gift of holy vocations for the building up of his Kingdom: "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest" (Lk 10:2). Prayer – as we all know – is more about listening to God than about talking to him. The Lord speaks to our heart, and he wants to find it open, sincere and generous. His Word became flesh in Jesus Christ, who reveals to us the entire will of the Father. In this present year, devoted to prayer and preparation for the Jubilee, all of us are called to rediscover the inestimable blessing of our ability to enter into heartfelt dialogue with the Lord and thus become pilgrims of hope. For "prayer is the first strength of hope. You pray and hope grows, it moves forward. I would say that prayer opens the door to hope. Hope is there, but by my prayer I open the door" (*Catechesis*, 20 May 2020)

To be pilgrims of hope and builders of peace, then, means to base our lives on the rock of Christ's resurrection, knowing that every effort made in the vocation that we have embraced and seek to live out, will never be in vain. Failures and obstacles may arise along the way, but the seeds of goodness we sow are quietly growing and nothing can separate us from the final goal: our encounter with Christ and the joy of living for eternity in fraternal love. This ultimate calling is one that we must anticipate daily: even now our loving relationship with God and our brothers and sisters is beginning to bring about God's dream of unity, peace and fraternity. May no one feel excluded from this calling! Each of us in our own small way, in our particular state of life, can, with the help of the Spirit, be a sower of seeds of hope and peace.

Let us rise up, then, and set out as pilgrims of hope, so that, as Mary was for Elizabeth, we too can be messengers of joy, sources of new life and artisans of fraternity and peace.

FRANCIS

This a partial transcript of Pope Francis' message. To view entire message go to: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/vocations/documents/20240421-messaggio-61-gm-vocazioni.html>

St. John's Prayer Network

To submit a request call:

Mickey Bicek 507-388-5906 or Lynn Beadell 507-351-3742
Email: Pastoral Care Associate at: mike@stjohnsmankato.net

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am
KEYC Channel 12 (Mankato) at 7:30am
KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am
KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am
WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, APRIL 15

Word and Communion

8:15 AM - Church

Spirit Singers

5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Rm

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Sunrise AA Meeting

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Piecemakers

1:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Grief Group

5:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Finance Meeting

7:00 PM - Marian Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Faith Formation

7:00 PM - Small Groups

7:00 PM - 6th-8th - MH

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Word and Communion

8:15 AM - Church

Simon Ministry

10:30 AM - Matthews Hall

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Early Risers AA

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Mass

8:15 AM - Church

Espresso Gathering

following mass

SATURDAY, April 20

Confessions

4:30 - 5:00 PM Church

Mass

5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

MASS

8:00 AM - Church

MASS

10:00 AM - Church

CLW

10:00 - Church

OA Meeting

3:00 PM - JP II

Faith Formation News

Sunday, May 5 - May Crowning - 10:00 mass with second grade students

Sunday, May 12 - Closing Mass at 10:00 - **All FF Students**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

April 21 and 28 - Ms. Michele said she would like to continue CLW through the month of April.

Liturgical Corner

April 20 - 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Maggie Bennett, John Bulcock, Chuck Frost

Lector: Mary O'Sullivan

Sacristan: Craig Soupir

Servers: Gisele McCabe

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 1

April 21 - 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Ron Prange, Terri Prange, Pat Sullivan

Lector: Nicole Goebel

Sacristan: Sam Blace

Servers: Quinn Kelly, Soren Kelly

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 5

April 21 - 10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Jeff Barnett, Laurie Barnett, Mike Coughlan

Lector: Monica Wagner

Sacristan: Terry Alfson

Servers: Autumn Barta, Jack Green

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 9

*"This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad."*

Easter Sunday 2024



*First Communion
Weekend
April 6 & 7*

*"May you always
keep the joy of
Jesus in your
heart".*

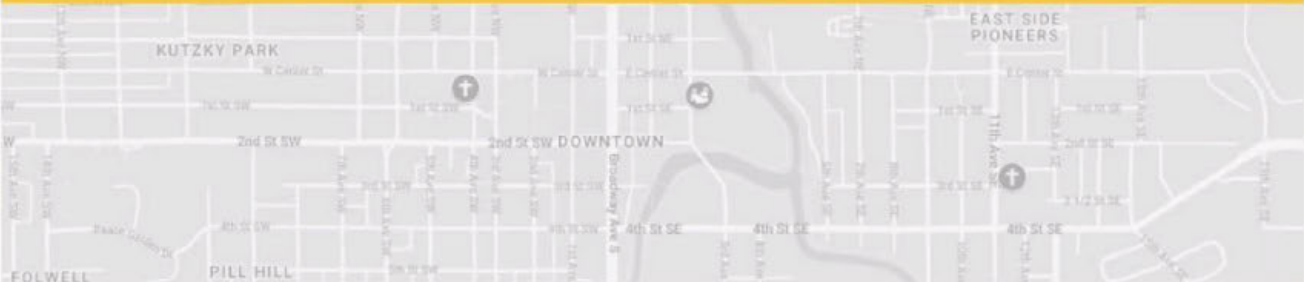




Diocese of
Winona-Rochester

JUNE 2, 2024

**CORPUS CHRISTI MASS & PROCESSION
AT THE MAYO CIVIC CENTER IN ROCHESTER
WITH BISHOP BARRON**



Bishop Barron invites everyone in the Diocese to come celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the close of the Parish Year, and the beginning of the Year of Mission with Mass at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester. There will be a Eucharistic procession from the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist to the Civic Center before Mass, and from the Civic Center to St. Francis of Assisi after Mass. For more information visit:

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12:15 PM

**Music, Prayer & Exposition at the
Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist**

2:00 PM

Mass at the Mayo Civic Center

4:00 PM

Prayer & Benediction at St. Francis of Assisi

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