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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

April 5, 2020

From: Fr. Tony Hesse

As I look at these last couple of weeks, and everything that we continue to go through, I am amazed at how the readings that are scheduled for these days are fitting. Each day, each reading, is not only addressing the struggle we are facing with the pandemic and the struggles that we are facing as we merge and close parishes and as we receive these parishes, but they are also giving us a message of hope and direction of whom to turn to during our struggles. This past Tuesday, in reference to the Book of Numbers (21:4-9), Fr. Christian shared in his homily that like the Israelites, who were bit by seraph serpents because of their sins, so too, is our world being bit by the coronavirus because of our sins. As I have been sharing with the Confirmation candidates during my phone-call-interviews these last few weeks, our Church and our world are suffering from a lack of faith. Only one-third of our churches are coming to weekend Mass, and now, no one is able to come. Like I told the candidates, our Church needs them and us to turn these statistics around. We need to be a people of faith, like God has created us. However, not only are we being punished, but as I mentioned a few weeks ago in my Sunday homily, I believe God is stretching out this time of suffering so that it won't be a quick fix and then we fall back on our old ways, but that we grow in discipline and create a habit of faith, prayer, and renewed desire for family life. Therefore, we need to do our part.

For those who are desiring to come to Mass and public gatherings for adoration but cannot because we need to stay at home, see this as a sacrifice and an opportunity to pray that the two-thirds that are not coming will start coming again when our churches are back to celebrating together. I know it is tough not coming and you wish you could come, but again, use that desire to pray that there will be a day that everyone in the Church will have the same desire. Imagine how full our churches would be if everybody had a desire to come to church, virus or no virus. What a wonderful world this would be!

Secondly, use the attached insert of prayers to pray during the day. I am including the Spiritual Communion Prayer that you can pray with Fr. Christian and me during Holy Communion time of our Live Stream Masses or during any Masses that you are watching on-line or on television. Also, check the notice inside for our Live Stream Masses and services and the phone number and code for our Rosary Conference Call. We also are including our Facebook page for more info as well as the info for our parish resource, FORMED. Live Stream Masses, Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Youth Group prayer gatherings, Rosary Conference Call, and Divine Mercy Chaplet times (Chaplet is included in the insert) are all in the weekly events in the bulletin.

You can also do your part by remembering our churches and school with your parish offerings. Because we are not gathering for weekend Masses, as you can see by the numbers that are in the bulletin, contributions are down. Although we still have expenses and need your generosity to help pay for them, remember, stewardship is about giving back to God what is already His. Everything we have is blessing from Him, no matter how great and small. We need to remember to give back to Him a portion of what He has already given us. Feel free to send in your offerings or you do it on-line or through electronic transfer from your banks. Call the parish office if you need more info.

Another place that we can do our part is by praying for each other and staying connected. Not only are we able to stay connected through live streaming and the conference call, but we can stay connected through visiting. Although we cannot visit in person, we can stay connected through the phone. Many people are asking me to visit their loved ones in the nursing homes by standing outside and visiting them on the phone looking in. Others are asking me to visit the homebound people that were homebound before this virus. However, if I were to visit with one or a few of them, then I feel I should visit with all 3,000 parishioners that we have. Well, that will take a while. It took me several weeks just to call 39 Confirmation candidates for their interviews. Therefore, instead of me calling everyone or standing outside nursing homes and calling them from the outside looking in, I am asking that we put a list together of people who would like a phone call and list of people who like to volunteer and call them. On behalf of our Area Faith Community (AFC), they and I would be calling people periodically checking in with them and showing them that we care and are praying for them. In other words, if you would like someone from our parish to call you or you would like to volunteer and call people, please let us know at the parish office. We will be keeping track of the lists and begin calling soon.

Finally, as we do our part, rest assured, our Lord will always do His. Just like the Israelites had to look to the bronze serpent that Moses mounted to a pole to be cured and saved from the poisonous bites of the serpents (Nm. 21:9), so too, do we look to Christ to be cured and be saved from the virus of the pandemic, the virus we call sin, and the virus of what our parishes will be dealing with as we close and merge our parishes. Jesus wants to save us and bring us life in this world and eternal life in the next. May we use this week, and embrace whatever suffering we are going through and offer it up as a sacrifice to God. Because if we lift up our crosses and follow Him, we too, with Him, will experience Easter joy.

***May you all have a blessed, safe, and healthy Holy Week, Paschal Triduum, and joyous Easter!***

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Contact the parish office to set an appointment for class and baptism.

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Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage.

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**PRAYER NETWORK**

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## EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### SUNDAY - April 5

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

*Mt 21:1-11 (37A); Is 50:4-7 (38ABC), Phil 2:6-11*

Mass Intentions: *d. Benedict Aguilera*  
*People of the Parishes*

10 AM Mass - *Live Stream*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
4-5 PM Adoration - *Live Stream*

### MONDAY - April 6

*Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11*

Mass Intentions: *d. Gordy Jensen*  
*l & d member of Anne & Alex Wier family*

8 AM Mass - *Live Stream*  
8:30-9:30 AM Adoration - *Live Stream*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
6-7 PM Confessions-SA

### TUESDAY - April 7

*Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33,36-38*

Mass Intentions: *d. Marilyn Rothmeier*  
*d. Floyd Kramer*

8 AM Mass - *Live Stream*  
8:30-9:30 AM Adoration - *Live Stream*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
6-7 PM Confessions-OLV

### WEDNESDAY - April 8

*Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25*

Mass Intentions: *d. Veronica & Andrew Mathiowetz*  
*d. Frank & Theresa Plaetz*

8 AM Mass - *Live Stream*  
8:30-9:30 AM Adoration - *Live Stream*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
6-7 PM Confessions-SC  
7 PM Youth Rosary - *Live Stream*

### THURSDAY - April 9

#### Holy Thursday

*Ex 12:1-8,11-14 (39ABC), 1Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15*

Mass Intentions: *d. Richard Irbeck*  
*d. Leah Schilling*

12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
7 PM Mass followed by Holy Hour - *Live Stream*

### FRIDAY - April 10

#### The Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

*Is 52:13-53:12 (40ABC), Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19-42*

12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Service - *Live Stream*

### SATURDAY - April 11

#### Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil

*Gn 1:1-2:2, Gn 22:1-18, Ex 14:15-15:1, Is 54:5-14, Is 55:1-11, Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4, Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28, Rm 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10(41A)*

Mass Intentions: *d. Gary Bliss*  
*d. Laurence & Luella Vrieze*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
8:30 PM Mass - *Live Stream*

### SUNDAY - April 12

#### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

*Act 10:34a,37-43 (42ABC) Col 3:1-4 or 1Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9*

Mass Intentions: *People of our Parishes*  
*d. Norb & Veronica Johanneck*

10 AM Mass - *Live Stream*  
12 Noon Rosary - *Conference call*  
3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*  
4-5 PM Adoration - *Live Stream*

#### Notice:

No public Masses from March 19th thru April 13th.

For **Live Stream** check our websites: ([www.mystcatherines.org](http://www.mystcatherines.org) or [www.lowafc.org](http://www.lowafc.org)) click on Watch Mass

**Facebook** page [www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/](http://www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/)

For **conference call** with Rosary everyday at 12 noon call 1-408-418-9388 use access code 620677749. (If you don't have free long distance calls, there will be a charge)

**FORMED:** [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) then click on "Sign-up", click on "I belong to a parish or organization" enter Redwood Falls St. Catherine. If you have any questions call the parish office.

Our Gifts to God and to His Church			
Adult Contribution	2,130.00	Adult for Week	2,130.00
Student	2.00	Adult Budget	4,808.00
Maintenance	10.00		
Catholic Relief	50.00	YTD Actual	161,428.23
Total	2,192.00	YTD Budget	187,512.00
St. Catherine - Diocesan Ministry Appeal 119 Donated as of March 31			
Goal	Total Received & Pledged	Amount Due	Parish 20%
\$23,261.63	\$35,160.80	(\$11,899.17)	\$6,672.16



Listen Weekly  
to Bishop John LeVoi's  
*Lenten Reflections*  
**WWW.DNU.ORG**

#### Easter Flowers Donations



If you would like to donate toward the Easter flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, please drop your donation off at the parish office or drop in collection basket and mark the envelope, "Easter Flowers". Be sure to list the name(s) you want remembered. Also, a portion of these donations will go to the local food shelf. **Deadline is April 8th.**

#### Cancelled-CCW Salad Luncheon-May 5th

Due to the coronavirus CCW decided to cancel the Salad Luncheon.

#### Palm branches



"Palm branches are available in the entrance of our churches, please use social distancing and sanitize your hands before and after getting them.

We will have them spread out evenly on a table(s) to avoid too big of piles. Take as many as you want, and touch only what you take, and pray for an end to this virus."

**Jesus I Trust in You!**





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Religious Education Classes April, 2020



Wednesday, April 8

- 7-8 PM Live Stream with Religious Ed.

Go to [www.mystcatherines.org](http://www.mystcatherines.org) click on "Watch Mass"

Sunday, April 19

- 9:30 AM Confirmation Mass-postponed until Fall

From: Katie & David

RE and Youth Group on Wednesday evenings will be moving the rest of the year to in-home family nights that we have been sending via email for you and your families to work through and discuss together. This is not ideal, but it is still a way for you to be growing in faith as a family. Some of the youth catechists will be sending a note home in the next week or so. We also decided that we will send weekly faith sharing via email beyond our April 15<sup>th</sup> date as a guide to foster faith sharing as families.

David and Katie will be going live for the next few Wednesdays on our AFC YouTube channel at 7pm with prayer as a way to still be connected as a community. We are also recording the rest of our Youth Group Bible Study and emailing those out for youth to finish the Bible Study. For those families who are preparing for Sacraments this year, we do not want to compromise the important celebrations or limit the number of family members that can be present. All our youth will be able to receive their Sacraments, but maybe not as scheduled.

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion** – as of right now, the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion dates are on the calendar as scheduled: April 25/26 for St. Anne, St. Mathias, St. Mary, & OLV, and May 3<sup>rd</sup> for St. Catherine. Once those dates approach, we will be in contact with families if something changes.

**Confirmation** - we just heard from the Bishop late Friday that all Confirmation celebrations in our Diocese have been postponed to the Fall of 2020. For the time being, keep working on your preparation, meet with your sponsors via phone or video call, watch Mass online, as you now have until the Fall to continue your preparation. We will gather together a few times before Confirmation for a retreat and preparation. More info will come asap when we hear the new date.

### Money Counters

When there are no public Masses, there are no money counters needed. Thank you and God Bless!

### Baptism Classes April & May-cancelled

Baptism Classes are cancelled for April & May at the churches, but contact Deacon Ryan Pope if you are wanting the Sacrament of Baptism which is always available. Deacon Ryan Pope will meet with individuals if needed. Email Deacon Ryan @ [popedpt@gmail.com](mailto:popedpt@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 644-2278.

### Meals on Wheels

St. Catherine's Church is doing Meals on Wheels for the month of April.  
\*\*\*Because of the coronavirus and the Community Ctr being closed we will have the meals to be delivered picked up at St. Catherine's front (south) door.



### Prayer Time

Volunteers from St. Catherine's are willing to pray for you and with you. All you need to do is call Bev Passe at 637-5967 or email [bpasse60@yahoo.com](mailto:bpasse60@yahoo.com) or call church at 644-2278 or go to our website and state that you would like prayers. We keep the information very simple and keep it in the strictest confidence.

### FOOD SHELF DRIVE



We will have the shopping cart out for collection of items to donate to the Redwood Area Food Shelf. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the parish office.

### Cancelled-Spring Clothing Drive April 20-27



Now is the time to clean out your closets and donate clothing that you don't wear anymore or the items you don't use any longer.  
\*\*\*Due to the coronavirus the Clothing Center has been closed so they are unable to receive our items. We are cancelling the Spring Clothing Drive but we should have our Fall Clothing Drive in October.\*\*\*



Churches are not being closed. Buildings are being closed. You are the church! You are to remain open.

### Ad spots available on back of bulletin

We have some ad spots available on the back of the bulletin, if you are interested in putting your ad on the back of this bulletin, please call the parish office and talk to Kris at 644-2278.

### Where to volunteer, donate medical supplies

You may be able to help

The Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Minnesota Department of Health, is asking that offers for help be furnished to these two places during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Volunteers (people) at <http://mnresponds.org>
- Products, medical equipment, venues (from businesses, schools and universities, medical facilities) at [hsem.ppp@state.mn.us](mailto:hsem.ppp@state.mn.us)

For Department of Labor and Industry updates related to COVID-19, visit [www.dli.mn.gov/updates](http://www.dli.mn.gov/updates).

\*\*\*In regards to making homemade masks, please contact the hospital (Carris Health) at 320-214-6780 or care facilities to see if they are taking homemade masks.

### This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winners:

April 01 \$25 Pat Schoffman  
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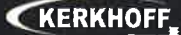


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