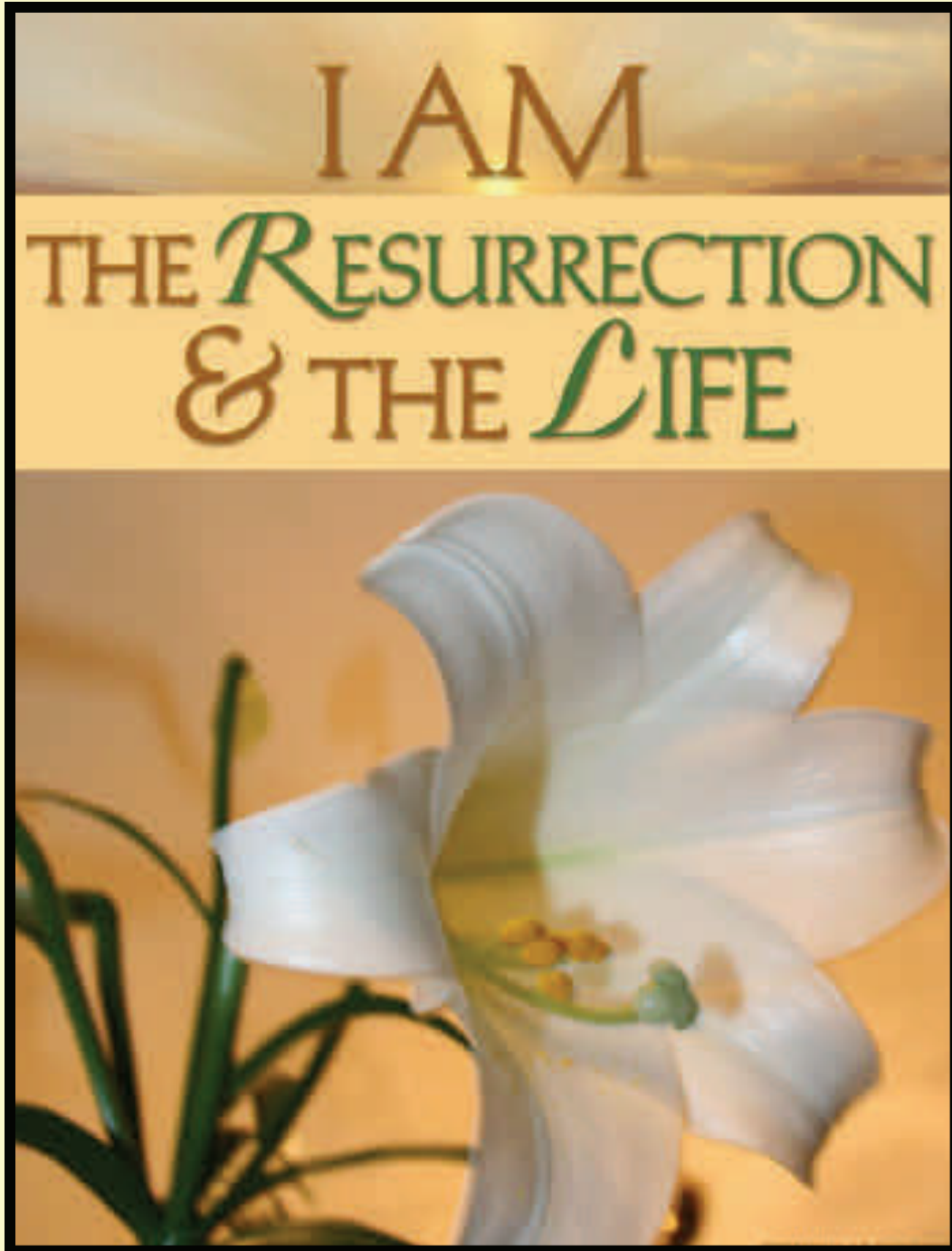


Happy Easter

St. Joseph Church

April 20, 2014 - Easter Sunday

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St. Joseph Update

SVdP Food Pantry

Thank you so much for your continued support of our regional St. Vincent de Paul food pantry! The third weekend of each month the food pantry opens its door to those in need. To help ensure food and other items are available, we would like to encourage everyone to bring an item the second Sunday of each month. There will be boxes in church to put your items in. We will keep the box in the vestibule of church to collect items during the rest of the month.

Particular needs at this time include: canned meat (ham, chicken, tuna, etc.), toiletries (toothpaste, bar soap, shampoo, deodorant), dish soap, laundry detergent, sugar, spaghetti sauce, juices, cooking oil, instant mashed potatoes, crackers, boxed "helpers", canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, toilet paper and paper towels.

Pray for the Men & Women Serving in the Military

Gary Eilers	Cody Landers
Greg Marcus	Alex McGarvey
David Musgrove	Jessica Pruitt

Financial Information

Collection for April 13th \$8611.00
Charity \$346.00
Thank You!

Walking with the Apostles

Joy is in the air, the sun and rain are making the flowers and trees bloom with new life. What better way to enjoy God's gift of nature than to be outside and walking, playing, using our bodies and adding up the miles (every 15 minutes of exercise is 1 mile) with Peter and Paul to Rome. As we participate in our routine workouts and maybe our not so routine workouts let's keep in mind the joy of the season and in the Risen Christ.

Luke 24:34 "The lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia."

Total miles this week 221, total to date 1142. We are 38.7% of the way to Rome. Don't forget the walk ends at Pentecost so keep the miles coming.

Divine Mercy Sunday April 27

The Second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday. Copies of the Novena prayers are available in back of church. The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday will be at Emmanuel Church and will begin at 12:45 PM with confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Mass at 2:15 PM. Our afternoon of prayer will end with the 3:00 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Furthering our Faith through Film

We will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday next week, so why not join us on Friday, April 25 to watch a film about St. Faustina, the humble nun who received extraordinary revelations from our Lord Jesus about God's loving message of divine mercy. We will meet at 1:00pm in the school and a light lunch will be served. As usual, all are most welcome! If you have questions, please call Bobby at 435-4858. We hope you can make it!

Prayer List

*Please keep the following people in your prayers.
Please call the rectory if you would like someone added to the prayer list.*

<i>Patricia Bornhorst</i>	<i>Brittany Keirns</i>
<i>Greg Bowers</i>	<i>Robert Garrity</i>
<i>Susan Busch</i>	<i>Randy Kramer</i>
<i>Pamela Cabrera</i>	<i>Chris Luehrs</i>
<i>Fran & Al Dabrowski</i>	<i>Lindsey Luehrs</i>
<i>Nancy Dolan</i>	<i>Milo Nickles</i>
<i>George Dopf</i>	<i>Helen Moore</i>
<i>Rachel Dudley</i>	<i>Joe Moretto</i>
<i>Earl Evans Jr</i>	<i>Robert Morris</i>
<i>Mary Fiste</i>	<i>Clara Osman</i>
<i>Joseph Franchina</i>	<i>Anna Pole</i>
<i>Darrel Francis</i>	<i>Stephanie Potter</i>
<i>Gail Gaeth</i>	<i>Thomas Pluckett</i>
<i>Clara Garza</i>	<i>Isaiah Ramsey</i>
<i>Richard Gill</i>	<i>Tony Riggs</i>
<i>Dorothy Grant</i>	<i>Lillian Snyder</i>
<i>Jim Hanerty</i>	<i>Ed Sullivan</i>
<i>Bennett Hart</i>	<i>Betty Wenzel</i>
<i>Marie Henry</i>	

Pastor's Corner

Our gospel reading for Easter Sunday begins where Good Friday ended—in a cemetery. “Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.” (John 20:1) In many cultures it is a traditional practice to go to the cemetery on Easter Sunday to remember loved ones and to live in the hope of the resurrection.

There was once a six year old boy named David who was taking a walk with his grandmother. On their way home, they decided to take a detour through the local cemetery, stopping every once in a while to read the headstones. Grandma explained that the first date on the tombstone was the day the person was born and the second date was the day the person died.

“Why do some of the tombstones only have one date?” David asked. “Because those people haven’t died yet,” his Grandma explained. David was obviously stunned by his Grandma’s explanation because that night he couldn’t stop thinking about their visit to the cemetery. “Mommy,” he said with wide eyes. “Some of the people buried in the cemetery aren’t even dead yet!” (Don’t Stop Laughing Now, 2002)

Leave it to a six year old to put a different twist on life and death. When we stop and think about it the gift of Easter puts the greatest twist of all on life. Easter says that all who are buried in Christ are not dead at all; for them life is changed not ended.

And yet, like Mary of Magdala, there are times when the Risen Jesus seems far from our eyes. Maybe it is because of sickness, injury, failure, loneliness, family difficulties or a loss through death that keep us from recognizing the Risen Lord. Sometimes the tears that come from grief or loss can blind us from seeing the Risen Lord. Other times in our race to find answers, like Peter and the Beloved Disciple, our minds are confused or distracted from seeing the truth.

It helps to remember where Jesus was when he walked the earth. The answer is found in our reading from the Acts of the Apostles. “Jesus went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.” (10:38b) This is precisely where Jesus is found today; alive, at work in our world through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The gift of resurrection life means that the most powerful obstacle to our union with God has been overcome. As St. Paul says, “Nothing can separate us from the love of God.” Not even death itself. For the next fifty days we are entering a journey of discovery to see and to give witness to the presence of the Risen Lord among us.

Like the disciples we know how the story ends. This truth must strengthen us and enliven us to be people of hope. It’s like a friend of mine who likes to read mystery novels. But, instead of reading the book from start to finish he reads the last chapter first to see what happens to the villain. Then he goes back and reads the book from the beginning always prepared to say to the villain, “Don’t get too sure of yourself, I know that you will get what’s coming to you in the end.” Because of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead we all hold a different script in our hands. Through the gift of baptism we are glory bound and have the opportunity to share in God’s gift of eternal life. Happy Easter!

Fr. Angelo

Masses for the Week



Monday, Apr 21,	12:00 Noon	Ruth & Robert Deschler
Tuesday, Apr 22,	12:00 Noon	Dorothy Zimmerman
Wednesday, Apr 23,	12:00 Noon	Maria Kim
Thursday, Apr 24,	12:00 Noon	Stephen A. Sichman
Friday, Apr 25,	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
Saturday, Apr 26,	12:00 Noon	John O’Kane
	4:30 p.m.	Dan Dalton
Sunday, Apr 27,	10:00 a.m.	Fr. William Dineen

The Dayton Catholic Women’s Club

invites you to its Annual Spring Luncheon on Saturday, May 3, at 11 a.m. (social); the \$25 lunch will be served at 12 noon at the Walnut Grove Country Club, 5050 Linden Avenue (east of Woodman Drive & Carroll High School). Join the DCWC sisterhood as it distributes dollars to charities, scholarships to female high school seniors, installs officers and celebrates 91 years of service. (Non-perishables & paper products will be accepted for Catholic Social Services’ Food Pantry.) Please call Maria Kaskocsak at 435-6883 by Monday, April 28th deadline.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thank you for your interest in participating in this ministry. Many of you have received the pattern for a simple prayer shawl and the instructions on how to focus on the intent of the ministry. You can drop off your completed prayer shawls at the Rectory, Monday – Friday 9:30-1:30 PM or give them to the ushers at Mass. If you need help or have questions contact Judy Dalton 247-5066 or the rectory 228-9272. Thank You for spending your time in prayer and your hands on making the prayer shawls that provide support and comfort to our fellow parishioners.

VIRTUS TRAINING

Holy Trinity is offering a class for anyone who has not already completed the Virtus session on Saturday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m. Anyone who works with children in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, is required to attend in order to participate in any parish activity that involves supervision of or interaction with children. Online registration is required to attend. Go to www.virtusonline.org and select the time and location listed after selecting your ID and password. If you experience registration problems or have questions, please call Jan at 228-1223.

Our SVDP Conference, St. Joseph’s Works of Mercy and Dayton Council 500 KOC will join together for a Charity Sale of household items, excluding clothing. Dates are May 15, 16 and 17th from 9:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall on Bainbridge St. Donations will be accepted on May 12, 13 and 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please contact Gail Miller 361-9576 with any questions or if you wish to volunteer to assist any day. Help us make this joint charitable venture a success. All net proceeds will benefit all three groups.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	Monday within the Octave of Easter
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