

Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 24, 2016 Volume 33 Number 17

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 26: 8:30 a.m. +Allen White
Saturday, April 30: 5:00 p.m. +Frank Chappuis
Sunday, May 1: 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

The flag flying over our church is in memory of John V. Dudley.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, April 24: **Celebration of Marriage** after 9:00 a.m. Mass
 'Big Bad' Play 1:00 p.m. in the social hall – All are welcome!
Monday, April 25: **Bell Choir Practice**
Tuesday, April 26: **Fatima Prayer Group, 7:40 a.m.**
 Social Hall Booked for meeting
Wednesday, April 27: **Religious Education** for grades 1-10 at 6:30 p.m.
 Pizza Party for Top Class (student Average) & Top Student

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, April 30, 2016 5:00 p.m.

AS: Emily Chmelik

EM: Betty David *

Kim Chmelik, Mary Ann Smisek

GR: Marge Duchene, Ed Dusbabek,

Anne Langer, Richard Misgen

L: Mary Ann Smisek

U: Marge Duchene, Ed Dusbabek,

Larry Smisek

Sunday, May 1, 2016 9:00 a.m.

AS: Taylor Landrum, Emma Louis

EM: Rolf Haaland*

MariLou Ernste, Katie Judd Landrum

GR: Duke & MariLou Ernste,

Denise & Rolf Haaland

L: Katie Judd Landrum

U: Lance Chappuis, Duke Ernste,

Tom Trnka

Remember in your prayers ...

Brianne Olson, Andi Olsonawski, Bill Hanson, Jill Rosett Konopka, Jodi Sowa, John Madden, Jeff Brown, Landyn Wrolson, Anne Naas; Don Jensen; Nick Grambart; all on the prayer chain;
Servicemen: Jaime Allison, Chris Chappuis, Owen Gehling, John McDonough, Eric Spehn, Luke Ward

If you or someone you know, would like a visit from Father Victor or to receive Holy Communion, call the office or take a salmon colored 'Sick Call' form located on the kiosk. Fill it out and drop it in the collection or give it to Father or an usher after Mass.

Office Hours

April 24 - 30, 2016

Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Financial Stewardship

April 16/17, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,866.00
Open Plate	311.00
Visitor	190.00
EFTs	343.00
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 3,710.00

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2016

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Psalm 67 "O God, let all the nations praise you!"
Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
Gospel: John 14:23-29

The reading from Acts of the Apostles shows us how the early church learned to listen to the Holy Spirit and work together to bring about peace of mind to the members of the community. When you hear God's holy word, listen for what God is telling us about how to be messengers of peace and unity within the Church and beyond.



Many Thanks to **Larry Smisek** for all the work he did cleaning out the flower beds in front of the church. WE truly appreciate your efforts, Larry!!!

A Word from Father Victor ...



April 24, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Let us continue to savor and celebrate the joy of Easter knowing that in his resurrection we are loved and saved. We recall in our first reading this Sunday about the enthusiasm and work the disciples did in proclaiming the good news of Easter and we hear as well how the church membership grew in numbers, of course, not without trials and tribulations.

We are also invited to reflect on the second reading which is about what will happen at the end of time. It will be a new heaven and a new earth. All will pass away. It will be God's dwelling with the human race. We will live with him!! There will be no more pain, no death, no sorrow. It will be peace, joy and happiness!

In the gospel story we are told about Jesus's invitation to love. Love that is "agape" or charity, a decision and a choice to sacrifice oneself for the good of the other as Jesus did, even to the point of the Cross. It is a challenge in our contemporary human and fallen condition but is made possible by God's grace, and by Jesus's example here in earth.

Is our community of faith a community of love in Christ? How are we learning how to love? Who is Jesus challenging me to love today and how? These are some important points of reflection for us during this year of mercy.

Our Grand Party is Saturday, May 14th.
The Grand Party is our second largest fundraiser. Please consider buying a \$60 ticket to help support our efforts. Tickets are available from **Randy & Kathy Archambault, John McDonough, Dan Pumper** the Parish Office. Get your ticket NOW before they are all gone!!! Tickets entitle you to 2 dinners and a chance to win \$1,000 or one of the other monetary prizes of \$500, \$300, \$200, 8 prizes of \$100 or 10 prizes of \$60. **JOB SIGN-UP IS ON THE GRAND PARTY TICKET TABLE.**

To view our FaceBook page just go to
<https://www.facebook.com/spshieldsville.org>
'Like' us to see what is happening each week and to find information on upcoming events. Check our website: <http://spshieldsville.org/> for weekly bulletins, member information, Mass times here and at area churches, heritage notes and more.

Names of Area Graduates needed.

We want to recognize **St. Patrick 2016 High School Graduates on Saturday, May 7th** at Mass and a reception after Mass. Invitations have been sent to known graduates.



If you are a St. Patrick member and have not received an invitation, please call the office. We are sorry for any oversight. We will also recognize our 2016 Confirmation Class at this time

Knights of Columbus 889 Korner

(17 Third Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)



The K of C is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They stand together in faith, while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight. Ask a Knight for more information. Reach us at fariboknights@gmail.com.

Lending Library ...



We are looking for someone to organize the lending library in the coat room. The room has turned into quite a mess. There are many books that need to be shelved or thrown. If you are interested in taking that task on, please call the office or talk to Tracy.

Women's Spiritual Day - Ladies of all ages! Letting the Peace of Christ Rule Your Heart

Sunday, May 15, 2016, noon – 4pm
St. Anne's School | 511 N 4th St. | Le Sueur

Luncheon: chicken salad croissant sandwich with fresh fruit and veggies. Featuring guest speaker: **Kelly Wahlquist** is a dynamic and inspiring Catholic speaker whose gift of weaving personal stories and Scripture together with practical advice allows her audience to enter more fully into what Blessed John Paul II, Pope Emeritus Benedict, and Pope Francis have called us into —to be witnesses of our faith and part of the New Evangelization. Kelly is co-creator of and speaker for *Hearts Afire Parish-based Programs for the New Evangelization*, an incredibly successful initiative from the Marians of the Immaculate Conception that is taking the country by storm. This bold, vibrant approach is designed to help people live the complete Catholic life of Faith, Hope, and Christian Charity in the Sacraments through parish-based small group faith renewal programs. Cost is \$20 per person. Reservations are required! RSVP to Deanna Pfarr at deeannapfarr@yahoo.com or 763-691-4708.

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault
507.334.3948
www.bacards.org

Divine Mercy Catholic School

www.dmcs.cc
507-334-7706.



Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(Pre-K - 8th Grade)
205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507)364-7383 (mosthrs.org)

April 22 is Earth Day, a day that bears special mention in our Catholic Schools because it gives us an opportunity to bear witness about our appreciation for the world God gave us. The earth is our home, and, as such, we, like Pope Francis and his Patron Saint Francis of Assisi, recognize that respecting the earth is central to our Catholic teaching. The story of St. Francis be-friending a wolf has made him approachable and likable. However, we do his legacy harm if we don't realize that, like Pope Francis, his message about respect for the environment is linked to a special love for the poor. In his 2015 Encyclical, the Holy Father writes, "the poorest suffer most" when they are left to live in polluted environments. Whatever recycling, reusing or cleaning up we do to mark Earth Day, maybe we can be mindful that by respecting our environment, we are ultimately respecting human life, too.

Earth Day at HRS Little Lambs-Grades K-1 will focus on the school & church grounds. The students will pick-up trash and sticks around the playground and along the church property. In the classroom the students are going to be focusing on the "3 R's", reduce, reuse and recycle.

Grades 2-3-4, will focus on their writing projects and an art project in which they will turn recycled tin cans into wind-chimes, the classes will head to Memorial Park and will clean up the grounds.

Grade 5 will be beautifying the school grounds by helping Rick Skluzacek, the school's custodian and groundskeeper, with transplanting plants.

And finally the **school's older students** will journey to Highway 99 to clean-up the schools' section of the Minnesota Dept of Transportation "Adopt-a-Highway" program.

Spring Picture Day is April 26; please dress accordingly. Forms were sent home last week and must accompany student when photographed. Do

not send payment now. You can view picture packet later and decide if you want to purchase.

Registration for the 2016-2017 school year is open and Forms were sent home. **HRS is currently making plans for next year as far as staffing, books & equipment; please turn in registration forms as soon as possible.** Please call the school if you have any questions.

As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns. Thanks.

Mr. Vondracek, Principal vondracek@mosthrs.org

Holy Redeemer School needs recyclable paper (blank on one side) to use for copying student worksheets. Drop it off in the box by our office when you can. Thank you!

Coming Up In The Area ...

Food for Kidz Packaging Event

**Thursday, April 28 at Crusader Civic Center
116 Alabama St SE, Lonsdale**

Two Shifts: 4:00 - 5:30 pm & 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Please bring your cash/check donation with you to cover the cost of food. *No sign-up needed!* Or mail your tax-deductible donation to: Food for Kidz c/o Immaculate Conception Parish PO Box 169, Lonsdale MN 55046. *Checks can be made payable to Food for Kidz.* 100% of money raised is used to buy food - Each meal costs \$0.15. For more information contact: Heather Malecha 952-652-2650 heathermalecha@outlook.com or Becky Neisen 952-292-9055 beckyneisen@yahoo.com or www.FoodForKidz.org. *Sponsored by the Food for Kidz Committee and IC Parish Pastoral Council*

Marian Symposium - Tuesday, May 3rd

at 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall in New Prague - Free and open to the public.

Opens with the Rosary, Mary in Scripture, Marian Apparitions, Marian Pilgrimages. Speaker is Father Dave Barrett, a priest who is in love with Mary and wants to foster devotion to her.

TAKE IT TO THE BOX INFO

WHAT: Our community is serious about preventing medication misuse/ abuse and about environmentally safe disposal of medication.



WHEN: Take It To THE BOX medication disposal boxes available 7 Days a week, 24 hours a day.

HOW: Leave medication in original container,

- Remove name and personal information
- Leave name of medication on container
- Drop medication into disposal box.

WHERE: Faribault Police Dept Lobby 25-4th Street NW or the Northfield Police Dept Lobby 300 5th Street W. Questions call 507.664.3524, 507.332.5911 or visit www.ricecountyhc.com