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**Mass Times**

Thursday 7:00 pm

Saturday 7:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am

**CONFESSIONS:**

Thursday @ 6:15 pm

Sunday after Mass

**ADORATION:**

Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm

A friend and his wife were on vacation, not yet far from home. They were pulling a camper and were very much looking forward to the adventure at hand. They were on a two-lane highway when a man fell asleep behind the wheel of his pickup. There was not time for an act of contrition. There was no time for a good-bye kiss. The truck side-swiped their vehicle and hit the camper head on. The vehicle was totaled. The camper was not merely totaled; it had exploded into a million pieces.

How is it possible that no one was killed? In fact, there was no injuries at all, apart from a few scrapes that could have happened during a walk in the woods. Life is incredibly fragile. One inch this way or that way, a couple of centimeters, is the difference between life on earth and eternal judgment. We do not know the day or the hour.

I think that it is an act of mercy on God’s part to have numbered our days in secret. Imagine the anxiety that would fill the world if everyone’s moment of death were published at birth. There would be no peace. No freedom. I doubt that time would be more precious, and it would become at ticking time bomb of anxiety.

For disciples of Jesus Christ, our mission is clear, and it does not depend on the hour of death. We are to live in God’s love and mercy today and always. We are to proclaim the good news that Jesus is Lord and that life in his name is the way to eternal life. We don’t know the day or the hour—but in Christ we don’t need to know…anything…except that we are adopted children of God and that God’s timing is perfect.

Go camping. Take your dream vacation. Repaint your living room. We have no need to take unnecessary risks, nor do we need to live in fear. I am excited for my final trip, from here to heaven. The whole of my life is the journey. Let us be grateful for God’s mercy in Jesus that brings us freedom from our sins. Let us be excited to live today for Jesus, who is the way, the truth and the life.

Be glad that you do not know the day or the hour. Love your loved ones well today and proclaim the good news.

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'"

 MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me."  Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone.  Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others.  Every day we pass by someone in need.  Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

. **Sunday, March 21, 2021--$873.50**

**Catholic Relief Services--$10**

**Mass Intentions**

**Thurs., April 1: +Susie Spry**

**Sat., March 27: +Mark Stalberger**

**Sun., March 28: +Leo Steffl**

Your 2021 envelopes are in the Fellowship Hall on a table. If you have not picked yours up, please do so. Postage is expensive for us to mail them out.

Bishop Hoeppner has given permission to resume singing in church.

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**Question of the week: What cross do I find difficult to shoulder myself? Whose burden have I been unvilling to share? How can I help someone else and/kor allow myself to be helped?**

**Saturday Sunday**

 **Lector**

*Easter Vigil Readers Karen Klarer*

**Usher**

*David Steffl Danny Steffl*

**Ministry Schedule for April 3, 2021**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

A PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE BELOW: Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illnesses. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/ treatments. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care/treatment and their soul to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy. Amen

Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Deb Clark, Rick Flottemesch, Brent Pearson, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Peg Braaten, Connie Collman Bergren, Darrell Beck, Brian Hazelton, Hali Thomas, Chris Fairbanks, Jim Foltz, Pat Hilber (Coleen Tietz’s brother-in-law), Ken & Rita Pearson, Ethan Estabrooks, Judy Dwinell, Marlene Scherping. Jerome Jirava, Jr., Josh Janousek, Cleo Baker, Don Tietz, Violet Fairbanks and Irene Hazelton.

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**There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm.**

Ken and LaMae Blattenbauer have informed us that they will no longer be able to volunteer to chair for the Sunday’s coffee and rolls. We appreciate all the years they have done this for our parish to enjoy. I think we all have missed the socialization after mass during this covid.

That being said, we now need new volunteers so  we can have coffee and rolls again. The volunteers will need to  get people to sign up for each Sunday. They will also be responsible to make sure there is juice and coffee available in the kitchen to serve.  The proceeds from the donations will pay for the coffee and juice so there is no cost to you.   If you have any questions, please talk to Ken and LaMae.

Until we get volunteers, there will be no coffee and rolls.