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WEEKLY BULLETIN

MARCH 31, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Holy Week is here! There is no doubt this week as to how we should be living, in a word: victoriously. Jesus triumphed over sin and death, as we sing on Easter night:

***Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven,
exult, let Angel ministers of God exult,
let the trumpet of salvation
sound aloud our mighty King's triumph!***

The sorrows and pains of this life do not have the final word--Jesus does. The resurrection fulfills the prophecy hidden in Psalm 16: "Nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption." Our Lord experienced betrayal, abandonment, mocking, false accusation, brutality and death, but he did not see corruption. Sometime during the blessed night Jesus rose, body and soul, from the dead.

The catechism teaches that the resurrection is the "crowning truth" of our Christian faith. A Christian is fundamentally someone who believes in the Resurrection. If Jesus is alive (and he is) then that truth must impact every moment of my life. Do you and I really live our faith? Do we really believe that Jesus is alive?

I remember one time as a kid spending Easter on a vacation (as often happens) with my family. My Mom and Dad made sure we went to Easter Mass, so we showed up at an unknown church in Florida. As it turns out, it was an Eastern Rite church with lots of incense, chanting and iconography. The liturgy was a bit more involved than I was used to back home in Hollandale. After three hours we decided that we had fulfilled our Easter obligation! Looking back I am thankful that my parents made Mass a priority even on vacation. Faith made a practical impact on our lives: we were going to Easter Mass even in a church that was liturgically different than our parish.

I pray that this Easter Season will bring you deeper into the good habits of Christian faith.

May you seek Him, May you find Him, May you love Him!

best, Fr. Luke

Other notes:

- ✚ We have a new website domain. You can now begin using www.saintsja.org. Check it out! Email addresses will remain the same for the time being.
- ✚ Check out the minutes from our February 27 Transition Team meeting on the website!
- ✚ Our Holy Thursday collection will be sent to Haiti to help build a new school within our Sister Diocese in Jacmel, Haiti. And the Good Friday collection goes to the Holy Lands!

SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tues: Choir Rehearsal at St. John, 6:00 PM

Wed: Men's Group Meet at St. John, 5:30 AM
Adoration at St. John, 7:00 AM
Prink the Word at St. John, 9:15 AM
MS/HS Faith Formation at St. Luke, 6:45 PM

Thurs: SVDP Meeting at St. John, 5:30 PM

Fri: First Friday Adoration at St. John, 7:00 AM
Fish Fry at St. Luke, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Sat: First Saturday Adoration at St. Boniface, 8:00 AM
First Saturday Mass at St. Boniface, 9:00 AM

Sun: Family of Faith Formation at St. John
~ Mass at 8:30 AM
~ Class at 9:30 AM

LOOKING AHEAD ...

- ✚ St. Luke Fish Fry, April 5, 5:00 PM
- ✚ Trivia Night at St. John, April 13
~ Food served at 5:00
~ Premiere Trivia starts at 6:00 PM
- ✚ First Annual Summer Pilgrimage, June 21-23
- ✚ St. Luke Parish Festival/Raffle Drawing, June 22

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before each Weekend Mass
St. John ~ 3:30 PM Saturday & 8:00 AM Sunday
St. Patrick ~ 7:00 AM Sunday
St. Boniface ~ 8:30 AM First Saturday of the Month

READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

THE LIGHTS THIS WEEK BURN FOR ...



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**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR
SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE PASTORATE**

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane A. Meixelsperger †

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John

5:15 PM Mass at St. Luke for Deceased Members of the
Herman & Lucille Brey Family †

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Greg Miller
and Mary Schauf †

10:45 AM Mass at St. Luke for Alois Bindl †

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane A. Meixelsperger †

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John Dean Runyan †

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

9:00 AM Mass at St. Boniface for Geraldine &
Walter Powell †

4:00 PM Mass at St. John for Harlan & Florence Sprecher †

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

7:30 AM Mass at St. Patrick for the People of Saints
Joachim & Anne Pastorate

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Bill & Virginia Hackl †

10:30 AM Mass at St. John for Dixie Schweiss †

SAT., APR 6	8:30 AM ST. JOHN
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Lector	Diane Baryenbruch
EM	Linda Thering
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SUN., APR 7	7:30 AM ST. PATRICK	8:30 AM ST. JOHN	10:30 AM ST. JOHN
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A special note from Fr. Kumud ...

FEW MONTHS YET FELT LIKE YEARS

A BIG "Thank You" to all of you in the precious name of the Risen Lord! Leaving on Jan 15 and returning on March 25 was just about 3 months but felt like I was gone for years! I was wondering why did I feel that way? And the reason I found was "YOU". I missed each of you very dearly, even if I was with my near and dear ones and in my hometown.

Wow...what a bond we have in Jesus Christ! Love is the bond that can never be taken away from us for it is the only thing that God has instilled in us through the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ! This profound reality, no one can understand except you and me, because we eat the same Bread (the flesh of Christ Jesus) every Mass I celebrate for you. The **banquet of love** brought to us from God the Father in the Holy Eucharist!

The gift of Ministerial priesthood to me by ordination and the gift of Common Priesthood of Christ to you by Baptism given us by the High Priest Jesus makes us **United in Love, while breaking the bread on the Table of Calvary**. It does not matter who we are or where we are anymore...I experienced your **absenting presence** when I was going through yet another tough **faith test** of my vocation journey.

Thank you Bishop Hying, the Diocese of Madison, the Knights of Columbus of Spring Green, and all the parishioners of Pastorates 6 and 17 who continuously prayed and supported me to overcome the hurdles of getting my documents on time.

Now I have proof that I was born and have a date of Birth! Officially! huh...

Hereby I declare that I was born to Mr. Sujan Nayak and Mrs Pabitra Nayak on the 24th Day of June 1975 in a remote village called Partamah in the state of Orissa, India. Remember to pray for me on my birthday which I share with John the Baptist, my patron saint.

Let us shake the heavens in prayer for each other! No power on earth can separate us from the love of Christ, who died for us to save us.

Oh yeah! One more thing I forgot! Get ready to listen to my God experiences ...Clean your ears to listen to my accent and clear your glasses to see my Jesus!

Happy Easter!!! More Eggs!!! You know I love Eggs!!! Ha...Father K



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ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

MARCH 25-APRIL 1: No School...Spring Break
APRIL 2: School Resumes
APRIL 19: No School ~ Teacher Professional Development



HAPPY EASTER!

From all the teachers and staff and St. John's, we wish you a blessed Easter filled with peace, love, and the joy of the risen Lord.

EASTER EGG HUNT AND OPEN HOUSE

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS YEAR'S FUNFEST!

Funfest this year will be on Friday evening, August 9th and all day Saturday, August 10th. We have exciting events planned for both children and adults. Funfest is the school's major fundraiser so plan on coming out to support our school!

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NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE! Visit our website at www.stjohns-springgreen.org for more information regarding our fantastic faculty, curriculum, special events, and enrollment. See for yourself all the GREAT things happening at St. John's School by liking our Facebook page - St. John the Evangelist School Spring Green, WI.

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ST. LUKE SCHOOL NEWS

MARCH 25-APRIL 1: Spring Break
APRIL 2: School Resumes
APRIL 10: Home & School Meeting
APRIL 11: Education Commission Meeting
MAY 13: Spring Program 1:30 PM & 6:30 PM



I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!

St. Luke School has ice cream cone punch cards for sale. The cards are \$10 each and you can redeem them at Plain Kwik Stop for a soft serve ice cream cone. Only 100 cards are available. 10 cones for \$10. What a great deal! Proceeds go toward the class of 2025 end-of-year class trip. To purchase a punch card contact the school office, 546-2963 or email diane.mueller@stlukecatholicchurchplain.com. A BIG thank you to Tiffany Faber at Plain Kwik Stop for providing the 7th grade class with this awesome fundraiser!

SCHOOL-AGE SUMMER PROGRAM ~ St. Luke School's school-age summer program will begin after Memorial Day and run through mid-August. If interested in enrolling your child(ren) in the summer program, please contact the school office at 608-546-2963 or email the principal, Mrs. Mueller at diane.mueller@stlukecatholicchurchplain.com

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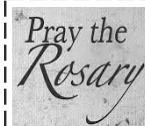
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"Parish Rosary Program"
(Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate)

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We would like to ask parishioners of ALL five churches to put your rosary counts into the collection baskets at the weekend Masses!

SVDP RIVER VALLEY CONFERENCE



"No form of charity is foreign to the society"
~ Founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - River Valley Conference is resuming our truck PICK UP service for donated furniture, household goods and clothing in APRIL! These pickups will be on **one Saturday morning each month** and we are in **dire need of "younger folks"** or high school students to assist us with these pickups. The commitment each Saturday would be 2-3 hours. The dates are: **4/13; 5/18; 6/15; 7/20; 8/17; 9/21; and 10/19** (subject to change or adjustment). If you would like to **volunteer** for this activity of fellowship and service to our neighbors in need or to **schedule a pickup**, please call **Denny Olson at 608-574-3422**. As your SPRING cleaning begins, and you would like to donate gently used clothing, household goods, furniture, etc., please make sure the items are **sellable, useable, in good condition and odor free**. If you know someone that may need assistance, look for our SVDP brochure in the back of the church. **Feel free to take one and pass it on**. Our next SVDP Conference meeting will be **Thursday April 4th at 5:30 PM at St. John's**. All are welcome! Contact Joan (651-324-3068) or Rick Zahalka (715-415-1593) for questions.



There is availability at St. Pat, St. John, and St. Luke to schedule Mass intentions. Both School's Weekly Masses have many openings. Please call or stop in at the parish offices to reserve a Mass. To schedule at St. John please call Barb at 608-588-2028 or

email barb.ferguson@pastorate6.org or to schedule at St. Pat or St. Luke please call Heather at 608-546-2482 or email heather.faber@pastorate6.org.



Sanctuary Memorial Lights ~ St. John, St. Luke, and St. Pat have openings in 2024! For those who would like to remember a **birthday, an anniversary, a special intention, or a loved one's passing**, you may have a Sanctuary candle lit for 7 days at a cost of \$20. Please call the parish offices to schedule these intentions.

PLANNING YOUR WILL

Remember St. John the Evangelist, St. Luke, St. Patrick, St. Boniface and St. John the Baptist

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA???

Giant Spring Estate Sale at Holy Cross St. Barnabas Parish, 410 Cramer St., Mazomanie, WI. Thursday, April 4th from 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Friday, April 5th from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, and Saturday, April 6th, from 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon.

WALKING TO EMMAUS ~ 18th Annual Men's Retreat at Camp Gray ~ On April 13, all men are invited to Camp Gray for this retreat hosted by St. John Paul II Pastorate. Bishop Hying, Fr. Eric Sternberg and Fr. Jared Holzhuber will be the featured speakers. The retreat begins at 8:00 AM with Mass and will conclude by 4:00 PM. To register, visit pastorate7.org. Registration is \$35 before April 9th, and \$40 after.

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST STUDY APRIL 10 ~ MAY 22

Draw closer to Jesus and His love and grace during the Easter season with this beautiful video study created by the National Eucharistic Revival. Take time to make new friendships with others in our pastorate as we seek to grow deeper in our faith! We will meet in the St. Luke basement on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 PM, April 10th through May 22nd. Each session will have prayer, short videos and times to discuss and learn with others. Please mark your calendar and make plans to participate. Contact Marie Lins at marielins@hotmail.com or 608-469-3982 with any questions.

Next Religious Ed Class MS/HS Faith Formation Class at St. Luke, 6:45 PM Wednesday, April 3rd.



The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be traveling through Wisconsin this June on its way to the National Eucharistic Congress. Make plans to join the pilgrimage as it enters into the National Eucharistic Congress in the Diocese of LaCrosse on Friday, June 7. For \$55 you can ride a deluxe motorcoach with other pilgrims from the Diocese of Madison from Holy Name Heights in Madison to downtown LaCrosse. We plan to join the procession as it travels through downtown LaCrosse to The LaCrosse Center for The Answer Eucharistic Rally. The rally will begin with Mass and feature speakers Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagiza, Josh Rosa, and Father Justin Kizewski along with music, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, and more. For more info and registration go to www.madisondiocese.org/answer.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

<u>St. John's (Week 39)</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Maint.</u>
Weekly Envelope Goal	\$ 7,925.00	\$ 577.00
Mar 23/24 Actual	\$ 2,894.00	\$ 150.00
ACH Weekly Average	\$ 2,496.00	\$ 52.00
Difference:	-\$ 2,535.00	-\$ 375.00
Envelope Goal YTD	\$ 301,150.00	\$ 21,926.00
YTD Total to Mar 24	\$ 241,552.00	\$ 9,869.00
Difference	-\$ 67,523.00	-\$ 12,634.00

Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God!

To Parish5-8%
To Diocese.....1%
To Charities.....1-4%

Would you prayerfully consider treating St. Luke/St. John Parish as one of your children in your will/estate planning?

Call Parish Office for details.

<u>St. Luke's (Week 39)</u>	
Total Weekly Goal	\$ 7,405.00
Mar 23/24 Actual	\$ 2,216.00
ACH Weekly Average	\$ 2,500.00
Difference:	-\$ 2,689.00
Total Goal YTD	\$ 288,795.00
YTD Actual to Mar 24	\$ 250,140.00
Difference	-\$ 38,655.00

*This now includes weekly envelopes and weekly offertory basket collection!!

Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

253 N. Washington Street
P.O. Box 628
Spring Green, WI 53588

ST. JOHN MASS: Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 8:30am

ST. JOHN OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 588-2028
Parish Fax 588-2648
Parish Email..... barb.ferguson@pastorate6.org
Website.....www.pastorate6.org
Parish Center/Kitchen..... 588-2229
Pastoral Council President: Dave Mack 459-0680
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference.... 546-2482

ST. JOHN SCHOOL

School Office 588-2021
School Website..... <http://stjohns-springgreen.org>
School Principal: Allison Stroud..... 588-2021

ST. JOHN CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Roger Kolan..... 588-2103

Saint Luke Parish

1240 Nachreiner Avenue
Plain, WI 53577

ST. LUKE MASS: Saturday 4:00pm & Sunday 10:00am

ST. LUKE OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 546-2482
Parish Fax 546-2616
Parish Email..... heather.faber@pastorate6.org
Website.....www.pastorate6.org
Church Kitchen 546-2800
Pastoral Council President: Bruce Culver..... 544-5813
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference.... 546-2482
Little Luke Daycare.....546-2963, ext. 316

ST. LUKE SCHOOL

School 546-2963
School Website..... <http://stlukes-plain.org>
School Principal: Diane Mueller..... 546-2963

ST. LUKE CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Bob Schweiss..... Cell: 608-963-8163

Saint Boniface

105 Church Street
Lime Ridge, WI 53942

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

Saint Patrick Loreto

58280 County Road G
Plain, WI 53577

MASS: Sunday 7:30am

St. Patrick's and Our Lady of the Fields
Shrine Cemetery Sexton: Doug Faber

Saint John the Baptist Mill Creek

6494 County Highway H
Arena, WI 53503

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

(May-October)

JOINT STAFF & OFFICE INFORMATION

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SCHEDULING EVENTS

All parish activities or meetings need to be scheduled on the parish calendar. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday - Noon

MINISTERIO HISPANO / HISPANIC MINISTRY

Padre Luke Syse se habla espanol
Puedes llamarlo a 608-636-4337

HOMEBOUND VISITS

Deacon Tom Fogarty - 414-530-0868
tjohnf52480@gmail.com

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

SACRAMENTS

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes before every scheduled mass.

MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through the parish offices. First time parents are required to attend a baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office for more information.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual celebrations can be arranged by calling the parish office.

OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

OCIA is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. Please contact Marie Lins at 608-469-3982 or marie.lins@madisondiocese.org.